

*Welcome to
Otterbein United Methodist Church*

April 26, 2026

10:30 am

Fourth Sunday of Easter

*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

Welcome

Prelude

Brother James' Air

arr. Mazzatenta

*Greeting

L: We have been through much, but the Lord has been with us, and so we find peace and give thanks.

P: The Lord is our shepherd; we have everything we need.

L: Through shadow and light, through death and birth, through grief and joy, we have never been alone. We rest in that truth.

P: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives, and we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn

To God Be the Glory

No. 98, UMH

Children's Time in Worship

Kira Blagg

We Proclaim the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

*Psalter	Psalm 23	Powerpoint
Epistle Lesson	1 Peter 2:19-25	(NT. pg. 233)
Anthem	<i>Be Still</i>	Marrolli
*Gospel Lesson	John 10:1-10	(NT, pg. 103)
Sermon	“SHEPHERDS”	Rev. Adam Blagg
Anthem	<i>Awake, My Soul, Give Thanks and Sing</i> College Chorale	arr. Courtney

Announcements

We Give Our Thanks

Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace		No. 12, UMH
*Hymn	<i>The King of Love My Shepherd Is</i> (vs. 1, 2, 6)	No. 138, UMH
*Doxology		No. 95, UMH
Prayer of Dedication		
Celebration of Holy Communion		No. 13, UMH
Pastoral Prayer		

We Go Forth Renewed

*Closing Hymn	<i>Be Still, My Soul</i>	No. 534, UMH
Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>Trumpet Tune</i>	Callahan

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, April 26

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Monday, April 27

4:30 pm Soup Kitchen
5:00 pm Clothes Closet

Tuesday, April 28

1:00 pm Tidings Crew—Rm. 204
6:00 pm Bible Study—Rm. 204
7:00 pm Admin. Council—
Rm. 204

Wednesday, April 29

10:00 am Bible Study—Rm. 204
6:00 pm Bells
7:15 pm Choir

Thursday, April 30

3:45 pm New Horizons Band
Rehearsal—MH

Friday, May 1

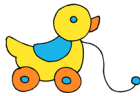
Saturday, May 2

Sunday, May 3

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Congratulations to

Carson & Justin



German on the

birth of their son, **Andrew**

"Andy" Lorin, at 4:44 am on
Saturday, April 4. Andy is
the grandson of **John & Barb**
German.

Otterbein in Prayer

David Angier
Rosalie Bailey
Gary Billingsley
Whitney Bradley
Millie Bruce
Rev. Louis Carson
Debbie Cox
Nissa D'Andrea
Cliff Davis
Jo Ellen Dickenson
Bev Earman
Mike Earman
Tara Eckenroad
Samuel & Judi Espinoza
Zach Fickes
Silas German
Mary Ann Glendye
Ray Griffith
Harold Grimm
Richard Holmes
Fred Hopkins
Rachel Hundley
Danita Kreeger
Esten Lambert
Steve Lily
Chuck Macklin
Ann Miller
Nancy Miller
Maxine Perry
Judy Pruett
Ann Sebrell
Dot Swartz
Carolyn Stroop
Michelle VanPelt
Hazel Willi
Keith Wright



*The flowers on the
altar today are given to
the glory of God by
Gary & Carolyn
Edlind.*

Lay Reader: Susan Pollard

Attendance Last Sunday: 90

Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:

Janet Gloeckner & Emma Rexrode

- **OUMM Food Drive**—Next Sunday the Otterbein UMM will have collection buckets in the Sanctuary to accept your donations for our monthly canned food drive. *Thank you for your continued support!*
- **Toys Needed**—VEER (Valley Early Education Reimagined) is asking VIA members to donate any **gently used toys suitable for 3-5 year olds. Toys should have an educational component, have all parts, and be in good conditions** Age appropriate books would also be appreciated. If you have a toy or book to donate, please contact Vicki Gaines (540-820-3841 or vgaines@comcast.net).
- **Birthday Celebration**—We will be having a cake & ice cream social **following worship on Sunday, May 17** to celebrate everyone's birthday! Come enjoy the fellowship!
- **Lunch Out**—May's Lunch Out will be on **Wednesday, May 20 at 11:30 am at O'Neill's Grill** (221 University Blvd., Harrisonburg). A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board in the Education Hallway. All are invited!
- **Attention Graduates**—We will be celebrating **Graduate Recognition Sunday on June 7**. If there are members of our church family who are graduating this summer or who have graduated this winter, please inform the church office with the graduate's name, school, month of graduation, parents' names, and future plans. Information can be sent to the church office (oumcadm@hotmail.com) or Carole Barber (Carolehetzerbarber@gmail.com).
- **VA Annual Conference** will be held in **Harrisonburg** this summer (June 17-20) and the Shenandoah River District will be looking for **over 150 volunteers** to help with this event. There are many opportunities to help in many different ways leading up to and the weekend of the conference. **Volunteer Registration is now open!** More information and the sign-up link can be found at: <https://www.shenandoahriverdistrict.org/annual-conference-volunteers/>
- **Second Mile Giving**—Patchwork Pantry at our neighboring church, Community Mennonite, has need for **1-pound bags of rice and dried beans** for their ongoing partnership with Waterman Elementary. A labeled bucket will be in the breezeway **every Sunday** through May. This is a separate project from our OUMM monthly canned food drive. *Thank you for your continued support!*
- **Assisted Listening Devices and large print bulletins and hymnals are available.** Please see an usher for assistance.

**TLC Person
of the Week:**

Ray Griffith
2163 Layman Trestle Road
Rockingham, VA 22802

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

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 3 pm

Friday: Closed