

# NEWS & EVENTS



## OC SERVE DAY | UPDATE

Serve Day is almost here! Thank you for signing up to serve with us this Saturday, October 18th! We'll meet at Otterbein Church at 9:00 a.m. before heading out to our various projects. We're excited to serve together as the hands and feet of Christ in our community! **Sign-ups for Serve Day are now closed, but there are still plenty of other ways to get involved. You can find additional serving opportunities listed below.** We would love for you to stay connected and keep serving! Learn more on the OC App, online at [ocregister.org](https://ocregister.org) or stop by Connection Point.

## MORE SERVE OPPORTUNITIES

### OUTSIDE DOOR GREETERS

We are looking for friendly folks to participate as Outside Door Greeters for the 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. services. Sign up on the OC App, online at [ocregister.org](https://ocregister.org) or stop by Connection Point.

### VOLUNTEER TO SERVE IN THE CAFE

We have opportunities to serve in our Café on Sunday mornings. Learn more on the OC App, online at [ocregister.org](https://ocregister.org), or stop by Connection Point.

### WELCOME, PARKING, SAFETY & MORE

We're starting a new SERVE Team to be the first smiling faces people see when they arrive at Otterbein. Team members will greet and assist in the parking lots before each service, helping everyone feel welcomed and cared for from the moment they arrive. We're looking for friendly, approachable volunteers to join us. Learn more on the OC App, [ocregister.org](https://ocregister.org) or stop by Connection Point on a Sunday morning.

## CHRISTMAS ENSEMBLES

### JOIN OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION CHOIR

We will be having a special Christmas Celebration Weekend on December 13 & 14 that will include a special worship choir. We invite *anyone* to participate, regardless of previous choir experience or ability to read music. There will be a full rehearsal during the week leading up to the services. If you would like to join the choir or desire more information, sign up on the OC App, online at [ocregister.org](https://ocregister.org), or stop at Connection Point.

### DO YOU PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT?

We are planning to have an instrumental ensemble on December 21 during our Sunday morning services. If you play an instrument and have the ability to sight read music, complete the form on the OC App, online at [ocregister.org](https://ocregister.org), or stop at Connection Point on Sunday morning.

For any questions about the Christmas worship choir or instrumental ensemble, contact Rachel Weaver, Dir. of Worship, at [rachel.weaver@otterbeinchurch.org](mailto:rachel.weaver@otterbeinchurch.org), or 717.762.7147 x227.



You and your family are invited to join us for our OC Family Fall Fest at Country Creek Produce Farm (3794 Etter Rd, Chambersburg, PA) on Saturday, November 1 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Admission is \$6 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 information, contact Amanda Myers at [amanda.myers@otterbeinchurch.org](mailto:amanda.myers@otterbeinchurch.org).

### BAPTISM WORKSHOP | NOVEMBER 2

The next Baptism Workshop will be held on November 2 at 11:00 a.m. in the OC Groups wing, Room 402. This workshop will help you record your salvation journey and teach the meaning of baptism. It is a requirement for all high school students and adults. The next Sunday for baptism services is planned for November 30. Learn more on the OC App or visit [otterbeinchurch.org](https://otterbeinchurch.org) and click on the Sunday page.

### WELCOME TO OTTERBEIN CLASS | NOVEMBER 9

Are you new to Otterbein? Join Pastor Mike on Sunday, November 9 for our Welcome to Otterbein Class. In the class, you will learn more about who we are at Otterbein Church and how to take your next step. The class will be offered at 9:30 a.m. in the OC 45 building (beside the white tent building). Register at Connection Point or at [otterbeinchurch.org](https://otterbeinchurch.org).

## THE BIBLE JOURNEY

*The Bible Journey* is our new churchwide Bible reading plan—one chapter a day, with helpful podcasts, resources, and a place to ask questions along the way. It's a great way to grow closer to God by spending time in His Word.

You'll find the daily reading plan on the OC App, our website, and at [facebook.com/groups/ocdevotionals](https://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. You can also download a weekly copy of the plan at [otterbeinchurch.org/the-bible-journey](https://otterbeinchurch.org/the-bible-journey). **NEW! We have added an audio link on the OC App to LISTEN to the daily reading.**

*Bible Journey* journals with your 1st resource are available for \$5 at Connection Point. **In addition, we have free copies of the new resource "The Character of God" available.**

More new resources! Pastor Mark has compiled some **great questions and the answers** from Matthew and Mark. Remember to check the Resource page on [otterbeinchurch.org](https://otterbeinchurch.org) or the OC App, often. We will continue to add resources as they are developed. Join us on the journey!

# FAITH

BOLD LIVING IN AN *Anxious* WORLD

# FEAR

OCTOBER 12, 2025

## 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](https://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

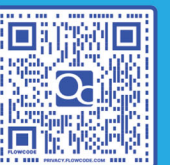
We encourage you to complete a Welcome Card which can be found in the seat backs in the Worship Center. A digital Welcome Card is also available (Use the QR Code).

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.



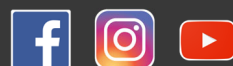
### OTTERBEIN CHURCH APP

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**

912 S. Potomac Street, Waynesboro PA 17268 | [otterbeinchurch.org](https://otterbeinchurch.org)

**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

# TRUTH AND WISDOM

October 12, 2025  
Mike Newman, Senior Pastor

## IN THE “FAITH OVER FEAR” SERIES:

October 5: *Perfect Love*      October 12: *Truth and Wisdom*  
October 19: *Courage*      October 26: *Faithful God*  
November 2: *Eye on Eternity*

**1 John 4:18 (NLT)** (18) Such love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of punishment, and this shows that we have not fully experienced his perfect love.

### Three Biblical Truths:

1) We should choose to \_\_\_\_\_ as our ultimate source of truth.

**John 8:31–32 (NLT)** (31) Jesus said to the people who believed in him, “You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. (32) And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

## TRUTH MATTERS!

### Reasons we can trust the Bible:

- a) The Bible has been \_\_\_\_\_.
- b) The Bible has stood the \_\_\_\_\_.
- c) The Bible’s \_\_\_\_\_ despite having multiple human authors who authored the Bible over a 1,500 year span of time.
- d) The Bible has the \_\_\_\_\_.
- e) The \_\_\_\_\_ proves the Bible is trustworthy.

**Hebrews 13:8 (NLT)** (8) Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

2) Biblical truth help us \_\_\_\_\_.

**Philippians 4:6–8 (NLT)** (6) Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. (7) Then you will experience God’s peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

(8) And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.

## FEAR AND ANXIETY GROW WHEN WE BELIEVE LIES.

**Mark 4:35–40 (NLT)** (35) As evening came, Jesus said to his disciples, “Let’s cross to the other side of the lake.” (36) So they took Jesus in the boat and started out, leaving the crowds behind (although other boats followed). (37) But soon a fierce storm came up. High waves were breaking into the boat, and it began to fill with water. (38) Jesus was sleeping at the back of the boat with his head on a cushion. The disciples woke him up, shouting, “Teacher, don’t you care that we’re going to drown?” (39) When Jesus woke up, he rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Silence! Be still!” Suddenly the wind stopped, and there was a great calm. (40) Then he asked them, “Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?”

## FEAR AND ANXIETY LOSES ITS POWER WHEN WE ACTIVELY REPLACE LIES WITH BIBLICAL TRUTH.

3) We need to be \_\_\_\_\_ to others.

**Ephesians 4:15 (NLT)** (15) Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.

## “TRUTH WITHOUT LOVE IS BRUTALITY. LOVE WITHOUT FEAR IS SENTIMENTALITY. BUT TRUTH SPOKEN IN LOVE—THAT’S TRANSFORMATION.” - Author Unknown

**Colossians 4:6 (NLT)** (6) Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone.

## HOW DO YOU COME ACROSS WHEN YOU SPEAK THE TRUTH TO OTHERS?

## THE WORLD DOESN’T NEED MORE ANGRY CHRISTIANS YELLING AT THEM!

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](mailto: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](http://www.otterbeinchurch.org).