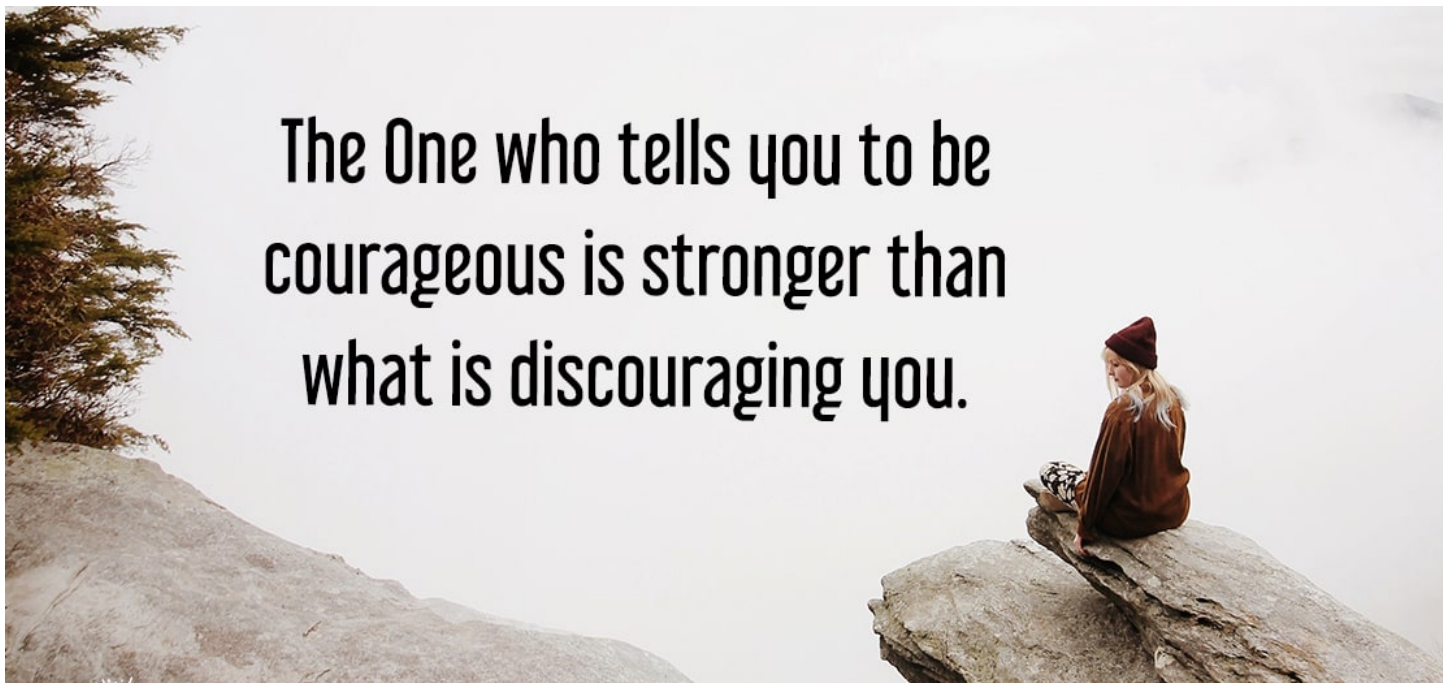


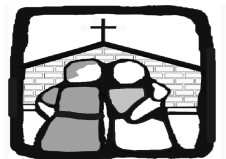
# Otterbein United Brethren in Christ Church



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A Church That  
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# The Lord's Day

## January 14, 2024

When Asa  
heard these words  
he took COURAGE  
and removed the  
detestable idols  
from the whole  
land. (11 Ch. 15)

PRELUDE  
WORSHIP MUSIC  
SPECIAL MUSIC  
READING (SCREEN)  
PRAYER  
HYMN (347)  
BIBLE MESSAGE  
HYMN (415)  
BENEDICTION

Children's Church in the basement 9:00 & 11:10

Let's talk about COURAGE.  
Jan. 14 > When the Hard Thing is the Right Thing!  
Jan. 21 > When Convictions Clash with Expectations!

So glad that you can participate in this hour of worship. Welcome!  
Pharaoh's officials said to him, "Let these people go, so that they may  
WORSHIP the Lord their God!" (Ex. 10:17)

### TODAY

8:30 and 10:45 - Worship and Preaching

9:50 - Sunday School Classes

3:00 - Missions Commission

5:30 - Join us as we sing to a few shut-in individuals. Return at 7:00.

We'll do some Christmas carols and familiar hymns. Greencastle area.

If we have a large group we'll split up. It's fun and a blessing!

### WEDNESDAY

6:30 - Bible Study/Prayer... groups for children, youth, & adults

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	<b><i>This Week</i></b>	<b><i>Next Week</i></b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Nursery</b>	Deb Michalsky	
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Nursery</b>	Jim & Sarah Rosenberger	Cindy Rawley & Kristin Marconi
<b>Acolyte</b>	Corinna Ruelas 1st Shelby Rife 2nd	Jake Tracey 1st Grace Thompson 2nd
<b>Prelude</b>	Suzanne Hess & John Piper	Grace Akers
<b>Greeters</b>	Ben & Celina Stoops	Steve & Connie Wilson

<b>Last Week...</b>	1/7/24
<b>Attendance</b>	105
<b>General</b>	\$ 5,961.75
<b>Missions</b>	\$ 1,685.50
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 1,133.50
<b>Sunday School</b>	\$ 285.00

Two months... it will be time to greet some missionaries whom we support and catch an update from their lives. March 6 - 10. THANK YOU for your ongoing financial support of these special people living in far off places.

\*AND we greatly appreciate the money given to the ministry of OUB.

We do not take an offering during the service, but cannisters are located on the upper entryway table. You may also use online giving available through the church website, [www.greencastleub.org](http://www.greencastleub.org)



1 Liter, 2 Liter, Gatorade and more  
Common Ground wants the bottle caps  
from Soda and Water Galore!

We are on a mission to help out our brother  
and sister churches in Mexico by collecting

plastic bottle caps and shipping them down.

1k plastic bottle caps = 1 chemo treatment for a cancer

patient. **There is a box at the top of the stairs to collect caps.**

The OUB 2023 tithing tax letters were sent the week of January 7, 2024.

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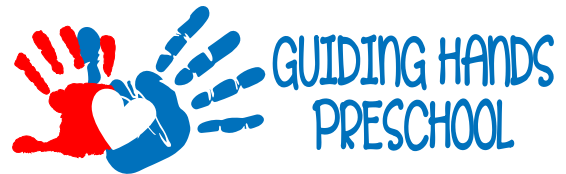
*Altar  
Flowers*

We are very sparse for 2024 Altar

Flower dedications, **especially Feb. & Mar.** The signup sheets are on the lower lobby table.



Preschool Registration for the 2024 Fall and 2025 Spring classes is now open. Brochures and registration forms are on the lower lobby table.

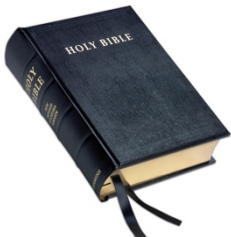


Senior News!

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Meet at the Parlor House on Tue., 1/16/24 at 9:00. Please note the date changed because of the holidays. RSVP to Fran Stoner by 1/15/24. (717) 597-0189

Women's Bible Study resumes Monday, Jan. 15, at 1:00  
Revelation? Who were the two witnesses?



The church office has several Bibles that have been unclaimed for over one year. If you know someone who would like to have a Bible, you can find them in the library on the table under the window.

# COURAGE!

(11 Chronicles 14-15)

## When the Hard Thing is the Right Thing

ASA... King of Judah... 875 B.C.

During his reign Judah faced both physical danger and spiritual evil.

*\*Sometimes it is easier facing the enemy on the field of battle than facing the idols at home.*

- When Judah was invaded, ASA responded with prayer and battle. For a king this was expected... patriotic... loyal leadership. Easy! (14:6-15)
- Upon returning home, ASA was confronted by a dude named Azariah who said, "What you have done is wonderful. But we have a greater enemy. These idols among us will destroy us as surely as a hostile army. God is with you, Asa. Do something!" (15:1-7) Asa knew that Azariah was right. This was HARD!

**COURAGE** (15:8)

- idols \_\_\_\_\_ • altar \_\_\_\_\_
  - covenant \_\_\_\_\_ • grandmother \_\_\_\_\_
1. God promises to bless \_\_\_\_\_, never \_\_\_\_\_ between easy or difficult obedience. (Jer. 7:21-23, Mt. 28:20, Jn. 14:15, 1 Jn. 3:24)
  2. To ignore that which you do not appreciate or agree with is "easy." Confrontation of such things is never easy but is often right. COURAGE to \_\_\_\_\_ and wisdom to confront \_\_\_\_\_ are available from the Lord! (Acts 5:29, Rom, 8:31-33, Jm. 1:5-6)
  3. Remaining in a rut when God has given you a different dream or calling is easy. Familiarity. Benefits. Expectations, etc. If your current condition does not match God's \_\_\_\_\_, make a change! God will give you COURAGE to \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_. (Mt. 4:18-20, Rom. 8:28, Eph. 4:1, 11 Peter 1:10-11)

Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather the assessment that something else is more important than fear! F.D.R.