

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

AUG. 24, 2025

Prelude
Hymns (509-512)
Prayer
Scripture Readings
Worship Music
Bible Message
Hymn (333)
Benediction

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

TODAY

8:30 and 10:45 - Worship and Preaching

9:50 - Sunday School classes... younger children combined in the gym

WEDNESDAY

6:30 - Adult Bible Study and Prayer Time

*Next Sunday (August 31) we will have both worship services downstairs in the multi-purpose room. If steps are an issue, please use the parking lot level door on the side toward Allison Street. Following the 8:30 service we will have a 30 minute "fellowship" time to talk and share lives.

*Adult SS will be in the same room (gym) at 10:00, classes combined.

*Children's SS will meet in the Noah's Ark Room, also at 10:00.

*We will follow this same format again on November 30, a fifth Sunday.

Our prayers and sympathy to Joel Leckron upon the death of his wife, Beth, on 8/14. A memorial service is planned for a later date. Beth loved OUB church. She dealt with several illnesses for the past two years.

Prayer. *A group from OUB is currently in North Carolina with the Pegram ministry. Traveling home this week.

*Barry Elliott is in SE Asia with UNTO ministry. Traveling home this week.

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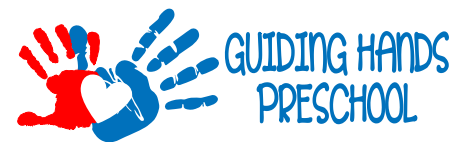
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	<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
1st Nursery	The Keller Family	Gary & Daphne Murray
2nd Nursery	Sylvia Clement	Cindy Rawley
Acolyte	Ben Bowman 1st Carter Wagaman 2nd	Lydia Gruver 1st Grace Myers 2nd
Prelude	Grace Akers	Ryan Eberly
Greeters	KD Rife Family	John & Polly Martin

Last Week...	8/17/25
Attendance	228
General	\$6,919.00
Missions	\$2,536.50
Building Fund	\$ 982.50
Sunday School	\$ 107.00

We thank the Lord for the outreach of GUIDING HANDS Preschool, which is filled up for the 25 - 26 year. Their Open House is this week, and their classes will begin on September 2.



Children's Worship Bulletins™ PARENTS - Did you know there are Children's bulletins available for your little ones? They have fun puzzles and games centered around stories in the Bible. Two different options, ages 3 and up & 7 and up. They can be found on the table as you enter the sanctuary. Great way to entertain them!

SAVE THE DATE

Fall Church Picnic

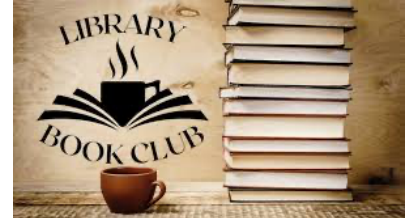
October 12

Jerome King Playground

More info will be given later



Interested in a book club? The Library Committee needs to know! Tell Linda Baer, Sandy Turman or Shawn Daley. And let them know if you will help lead the discussion with the group. The committee will work with the leader(s) –more than one could share this role – on ALL the details and help with any “behind the scenes” work.



Summer Sermons (requested topics)

Aug. 10 - "Suffering" for Christ

Aug. 17 - Spiritual Warfare (Mark Burkett)

Aug. 24 - Forgiveness

Aug. 31 - Grief

Sept. 7 - Faith

Sept 14 - Discernment

Sept. 21 - The World

Sept 28 - Life Decisions



Next Senior Outing!

Meet at Vinnie's in Marion at 11:30 on Tue., Sept. 9.

RSVP to Fran Stoner at (717) 597-0189 by Mon., Sept. 8.

FORGIVENESS

Matthew 6:12, 14-15

- When I ask God to forgive me, I am IMPLYING that I _____ forgiveness and therefore would _____ forgiveness to anyone when it is requested of me.
- God's forgiveness is based upon the sincerity of our request to him. That sincerity is proven or disproven by my _____ to _____ my forgiveness.

God understands and sympathizes with the difficulty (emotions) of forgiveness. He is not put off by the human disgust/anger at the perpetrator of the offense. He weighs my sincerity, effort, desire, and determination to forgive.

My Question: Have I overcome/eliminated all _____?

God's Question: Do they _____ to forgive? Do they _____ that outcome?

THE LOGIC OF FORGIVENESS

- a. There is no logic by which a willful trespass _____ to be ignored or disregarded.
- b. There is great logic in saying, "Since God extends forgiveness _____ me, then he would expect _____ to extend forgiveness _____ me." (*Eph. 4:32, Col. 3:13, Mt. 18:21-35*)

Matthew 18:18

In the context of church discipline (*18:15-17*), Jesus said, "When someone has met the conditions of forgiveness [confession - *1 Jn. 1-9*] [repentance - *Lk. 24:47*], you have the _____ (authority) to declare God's forgiveness to them and the _____ to show them forgiveness yourself [turned loose in heaven > turned loose on earth"]. This statement is not saying that God is obligated to follow my lead ("bind or loose"), but exactly the opposite!

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO FORGIVE SOMEONE?

1. Turn them loose from the punishment of _____ wrath or revenge, i.e. refrain from personal vengeance.
2. _____ or _____ the incident.
*This does not mean that penalty or justice should not be pursued. This is God's purpose for "government" so that "punishment" is transferred from the wronged individual to the officials who decide/speak for all the people (*Rom. 13:3-4*).

WHAT IS THE GOAL OF PERSONAL FORGIVENESS?

1. To be _____ who shows goodness/mercy to unrighteous folks as well as righteous (*Mt. :43-48*)
2. To avoid the power of the perpetrator's evil _____ me _____ its misery (*Rom. 12:17-21*).