

What's Happening at Otterbein!

Salvation Army Needs Your Help

The Salvation Army continues to need your help with hygiene products.

They also would like your empty plastic **quart and half gallon** milk jugs! These containers will be used to divide out laundry detergent that has been donated in extremely large containers. Please wash out your milk jugs, replace the cap, and deposit them in a mission bin. Thank you!

Thank you from the Missions Committee!

Thank you, Otterbein, for your extraordinary generosity! Because of your donations and commitment to the cause to assist victims of Hurricane Helene, we were able to send \$9,000 to Colonial Heights UMC in Kingsport, TN. We will continue to communicate with Colonial Heights about the ways they are using these gifts to help people begin to rebuild their lives. Thank you for continuing to be a church that transforms the world with the love of Jesus Christ!

Barnabas Group

The Barnabas Group has a new person for the month of **October** that would appreciate your prayers and notes. The name and note cards can be found in the narthex or multipurpose room. Please stop by and write a note to share God's love, encouragement, or comfort. If you are not a note writer, there are cards with notes already printed in them. You need only sign your name.

Circle of Prayer

Each week our Susquehanna Annual Conference requests prayer for churches within the Annual Conference, partner churches in Sierra Leone and conference camps. During the **week of November 3 - 9, please pray for** Muhlenburg UMC – Hunlock Creek, Lake Park UMC – Lewistown, Pleasant Valley Woodland UMC – Woodland, Milton Margai Memorial UMC – Goderich – Sierra Leone, Winterstown UMC – Felton, Faith Montoursville UMC – Montoursville, First Taylor UMC – Taylor, Mt. Zion Steelton, Hendrickson UMC – Danville, Osceola Mills UMC – Osceola Mills, Laurel Grove UMC – Spring Run, Wesley Forest Camp & Retreat Center – Weikert.

Financial Information

If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to giving **OR** church financial information, please contact Leslie Conway (treasurer). She can be reached at treasurer@ottumc.org or (717) 512-6759.

Pot Pie made lovingly by the United Methodist Women

Fall is here and with that we think of Homemade pot pie.

Pot Pie and baked goods will be **sold on Friday, November 8, starting at 1:00 PM** in the multipurpose room. If you would like to make baked goods to donate and be sold, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the office.

Children & Youth Hand Chime Choir

A children and youth hand chime choir is being formed for the December 21st Christmas Pageant. All children / youth in 3rd grade or above are invited to join. Rehearsals will be Sunday mornings during the Children's Church (9:30 -9:45 am), starting November 3rd. If you have any questions, please contact Tammy Ham via call or text at (717) 243-1872.

Missions Committee - Toys for Tots:



Otterbein will be supporting the local Toys for Tots again this year, from November 17 to December 15, 2024. These toys go to support children in Cumberland and Perry Counties. There are 3 bins placed throughout the church for you to fill with **BRAND NEW UNWRAPPED** toys for children of all ages. The bins are in the Narthex, the hallway outside the Office and the Gym. **Please have all donations in the bins by**

December 15, 2024, so they can be delivered to the Marines in time for their Christmas distribution. If you prefer, you can also place money in a Missions envelope, write Toys for Tots on the outside of the envelope or on the memo section of your check, and an elf will do the shopping for you. You can also donate online at ottumc.org and click on "Give", then select "Missions" as the fund and fill in "Toys for Tots" in the "Area of need". Envelopes can be placed in the collection plates or mailed to the Church office. Last year you donated 145 new toys, 34 books and \$450.00. Let's spread a little Christmas cheer! Thank you for your continued support of our community!

United Methodist Women's Thanksgiving Breakfast – November 23 at 9 AM

Ladies of Otterbein, please join us for our annual Thanksgiving Breakfast in the multipurpose room. Every year we love to gather and take a moment before the busyness of the season to worship and fellowship as women with our sisters from churches all around the community. A delicious home-cooked breakfast will be served followed by a speaker. If you are interested in joining us this year the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board by the church office.

If you can make an egg casserole or pastry, please contact Hattie Ogle at (717) 258-3438

Men – Free Breakfast!!!!!!

Traditionally, the men of the church serve the ladies at their annual Thanksgiving breakfast on November 23rd. In addition to serving breakfast, they also separately share breakfast together. It's a great time for fellowship and food!!!! If you are willing to help service, please contact Russell Ogle at (717) 258-3438 or email ogle@pa.net

Otterbein Christmas Pageant

All children and youth are invited to participate in our Christmas pageant on December 21st at 2:00 PM in the sanctuary. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board next to the library for more information as well as a place to sign up to participate. If you have any questions, please reach out to Janna Brandt (families@ottumc.org).

This Week at Otterbein

| Event | Date | Time | Location |
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| Youth Group | November 3 | 6 – 8:00 PM | Room 8 |
| Otterbein Bells | November 4 | 6:30 PM | Choir Room |
| Program Staff | November 4 | 7:00 PM | Library |
| Election Day | November 5 | All Day | Multi-purpose Room |
| Bible Study | November 5 | 9:00 AM | Library |
| SPRC | November 6 | 5:30 PM | Library |
| Women's Bible Study | November 6 | 7:00 PM | Room 8 |
| Choir | November 6 | 6:30 – 8 PM | Choir Room |
| UMW Pot Pie Prep | November 7/8 | 8 – 12 | Kitchen |
| Sale of Pot Pie | November 8 | 1 PM | Multi-purpose Room |
| BSHS Cross Country Banquet | November 7 | 5:30 – 9:30 PM | Multi-purpose Room |
| Randy Simpson Concert | November 9 | 7:00 PM | Sanctuary |

1st Sunday of each month – New Person for Barnabas Group to write notes to

2nd Sunday of each month – Canned Fruit Sunday