### "Souper" Bowl of Caring

February 11, 2023

On February 11<sup>th</sup>, 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!

## **New Sunday School Series**

Beginning Sunday, Mar. 3 through April 14th, the Sunday School class will view the series "Seven Words", by Susan Robb. "While many of us naturally wish to avoid the reality of the cross, it's from the cross that Jesus speaks and shows his deepest love for us. It's from the cross that Jesus' full humanity draws us closest to him."

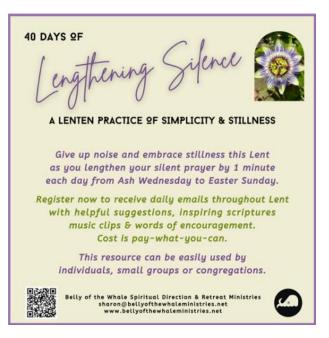
#### **Soup Potluck**

Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> After Worship

After you have donated \$\$ in the large soup pots for the **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING**, enjoy a potluck of soup after church before you head home for your super bowl festivities! Sign up Sunday and indicate the type of soup you will make!

## **February Oxcart Giving**

For February we will be collecting breakfast items, including cereal. Please place them in the green box near the sign-in table in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!





## Lent Sunday School February 18th and 25<sup>th</sup>

Craig Mueller will facilitate a two-week video screening of "Heaven, How I got Here: The Story of the Thief on the Cross" by Colin Smith. This is a powerful visual illustration of one man's journey coming to accept Jesus as his savior and learning what it means to fear God. A beautiful, emotionally charged performance by Stephen Baldwin brings this timeless story to life for a new generation in a way that is both entertaining and uplifting.

## **Grief Support Group Starting February 21st**

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one....the loss of physical or mental capacities that you or a loved one once had....the loss of hoped-for dreams coming true....the loss of stamina and resilience in being hopeful with troubling matters in your life or the world....maybe other matters of grief, too?

You are not alone and there are people in your church family that have experienced grief and are here to listen, pray, and support you. Rev. Alice, Rev. Joel and Pastor Hoyte understand and are offering a Grief Support Group during the Season of Lent on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 7:30pm in the Prayer Room of NOUMC beginning February 21 and ending March 27.

Please RSVP of your interest with the church office or simply show up on February 21!

# February is Black History Month.....check out the February Agape for more info!

## This Week's Happenings

Nehemiah Mission Work Trip: Tuesday, February 6, 12-4:30pm

PM Bible Study: Tuesday, February 6, 7pm, Classroom 7 UWF: Wednesday, February 7, 10am, Fellowship Hall

Joint Councils Planning Meeting: Wednesday, February 7, 7pm, Classroom 7

AM Bible Study: Thursday, February 8, 11am, Classroom 7 Chancel Choir: Thursday, February 8, 7pm, Choir Room

UMM Breakfast: Saturday, February 10, 8:30am, Canary's Restaurant

Sunday School: Sunday, February 11, 9am, Choir Room Transfiguration Sunday: Sunday, February 11, 10:30am

Soup/Chili Potluck: Sunday, February 11, 11:30am, Fellowship Hall