

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

September 22, 2024

And he passed in front of Moses proclaiming, "the LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving sin and wickedness. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished..."

(Exodus 34:6-7)

PRELUDE
CREED
WORSHIP MUSIC
PRAYER TIME
HYMN 495
BIBLE MESSAGE
HYMN 417
BENEDICTION

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

What if someone called you on the phone, rattled off their list of troubles, said "I hope you can help me." then promptly hung up? You would probably feel a bit annoyed! "They hope I'll help them but they didn't even give me a chance to respond. They talked to me but didn't even listen to me!" Quite possibly... this is the picture of our prayers to God going up from our busy, preoccupied lives. This day, this place... your opportunity to listen for God's reply. For this hour, there is nothing else on your agenda to steal your attention. WORSHIP. LISTEN.

We welcome you today!

WORSHIP/PREACHING - 8:30 AND 10:45

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - 9:50

Outdoor Music and FELLOWSHIP - 6:00

Come out to the Kauffman Ruritan Building and join in an evening of music. Bring a chair and some sort of campfire food to share afterward. Snacks. Veggies. Desserts. Etc. Drink and paper products will be provided.

If you feel stunned by the loss of a precious person (or other reality) and are struggling with the grief process, you are invited to participate in a short term Grief Group. Goal: To grow in the Lord and improve your grip on life in the face of loss. Questions: Call Dot at (717) 643-1920 or email dprorobinson11@gmail.com

WHERE: OUB Library

WHEN: Wednesday evenings, 6:30 to 7:30, Sept. 25 - Oct 30 (6 wks.)

WHO: Classes will be led by Dot Robinson, a **certified Grief Coach**

HOW: Signup sheets on the table in both the upper and lower entryway

Women's Bible Study Sept. 16, Oct. 7, and Oct. 21. 1:00 p.m.

Learn about women in the Bible. Someone who was living with difficult people! Come see who it might be, learn how she was able to cope with difficult people, and how you can too!

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	<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
1st Nursery	Lori & Morgan Clopper	Gary & Daphne Murray
2nd Nursery		Cindy Rawley
Acolyte	Ava Witmer 1st Carter Wagaman 2nd	Lydia Gruver 1st Ben Garrett
Prelude	Rachel Thompson	Becky Sipes
Greeters	Bryce & Dara Michalsky	Tim & Holly Ressler

Last Week...	9/15/24
Attendance	221
General	\$ 8,401.50
Missions	\$ 1,630.50
Building Fund	\$ 858.50
Sunday School	\$ 194.00

We appreciate each person who contributes to our church ministry by helping out in the nursery. Sign-up sheet is on upper entry way table. More help is needed during October and November.



BAPTISM - If you wish to be baptized as a public symbol of your Christian faith and commitment, opportunity will be given on Sunday, October 13. Please speak with Pastor David.



Operation Christmas Child: Empty shoeboxes are available for you to take and fill. Seems early, but now is a great time to pick up those school supplies. The boxes will be collected the second week of November



Join us on Oct. 5 at 4:00 pm here at OUB under the tent. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the lower lobby entry. Fried chicken and Harold South's famous chicken corn soup will be provided. Bring a dish to share, and your own table setting and drinks.



FALL MISSION SERVICE - Nov 3 (9:30 am) - Combined worship service with a mission focus. Special guests Denis & Raina Casco Bishop of the UB Latin American Conference.

SOUND DESK TRAINING... If you currently help or would consider helping to run the sound desk during worship services, please bring your body to the church this Saturday (9/28) at 3:30 p.m. Kevin Davis will fill your mind with all sorts of wonderful instructions. *Also... are you currently helping with worship music? You are desired also... sound checking for your voice!

Coming soon. Nearby!

PA State Sunday School Convention at Mt. Pleasant U.B. Church in Chambersburg SATURDAY... November 9 Registration at 8:00 - various workshops 9:00 to 3:00

- workshops
- Ideas
- Resources - Brochures on upper lobby table

WHAT'S WITH FORTY?

The Bible is filled with numbers. Most of them are simply random. Some are related to each other. (*12 tribes > 12 disciples > 12 stars, Rev. 12*). Some are symbolic (*7 = completion*). Some are significant but are not explained (*390 and 40... past or future? Ezekiel 4:1-8*). Numbers that bear Biblical significance are 3, 7, 12, and 40.

The significance of 40 apparently begins with the opportunity that Israel had to choose _____ or _____ (*Num. 13-14*). Edge of Canaan. 12 men. 40 day reconnaissance.

Two = "milk and honey!" Ten = "Impossible!"

Israelite people = terrified, mutinous, pessimistic

God = VERY ANGRY (*14:26-38, note vs. 34*) (*Deut. 8:2*)

40 DAYS AND NIGHTS

- **Moses** > covenant/glory [no food!] (*Ex. 34:27-32*)

- **Elijah** > journey/retreat [no food!] (*1 Kings 19:1-18*)

- **Jesus** > preparation/temptation [no food!] (*Mt. 4:1-2, Mk. 1:12-13*)

*Traditionally the 40 days of Lent and Advent were given to fasting and preparation for Easter and Christmas, based on this 40 day retreat of Jesus.

The common experience of these three individuals could not have been a coincidence. Their point and connection is that God _____ their body and being while they intensely _____ his presence and will. As they pursued intimacy with God, the lesser things of life were less important to them.

Moses... anger/grief > **glory**

Elijah... fear/self-pity > **zeal**

Jesus... innocence/theory > **confidence**

Jesus _____ his <u>coming</u> with Elijah (<i>Mt. 17:11-12</i>) and his <u>mission</u> with Moses (<i>Jn. 3:14-14</i>)
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Biblical numerology need not impress or intrigue you.

But there is a number that you MUST acknowledge and deal with.

It is the number one. (*Eph. 4:4-6*)