

2022 Altar Flowers

Please review the list for Sunday Worship Altar Flowers. Situations change from year to year. Simply find your name on the list which is posted on the bulletin boards outside the office and in the Narthex and check either “yes” or “no” for participating in 2022. Once the list is finalized, Nancy will reach out to you to confirm your date and the verbiage you would like used in the bulletin. The list will be available until December 26, 2021. Thank you!

2022 Contribution Envelopes

The 2022 contribution envelopes are available in the church narthex. If you are unable to pick up your envelopes and would like them mailed to you, please contact the church office. If you do not have contribution envelopes and would

BASIC Class Advent Study

December 5 - 26, 2021

The BASIC Adult Sunday School class will be doing the Advent Study, “A Clear View of the Birth of Jesus” with Dr. Kenneth E. Bailey. In this four week program, Dr. Bailey will bring fresh answers to these and other questions in the Christmas story:

- Why didn't Mary and Joseph go to Elizabeth's house for the birth of Jesus?
- Why was the town of Bethlehem so hard-hearted that no private home would take them in if there was no room in the Inn?

The four major topics covered will be:

- Where was the Manger and what was the Inn?
- Three Surprises: His Ancestors, Joseph and Herod
- Salvation and the Wise Men
- Herod's Atrocities and Simeon's Welcome

Join us as we strip away the myths that have grown up around the Christmas Story and return to the true meaning as found in the Biblical texts.

What's Happening At Otterbein UMC

Event	Date	Time	Location
Senior Bells Practice	12/06/2021	6:30 PM	Choir Room
Esther Bible Study	12/07/2021	9:00 AM	Library
Advent Study	12/07/2021	3:00 PM	Zoom contact Rosa Seyfried
Choir Practice	12/08/2021	7:00 PM	Choir Room
Program Staff Meeting	12/08/2021	7:00 PM	Library
Youth @ Mission Central	12/11/2021	9 - 12 PM	5 Pleasant View Drive Mechanicsburg, PA
Children Bake Cookies	12/12/2021	10:45 AM	Kitchen

Recurring Schedule

Event	Date	Time	Location
Scouts	Mondays	6 - 8:30 pm	Gym
Traditional Service	Sundays	8:45 am	Sanctuary
Children's Church	Sundays	During Traditional Serv.	During sermon children go to another room
Live Streamed Service	Sundays	8:45 or 9:30 am	YouTube
Gathering Service	Sundays	9:30 am	Gym
Children's Church	Sundays	During Gathering Serv.	During sermon children go to another room
Loyal Adult Sunday School Class	Sundays	9:45 am	Choir Room
Basic Adult Sunday School Class	Sundays	10:00 am	Room 8
Chapel Service	Sunday	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Youth Group	Sundays	4 - 6:00 pm	Room 8 and Gym



Children & Youth Events

Cookie Baking

Children (Pre-K through 6th Grade) cookie baking will be on Sunday, December 12 at 10:45 a.m. in the kitchen following the second service. The children will be making and decorating cookies to take home.

Children's Christmas Pageant

There will be a Children's Christmas Pageant on Sunday, December 19 before the Cantata at 8:45 a.m. Practices will be held during children's church on Sunday's leading up to the pageant. There will be one additional practice on Saturday, December 18 at 10:00 a.m. Any child may participate and will need to attend at least one practice so they can be fitted with a costume and learn their part.

Youth at Mission Central

The youth will be volunteering at Mission Central's Christmas party on Saturday, December 11 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Let Megan know by today (Dec. 5) if your child is attending. You will need to complete permission forms.

Adjusted Office Hours Week of December 5

Monday - 7:00 - 1:00 PM
Tuesday - closed
Wednesday - 7:00 - 1:00 PM
Thursday / Friday - 9:00 - 1:00 PM

Missions

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

It is time to ring the bell for the Red Kettle Drive! Our church is scheduled at the Karns in Boiling Springs, on December 18 from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. The sign up sheet for December 18 is posted on the bulletin board outside the office.



Toys for Tots Last day for donations!

These toys go to support children in Cumberland and Perry Counties. Please have all donations in the bins **today**, so they can be delivered to the Marines in time for their Christmas distribution. Monetary donations can be placed in a missions envelope marked "Toys for Tots".

New Website has Launched!

After several months of hard work and dedication, we are proud to announce our new website has launched. This website is the go-to tool for communicating about our church with friends, neighbors, and family. We need your help to promote our website so visit it, use it and like it. It is a work in progress so each time you login you will see updated information. We want you to use it and watch it grow as the church grows.

www.ottumc.org

Check it out - we encourage you!

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" Celebration Winds

LIGHTING THE CANDLES / RINGING THE CHURCH BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The Lord has looked with favor on God's people.

P: Praise to the Lord!

L: A messenger of peace will be sent to us.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: The messenger will place peace in our hearts and our spirits.

P: Come, O Messenger of Peace, we stand in need of your presence. AMEN.

HYMN "The First Noel" UMH 245

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORDS PRAYER (DEBTORS)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

HYMN "Let There Be Peace On Earth" UMH 431

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "Send Out Thy Light" Celebration Winds

Doxology UMH 95

SPECIAL MUSIC "O Come O Come Emmanuel" Celebration Winds

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

HYMN "What Child Is This?" UMH 219

SCRIPTURE Matthew 1:18-25

MESSAGE "I Was Not Expecting That" **Pastor Steve Salisbury**

CLOSING HYMN "Joy to The World" UMH 246

PASTORAL BENEDICTION

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES / CHIMES

POSTLUDE (Please stand, if able)

WORSHIP NOTES

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

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, and are also invited afterwards to Children's Church for the remainder of the service.

A cry room, for crying infants, is located at the right rear of the sanctuary; enter from hallway.

Today's altar table flowers are given in honor of Pastor Steve, his family, church staff and all the volunteers by Barry and Rogene Schmiedel.

Ushers and Greeters: Usher Captain – Steve Bear

Bell Ringer: Joe Shughart

Organist: Jane Boley

Worship Schedule

8:45 AM and 11:00 AM Traditional

9:30 AM Contemporary "Gathering"

Adult Sunday School:

9:45 - Loyal Class

10:00 - BASIC Class

Special Church Conference: There will be a special Church conference today, December 5, 2021 at 12:00 noon in the Sanctuary to discuss details regarding legal matters related to Boy Scouts of America.

Prayer: Josh Coolidge and Sharon Bennett



Otterbein United Methodist Church

December 5, 2021

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"I Was Not Expecting That"

Matthew 1:18-25



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.