Otterbein United Brethren in Christ Church



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A Church That C.A.R.E.S.

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The Lord's Day June 23, 2024

CALL TO WORSHIP WORSHIP SONGS PRAYER TIME RESPONSIVE READING (254) HYMN (195) BIBLE MESSAGE HYMN (458) BENEDICTION

*Children's Church (9:00 and 11:10)

We will glorify
the King of Kings.
We will glorify
the Lamb.
We will glorify
the Lord of lords,
who is the
great I AM!
(Twila Paris)

A man sang in our church last Sunday. His voice was trembly but the notes very high and true. The people were so still while he sang. It felt like the Holy Spirit hushed every heart. As he finished, a friend leaned over and whispered, "You know, only a year ago he was in deep trouble." Tears rolled down my face as I thought "... and such were some of you." (1 Cor. 6:11).

Anne Kiemel

TODAY

Sunday School Classes 9:50 Worship and Preaching - 8:30/10:45

WEDNESDAY

- COMMON GROUND youth (6:30)
- MIXED adult Bible study (6:30)... sanctuary overflow

OTTERBEIN A dictionary definition of <u>church</u> makes no mention of "money." Neither our papers of incorporation nor our Purpose statment say anything about money. Yet you bring money and donate online to this church. It is in your hearts to do so. It is the teaching of our Bible to do so. We simply want to say, THANK YOU for the faithful and generous giving! Our bills are paid and our bulding is debt free. We are able to bless many missionaries and ministries. So many stories of GOD supplying your needs even while you give sacrificially and gladly to support his spiritual Kingdom. Some people cannot understand this. We <u>do</u> understand, and we will conitinue to give, trust, and be amazed and blessed! *In case you're unaquainted with our system... containers for offerings are located on the table in the upper level entryway. You may also give electronically from our website, greencastleub.org.

Two ideas!

1) Bless your tummy with a mouthwatering half of a BBQ chicken this Saturday (29th) at Glenwood Foods... chicken available 9 to noon.



2 Bring your baked goods or snack items over early as your contribution to the cause (anytime early morning). They sell! People love homemade items!

*Proceeds benefit OUB Building Fund. Thank you!

REMINDER: The KIddie pool at the top of the steps is a place to donate beach towels and laundry pods. They will be given to low income families at a pool party arranged by Jackie Pegram in Winstom Salem, NC. A group from OUB will be traveling there in mid-July to do VBS ministry in this urban setting.

THANK you for your donations. If you would prefer to donate cash and have others purchase these items, a box is located on the nearby table. Checks should be made to OUB.

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	This Week	Next Week	
1 st Nursery	Lori & Morgan Clopper	Gary & Daphne Murray	
2 nd Nursery	Sara Witmer	Cindy Rawley	
Acolyte	Callie Witmer 1st Carter Wagaman 2nd	Lydia Gruver 1st Ben Garrett 2nd	
Prelude	Latasha Johnson	Nancy Taylor	
Greeters	Kathy Sanbower & Loretta Robinson	Tony Myers Family	

SERMONS

June 30 - RELIEF from GRIEF (Lamentations)

Last Week	6/16/24		
Attendance	238		
General	\$ 5,299.50		
Missions	\$ 2,059.50		
Building Fund	\$ 823.50		
Sunday School	\$ 422.00		

A little time each week and an email address... this is all you need to help out with an essential OUB ministry. People want to pray for each other, and our "Prayer Chain" is a convenient way to share or receive requests from others. We currently NEED a Prayer Chain Coordinator. The task is simple... receive the email request and pass it forward to the bulk list. If you are interested in doing this, please contact Holly Ressler (301) 842-7573. Your work would be greatly appreciated by many folks!



Mexico Missions Trip

Good news! Enough funds have been gathered to ensure that all the students' expenses are paid for in full! If you would like to donate towards the adult chaperones' expenses, please use one of the envelopes on the board in the upper lobby.

Questions? Contact Holly Ressler at (301) 842-7573.

Administrative Board Meeting Tue., June 25, 6:30 P.M.

<u>Lament of **SKEPTICISM**</u> (Why doesn't religion work for <u>me</u>?)

"The Lord is like an enemy" (Lam. 2:5)

"I tried God, but it didn't do anything for me" is a common lament among humanity. Similar statements have been made about marriage, honesty, and broccoli. Why do some find such power from God's presence while others feel that God is their antagonist, who only seeks to make their life difficult?

The Lamentations of Jeremiah admit $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ (1:5,8,18), admit being warned of
(2:17), and admit that God's punishment is just and leaves
o complain (3:39). However, they are a rolling list of complaints and accusations that God has not remembered" his special people (2:1), their punishment is excessive (2:20), and that God should also be punishing other people (3:61-66). "Perhaps," Jeremiah groans, "God has otally rejected us" (5:22).
There is more expressed here than grief, agony, and misery. There is anger, criticism, and fault finding. Mixed with pleas for mercy are accusations and admonishments toward God (1:10, 21, 2:6-8). Jeremiah is quite SKEPTICAL that God has done the right thing.
SKEPTICISM God has roots in DEFIANCE God. <i>(Ps. 73:11)</i> CRITICISM of God's implies AUTHORITY of your own <i>(Gen. 3:4-5).</i>
REPENTANCE is not or (11 Cor. 7:10-11).
<u>SKEPTICISM</u>

"I asked God to heal me, but it didn't happen." "I laid out a fleece, but I didn't get an answer." "God does help certain people, but he has a vendetta against me."

- What are you looking for?
- Have you asked for a new birth or only for a new blessing?
- Are you interested in trusting God or challenging God?
- Have you offered God your life or just a deal/request?
- Do you worship God or disregard/disdain his will?
- Do you seek to serve God or seek God that he may serve you?

I was found by those [HUMBLE] who did not seek me. But to Israel [PROUD/SKEPTICAL] he says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and obstinate people." (Rom. 10:20)