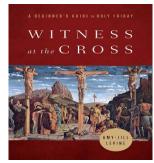
## Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

### Third Sunday of Lent March 23, 2025

Lent Adult Sunday School Class: March 9<sup>th</sup>
Through Palm Sunday, April 13th
"Witness at the Cross" by Amy-Jill Levine

Experience Holy Friday from the perspective of those who watched Jesus die: Mary his mother; the Beloved Disciple from the Gospel of John; Mary Magdalene and the other women from Galilee; the two men, usually identified as thieves, crucified with



Jesus; the centurion and the soldiers; Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus. Jews and Romans, friends and strangers, the powerful and the powerless, the hopeful and the despairing.

In "Witness at the Cross," Amy-Jill Levine shows how the people at the cross each have distinct roles to play in the Gospels. For each, Jesus has a particular meaning and message, and from each, we learn how those meanings and messages cross the centuries to any who would come to the cross today. (Note: There is a book available from Cokesbury for anyone who would like to read it as we go through this study.)

#### Adult Lenten Outing: Tetelestai-Cleveland's Own Passion Play Next Sunday

Join us on our latest adventure on Sunday March 30th at 2 PM as we travel to St Frances Xavier Cabrini Catholic Church in Loran to see the Gospel presented in visual form by the Cleveland Performing Arts Ministries! Admission is free; however free will offerings are greatly appreciated. Meet us there or carpool! Sign up sheets will be in Fellowship Hall on the sign-in table. Please see Wendy if you have any questions!

### Lenten Adult Bible Study Begins This Week: We Still Have Room for You! Body of Proof: A Study on the Resurrection of Jesus

Please join us as we closely examine the events of Easter weekend, and learn four reasons why we can trust in the resurrection of Jesus as a historical fact and place our hope in Him! Tuesday evening classes will be held at 7:30 from March 25th through April 15th, and Thursday morning classes will be held at 11 AM from March 27th through April 17th. Study booklets are free of charge unless you would like to make a free will donation to the church. A sign up sheet will be available in Fellowship Hall on the sign-in table. Please see Wendy for further information!

#### **Easter Flower Sale: Due Today**

Worship Team is 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 23rd. 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 <a href="mailto:sundayschool@noumc.org">sundayschool@noumc.org</a>. 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!



Dining Around the World

Japan

#### Dining Around the World: Japan!

Join us on Saturday, April 26th, at 5:00 for our next adventure in dining! There will be photos from John and Charlene's trip to Japan last year. Sarah can give us some insight as her son worked there for an auto manufacturer for a few years!

As in the past, we will have recipes for you to make and contribute to a Japanese potluck! In the beginning of April, look for a sign up sheet and recipes. Charlene Vas, NOUMC Fellowship

# Oxcart Pantry Donations Needed: Pantry Items

This month, we will be collecting pantry items like flour, sugar and rice. Please leave donations in the green box in Fellowship Hall.



#### **Community Easter Egg Hunt**

Saturday, April 12th Hunt Times: 1:00 and 2:00

Invite! Save The Date Cards available in Fellowship Hall See Wendy, Tammy, Sarah, Chris or Judi for further details!

#### **Egg Hunt Volunteer Opportunities Available:**

#### 1. Plastic Egg and Candy Donations

We are accepting donations of plastic easter eggs and candy to fill those eggs with. Please 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 30th.

#### 2. Egg Filling Day

On April 5th, we will gather at the church at 10am to fill our plastic eggs with candy and other goodies.

#### 3. Volunteers on Hunt Day

We welcome anyone who would like to join us on April 12th 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, Chris or Judi for further information or to volunteer!

#### This Week's Happenings

Misson Team Meeting: Sunday, March 23, 11:30 am, Classroom 7 Bible Study: Tuesday, March 25, 7:30 pm, Conversation Café Bible Study: Thursday, March 25, 11:00 am, Conversation Cafe

Free Community Meal: Thursday, March 27, 4:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Bell Choir: Thursday, March 27, 6:00 pm, Choir Room Chancel Choir: Thursday, March 27, 7:00 pm, Choir Room Adult Sunday School: Sunday, March 30, 9:00 am, Choir Room

4th Sunday in Lent Service/UMCOR: Sunday, March 30, 10:30 am, Sanctuary