



Otterbein United Methodist Church

May 24, 2026
Traditional Service

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“Easy to Dismiss”

Acts 2:1-13



Welcome to Otterbein Church

Whether you are a first-time guest, a new resident searching for a church home, or simply visiting the area, we are delighted you've chosen to worship with us today.

Otterbein is a United Methodist congregation committed to serving our Lord Jesus Christ by sharing the Good News and caring for our neighbors. We invite you to walk with us on this journey of faith and hope you will find a place within our church family.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE "America" Jane Boley

LIGHTING THE CANDLES / RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, Holy Spirit, come among your people.

P: Fill us with your power and grace.

L: The church is gathered from every nation and tongue.

P: We are one body in Jesus Christ.

L: Let us worship the God who sends and sustains the church.

P: We come with joy to praise the Lord!

HYMN "O Church of God, United" UMH 547

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORDS PRAYER (DEBTORS)

HYMN "Christ for the World We Sing" UMH 568

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "My Country Tis of Thee" Jane Boley

Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

SCRIPTURE *Page 771* *Acts 2:1-13*

SPECIAL MUSIC "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Otterbein Bells

MEMBERSHIP

MESSAGE "Easy to Dismiss" **Rev. Steve Salisbury**

CLOSING HYMN "The Church's One Foundation" UMH 545

PASTORAL BENEDICTION

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES / CHIMES

POSTLUDE *(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.

Today's altar flowers are given in loving memory of Arlene by Clarence Raudabaugh and daughters.

Usher Captain – Ty Trainor

Organist: Jane Boley

Worship Schedule

8:45 AM Traditional

9:30 AM Contemporary "Gathering"

11:00 AM Chapel

Adult Sunday School:

9:45 - Loyal Class (Library)

10:00 - BASIC Class (Room 8)

Attendance: May 17, 2026

8:45 Traditional 154

Online: 99

9:30 Contemporary 55

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11:00 Traditional Chapel 33

Total 242 Online: 119

After the May 15th mortgage payment was made, the balance is \$118,942.51



What's Happening at Otterbein!

Barnabas Group - May

This month, the Barnabas Group has chosen a new individual who would appreciate your prayers and words of encouragement. You will find their name and note cards in the **narthex** or **multipurpose room**.

Please take a moment to write a note that shares God's love, comfort, and encouragement. If writing is not your thing, preprinted cards with messages are available—just sign your name and place the card in the basket.



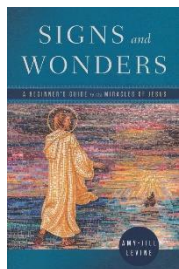
We are delighted to have you join our Otterbein UMC family. We are committed to supporting one another as disciples of Christ, praying for each other and connecting to each other.

We welcome Terry & Deb Dubbs, Ann Dumm, Brian & Emily McDonald and Carol Walter!

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 May 24 - 30, 2026** – Pleasant Mount UMC – Pleasant Mount, Pfoutz Valley UMC – Millerstown, Rogers Memorial UMC – Bo – Sierra Leone, Pinecroft UMC – Pinecroft, St. Paul's Emmanuel UMC – Danville, Laurel Run UMC – Beech Creek..

BASIC Adult Sunday School Class – 10:00 AM – Room 8 – Starts May 24th



Please join Harry Owens as he leads the class in *Signs and Wonders: A Beginner's Guide to the Miracles of Jesus*. Amy-Jill Levine explores selected miracles of Jesus in historical and theological context. For each miracle, she discusses not only how past witnesses would have understood the events, but also how today's readers can draw meaning from Jesus's words and actions.

Welcome Summer Event – June 12 (5 – 8:00 PM) – Save the DATE

Get ready for fun family time and help us welcome summer!

Come hungry—**Kennedy's Kitchen, the Lion's Club, and Auntie Anne's food trucks** will be on site, along with **UMW** baked goods.

Shout **B7, I29, G52—it is BINGO!** Play with **Wendy Wickard** calling the numbers. Kids (and adults!) will enjoy **two inflatables and axe throwing, a family hayride, children's crafts, and Birds of Prey presentations by Miller's Wildlife Programs.**

Due to serious health issues, Gen Gap Band will not be able to play at our event. Please keep them in your prayers. **New Band this year:** Nite Fuel

Connect with community organizations, including **Mt. Tabor Preservation Project, Cumberland County Historical Society, West Shore Historical Society, YWCA, Bosler Library, State Police, EMS, Fire Company, Scouts, Hope House, South Middleton Soccer Association, Boiling Springs Youth Wrestling, CPARC,** and the **Amelia Givin Library Read to Dogs** program.

Top it all off with **free popsicles and popcorn!** So much to do in one evening—come out, have fun, and help us **connect with the community.**

LARGE JUICE CANS NEEDED:

Large juice cans are needed to transport Alter Flowers weekly after service. Please put them in the kitchen on the counter. Thank you!

Communion Dates for 2026

June 7th

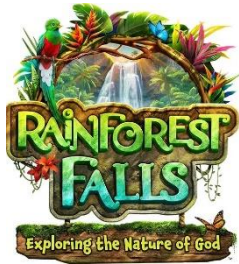
August 2nd

October 4th – World Communion Day

November 8th

December 24th (2:00, 6:00, and 11:00 PM)

VBS at Otterbein



Step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a life-long adventure, discovering the nature of God, and exploring what it means to be rooted in relationship with their creator, a safe place in life's storms.

VBS at Otterbein is scheduled for June 15th – 19th from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm with dinner included! Registration is open to children ages 5 – entering 5th grade. For more information and to register, please visit the Otterbein website at <https://ottumc.org/> . If you have any questions, please reach out to Janna Brandt at families@ottumc.org. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming Youth Group Dates

June 7 (6 – 8 PM) – Meet at church

July 12 (4 – 6 PM) – Meet at Midway Bowling

August 9 (2 – 5 PM) – Pool Party at Martin Farm

Over the next few weeks, our committees and what they do will be shared in the bulletin so you know who you can contact and what they do. This week we highlight our **Finance Committee**. Von Jaymes – Chair

The purpose of the Finance Committee is to serve as the steward of the congregations financial resources as outlined in the Book of Discipline. Key responsibilities of the committee include Budget Development, Fundraising and Stewardship, Financial Oversight, and Reporting and Auditing. If you have any concerns, please contact one of the members below.

Ty Trainor

Harry Owens

Chris Lerew

Terry Shenk

Colleen Welshans

Leslie Conway (church treasurer)

Heather Housel

Tom Wivell

Stephanie Jaymes (assistant treasurer)

College or High School Graduates

On Sunday, May 31st, during our 8:45 and 9:30 services, we would like to recognize our graduating seniors from high school or college. If you have a graduating senior, please contact Janna Brandt at families@ottumc.org so we can include them in our recognition.

Note: Please share the graduate's name, photo, and post-graduation plans whether you are a parent or grandparent no later than May 24, 2026.

Upcoming at Otterbein

Event	Date	Time	Location
Office Closed	May 25		
Bible Study	May 26	9:00 AM	Library
Outside Group	May 26	3 – 6:00 PM	Library
Outside Group	May 26	5:30 – 8:30 PM	Multi-purpose Room
Choir	May 27	7:00 PM	Choir Room
Outside Group	May 28	5:30 – 8:30 PM	Multi-purpose Room
Men's Life Group	May 28	7:00 PM	Library
Outside Group	May 29 / 30	1:00 – 9:00 PM 8 AM – 9:00 PM	Sanctuary Multi-purpose Room
VBS Meeting	May 31	2:00 PM	Room 8

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.

Note: No Prayer Shawl, UMW, or Blanket Ministry for June, July, and August.

Summer Music

Summer is a great time to share your musical talents! We are seeking volunteers to provide special music (vocal or instrumental) during our Traditional services. Don't worry about perfection—this is a wonderful, relaxed opportunity to glorify God and share your gifts with our church family. The sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the choir room as well as outside the office.

Friday, June 12 5-8PM

Welcome

SUMMER

at Otterbein UMC, Carlisle

647 FORGE ROAD



**MUSIC BY
NITE FUEL**



**Patrick from Miller's
Wildlife and Conservation
Specialists will be bringing
birds of prey to
educate us on them.**

FUN FOR THE KIDS

inflatables
face painting
children's crafts
bingo
hay rides
read to dogs
popcorn
popsicles
and much more!

FOOD TRUCKS

Boiling Springs Lions Club
Kennedy's Kitchen
Auntie Anne's



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