



North Olmsted United Methodist Church

Announcements

May 3, 2026

Mark your Calendar

5-5 Bible Study, 7:30pm, Conversation Cafe
5-7 Bible Study, 11am, Conversation Café
5-7 Choir, 7pm, Choir Room
5-9 UMM Breakfast, 8:30am, Canary's

May Oxcart: Picnic Condiments

We will be collecting condiments: Mayo, Ketchup, Mustard, Pickle Relish, etc. Please place your contribution in the green box in Fellowship Hall.

Celebrating the Legacy of Women's Ordination in the United Methodist Church

<https://www.resourceumc.org/en/partners/gcsr/home/content/gcsr-celebrates-70-years-of-womens-ordination-in-the-umc>

This year, we pause with gratitude and reverence to celebrate the anniversary of women's ordination in the United Methodist Church, a milestone reflecting both courageous faith and the ongoing movement of the Holy Spirit.

While women have long been called by God to preach, teach, and lead, it was in **1956** that full clergy rights were officially granted to women in what was then The Methodist Church. This historic step affirmed what Scripture has always revealed: that God calls and equips people for ministry without limitation by gender. From the prophetic voice of Miriam, to the leadership of Deborah, to the witness of Mary Magdalene, the first to proclaim the gospel of Christ, women have always been central to God's redemptive work.

Today, we honor the trailblazers who answered God's call in seasons when the path was not easy. Women who preached when their voices were questioned, who led when doors were closed, and who trusted God enough to walk forward anyway. Because of their faithfulness, generations of women now stand in pulpits, serve in pastoral leadership, and shape the life of the Church in powerful ways.

We also celebrate the women in our own congregation and community: pastors, leaders, mothers, daughters, mentors, and disciples, who continue to embody the Gospel with wisdom, compassion, and strength. Your ministry matters. Your voice matters. Your calling matters.

As we celebrate this anniversary, may we recommit ourselves to nurturing the gifts of all whom God calls. May we be a Church that not only remembers this legacy, but actively builds upon it, creating space for future generations to rise, lead, and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ.



Attention Graduates!

If you are a recent graduate (high school, college, technical school, online degree, etc.), we need your information by May 15th so we can honor you during worship! We will need your name, school, degree, and what you will be doing next. Please send all of your details to Wendy, sundayschool@noumc.org. We will be recognizing your achievements during worship on June 14!

Annual Conference 2026 – June 11-13



East Ohio Annual Conference will begin on the morning of Thursday, June 11 and will conclude the afternoon of Saturday, June 13. We will again meet on The College of Wooster campus. The Annual Conference theme is “Abundant Grace” and the words of Matthew 14:13-21 (NRSVA) will ground the services, sessions, and celebrations of our time together. Registration for AC 2026 opened on Wednesday, April 1 and will close on May 15. You must register online by May 15 in order to have voting credentials at Annual Conference. To register: <https://eastohioeg.brapp.com/2026EOCAnnualConferenceRegistration71>

EOC Annual Conference Resolutions

For full resolutions, click here: <https://www.eocumc.com/eoac26/>

[Resolution 2026-01: “Support for Creation Care and the Green Church Movement”](#)

[Resolution 2026-02: “Creation of an Ohio Area Substance Abuse Task Force”](#)

[Resolution 2026-03: “Concerning Christian Nationalism”](#)

[Resolution 2026-04: “The East Ohio Conference and Disabilities”](#)

[Resolution 2026-05: “Answering the Call of Kairos Palestine II”](#)

[Resolution 2026-06: “Doing Justice: The Heart and Soul of Social Action”](#)

[Resolution 2026-07: “On Christian Opposition to Cruel Treatment of Immigrants by the United States Government”](#)

[Resolution 2026-08: “Of War, and Peace: Welcoming the Stranger in our Midst”](#)

[Resolution 2026-09: “Supporting Gender Inclusivity, Equal Protection, and the Sacred Worth of Transgender and Non-Binary People”](#)