



# Otterbein United Methodist Church

February 23, 2025  
Traditional Service

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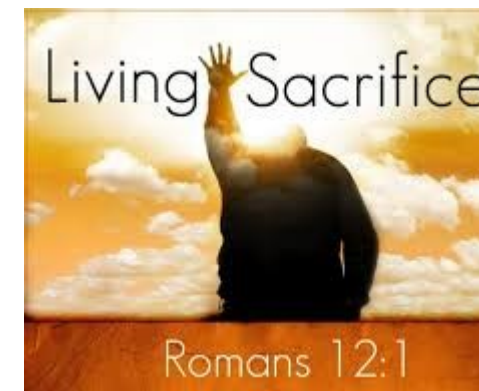
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*Sermon Series: Preparing the Way:  
A Heart Ready for Renewal*

**"Living as a Living Sacrifice"**

**Romans 12:1-2**



### ***Welcome to Otterbein Church***

Whether you are a first time guest, a new resident seeking a church home or just visiting the area, we're glad you took the time to join us for worship. We are a United Methodist congregation seeking to serve our Lord Jesus Christ by proclaiming the Good News and serving our neighbors. We'd love to have you join us on our journey of faith.

**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE**

**PRELUDE**                      “Great is Thy Faithfulness”                      Jane Boley

**LIGHTING THE CANDLES / RINGING THE CHURCH BELL**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Come, offer yourselves as a living sacrifice to the Lord.  
**P:** We give our hearts, our minds, and our lives to God.  
L: Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by God’s renewing power.  
**P:** We open ourselves to His Spirit, that we may be changed.  
L: Let us worship with minds renewed and hearts set on Christ.  
**P:** May our lives reflect His perfect will and purpose!

**HYMN**                      “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”                      UMH 89

**CHILDREN’S MOMENT**

**PASTORAL PRAYER / LORDS PRAYER (DEBTORS)**

**HYMN**                      “I Surrender All”                      UMH 354

**GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**                      “Arioso”                      Jane Boley  
**Doxology**      “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

**SPECIAL MUSIC**                      “My Jesus, I Love Thee                      Bells of Otterbein

**SCRIPTURE**                      *Page 803*                      Romans 12:1-2

**MESSAGE**                      “Living as a Living Sacrifice”                      **Rev. Steve Salisbury**

**CLOSING HYMN**                      “Here I Am, Lord”                      UMH 593

**PASTORAL BENEDICTION**

**EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES / CHIMES**

**POSTLUDE**                      “Praise to the Lord”                      Jane Boley  
(Please stand, if able)

**WORSHIP NOTES**

**Hearing assist devices** are available at the right rear of the sanctuary in tech room.

**Large Print Bulletins** are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please ask an Usher.

**Children’s Worship** - Children are invited to the front of the sanctuary for the children’s moment followed by Otter Kids in Room 5.

**Usher Captain** – Tom Hayes                      **Organist:** Jane Boley

<b>Worship Schedule</b>	<b>Adult Sunday School:</b>
8:45 AM Traditional	9:45 - Loyal Class (Library)
9:30 AM Contemporary “Gathering”	10:00 - BASIC Class (Room 8)
11:00 AM Chapel	

**Attendance - February 16, 2025**

8:45 Traditional	143	Online	122
9:30 Contemporary	47		26
11:00 Chapel	26		

**Total: 216              Online: 148**

**Mortgage Balance** after the February 15th payment: \$203,966.06

## ***What's Happening at Otterbein!***

### **Barnabas Group**

The Barnabas Group has a new person for the month of **February** 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.

### **Carlisle Area Church Softball League**

Do you enjoy playing softball? Are you interested in putting an Otterbein team together to be part of the Carlisle Area Church Softball League? If you are interested in doing this, please contact Nancy and she will give you the information. The season runs from May until mid-July with playoffs in July. There are 7 churches in the league, but they would like to have more. The games are played at Plainfield Park and Carlisle United Methodist Church.

### **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 February 23 – March 1, please pray for** McAlisterville UMC – McAlisterville, Sterlin UMC – Sterling, Coalmont UMC – Saxton, Valley St Marks UMC – Milroy, New Era UMC – Wyalusing, Linglestown Life UMC – Harrisburg, Gaston UMC, Yengema – Sierra Leone, Charlestown UMC – Mercersburg, Trinity Roaring Spring UMC – Roaring Spring, Dallas UMC – Dallas, St Marys Bloserveville UMC – Newville.

### **Mission Trip Anyone?**

The Mission committee is considering a trip to eastern Tennessee this spring or summer with the Appalachian Service Project. This is the organization that our partner church, Colonial Heights UMC, is working with to rebuild five (5) houses for those affected by Hurricane Helene. Before we set a date with the organization, we would like to know how many people would like to go. If you are interested in participating, please contact Julie Greenisen at [jgreenisensr@gmail.com](mailto:jgreenisensr@gmail.com)

### **Cake Auction – March 30 – 10:30 AM**

*The cake auction is coming!!!!* It is time for the BAKERS and BUYERS of Otterbein to get excited! The mission committee is hosting the auction on Sunday, March 30, at 10:30 AM in the gym with a continental breakfast. The Cake Auction is the fund raiser for Missions. The monies donated are used to assist local families and non-profits and provide funds for Otterbein's response to natural disasters and the needs of others on a national level.

**Bakers** may bring their cakes on March 30th beginning at 8:15 AM.

Immediately following the *combined worship service*, breakfast will be available while you view the cakes and pick up your bidding paddle. The auction will begin at 10:30 with Michael Martin as the auctioneer.

**Buyers:** Your purchase may be paid via cash or check made payable to Otterbein UMC. In the memo, please note "cake auction".



### Snow Removal

It is that time of year when we anticipate snow and its removal from the church parking lots. To guide the plows and prevent damage to our lawn areas, approximately 30 snow poles have been installed around the edges of our lots. As you enter and leave the church property, please be mindful of their presence.

### Adult Membership Classes

If you are interested in becoming a member of Otterbein UMC, please contact Nancy to let her know. Mark your calendars for the following dates for classes: May 1, 8 & 15 followed by Membership Sunday on May 18th. More details are coming closer to May.

### Upcoming at Otterbein

Event	Date	Time	Location
Youth Group Escape Room	February 23	6 – 8 PM	Room 8
Otterbein Bells	February 24	6:30 PM	Choir Room
Scouts	February 24	7:00 PM	Multipurpose Room
VBS Meeting	February 24	7:00 PM	Library
Bible Study	February 25	9:00 AM	Library
SM Basketball Practice	February 25	5:30 PM	Gym
Outside Volleyball Grp	February 25	8:00 PM	Gym
Women’s Bible Study	February 26	7:00 PM	Room 8
Choir	February 26	7:00 PM	Choir Room
Yoga / Gyrotonics	February 27	11:00 AM	Room 8
Spec. Olympics Basketball	February 27	6 – 7:00 PM	Gym
Revelation BS with Pastor Steve	February 27	7:00 PM	Room 8
Eagle Scout Court of Honor	March 2	2 – 7:00 PM	Sanctuary / Gym

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month – New Person for Barnabas Group to write notes to

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month – Canned Fruit Sunday

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month – Wave to our friends joining us from home