



AGAPE 2026

Greek for “love without limits”

SAVE THE DATE: PI*/PIE DAY! SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH AT NOON

*Pi Day is an annual celebration of the mathematical constant π (pi). Pi Day is observed on March 14 since 3, 1, and 4 are the first three significant figures of π . So, here at NOUMC it seemed like the perfect time for a potluck of Savory and Sweet Pie! A signup sheet will be coming so start exploring those cookbooks and recipe files!

March Penny Sunday: Nehemiah Bread on Bridge Food Ministry



This month's Penny Sunday offering will help fund NOUMC's commitment to Nehemiah's Bread on Bridge food ministry. Nehemiah Mission is a United Methodist Mission located at West 65th Street and Bridge Avenue in Cleveland. The mission serves the local community by providing housing to immigrant families, worship services and Bible Studies, and a food ministry program.

For almost two years our NOUMC volunteer team has provided a complete meal to those in need the first Tuesday of every other month. On average, we feed 30-50 people with most receiving an additional take-out meal. Although our church operating budget helps to sustain this meaningful food ministry we often rely on donations of bread, desserts and other items to reduce expenses. Your Penny Sunday offering will help to defray the impact on our operating budget and feed many impoverished people in Cleveland.

The Bible reminds us that “each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.” (1 Peter 4:10-11) Thank you for giving generously to sustain Nehemiah Mission's vital ministry.

Worship Opportunities

Worship With Us In-Person and Online on Sundays at 11:00 am

Visit <http://www.noumc.org/worship-remote-worship-resources/> for bulletins and worship links.

DATE	GREETER(S)	LITURGIST	USHER(S)
March 1	Jim and Ellie Yager	Bev Hixon	Sarah Jackson
March 8	Barb Andrews	John Wolter	Liz Lavelle
March 15	Sarah Jackson	Barb Clough	Bar b and Ron Cloug
March 22	Jean Scothon	Greg Lavelle	Judi Wagner
March 29	John and Char Vas	John Vas	Sarah Jackson

Oxcart Easter Baskets



We are again collecting items for Easter baskets this year. They will be distributed to the clients of Oxcart Pantry. Please use the list below as you shop; items can be placed in the box in Fellowship Hall. Your help is appreciated. All items are due March 22nd.

We can do the shopping for you! Make checks payable to NOUMC and write "Easter Baskets" or "February Penny Sunday" in the memo.

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| ◇ Easter baskets | ◇ Shampoo | ◇ Conditioner | ◇ Hair items |
| ◇ Wrapped candy | ◇ Deodorant | ◇ Toothpaste | ◇ Small coloring books |
| ◇ Toothbrushes | ◇ Soap | ◇ Skin cream/lotion | ◇ Puzzle books |
| ◇ Lip balm | ◇ Combs | ◇ Razors | ◇ Crayons |
| ◇ Nail clippers/nail files | ◇ Small tools | ◇ Pens and pencils | ◇ Jewelry |
| ◇ Toy cars & trucks | ◇ Small stuffed animals | ◇ Small dolls | ◇ Cosmetics |

REMINDER! EASTER FLOWER SALE ENDS MARCH 8!

Worship Team is taking orders for Easter Lilies, Hyacinths, Daffodils, Tulips, Martha Washington Geraniums, and Pansies to decorate our altar on Easter morning. Flower orders will be due on March 8th. Order forms are available in Fellowship Hall. Please fold your payment into the order form and place it into the purple box or send them to Wendy's attention at the church. You may also email your order to Wendy at sundayschool@noumc.org. Proceeds from the sale will support our Altar and Arts Team and be used to decorate our altar throughout the year. Flowers may be taken home after our Easter morning service!

Community Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers Needed

On Saturday, March 28th, we will be hosting a community Easter Egg Hunt on our front lawn! Families will have two hunt times to choose from...one at 1:00 and the second at 2:00. Please spread the word to any families with children that you know! Save the date cards that you can hand out will be available on the sign-in table in Fellowship Hall.

Egg Filling Volunteers needed on March 11 at 10am.

We also welcome anyone who would like to join us for our Easter egg hunt on March 28th! Volunteers will be asked to help families check in, help children with the hunt, and help re-egg the lawn in between hunts. Please see Wendy, Tammy, Sarah, Colette, Jennifer, Chris or Judi for further details!

UWF News---From Barb Andrews

In addition to our weekly lunches, we are working on small projects and activities around the church. All are welcome to join us any Wednesday. Please check with any UWF member for meeting details.

Spring is coming! We are in communication with Dean's, our greenhouse vendor, as we are preparing for our annual plant sale. Be on the lookout for more details!

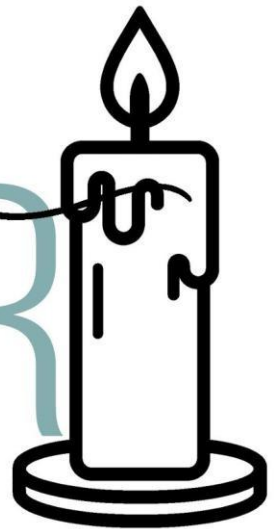
Mission News---From Barb Andrews

THANK YOU to all who contributed to our mission work! We were able to gift 51 coffee and meat products to Oxcart Pantry! This month we will be collecting cereal and other breakfast items. We will continue to collect small gifts, toys, stuffed animals, baskets, and toiletry articles for the Easter baskets for the Pantry. There is a more detailed list in this Agape. You continue to help our North Olmsted neighbors!

March Oxcart: Cereal and Other Breakfast Items

Please place items in the green box in Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your generosity!

Remember IN PRAYER



Condolences to the family of Pegeen O'Dell on her passing	Condolences to the family of Lois Dow on her passing	Barb Clough's sister-in-law, Laura
Jackie McCreery, Sarah Jackson's sister-in-law	Ron Dow, Lois Dow's son	Barb Bilas
Bill and Marilyn Ransom	Billy Ellis, brother of Sarah Jackson	



MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1	Sara Coast	20	Deb Chermonte
1	Javier Gonzalez	21	Wendy Cooper
5	Kirsten Ressel	21	Pastor Tennille & Bryant Alexander
5	Sharon Werner	24	Iris Stroup
7	Mark Steiger	25	Marilyn Ransom
12	Nicole Blosser	27	Gabriela Martinez & Javier Gonzalez
12	DeNiro Bernard	28	Ed & Barb Brewster
17	Kristin Hipple	30	Dick Mercer
19	Liam Benko	31	Dianne Plogger

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fr	Sa
1 9:30 Sunday School 11am Worship 12pm Nurture Team 2pm GS	2 8:30pm AA	3 6:30pm Missions 6:30pm Scouts	4 10am UWF 8pm AA	5 6pm Bells 7pm Choir	6 6pm Dinner & a Movie	7
8 9:30 Sunday School 11am Worship 2pm GS	9 8:30pm AA	10 6:30pm Scouts	11 10am Easter Egg Fill 8pm AA	12 6pm Bells 7pm Choir	13 6pm Dinner & a Movie	14 8:30am UMM Breakfast 9am-3pm Card Making
15 9:30am Sunday School 11am Worship 2pm GS	16 8:30pm AA	17 1pm Book Bank 6:30pm Scouts	18 8pm AA	19 6pm Bells 7pm Choir	20 6pm Dinner & a Movie	21
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For the most up-to-date calendar, visit www.noumc.org.

Please contact the church office (office@noumc.org or 440.779.6634) to add your meeting or gathering, virtual or in-person, to the church calendar.

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Return Address Requested

Our Guiding Principles

- We appreciate, invite and welcome people of all ages.
- We actively serve our neighbors in the North Olmsted community and the wider world.
- We provide varied opportunities for people to grow in their faith.
- We welcome and nurture a diverse congregation who become extended family.
- We foster lasting personal relationships, which are especially important in a digital world.

Free Community Meal (In-Person Only)

Thursday, March 26, 2026

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Fellowship Hall

Menu TBD

The Free Community Meal is a mission of North Olmsted United Methodist Church. All meals are funded by donations, and the dinners are prepared and served by volunteers. Menus may change because of donated food or food pricing. Additional volunteers are always welcome! If you would like more information, please contact us at 440-779-6634. *We are an accessible facility.*

A sign-up sheet for help with set-up, serving, and clean-up will be in Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Chris Byrns at 440-732-5431.