



Otterbein United Methodist Church

June 28, 2026
Traditional Service

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“Walk It Off”

Mark 16:12-13



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

LIGHTING THE CANDLES / RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Lord Jesus, we gather here today because we want to see you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly.

P: We long to gaze into your face, to understand your ways, yet you elude Us. Your way is not always clear to us.

L: We debate among ourselves just what you would have us to do to be faithful followers.

P: Give us patience as you disclose yourself to us Enable us to wait for you as you rearrange our expectation of you.

ALL: Give us grace to let you be who you are rather than whom we would have you to be. Embrace us as we are and serve you where we live, living out our baptism in response to your word. Amen.

HYMN "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" UMH 126

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORDS PRAYER (DEBTORS)

HYMN "Open My Eyes, that I May See" UMH 454

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

SCRIPTURE *Page 722* *Mark 16:12-13*

MESSAGE "Walk It Off" **Rev. Joe Kugle**

CLOSING HYMN "This Is My Song" UMH 437

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 Frank & Jane Bear, Miriam Borden, and Lee J. Borden, Jr. by Mr. & Mrs. James Borden.

Usher Captain – Tom Wivell

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: June 21, 2026

9:30 Combined Worship 222

Online: 75

Total 222 Online: 75

What's Happening at Otterbein!

Barnabas Group - June

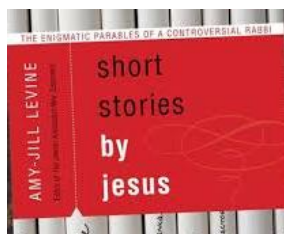
This month, the Barnabas Group has chosen a new individual who would appreciate your prayers and words of encouragement. You will find their name and note cards in the **narthex** or **multipurpose room**.

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.

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 June 28 – July 4, 2026** – ALL churches and pastors going through this time of transition.

BASIC Adult Sunday School Class – 10:00 AM – Room 8 (July 12 – August 16)

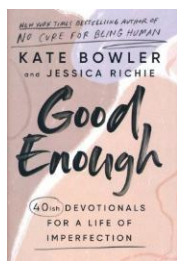


Please join Harry Owens as he leads the class on “Short Stories by Jesus, The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi”. Explore a fresh and timely interpretation of Jesus' most popular teaching parables. Jesus was a skilled storyteller and perceptive teacher who used parables from everyday life to effectively convey his message and meaning. Life in first-century Palestine was very different from our world today, and many

traditional interpretations of Jesus' stories ignore this disparity and have often allowed anti-Semitism and misogyny to color their perspectives.

In this Bible study based on her *Short Stories by Jesus*, Amy-Jill Levine analyzes these "problems with parables" taking readers back in time to understand how their original Jewish audience understood them. With this revitalized understanding, she interprets these moving stories for the contemporary reader, showing how the parables are not just about Jesus, but are also about us—and when read rightly, still challenge and provoke us two thousand years later.

Women's Group – 7:00 PM – Starts June 23 through August 11th – Room 8



Some things you can fix, some you can't, and that's okay. Live imperfectly amid the chaos. Kate Bowler, a mom with stage 4 cancer, and co-author Jessica Richie offer 40 devotions on life as it is—beautiful, meaningful, difficult, and challenging. With gentle humor and compassion, they'll help you reflect upon living in the now.

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

August 2nd

October 4th – World Communion Day

November 8th

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

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.

Upcoming Youth Group Dates

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

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

Upcoming at Otterbein

Event	Date	Time	Location
Scouts	June 29	7:00 PM	Multi-purpose Room
Bible Study	June 30	9:00 AM	Library
Women's Group	June 30	7:00 PM	Room 8
Outside Group	June 23	5:30 – 8:30 PM	Gym
Church Office	June 3	Office Closed	

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.

SAVE THE DATE!

June 22, 2027

Sight and Sound Bus Trip

Jonah is a prophet and a man desperately trying to outrun his calling from God—a calling that leads straight to his enemy, Nineveh. After uncharted adventures lead him off a storm-tossed ship and into the belly of a giant fish, Jonah believes all hope is lost. But in the depths, will he learn how to receive grace and extend mercy, even toward those he opposed the most?

Complete with magnificent sets, immersive special effects, and live animals, JONAH is a state-of-the-art theatrical experience for the whole family. Experience one of the Bible's most powerful stories of mercy as Jonah's journey comes to life like never before in this original production from Sight & Sound Theatres.