

*Welcome to  
Otterbein United Methodist Church*

July 9, 2023

10:30 am

Sixth 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

*Jesus Shall Reign*

arr. Hildebrand

\*Greeting

L: In the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

**P: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name!**

L: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name for ever and ever.

**P: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and God's greatness is unsearchable.**

\*Opening Prayer

\*Opening Hymn

*How Firm a Foundation*

No. 529, UMH

Children's Time in Worship

Betty Redmond

**We Proclaim the Word of God**

Prayer of Illumination

Anthem	<i>Canticle of Commitment</i>	arr. Harlan
*Gospel Lesson	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30	(NT, page 11)
Sermon	“A Light Burden”	Rev. Adam Blagg

Announcements

**We Give Our Thanks**

Invitation, Confession, Pardon, & Peace		No. 12, UMH
*Hymn	<i>Near to the Heart of God</i>	No. 472, UMH
*Doxology		No. 95, UMH
Prayer of Dedication		
Celebration of Holy Communion		No. 13, UMH
Pastoral Prayer		

**We Go Forth Renewed**

*Closing Hymn		No. 526, UMH
	<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	
*Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>Songs of Thankfulness and Praise</i>	arr. Hopson

## **This Week's Opportunities**

### **Sunday, July 9**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

### **Monday, July 10**

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

### **Tuesday, July 11**

### **Wednesday, July 12**

### **Thursday, July 13**

Noon JOY Group—MH

### **Friday, July 14**

### **Saturday, July 15**

### **Sunday, July 16**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

### **Lay Reader:**

Bonnie Andrade

### **Attendance Last Sunday:**

85

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

Susan Pollard & Dylan Andrade

## **Otterbein in Prayer**

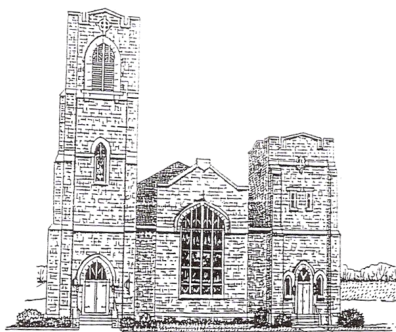
Susie Ayala  
Wanda Baker  
Gary Billingsley  
Millie Bruce  
Rev. Louis Carson  
Fern Cline  
Cliff & Jean Davis  
Ann Dellinger  
Jo Ellen Dickenson  
Mike Earman  
Rinki Enosaki  
Dennis Gaines  
Ray & Audrey Griffith  
Doris Hanger  
Norma Heath  
Richard Holmes  
Jeff Johnson  
Allene McCoy  
Mary Jo Mitchell  
Philip Moyers  
George & Betty Painter  
BJ Payne  
Judy Pruett  
Linda Ridder  
Mary Ellen Rohrbaugh  
Maggie Sparks  
Dot Swartz  
Juanita Taylor  
Sally Turner  
Daisy VanPelt  
Jim Wampler  
Family of Irene Ruddle

### **Otterbein UMC Staff**

Rev. Adam Blagg	Senior Pastor
Sandra Schaefer	Music Director & Minister of Visitation
Melissa Miller	Office Manager
Dawn Warren	Treasurer
Melvin Falls	Custodian

## Announcements

- **JOY Group**—The Joy Luncheon is **Thursday, July 13 at 12:00 noon**. Our speaker is **Casey Billhimer** and the program is "**Dairy Farms of Rockingham County**." Our lunch menu is Hank's BBQ, cole slaw, chips, and ice cream dessert, and the cost is **\$12.00** at the door. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Education Hallway today and join us. All are welcome!
- **Thanks**—The family of Irene Ruddle would like to express deep appreciation to Rev. Blagg and Sandy Schaefer for the beautiful memorial service and music. Many thanks go out to those within our church for your prayers, cards, and phone calls during this sad time. Love and God Bless. ~ Linda Ridder & family
- **Jonathan Williams** will be **speaking next Sunday**, July 16, during worship. Please be sure to join us!
- **United Methodist Men's Sunday** is planned for Morning Worship on **August 27**. Ricky Goodwyn, Jr., a past member of the College Chorale, will be speaking. The Men's Choir will sing and all men of the church are invited to join this choir.
- **Assisted Listening Devices** and **large print bulletins and hymnals** are **available**. Please see an usher for assistance.



**TLC Person  
of the Week:**

George & Betty Painter  
Bellaire at Stone Port  
1684 Port Hills Drive  
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

*Remember George & Betty this  
week with a note or a card.  
Let's show them Otterbein's  
"tender, loving care"!*

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

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