

NEWS & EVENTS

SERVE DAY

Join us for OC Serve Day on **Saturday, October 17 from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.** as we come together as a church family to be the hands and feet of Christ in our community! We'll have the opportunity to make a real impact by partnering with local schools, nonprofits, and neighbors—jumping into projects like painting, yard work, cleaning, organizing, and all kinds of hands-on work that will bless others in meaningful ways. This is a great chance for everyone—individuals, families, and kids—to serve side-by-side and show the love of Jesus in practical, tangible ways. Learn more on the OC App, online at ocregister.org or stop by Connection Point.

BAPTISM WORKSHOP

The next Baptism Workshop will be held on Sunday, **October 18, at 11:00 a.m.** in the OC Groups Wing, Room 402. During this workshop, you'll have an opportunity to record your salvation journey and learn more about the meaning and significance of baptism. The workshop is required for all high school students and adults who wish to be baptized. Our next Baptism Sunday is planned for November 29, 2026. Learn more on the OC App, online at ocregister.org.

SERVE OPPORTUNITY

AIRPORT DRIVERS NEEDED

We need drivers to take the upcoming Puerto Rico mission team to and from Dulles airport on the following dates: **October 31 (early morning) and November 6 (mid-afternoon)**. To learn more, check out the form on the OC App, online at ocregister.org, or stop by Connection Point.



The Bible Journey is our churchwide Bible reading plan—one chapter a day, with helpful podcasts and questions to ponder what you've read. We have started Season Two of The Bible Journey - this year we are looking at a chronological viewpoint of the Old Testament. Pastor Mark has selected 250 chapters that capture the meta-narrative of the Old Testament. If you're still making your way through the NT readings, don't worry. All of The Bible Journey chapters and companion podcasts will remain available so you can continue at your own pace.

If you are new to the Journey, you can find the daily reading plan on the OC App, on the Otterbein Church website and at facebook.com/groups/ocdevotionals (click "join" to have it show up in your feed). If you have notifications turned on in the OC App for "Bible Journey," you'll get a reminder each morning at 7:00 a.m. with a direct link to that day's reading. We invite you to get your own Bible Journey Journal for \$5 at Connection Point. Now is a great time to start reading the Bible!

NEW MEN'S Small Groups

Let's Chat! Men's Group: Young men, let's chat! Connect with older men who can share **biblical wisdom and real-life perspective** on work, family, finances, relationships, entrepreneurship, and more. You choose the topics. Dean Kramer will invite an older man to share his experience and biblical perspective, followed by open discussion and questions. Register to join us! An information meeting will be scheduled after registration, where future topics and meeting times will be determined.

Who Are My People? Men's Group: Are looking for a group of guys to hang out with but find it challenging in a large church? This new group seeks to **spark friendships with Christ as their anchor**. We will read a book to foster discussion around topics we all face. We will build one another up, challenge one another and have some fun along the way. An initial information meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 18 at 11:00 a.m. **Register on the OC App or at ocregister.org.**

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY AFTERNOON HOOPS

Like to play basketball? Sunday Afternoon Hoops begins **TODAY—September 27 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.** at the Otterbein Community Center Gym. Anyone (Grade 9 & older) is welcome. Come join us for a great time of exercise and fellowship! **SIGN UP on the OC App or online at ocregister.org.**

FRIENDSHIP COMPANY (GRADES 2-8)

Children in grades 2-8 are invited to participate in Friendship Company: a group that wants to share their God-given talents in singing and acting. The group will meet in the K5 room on Sunday evenings **starting October 4 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.** Friendship Company members will minister to the church during the Christmas Celebration, on Palm Sunday weekend, and a musical in early spring. Sign up on the OC App, online at ocregister.org or stop by Connection Point on a Sunday morning. For more information, contact Jennifer Bream at 717-331-7089 or jhbream8202@gmail.com.



OC FALL FAMILY FEST AT COUNTRY CREEK FARM

You and your family are invited to join us for our OC Fall Family Fun Fest at Country Creek Produce Farm (3794 Etter Rd, Chambersburg, PA) on Saturday, October 24 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Admission is \$7 per person, ages 2 and under are free. Enjoy over 20 outdoor activities including a hayride to the pumpkin patch, corn maze, mountain slides, petting zoo, zip lines, jump pads, bounce houses, racers, and more! Pumpkins will be available for purchase and the concession stand will be open for an additional cost (cash only). For more info., contact Amanda Myers at amanda.myers@otterbeinchurch.org.

CHOSEN

BELONG & BECOME

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

WELCOME

We Are Glad You Are Here!

CHILDREN

IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN, it is our goal to make this the best hour of their week and the most helpful hour of yours. We encourage you to take advantage of our age-graded ministries for your children during the worship service. This will allow your children to learn at an age-appropriate level. For assistance in locating your child's classroom, please visit GUEST CENTRAL. If you choose to keep your children with you, we ask that you be considerate of others by taking them to the lobby if they become restless or have extended periods of crying. There is a television for you to watch the service in the Cafe seating area in the lobby.

OFFERING

OFFERING baskets are available in the lobby at the Worship Center doors or you can give online on the OC App and at otterbeinchurch.org using a debit or credit card.

NEW HERE?

We encourage you to visit **GUEST CENTRAL** in the lobby following the service so we can provide you with additional information about Otterbein, answer your questions, and give you a gift.

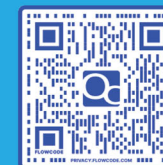
WELCOME CARD

We encourage you to complete a Welcome Card which can be found in the seat backs in the Worship Center. A digital Welcome Card is also available (Use the QR Code). If you have a **PRAYER REQUEST** you would like our prayer team to pray for, please include it on the Welcome Card. Welcome Cards can be dropped in the baskets at the lobby doors at the conclusion of the service.



OTTERBEIN CHURCH APP

We encourage you to download the OC APP where you can complete the Welcome Card, give online, read the announcements, share a prayer request, find message notes, register and sign up for events, watch last week's service and much more. Use the QR Code or search for Otterbein Church Waynesboro in any of the app stores.



***SIGN UP, REGISTER, AND LEARN MORE ABOUT EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ON THE OC APP, OCREGISTER.ORG, OR AT CONNECTION POINT IN THE LOBBY.**

FIND US ON



OTTERBEIN CHURCH

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SERVICE TIMES:

8:00 a.m. – Worship, Nursery & Preschool
9:30 a.m. – Worship, Nursery, Preschool, Elementary & Youth
11:00 a.m. – Worship, Nursery, Preschool & Elementary

YOU ARE CHOSEN

September 27, 2026
Mike Newman, Senior Pastor

IN THE “CHOSEN” SERIES:			
September 27:	You Are Chosen	October 4:	Dead to Life
October 11:	One Body	October 18:	Transformed
October 25:	Roles and Submission	November 1:	Stand Firm

Four Truths:

1) God chose us _____.

Ephesians 1:1–6 (NLT) (1) This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus. I am writing to God’s holy people in Ephesus, who are faithful followers of Christ Jesus. (2) May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace. (3) All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ. (4) Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. (5) God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. (6) So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who belong to his dear Son.

YOU HAVE BEEN AND CONTINUE TO BE PURSUED BY THE GOD OF THE UNIVERSE WHO DESIRES TO HAVE YOU AS HIS SON OR DAUGHTER.

Romans 10:9–13 (NLT) (9) If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. (10) For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved. (11) As the Scriptures tell us, “Anyone who trusts in him will never be disgraced.” (12) Jew and Gentile are the same in this respect. They have the same Lord, who gives generously to all who call on him. (13) For “Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved.”

GOD’S CHOOSING DOES NOT REMOVE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO RESPOND.

2) God’s plan for our sin problem was for _____ with His shed blood.

Ephesians 1:7–10 (NLT) (7) He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. (8) He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding. (9) God has now revealed to us his mysterious will regarding Christ—which is to fulfill his own good plan. (10) And this is the plan: At the right time he will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth.

GOD’S PLAN FOR OUR SIN PROBLEM COST HIM HIS OWN SON.

3) God has given us His _____ of His continual presence in our daily lives as well as for our future.

Ephesians 1:11–14 (NLT) (11) Furthermore, because we are united with Christ, we have received an inheritance from God, for he chose us in advance, and he makes everything work out according to his plan. (12) God’s purpose was that we Jews who were the first to trust in Christ would bring praise and glory to God. (13) And now you Gentiles have also heard the truth, the Good News that God saves you. And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. (14) The Spirit is God’s guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him.

4) God has given us access to the _____ from the dead.

Ephesians 1:15–20 (NLT) (15) Ever since I first heard of your strong faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for God’s people everywhere, (16) I have not stopped thanking God for you. I pray for you constantly, (17) asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you spiritual wisdom and insight so that you might grow in your knowledge of God. (18) I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called—his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance. (19) I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God’s power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power (20) that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God’s right hand in the heavenly realms.

IT IS POSSIBLE FOR US TO KNOW THE FACTS ABOUT HOW GOD SEES US AND KNOW EVERYTHING GOD HAS DONE FOR US AND STILL LIVE LIKE NONE OF IT IS TRUE.

ARE YOU LIVING YOUR LIFE LIKE YOU BELIEVE IT IS TRUE?

For more information about what it means to begin a relationship with Jesus or what to do after making a decision to follow Him, stop at Guest Central in the lobby following the service, email us at info@otterbeinchurch.org, or call the church office at 717.762.7147 to set up an appointment. You may also learn more about what it means to follow Jesus and/or request materials and find additional information to help you on your spiritual journey by clicking “**Next Steps > Jesus**” on our website at www.otterbeinchurch.org.