Welcome to
Otterbein United Methodist Church

November 1, 2026 10:30 am

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Sunday

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

We Gather to Worship the Lord

Prelude *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Hayes

Welcome

*Call to Worship
Leader: Salvation belongs to our God
All: who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!
Leader: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
All: and thanksgiving and honor
Leader: and power and might
All: be to our God forever and ever! Amen!

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn No. 709, UMH
Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above

Children's Time in Worship Janet Gloeckner

We Proclaim the Word of God

Solo
The People That Walked in Darkness from *Handel's Messiah*
Michael Tsougranis, bass

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading I John 3:1-3 (NT, pg. 240)

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:1-12 (NT, pg. 4)

Sermon "FOR ALL THE SAINTS" Rev. Laura Stratton

Remembering the Saints

*Hymn *Rejoice in God's Saints* No. 708, UMH

We Give Our Thanks

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

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

Anthem *Tribute to the Saints* arr. Larson

*Doxology No. 95, UMH

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Holy Communion No. 13 UMH

Prayer after Communion No. 11, UMH

We Go Forth Renewed

*Closing Hymn No. 712, UMH
I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

*Benediction

*Postlude *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Biery

** Please stand as you are able.*

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, November 1
Time Changes—Fall Back
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Monday, November 2
4:30 pm Soup Kitchen
4:30 pm Clothes Closet

Tuesday, November 3
No Bible Study

Wednesday, November 4
No Bible Study
6:00 pm Bells
7:15 pm Choir

Thursday, November 5
9:30 am Guy's Grief Group—Mr. J's Bagels
3:45 pm New Horizons Band—MH

Friday, November 6

Saturday, November 7

Sunday, November 8
UWF Sunday
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Otterbein in Prayer

David Angier
Rosalie Bailey
Gary Billingsley
Whitney Bradley
Rev. Louis Carson
Lt. Col. Sam Cartee
Loretta Crider
Nissa D'Andrea
Cliff Davis
Jo Ellen Dickenson
Mike Earman
Rev. Samuel & Judith Espinoza
Zach Fickes
Halcie Fishback
Mary Ann Glendye
Ray Griffith
Fred Hopkins
Joel Jordan
Deb Leap & Family
Patty Liskey
Chuck Macklin
Art Mitchell
Eric Mitchell
Maxine Perry
Judy Pruett
Ann Sebrell
Dot Swartz
Carolyn Stroop
Michelle VanPelt
Hazel Willi
Keith Wright
Family of Ila Kimata

Assisted Listening Devices and **large print bulletins and hymnals** are **available**. Please see an usher for assistance.

Lay Reader:
Bill Pollard

Attendance Last Sunday:
84

Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:
Diane Ritchie & Jean VanRoekel

Announcements

- **OUMM Food Collection TODAY**!—The bright orange buckets are out this morning! All canned food items will be delivered to the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank by the Otterbein UMMen. Our goal is to collect enough donations to provide 1000 meals this calendar year and we are close! Help push it over the TOP! You may bring items anytime if you have forgotten today. *Thank you!*
- **Book Club**—Do you enjoy reading and conversation? Join our book club! The first book we're reading together is ***The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story of Homecoming*** by **Henri Nouwen** and we'll meet on **Tuesday, November 10** at **7 pm** in **Room 204**.
- **Christmas is coming!**—The Creation Care Taskforce invites you to attend the "**Mystery of the Christmas Star**" at the **JMU Planetarium**, **Sunday, November 15th** at **1:30 pm**. What can we learn about the star that the wisemen followed to find the baby Jesus? 60 seats are reserved for our congregation and friends, so sign up on the CCT bulletin board today where you will find directions and parking details. Also enjoy a provided lunch following worship service before we head out for the planetarium.
- **Sunday Morning Advent Study**—**November 22, 29, December 13, and 20** at **9:30 am** in **Room 204**. Ron Cartee will lead the discussion on the book ***Calling All Angels*** -- What would you do if you were not afraid? *Calling All Angels* asks us to contemplate what would change in our relationships, vocations, congregations, and communities if we have the courage to overcome our fears like Mary, Joseph, Zechariah, and the Shepherds in the story. See Linda Conrad for a book.
- **Otterbein UMM Pancake Brunch**—*Who likes pancakes!!!* The **Pancake Brunch** will be held in **Memorial Hall** on **Sunday, December 6**. Plan to stay after Worship and enjoy pancakes with syrup and a variety of fruit toppings, sausage, fresh fruit, and a beverage. On **Saturday, December 5 at 7:30 am**, the men will meet in Memorial Hall for a light breakfast and to set up for the brunch. **All donations from the brunch will go to support the College Chorale Scholarship Fund**.
- **Clothes Closet**—We can still use **Men's clothing** and **Children's coats**. Blankets and tarps would be appreciated for this upcoming cold weather. Thanks.

TLC Person of the Week:

Dot Swartz
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Remember Dot 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