

# *Welcome to Otterbein United Methodist Church*

January 11, 2026

10:30 am

Baptism of the Lord

*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

*Praise and Thanksgiving*

Wood

**\*Greeting**

L: In the waters of baptism,

**P: God marks us as kindred in his name.**

L: In the waters of baptism,

**P: the heavens open up and the Spirit pours out love.**

L: In the waters of baptism,

**P: God names us Beloved.**

L: In the waters of baptism,

**P: God claims us as her own.**

**\*Opening Prayer**

**\*Opening Hymn**

*The Summons*

No. 2130, TFWS

Children's Time in Worship

Marylee Huffman

### **We Proclaim the Word of God**

Prayer of Illumination

New Testament Lesson	Acts 10:34-43	(NT, pg. 129)
*Gospel Lesson	Matthew 3:13-17	(NT, pg. 3)
Sermon	“WITNESS”	Rev. Adam Blagg
Anthem	<i>I Surrender All</i>	arr. Raney
Announcements		

**We Give Our Thanks**

Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace		No. 12, UMH
*Hymn	<i>Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God</i>	No. 604, UMH
*Doxology		No. 95, UMH
Prayer of Dedication		
Celebration of Holy Communion		No. 13, UMH
Pastoral Prayer		

**We Go Forth Renewed**

*Closing Hymn	<i>I Have Decided to Follow Jesus</i>	No. 2129, TFWS
Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>Celebration</i>	Callahan

## **This Week's Opportunities**

### **Sunday, January 11**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

### **Monday, January 12**

10:00 am Community Connect.  
Team—Rm. 204  
4:30 pm Soup Kitchen  
5:00 pm Clothes Closet  
7:00 pm SPRC—Rm. 204

### **Tuesday, January 13**

11:00 am UWF—Rm. 204  
6:00 pm Bible Study—Rm. 204  
7:00 pm Finance—Rm. 204

### **Wednesday, January 14**

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

### **Thursday, January 15**

2:00 pm JOY Group Planning  
Team—Rm. 204

### **Friday, January 16**

### **Saturday, January 17**

### **Sunday, January 18**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

## **Otterbein in Prayer**

David Angier  
Rosalie Bailey  
Gary Billingsley  
Whitney Bradley  
Millie Bruce  
Rev. Louis Carson  
Nissa D'Andrea  
Cliff Davis  
Diane Cline Davis  
Jo Ellen Dickenson  
Tammy Duxbury  
Mike Earman  
Samuel & Judi Espinoza  
Ray Griffith  
Fred Hopkins  
Emily Joiner  
Tina Jolly  
Danita Kreeger  
Steve Lily  
Chuck Macklin  
Maxine Perry  
Judy Pruett  
Dot Swartz  
Carolyn Stroop  
Juanita Taylor  
Michelle VanPelt  
John Walsh  
Hazel Willi  
Baby Charlie Woods  
Gina Wyse  
Family of Jerry Andes  
Family of Earl Cannon  
Family of Peggy Miller  
Family of Mary Jo Mitchell

### **Lay Reader:**

Judy Richardson

### **Attendance Last Sunday:**

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### **Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:**

Susan Pollard & Dylan Andrade

- **VIA Community Needs Assessment**—VIA is conducting a survey to assess childcare needs in our community. Please share with your friends and family who have children or help care for children.
- **OUMM Food Drive Update**—Over fifty food items were collected on the first day of the drive collecting canned food for the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank and other needy area Food Pantries. This is a wonderful start! This drive will continue the first Sunday of each month in 2026. Thank you in advance for your support of this monthly project of the OUMM. **Note:** If you missed last week, please bring your items to the Adult Sunday School classroom to drop off.
- **Flower Calendar**—There is a **2026 Flower Calendar** on the bulletin board near the breezeway entrance with many empty spaces! Flowers can be placed in the sanctuary to remember a friend or family member, recognize a special event, or just because. We invite you to take a look at the calendar and help us fill the empty spaces. Please see Julie Clough or Bev Earman if you have questions. The cost for arrangements is \$60.
- **Chili Luncheon**—On **Sunday, February 1**, the Faith Builders Sunday School Class will host their **annual Chili Luncheon**. Serving will begin **following the worship service** and continue **until 1 pm**. We will be serving mild beef chili with beans, a white chicken chili, hot dogs, homemade pimento cheese sandwiches and ice cream. A free-will offering will be collected to go towards the College Chorale Scholarship Fund and class missions. Everyone is invited to come and join the fellowship.
- **Coldest Night of the Year**—We are once again forming a team for the "Coldest Night of the Year" fundraiser to support Open Doors! The event will take place on **Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**. Detailed information can be found at <https://cnoy.com/location/harrisonburg> OR, talk to Christy Blagg! Please consider walking with us, or donating in support of our team!
- **Clothes Closet** is **NOT accepting donations** at this time **EXCEPT for the following:** winter coats, hats, scarves, gloves, AND socks (especially white). Thanks and PLEASE tell your friends and neighbors that the Clothes Closet is OPEN with free clothes for all ages every Monday 4:30-6 pm.
- **Assisted Listening Devices** and **large print bulletins and hymnals** are **available**. Please see an usher for assistance.



**TLC Person  
of the Week:**

Maggie Sparks  
302 N. Second Street, #232  
Bridgewater, VA 22812

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

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

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