

*Welcome to  
Otterbein United Methodist Church*

July 21, 2024

10:30 am

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

*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 Him with the Sound of the Trumpet*     Lau

\*Greeting

L: As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

**P: so God seeks and saves the lost.**

L: Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,

**P: so God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness.**

L: As a father receives a returning wayward son,

**P: so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.**

L: Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

**P: Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in the name of  
Jesus Christ.**

\*Opening Prayer

\*Opening Hymn     *My Hope Is Built*     No. 368, UMH

Children's Time in Worship     Betty Redmond

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

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

(OT, page 191)

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Sermon

Rev. David Burch

“WHAT PEACH TREE ARE YOU PLANTING”

Announcements

## **We Give Our Thanks**

Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace

No. 12, UMH

\*Hymn

*He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*  
(stanzas 1, 2, 4)

No. 128, UMH

\*Doxology

No. 95, UMH

Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

*Come and Eat This Bread*

Hopson

Celebration of Holy Communion

No. 13, UMH

Pastoral Prayer

## **We Go Forth Renewed**

\*Closing Hymn

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

No. 127, UMH

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

arr. Evanovich

## This Week's Opportunities

### **Sunday, July 21**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

### **Monday, July 22**

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

### **Tuesday, July 23**

6:00 pm Bible Study—Rm. 204

### **Wednesday, July 24**

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

### **Thursday, July 25**

### **Friday, July 26**

### **Saturday, July 27**

7:30 am UMM Meeting—  
Thomas House

### **Sunday, July 28**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

### Lay Reader:

Judy Richardson

### Attendance Last Sunday:

83

### Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:

Darlene Cochran & Elisabeth Williams

## **Otterbein in Prayer**

Phyllis Albrite  
David Angier  
Wanda Baker  
Gary Billingsley  
Millie Bruce  
Rev. Louis Carson  
Fern Cline  
Cliff & Jean Davis  
Ann Dellinger  
Jo Ellen Dickenson  
Mike Earman  
George Ely  
Judi Espinoza  
Diane Gray  
Ray Griffith  
Art & Doris Hanger  
Norma Heath  
Chuck & Nancy Macklin  
Mary Jo Mitchell  
Betty Painter  
BJ Payne  
Katherine Pesce  
Maxine Perry  
Judy Pruett  
Linda Ridder  
Dot Swartz  
Juanita Taylor  
Daisy VanPelt  
Michelle VanPelt  
Gina Wyse  
Susan Young  
Family of Bill Jordan



## Announcements

- **Urgent Need**—Special thanks to Lena Blagg and Elisabeth Williams for so graciously serving as nursery volunteers one Sunday each month for the past two years. Unfortunately, as they leave for college, this opens a big gap in our nursery volunteer schedule. **We will need four new volunteers** if we are to keep the nursery open after August 25<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to volunteer for one Sunday every other month, please let the church office know (oumcdm@hotmail.com).
- **Bible Study with a Twist** continues this week on **Tuesday at 6 pm and Wednesday at 10 am**. Study guides can be found on the wall outside of Room 204.
- **Anniversary Card Shower**—**Art & Mary Jo Mitchell** will celebrate their **65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary** on **August 2**. If you would like to send them a card, their address is: 3247 Longbow Road; Keezletown, VA 22832.
- **Celebration Weekend!**—Mark your calendars for two special events in **commemoration of Sandy's 20 years at Otterbein** the weekend of **August 10-11**.
  - On **Saturday at 6:00 pm**, there will be a **College Chorale Alumni Concert** followed by an **ice cream social**.
  - On **Sunday at 10:30 am**, there will be a worship service with choirs, guest musicians, and a baptism, followed by a **carry-in luncheon**. We hope you'll make plans to bring a dish (or two!) and join us for food and fellowship. BBQ and drinks will be provided.
- **Prayer Request**—Rachel Hundley's mom recently had surgery and is expecting a long recovery and more treatment. Rachel has requested prayers for her Mom and would love for people to send her cards of encouragement and support. Her address is: Gina Wyse, 519 Porter Road, Evansville, WI 53536.
- **Assisted Listening Devices** and **large print bulletins and hymnals** are **available**. Please see an usher for assistance.

**TLC Person  
of the Week:**

Norma Heath  
1401 Virginia Ave., Rm. 311  
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

*Remember Norma 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