

What's Happening at Otterbein!

Barnabas Group

The Barnabas Group has a new person for the month of **July** 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, preprinted cards with notes are available. You need only sign your name and place in the basket.

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 July 13 - 19, please pray for** Factoryville UMC – Factoryville, Grace UMC – Hummelstown, Breezewood UMC – Breezewood, Madera UMC – Madera, Daggett UMC – Millerton and Wesley Forest Camp & Retreat Center – Weikert.

Salvation Army – Special Request

The Salvation Army resumed their shower program. They need travel size soap, shampoo, and conditioner. They will gladly accept the travel size from hotels as well. You may place your donations in the mission bins located throughout the church. Thank you!



Missions – Apple Tree Opportunity

Otterbein – let the apple picking begin! We provide new back-to-school clothes for students in the South Middleton School District, whose families are having financial difficulties. If you would like to help provide new clothes, please “pick” an apple from the tree located in the Narthex, office hallway, or the multi-purpose room. Purchase the clothing item listed (don't forget the gift receipt) and return the item to a Mission Bin with the “APPLE” you picked attached for each item. We will collect clothes until July 30th. Shopping not your thing – you can still help by making a monetary donation and we will do the shopping for you. Cash / check (made payable to Otterbein UMC and note “Apple Tree” in the memo) should be placed in a “Mission” envelope, which can be dropped in the offering plate or the office. Thank you for supporting the children in our community!

School Supplies Collection



In conjunction with the Missions Team, we will be collecting **new school supplies** to fill the “bus” outside the office from now until **July 30th**. The school supplies will be available for our daycare parents to choose from for their children on Back to School Night here at Otterbein and be used to fill backpacks for our Apple Tree children.

The suggested items are pencils, notebooks, highlighters, glue sticks, rulers, hand sanitizers, folders, markers, crayons, erasers, pencil bags, tissue packs, pens, index cards, scissors, pencil sharpener and colored pencils.

Bunkertown Men’s Chorus – July 20, 2025, at 3:00 PM in Sanctuary

Please come out on July 20th at 3:00 p.m. to listen to old time Gospel music provided by the Bunkertown Men’s chorus.

Upcoming at Otterbein

Event	Date	Time	Location
VBS Meeting	July 13	12:00 PM	Room 8
Finance Committee Mtg.	July 14	6:00 PM	Library
Scouts	July 14	7:00 PM	Multipurpose Room
Bible Study	July 15	9:00 AM	Library
Women’s Bible Study	July 16	7:00 PM	Room 8
Men’s Life Group	July 17	7:00 PM	Library
Outside Group	July 19	8 – 8 PM	Multi-purpose Room
Bunkertown Men’s Chorus	July 20	3:00 PM	Sanctuary

Note: UMW, Blanket Ministry & Prayer Shawl will not meet June, July or August.
Adult Choir and Handbells – no practice July and August.

Waller & Co Family Band – Save the Date – July 31st (7-9 PM) at Otterbein



We encourage you to come out for a night of worship and music, which appeals to all worshippers. There is no charge to attend and a love offering will be collected for the Waller & Co Family Band. ***Light refreshments and the band are provided complements of the United Methodist Women and Contemporary Service.***

Bio: Dad of 10 – Christian Artist over 3 decades – 30 years married to his best friend – singing his way across the USA with his family in tow. They play spreading hope, truth and kingdom joy through music and mission.

Georgia native John Waller caught the attention of the Christian Music community as a frontman for the fan favorite, *According to John* (1996-2003). When the group disbanded, he moved to Colorado, helped launch Southlink Church and began writing songs and had hits in 2007, 2009, 2011 and 2015. *While I’m Waiting* (2009) was the title track used in the movie Fireproof.

- 1st Sunday of each month – New Person for Barnabas Group to write notes to
- 2nd Sunday of each month – Canned Fruit Sunday
- 3rd Sunday of each month – Wave to our friends joining us from home