

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Announcements for Sunday, January 14, 2024

Adult Bible Study: Abide by Jen Wilkin: A Study of 1, 2 & 3 John

It's Not Too Late To Join Us! Tuesday Evenings at 7 PM & Thursday Mornings at 11 AM

In 1, 2 & 3 John, the Apostle John calls us to keep a habit of close communication with God, to hold fast to His word, to live like we believe it, and to find encouragement in the truth that God loves us! This is a 10 week study, and we will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7 PM and Thursday Mornings at 11 AM for about 2 hours (please choose the class that works best for you!) The evening class began on Tuesday January 9th, and will end on March 12th. The Thursday morning class began on January 11th and ends on March 14th. Study booklet with video access cost is \$25. Please join us as we dig in to the Apostle John's letters! Sign-up sheets will be on the sign-in table in Fellowship Hall, or please email Wendy at sundayschool@noumc.org.

New Sunday School Series

Craig Mueller began a new Sunday School series on January 7th! This is a 6 session series that will run through Sunday, February 11.

"The Difficult Words of Jesus," by AJ Lavine is a beginner's guide to Jesus' most perplexing teachings. Amy-Jill Levine shows how the difficult teachings would have sounded to the people who first heard them, how they have been understood over time, and how we might interpret them in the context of the Gospel of love and reconciliation.

Come join us! All are welcome. AJ Lavine will challenge you in your understanding of the Good News!

"Souper" Bowl of Caring

February 11, 2023

On February 11th, 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, large soup pots will be on the table in Fellowship hall for you to leave your donation. Or, you may send checks 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!



Free Community Meal

January 25, 2023
4:30 pm to 5:30 pm
Host: St. Clarence
Catholic Church



Lasagna
Salad
Bread
Drink
Dessert

Dining Around the World A-Z

Sunday, January 28th
After-Church Potluck! 12 noon-ish
Featured country - Albania!

We got everyone started with Afghanistan, but now everyone gets to join in the cooking adventure!! Look up an Albanian recipe online or use one of the ones we'll provide and get cooking/baking!!

Sign-up sheet will be in Fellowship hall - let us know what you're planning to make so we have a variety of dishes!! Have fun cooking/baking!! AND invite a friend for lunch! Find an interesting fact about Albania to share!

Impact Communities by Supporting the Human Relations Day Offering January 14

Human Relations Day is a denomination-wide Special Sunday in The United Methodist Church that recognizes and celebrates what Jesus taught during his ministry: all of God's children are important. The special offering taken on this Sunday before the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday is used to help build King's vision of "the beloved community." Through the first 11 months of 2023 United Methodist generously donated \$273,514 for ministries that are changing lives through social justice ministries and outreach through community developers, volunteer service, and youth offender rehabilitation programs.

- 57% of the funds received in the Human Relations Day special offering support community developer programs
- 33% of the funds received support the United Methodist Voluntary Services (UMVS)
- 10% of the funds received support rehabilitation programs.



This Week's Happenings

Book Bank: Tuesday, January 16, 1pm

PM Bible Study: Tuesday, January 16, 7pm, Classroom 7

AM Bible Study: Thursday, January 18, 11am, Classroom 7

Chancel Choir: Thursday, January 18, 7pm, Choir Room

Sunday School: Sunday, January 21, 9am, Choir Room

3rd Sunday of Epiphany/Penny Sunday: Sunday, January 21, 10:30am