

Welcome to Otterbein United Methodist Church

August 30, 2026

10:30 am

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

We Gather to Worship the Lord

Welcome

Prelude

Gastoldi, Sadowski

In You Is Gladness My Soul Rejoices

***Greeting**

Leader: A dry, lifeless speck blown by the wind settles to earth.

All: Sunlight, soil, rain. Roots! Shoots! Flowers! Fruit!

Leader: Mysterious God, we marvel at the miracle of new life from seeds.

All: We marvel that your kingdom grows even while we sleep.

Leader: Scatter your good seed in our hearts this day, O Spirit of God.

**All: Then let our hearts unfold like flowers before you, center of unbroken
praise! Let us worship God!**

***Opening Prayer**

*Opening Hymn

More Like You

No. 2167, TFWs

Children's Time in Worship

Jim Wingert

We Proclaim the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading	Isaiah 55:10-13	(OT, pg. 686)
Sermon	“DEEP ROOTS”	Rev. Laura Stratton
Scripture Reading	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	(NT, pg. 13)
*Hymn	<i>Have Thine Own Way, Lord</i>	No. 382, UMH

We Give Our Thanks

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace	No. 12, UMH
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Anthem	<i>It Is Well With My Soul</i>	arr. Courtney
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*Doxology	No. 95, UMH
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Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Holy Communion	No. 19, UMH
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Prayer after Communion	No. 11, UMH
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We Go Forth Renewed

*Closing Hymn	<i>Hymn of Promise</i>	No. 707, UMH
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*Benediction

*Postlude	<i>Postlude on Old Hundred</i>	Bock
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* Please stand as you are able.

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, August 30

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

Monday, August 31

4:30 pm Soup Kitchen

5:00 pm Clothes Closet

Tuesday, September 1

Wednesday, September 2

6:00 pm Bells

7:15 pm Choir

Thursday, September 3

Friday, September 4

Saturday, September 5

Sunday, September 6

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

Loretta Crider

Nissa D'Andrea

Cliff Davis

Jo Ellen Dickenson

Mike Earman

Rev. Samuel & Judith

Espinoza

Zach Fickes

Mary Ann Glendye

Ray Griffith

Fred Hopkins

Joel Jordan

Steve Lily

Jackie Lilly

Patty Liskey

Chuck Macklin

Ann Miller

Art Mitchell

Eric Mitchell

Maxine Perry

Judy Pruett

Ann Sebrell

Dot Swartz

Carolyn Stroop

Michelle VanPelt

Hazel Willi

Jay Williams

Rachel Wenger

Keith Wright

Lay Reader:

Mary Sue Wenger

Next Week's Nursery Volunteers:

Janet Gloeckner & Emma Rexrode

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

Announcements

- **OUMC Ladies Tea**—The second Ladies Autumn Tea will be **Saturday, September 12, 2:00-3:30 pm**. Anthony Malabad will be our guest speaker. A freewill donation to one of our church missions, Fresh Start, will be appreciated. Guests are welcome. RSVP on the clipboard in the Education Hallway.
- **New Member Orientation**—Are you interested in joining Otterbein UMC or interested in learning more about how to join, what membership means, or about the UMC denomination? Plan to stay **after worship** on **Sunday, September 20** for lunch and an orientation. The lunch and orientation will last 1.5-2 hours, depending on questions.
- **Clothes Closet**—The Clothes Closet could use **men's and children's clothing, white socks, AND shoes for everyone**. *Please NO women's clothing.* Thanks!

**TLC Person
of the Week:**

Mary Ann Glendye
1045-C Moore Street
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*Remember Mary Ann 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