

*Welcome to
Otterbein United Methodist Church*

December 18, 2022

10:30 am

Fourth Sunday of Advent

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

We Gather to Worship the Lord

Introit

Glad Tidings of Joy
Otterbein Chancel Ringers

arr. Larson

Welcome

Prelude

O Come, All Ye Faithful
Brass Quintet

arr. Agioritis

*Greeting

L: Praise be to God!

P: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who has visited and redeemed the people.

L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

P: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn *Angels from the Realms of Glory* No. 220, UMH

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Handbells

The Holly and the Ivy

arr. Page

We Proclaim the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Epistle Lesson Romans 1:1-7 (NT, page 152)

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 1:18-25 (NT, page 1)

Sermon “CALLED” Rev. Adam Blagg

Anthem *A Tribute of Carols* arr. Sorenson

Announcements

Brass Quintet *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* arr. Abeling

We Give Our Thanks

Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace No. 12, UMH

*Hymn *What Child Is This* No. 219, UMH
(stanza 1)

*Doxology VENI EMMANUEL

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Holy Communion No. 13, UMH

Pastoral Prayer

We Go Forth Renewed

*Closing Hymn *The First Noel* No. 245, UMH
(stanzas 1, 2, 4)

*Benediction

*Postlude *Hallelujah Chorus* Handel
Brass Quintet

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, December 18

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Monday, December 19

1:40 pm Christmas Caroling
4:30 pm Soup Kitchen
5:00 pm Clothes Closet

Tuesday, December 20

1:00 pm Advent Lecture Series
6:00 pm Bible Study—Rm. 204

Wednesday, December 21

10:00 am Bible Study—Rm. 204
6:00 pm Chancel Ringers
7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, December 22

Friday, December 23

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve

7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 25

Merry Christmas!

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:

Carole Barber & Elisabeth Williams



Otterbein in Prayer

Susie Ayala
Wanda Baker
Gary Billingsley
Millie Bruce
Rev. Louis Carson
Fern Cline
Loretta Crider
Eleanor Davis
Cliff & Jean Davis
Ann Dellinger
Jo Ellen Dickenson
Amber Earman
Mike Earman
Nancy East
Dennis Gaines
Ray & Audrey Griffith
Doris Hanger
Laura Headlee
Norma Heath
Hunter Hensley
Alice Ely Howell
John Liskey
Allen Litten
Marion Malabad
Allene McCoy
John Miller
Art Mitchell
Eugene Moyers
Mary Jo Mitchell
George & Betty Painter
BJ Payne
Judy Pruett
Mary Ellen Rohrbaugh
Becky Smith
Linda Stephens
Juanita Taylor
Janalee Tutwiler
Anthony VanPelt
Daisy VanPelt
John Welch, Jr.
Mary Wenger
Family of Neola Gaines
Family of John Simmers

Announcements

- **Special Offering Opportunities**—We want to highlight two worthy causes for this Christmas season. Please consider a gift to the ongoing work of **Faith in Action**. As we move forward on issues of childcare and transportation, any contribution will continue to develop leaders and support the work of this ministry. On Christmas Eve, our offering will go to support the excellent work of United Methodist Family Services through **Charterhouse School**. You can make a notation in the memo line of your donation to both of these organizations.
- **2023 Offering Envelopes** are available for pick-up in the High Street Entrance. Please be sure to pick up the correct box. If you do not see a box with your name and would like to use envelopes for your 2023 giving, please fill out your information on the pink paper and a box will be assigned to you.
- **Christmas Caroling**—Join your Otterbein Church Family as we sing carols and spread cheer to members of our congregation. You will be blessed as you are a blessing! Meet at the church **TOMORROW, December 19**, at **1:40 pm** to carpool together to shut-ins residences.
- **Advent Lecture Series**—Please join us for our **Community Advent Lecture Series** on **Tuesday, December 20** at **1:00 pm** in the **Sanctuary**. Dr. Judith Ofcarcik, JMU professor of Music Theory, will present a program on Christmas Carols.
- **Winter Clothing Needed** in the Clothes Closet for everyone: women, men, and older children.
- **Assisted Listening Devices** and **large print bulletins and hymnals** are **available**. Please see an usher for assistance.

*Thank you to the members of our Brass Quintet
for providing beautiful music this morning:*

Xaiver Williams and Jacob Fujioka, trumpets

Jacob Anderson, horn

Alex Mizroch, trombone

Logan Davis, tuba

We appreciate your contributions to our worship service!

**TLC Person
of the Week:**

Mary Ellen Rohrbaugh
c/o Diana Masser
1608 North 17th Street
Bismark, ND 58501

*Remember Mary Ellen this
week with a note or a card.
Let's show her Otterbein's
"tender, loving care"!*

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Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 3 pm
Friday: Closed