

# North Olmsted United Methodist Church

## Announcements

February 8, 2026

### Mark your Calendar

- 2-10 Church Council, 6pm, Classroom 7
- 2-10 Jeremiah Bible Study, 7:30pm, Conv. Café
- 2-12 Bells, 6pm, Choir Room
- 2-12 Choir, 7pm, Choir Room
- 2-13 Dinner & a Movie, 6pm, Fellowship Hall

### February Oxcart: Soup!

Any kind of soup will do! Please place it in the green box in Fellowship Hall.

### Birthday Celebration and Soup Lunch: February 15



Join us for fellowship after the service on Sunday, February 15th. 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!!

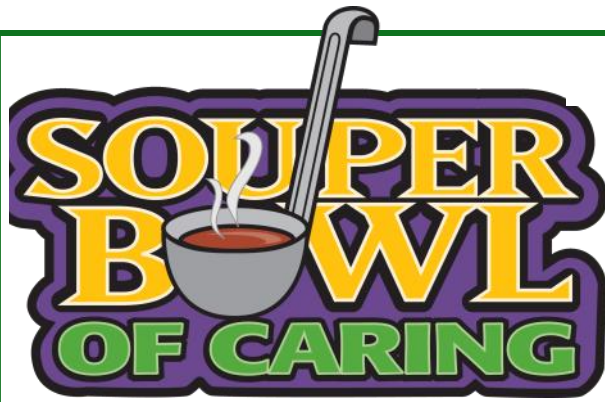


### Adult Sunday School Lenten Study: (Starting Feb. 22, 9:30am, Chapel Room)

#### "Why Did Jesus Have to Die?" by Adam Hamilton

The New Testament authors didn't settle on one meaning of the crucifixion but instead offered a dozen or more metaphors to explain how it saves, but often without a clear explanation of how Jesus's death accomplishes the saving work they describe. Because of this vagueness, wrapping our minds around the logic and meaning of the cross can cause us to miss the full impact it can have on our daily lives.

Adam introduces readers to several theories about how Jesus' death brings us into a right relationship with God—the reality that in Christian doctrine is called the atonement. Rather than choose one single theory above all others or understand any of them as mechanical transactions, Adam argues these theories can complement each other and work together to give us a fuller and deeper understanding of why Jesus died and what his death means for us.



**Today!!!** 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!

## Easter Flower Sale Begins Today!

Worship Team will begin 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](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!

## Community Easter Egg Hunt



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. Please see Wendy, Tammy, Sarah, Colette, Jennifer, Chris or Judi for further details!

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.

**Volunteer to Help Fill the Eggs!**

March 11th at 10am

**Volunteer to Help With the Hunt!**

March 28th at 1pm

We welcome anyone who would like to join us on March 28th for our Easter egg hunt! 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 information or to volunteer!