

**Otterbein United Methodist Church
6025 Shepler Church Road SW
Navarre, Ohio 44662**

November 24, 2024

“Our mission together is to share the ministry of Jesus Christ with all.”

Organ Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(Please pass the registration pad down the row and record your attendance)

- *Call to Worship:** *Psalm 33: 1-5* On Screen
- *Opening Hymn:** O God, Our Help in Ages Past UMH 117
- Children’s Chat:** What are you Thankful for? Pastor Bill
- Morning Prayers... Silent Prayer... Pastoral Prayer**
- The Lord’s Prayer** (Debts and Debtors)
- Prayer Response:** *God of Love and God of Power* UMH 578
- Tithes and Offering**
- *Doxology** UMH 95
- Prayer of Thanksgiving**
- Anthem:** *On Eagle’s Wings* Chancel Choir
- Scripture:** *1 Thessalonians 5: 15- 24*
- The Message:** Are you Joyous and Thankful? Pastor Bill
- *Closing Hymn:** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* UMH 694
- *Benediction:** May God’s Blessings and Grace be upon you this Thanksgiving season,
Happy Thanksgiving!
Please be seated as the acolytes pass your pew.

Postlude

The Altar Flowers are in Thanksgiving
of loved ones past and present.
Love, Connie Forney & family

Giving for of the Life Otterbein Ministries & Attendance

November 17 Att: SS - 32 Worship - 99 General Church Ministries Giving: \$ 3,210.95

Roof Fund We have a Roof Fund for the Sanctuary roof. Our estimate is \$ 65,000 to be raised in three years. The "Roof Thermometer" is in the narthex to show the progress.

Poinsettias Today is the deadline to order poinsettias (red or white) for the altar area on Christmas Eve. The cost is \$ 9.50 each. Pick up after the Christmas Eve service. Envelopes are in the pew holders and at the Welcome Center.

Holiday Baskets If you singed up, pick up your box today following worship.

Hanging of the Greens: Today immediately after church, your help would be greatly appreciated as we prep God's House for Advent. Lunch will be provided.

Community Thanksgiving Worship Tonight at 7:00 pm, the Fairless Christian Association will hold their Annual Thanksgiving Service at Brewster Friends Church. Offering will go to support their ministries. All are invited to attend.

Children's Christmas Program The children are hard at work preparing for the Christmas Program on December 15th. Practice will be the last 15 minutes or so following the Children's Chat during worship. Please have your kids here to practice the next few weeks. Thank you!

Community Meal The next Community Meal is Tuesday, December 17th, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Menu is Pulled Pork, pasta salad, applesauce, dessert, and beverages.

Kid's Program JAM (Jesus and Me) is held during each Community Meal, families can eat from 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm, then the children, K-grade 6 will go to the classroom wing for an hour.

Sociable 60's The year-end banquet is December 2nd, at noon, at Otterbein. Please let Judy Carrick (330-484-3989) know for your reservation. The cost is \$13.00 per person. Swiss steak and all the trimmings are on the menu.

Name Badges If you would like a name badge, please call church office or Karen Cochran.

Blue Christmas We will have a Blue Christmas Service on Sunday December 8th at 3:00 pm. Sign-up sheet is in Narthex. This service is for anyone who has experienced loss of any kind.

Advent Studies:

The Ages and Stages Sunday school class will study the book, The Christmas Letters by Magrey R. DeVega. This book invites you to explore some of the letters in the New Testament, the Epistles, to hear about the miracle of Christ's birth from those who first told the story. We will rediscover how to make Christmas more than just an annual observance, but a way of life, modeled after Jesus, all year round.

The Faithkeepers Sunday school class will finish the Jeremiah study the week of December 1st. We will begin an Advent study by Magrey DeVega entitled, The Christmas Letters the week of December 2nd. We will discuss chapter 1 on Sunday December 8th. Books are available at the welcome center or in the classroom.

2025 Offering Envelopes The financial secretaries are preparing the offering envelopes for 2025. If you have weekly or monthly and want to change, please notify Judy Medley or Jill Wilson. Also, if you do not have envelopes, but would like to use them, please notify them.

Altar Flowers 2025 The 2025 Altar Flower Chart is posted outside the Fellowship Hall doors. If you would like to provide flowers for a Sunday, please sign up. Some dates are marked off as special Sundays, so please choose another Sunday.

THIS WEEK AT OTTERBEIN

Sunday, November 24, 2024

Church Office Hours: 8:00 am - noon, Monday - Thursday; Closed Friday

www.otterbeinconnection.org

Sunday

November 24

10:15 am

Worship - In-person and online

Facebook: Otterbein UMC Navarre YouTube: Otterbein UMC Navarre

Drive-in Worship on 90.1 FM <https://otterbeinconnection.org/live-stream>

11:30 am

Hanging of the greens - Lunch provided

7:00 pm

Fairless Community Thanksgiving Service at Brewster Friends Church

Monday

November 25

Tuesday

November 26

Wednesday

November 27

Church Office Closed

Thursday

November 28- Thanksgiving Day

Church Office Closed

Friday

November 29

FH Reserved

Saturday

November 30

FH Reserved

Sunday

December 1 - Communion

10:15 am

Worship - In-person and online (see above)

11:30 am

Youth Group - Lunch Provided

Prayer Concerns: Beth Henderson, Dave Steenrod, Persons that harm themselves as a way of dealing with emotional issues

Thank you: Thank you Otterbein Family for helping me through Shannon's passing (especially Doris and Pastor Carl). The kind words and cards are much appreciated. Sincerely, Tammy Warstler

Keep Informed: If you would like to get frequent text reminders, please sign up for the Otterbein Remind. Just text, @otter1963 to 81010. Thanks.

Fairless Food Cupboard In November we collect white rice, dried navy beans, and boxed potatoes. Monetary donations are needed. (Please mark your envelope "Fairless Food") There are lists of these items near the shopping cart. Please take one when you are shopping, to help remember what is needed.

Call to Worship: *Psalm 33: 1-5*

On Screen

Leader: Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

People: Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre.

Leader: Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy.

People: For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.

All: The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

***Opening Hymn:** O God, Our Help in Ages Past

UMH 117

Verse 1 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!

Verse 2 Under the shadow of Thy throne, still may we dwell secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defense is sure.

Verse 3 Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting, Thou art God, To endless years the same.

Verse 4 A thousand ages, in Thy sight, Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night, Before the rising sun.

Verse 5 Time, like an ever rolling stream, Bears all who breathe away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

Verse 6 Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come;
Be Thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

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Prayer Response: *God of Love and God of Power*

UMH 578

Verse 1 God of love and God of power, grant us in this burning hour grace to ask these gifts of Thee,
daring hearts and spirits free.

Chorus God of love and God of power, Thou hast called us for this hour.

Verse 2 We are not the first to be banished by our fears from Thee, give us courage, let us hear
heaven's trumpets ringing clear.

Chorus

Verse 3 All our lives belong to Thee, Thou our final loyalty; slaves are we whene'er we share
that devotion anywhere.

Chorus

Verse 4 God of love and God of power, make us worthy of this hour; offering lives if it's Thy will,
keeping free our spirits still.

Chorus

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***Doxology**

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 5: 15- 24

- 15 Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else.
- 16 Rejoice always,
- 17 pray continually,
- 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
- 19 Do not quench the Spirit.
- 20 Do not treat prophecies with contempt
- 21 but test them all; hold on to what is good,
- 22 reject every kind of evil.
- 23 May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 24 The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

Closing Hymn: *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

UMH 694

- Verse 1** Come, ye thankful people come, raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.
- Verse 2** All the world is God's own field, fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.
- Verse 3** For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the harvest home;
from the field shall in that day all offenses purge away,
giving angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store in His garner evermore.
- Verse 4** Even so, Lord, quickly come, bring Thy final harvest home;
gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow free from sin,
there, forever purified, in Thy presence to abide;
come, with all Thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

CCLI Song # 50200 George Job Elvey | Henry Alford CCLI License # 136217

December 2024 – Calendar of Events

Otterbein United Methodist Church

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Bill Eckert - Pastor

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
11:30am Youth Group	Noon - Socialble 60's Banquet			7:00pm Chancel Choir	1:00pm Banquet	5:00pm Banquet
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
3:00pm Blue Christmas	6:30pm Banquet	1:00pm United Women in Faith Thank Offering & Christmas		7:00pm Chancel Choir	FH Reserved	FH Reserved Set up for Sunday Breakfast
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
8:00am-Christmas Breakfast 9:00am-Children's Party with Santa 10:15am-Program with Worship		5:00 – 6:30pm Community Meal	Noon - Banquet	7:00pm Chancel Choir	FH Reserved	1:00pm Banquet
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		Church Office Closed 7:30pm Christmas Eve Service	Church Office Closed	Church Office Closed	FH Reserved	FH Reserved
29	30	31				
		Church Office Closed	Sunday Schedule 8:30am-Breakfast treats/beverages FH 9:00am-Sunday school for all ages 10:15am-Worship in Sanctuary			

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December 2024 - Birthdays and Anniversaries

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Tammy Eckert Beth Shemo	Adelynn Arney	Earl Klick	♥ Greg & Amy Eibel ♥ Gene & Nancy Smith		Linda Ater David Thompson ♥ Dave & Bonnie Steenrod	Jim Carter Henry Cochran
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
♥ Ty & Kristen Jones	Gracelynn Dodge	Allyson Diekmann Krista Diekmann Matthew Diekmann Jeanne Livengood Bonnie Strubel	Ron King	Ainsley Curitti John Feucht Barb Nesbit		Shane Fliger
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Garrett Coates Kail Daniels		♥ Kelly & Amy Brown	Cara Bacik Hunter Forney	Philip Raynes	Dris Abraham Jamie Seward	♥ Ken & Doris Brown
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Robert Ridenbaugh Marie Steiner Mike Strubel		Doug Coates		Robert Boughman Brian Cairns	Judy Clark Robyn Miller	Chris Simmons
29	30	31				
	Judy Miknis	Caelea Cochran Madelyn Knop				

Please check the birthday and anniversary calendar to see if there are any additions and changes. Please call the church office with this information. Thank you!

Church Family,

I am beginning to plan for the upcoming year and would like some feedback as to what the congregation is interested in. Please answer these questions so I can plan for these programs in 2025, or any other ideas that would help our church to develop and mature as disciples of Jesus.

Thank You, Pastor Bill

1. Is there interest in a Bible Study or Study group that would be held possibly in the morning and evening, once a week, that would be different material than the Sunday School classes???

2. MEN: Are there any men that would be interested in a "Men Devotional group " that would meet once a month or twice a month if wanted, that would have the same daily devotional and would discuss thoughts from that devotional at each meeting ???

Other ideas _____

Name (optional) _____