Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Announcements for Sunday, April 14, 2024

Native American Sunday is Today

This Special Sunday is a denomination wide celebration designed to raise awareness and remind United Methodists of the gifts and contributions made by Native Americans to our society. A gap in knowledge exists in The United Methodist Church, in congregations and other United Methodist entities, relative to comprehending concepts of Native American life, cultures, languages, spirit, values, contemporary issues, and such. We affirm the sacredness of indigenous people, their languages, cultures, and gifts to the church and the world. Churches are encouraged to donate through their local churches or give online.

UMM to Host Dinner

The United Methodist Men will be having a fundraising Dinner - Saturday April 27th from 5-6pm. Dinner will include ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll, salad and cake for dessert. Price will be \$15.00 per person.

In addition, anyone who shows their dinner ticket at one of the Dover Center Plays, April 27th - April 29th, will get free admission to the play. Tickets will be available before and after services, April 14 and 21st. Contact the NOUMC office or Ed Brewster for more info and tickets. <u>ebrews@gmail.com</u> 440-785-0099.

Chair Yoga Starts Today

Chair Yoga for the Faithful will be offered the third Sunday of each month starting today following worship. Restore body, mind, and spirit through breath, movement, and meditation. Let go of fear, stress, and negativity and allow love, hope, peace and joy to flow in. Keep the stillness and openness as you go through your days. Claudia Taller, YA 200 certified instructor, will lead you through 30 minutes of renewal.

Adult Bible Study: Revelation: Extravagant Hope Begins This Week

What if the Book of Revelation isn't meant to scare us or to be a mystery? What if God saved the best for last? What if His final word is really a rescue plan? From numerical signs and monsters, this final book of the Bible can be difficult to wrap our minds around, but the Book of Revelation reminds us of God's power and promises and its message is intended to bring us hope! Join us as we study the book apocalypse, beginning April 16th on Tuesday evenings at 7:30PM and April 18th on Thursday mornings, at 11AM. The study booklet cost is \$16, and includes access to the accompanying streaming video. The study is 6 weeks long and will conclude at the end of May. Please see Wendy or email her at <u>sundayschool@noumc.org</u> for more information or to sign up. There will be a sign-up sheet on the welcome table in Fellowship Hall as well.

UWF Plant Sale Orders are Due Today!

Forms are available in Fellowship Hall along with some color brochures. If you'd prefer to go to Dean's and pick out your favorites, you can buy gift cards for \$10, \$20 and \$50. If you go to Dean's between May 1 and June 15,

let the cashier know that you are giving to NOUMC and it will be recorded as a percentage back to the church. Orders are due April 14 and pickup is Saturday, May 11, 12-2pm.

NOUMC to Host Fundraiser for Nehemiah Mission on April 21st

Over the last two months, NOUMC, Bay UMC, Brecksville UMC and Chagrin UMC have been blessed to serve the Tuesday meals (*Bread on Bridge*) at Nehemiah Mission. The Mission serves the homeless and indigent on the near west side of Cleveland. They also provide safe housing for a number of immigrant families.

NOUMC is committed to meeting the needs of Nehemiah Mission. To that end, we are trying to raise three to four thousand dollars to purchase a used 54" commercial refrigerator and provide for a professional deep cleaning. We are hoping that our sister churches in Christ will provide \$250 to this effort by selling ten \$25 tickets. (Attendees' checks should be made out to "Nehemiah Mission").

Our effort is multifaceted, so we are sponsoring a "Go Fund Me" account with a goal of raising \$600. **On Sunday, April 21st, we are also planning an event at NOUMC from 4-6pm**. Appetizers, desserts and beverages will be available in working toward the goal of receiving three to four thousand mission ministry dollars. Our gifted pianist and organist, Javier Gonzalez, will provide music and Rev. Mike Parisher, Director of Nehemiah Mission, will share his hopes for the Mission.

In addition, a member of our faith community is sponsoring a fundraiser in his home in May. It is our hope that we will come together and truly be the Body of Christ in support of the physical needs of Nehemiah Mission.

Would you like to support the fundraising effort for Nehemiah Mission on April 21st at NOUMC? Donation to the event is \$25.00. Please make the check payable to <u>Nehemiah Mission</u> and give it to Charlene Vas or put it in the collection plate. We will get you your tickets before the event. Any questions contact Charlene at <u>charvas@cox.net</u>.



Dover Players Production

Outreach Program of NOUMC, will be presenting its new comedy, *Monkeying Around with the Truth*, at the North Olmsted Senior Center on April 26, 27 and 28 and May 3, 4 and 5, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00pm and Sundays at 3:00pm.

Monkeying Around with the Truth is a satire about academia and politics where a slightly irritated (not mad) scientist invents a truth serum for which neither he nor the world at large are ready.

Admission to any performance is free with your ticket to the Ham Dinner. Otherwise, admission is \$5.00. To get the best seating, call ahead for reservations at 440-305-0820 and leave your name, phone number, number of tickets desired and the date you want to see the performance.

This Week's Happenings

Book Bank: Tuesday, April 16, 1-3pm Bible Study: Tuesday, April 16, 7:30 pm, Conversation Café Bible Study: Thursday, April 18, 11am, Conversation Café Chancel Choir: Thursday, April 18, 7pm, Choir Room Sunday School: Sunday, April 21, 9am, Choir Room 4th Sunday of Easter/Penny Sunday: Sunday, April 21, 10:30am, Sanctuary Chair Yoga: Sunday, April 21, 11:30am, Fellowship Hall Nehemiah Fundraiser: Sunday, April 21, 4-6pm, Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall