

*Welcome to
Otterbein United Methodist Church*

March 8, 2026

10:30 am

Third Sunday in Lent

*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

Let Us Break Bread Together

Hayes

*Greeting

L: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

P: We have come to give thanks and to sing songs of praise!

L: We are the people of God's pasture; we trust that God will bring us through the wilderness.

P: We seek God's living water and praise God's holy name!

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn

No. 400, UMH

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Children's Time in Worship

Vicki Gaines

We Proclaim the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 17:1-7

(OT, pg. 64)

*Psalter	Psalm 95	No. 814, UMH
*Gloria Patri		No. 71, UMH
Anthem	<i>Hear My Prayer</i>	Hogan
Epistle Lesson	Romans 5:1-11	(NT, pg. 155)
*Gospel Lesson	John 4:5-42	(NT, pg. 94)
Sermon	“WATER & ROCK”	Rev. Adam Blagg
Anthem	<i>Creation Calls Me to My Knees</i> College Chorale	arr. Fields

Announcements

We Give Our Thanks

Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace		No. 12, UMH
*Hymn	<i>I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me</i>	No. 2151, TFWS
*Doxology		No. 95, UMH
Prayer of Dedication		
Celebration of Holy Communion		No. 13, UMH
Pastoral Prayer		

We Go Forth Renewed

*Closing Hymn	<i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i>	No. 127, UMH
Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>	Leatherman

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, March 8

Time Changes—Spring Forward

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

Monday, March 9

4:30 pm Soup Kitchen

5:00 pm Clothes Closet

Tuesday, March 10

11:00 am UWF—Rm. 204

6:00 pm Bible Study—Rm. 204

Wednesday, March 11

10:00 am Bible Study—Rm. 204

6:00 pm Bells

7:15 pm Choir

Thursday, March 12

Noon JOY Group—MH

3:45 pm New Horizons Band
Rehearsal—MH

Friday, March 13

Saturday, March 14

9 am-4 pm District Lay Servant
Training

Sunday, March 15

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

Debbie Cox

Nissa D'Andrea

Cliff Davis

Jo Ellen Dickenson

Mike Earman

Samuel & Judi Espinoza

Mary Ann Glendye

Ray Griffith

Fred Hopkins

Tina Jolly

Danita Kreeger

Steve Lily

Chuck Macklin

Nancy Miller

Maxine Perry

Judy Pruett

Hector Santiago

Ann Sebrell

Dot Swartz

Carolyn Stroop

Michelle VanPelt

Hazel Willi

Keith Wright

Lay Reader:

Susan Pollard

Attendance Last Sunday:

98



*The flowers on the
altar today are given in
honor of our organist
Dan Curtis's Senior
Recital and to the
glory of God.*

Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:

Susan Pollard & Dylan Andrade

- **Thanks** to everyone for your support of Team OUMC for the Coldest Night of the Year fundraiser for Open Doors! Tara Eckenroad, Jim Wingert, and the Blaggs enjoyed a nice cool (NOT cold) afternoon/evening walk on Saturday, February 28th! We sent \$1,795 from the team and helped Open Doors CRUSH their goal of \$50,000! That evening, they announced that they had raised over \$65,000! What a wonderful testament to our whole community and how we show up to love our neighbors! Perhaps Team OUMC can do even more next year!
- **Gleaning Coordinator**—Good News, Otterbein has a new Gleaning Coordinator! Tara Eckenroad will be coordinating schedules and delivery locations in 2026. If you have questions or are interested in being a part of a team please contact Tara (tara.eckenroad@gmail.com or (724) 255-7251) as soon as possible. A great service project for families; please consider signing on!
- **Creation Care Weekly Lenten Challenge** for the week of 3/8/26 asks you to pray for those experiencing climate grief and eco-anxiety. Eco-anxiety is becoming more prevalent in communities experiencing climate disruptions, as well as in those who are witnessing these injustices. <https://bit.ly/3M2Bu2a>
- **Update** —The Otterbein UMMen made a delivery of **55 pounds of rice and 91 pounds of dried beans** to Patchwork Pantry at our neighboring church, Community Mennonite. Your generous donations will go home each Friday with Waterman Elementary students so needy families will have food for the weekend. A labeled bucket will be in the church breezeway each Sunday through May for your continued donations. This is a separate project from our OUMM monthly canned food drive. *Thank you for your continued support of this second mile giving program.*
- **Education Opportunity**—Are you at risk for developing type 2 Diabetes or just want to know more about healthy eating and exercise? See details of a free series of classes on the bulletin board.
- **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 will be many opportunities to help in many different ways leading up to and the weekend of the conference. Be thinking of how you may be able to help and stay tuned for more information as it is released!
- **WRE Concert**—The Weekday Religious Education Students **Choral Concert** will be **Saturday, March 14** at **4 pm** in the **Spotswood High School Gymnasium**.
- **Assisted Listening Devices** and **large print bulletins and hymnals** are **available**. Please see an usher for assistance.

**TLC Person
of the Week:**

Cliff Davis
41 Emery Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

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

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Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 3 pm

Friday: Closed