



# FEBRUARY

**AGAPE**

**Greek for “love without limits”**

## Soup's On!



**Sunday, February 8th**, our Christian Education and Youth Ministry Team will help fight hunger and poverty, joining a national effort to refocus Super Bowl weekend into a weekend of sharing God's love with our neighbors in need, by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. This effort helps us to be mindful of those who are without even a bowl of soup to eat as we enjoy our Super Bowl celebrations. During worship on February 8th, large soup pots will be on the table in Fellowship Hall for you to drop in your donation. Or you may send checks in to the church office, to the attention of Wendy Cooper. Please make checks payable to NOUMC and write “Souper Bowl of Caring” in the memo. This year's donations will be sent to the North Olmsted Food Pantry. Please consider donating to help us make a difference in our community!

**Birthday Celebration-  
Soup and Turkey  
Sandwich Lunch!  
February 15th**

Join us for fellowship after the service on Sunday, February 15th to celebrate our Jan/Feb/Mar birthdays and lunch. Adult Fellowship is making soup and the Men's group will be providing turkey sandwiches. If you would like to bring something, we would love to see some fruit or desserts. Come hungry!!



## 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)
February 1	Barb Andrews	Michelle Wolter	Sarah Jackson
February 8	Sarah Jackson	Ed Brewster	Liz Lavelle
February 15	Jean Scothon	Ed Brewster	Barb and Ron Clough
February 22	John and Char Vas	Floyd Andrews	Judi Wagner

## Easter Flower Sale

Worship Team will begin taking orders on February 8th 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](mailto: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!

## February Penny Sunday: Oxcart Pantry 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            |

## 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.

We are accepting donations of plastic easter eggs and candy to fill the eggs. Please purchase the medium sized plastic eggs, and be sure the candy is pre-packaged and small enough to fit into the eggs. Please drop off any candy donations in the basket provided in Fellowship Hall, in the Christian Education mailbox or at the office. Please donate by March 1st.

**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!

## Mission News and Penny Sunday

We want to thank all those of you who purchased gifts for our "Adopt-A-Family" Christmas gift drive and those who gave so we could fill 90 stockings for our neighbors! Thank you for being a blessing!

Our February mission is collecting soup. Our box for our Easter basket giveaway is out and all items are due March 22nd. If you would like us to do the shopping, please give money to this month's Penny Sunday. Once again, the Girl Scouts are helping to stuff the baskets.

## UWF News—From Barb Andrews

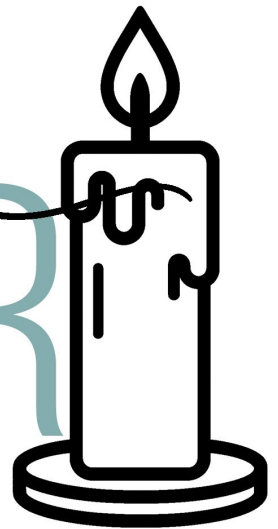
The UWF is back at work. If you like to plan ahead, the craft show will be happening on October 10th, and we have a tentative date for the Dean's Greenhouse Plant Sale of May 16th. With your help, this will be a success. All proceeds help with our November "giveaway" of our profits.

We continue to meet every Wednesday, with a business meeting the first Wednesday of the month. The other Wednesdays are us gathering for lunch. If you'd like to join us, we'd love to have you. Please join us and check with a UWF member where we will meet.

## February Oxcart: Soups

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

# Remember IN PRAYER



Sue S.'s Brother-in-Law, Chris	Bill and Marilyn R.	Billy E., Sarah J.'s brother
Margie, Michelle W.'s friend	Barb B.	Laurie, breast cancer surgery, Barb B.s friend
Steve Stang, brother-in-law of Claudia and Paul T.		



3	Ron Stroup	20	Joanne Krueger
8	Rachael Berry	21	Terri Wilhelm
9	Ron Clough	23	Sydney Scothon
11	Colette Pattison	25	Judy Sainsbury
12	Beth Cruz	25	Carolyn Bernard
13	Andrew Sabin	28	Phil Wolter
13	Gary and Jean Scothon	29	Ron and Lisa Davison Stroup
14	Carol Weinert		

# February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9:30 Sunday School 11am Worship 2pm GS	<b>2</b> 8:30pm AA	<b>3</b> 12pm Bread on Bridge 6:30pm Scouts 7:30pm Bible St.	<b>4</b> 10am UWF 8pm AA	<b>5</b> 6pm Bells 7pm Choir	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 9:30 Sunday School 11am Worship 2pm GS	<b>9</b> 8:30pm AA	<b>10</b> 6:30pm Scouts 7:30pm Bible St.	<b>11</b> 8pm AA	<b>12</b> 6pm Bells 7pm Choir	<b>13</b> 6pm Dinner & a Movie	<b>14</b> 8:30am UMM Breakfast
<b>15</b> 9:30 SS 11am Worship 12pm BD Celebration/Soup Lunch	<b>16</b> 8:30pm AA	<b>17</b> 1pm Book Bank 6:30pm Scouts 7:30pm Bible St.	<b>18</b> 7:15pm Ash Wednesday @ Rockport UMC 8pm AA	<b>19</b> 6pm Bells 7pm Choir	<b>20</b> 6pm Dinner & a Movie	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9:30 Sunday School 11am Worship 2pm GS	<b>23</b> 8:30pm AA	<b>24</b> 6:30pm Scouts 7:30pm Bible St.	<b>25</b> 8pm AA	<b>26</b> 4:30pm Community Meal 6pm Bells 7pm Choir	<b>27</b> 6pm Dinner & a Movie	<b>28</b>

For the most up-to-date calendar, visit [www.noumc.org](http://www.noumc.org).

Please contact the church office ([office@noumc.org](mailto: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, February 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.