

Good News in Ono



June 2020

"Happy are people who are hopeless, because the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

"Happy are people who grieve, because they will be made glad.

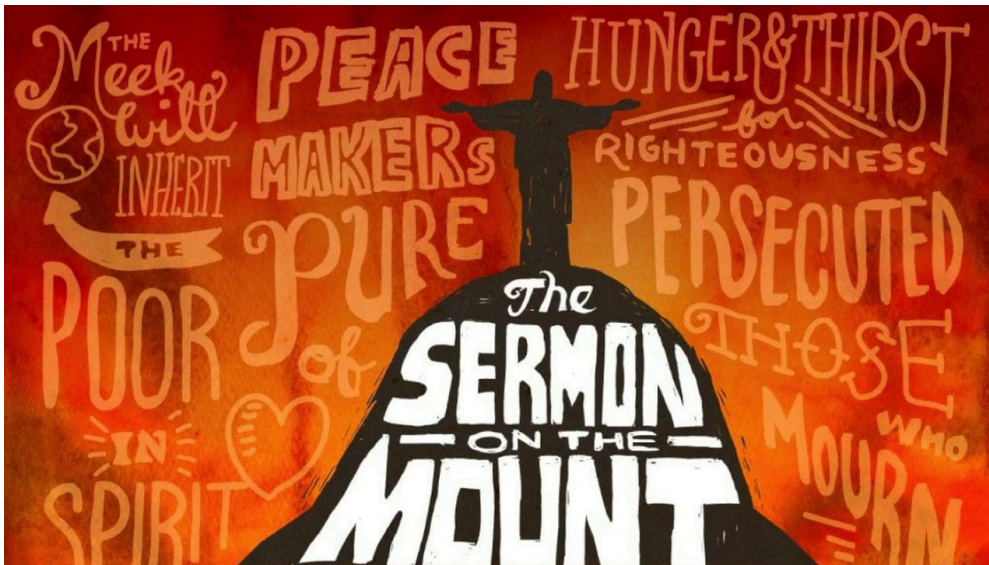
"Happy are people who are humble, because they will inherit the earth.

"Happy are people who are hungry and thirsty for righteousness, because they will be fed until they are full.

"Happy are people who show mercy, because they will receive mercy.

"Happy are people who have pure hearts, because they will see God.

"Happy are people who make peace, because they will be called God's children.



"Happy are people whose lives are harassed because they are righteous, because the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

"Happy are you when people insult you and harass you and speak all kinds of bad and false things about you, all because of me. Be full of joy and be glad, because you have a great reward in heaven. In the same way, people harassed the prophets who came before you.

-Matthew 5. 3- 12 (CEB)

I hear a lot of people desire the Ten Commandments be posted publicly. I would prefer the beatitudes. The beatitudes begin Jesus' longest recorded sermon. They are shocking. They are countercultural. They are clearly expectations that Jesus has in order for us to be salt and light (Matthew 5. 13-16). They are clearly expectations for people so that they will be blessed (the CEB uses the word happy) and so that our good works would point to God. Two-thousand years later, they are still shockingly counter-cultural. They are frequently ignored or at least downplayed in expectations of the people of God. This summer, we will be using these to monitor our faith and hearts before God.

The beatitudes depend on the concept of "blessed." In modern society, we usually use the term to refer to material blessings. People talk about their new house, cars, jobs, etc. and say they are blessed. When a loved one recovers from an illness or is relieved of harm, we say we are blessed. The beatitudes challenge that assessment and lend to the idea that blessedness comes from our relationship with God. We are not blessed by material- we are blessed by a heavenly Father whose thoughts are not our thoughts and ways are not our ways (Isaiah 55. 8). I prefer to think about blessed as the joy that comes from God and is unshakeable by earthly circumstances. With the Holy Spirit leading us, we are blessed!

I believe that each one of these beatitudes should help us ensure that the Holy Spirit has hold of our lives. We will use the beatitudes to keep "tab" of our faith. Each one should help guide our thoughts that should guide our attitudes that should guide our behaviors. We will go over each of these simple, challenging statements to keep a check on our responses to God. May God's Spirit move mightily in our presence as we seek to grow deeper in our response to His grace. May we be truly blessed so that we can be salt and light to Northern Lebanon! May the world see our good works and bring glory to our heavenly Father who lives and reigns forever!

Pastor Robb

A NOTE OF THANKS FROM PASTOR ROBB:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am so proud of our Ekklessia! Admittedly, I had some trepidation about our first service back together! I was so pleased to see people social distancing, wearing masks and being so wonderfully loving to each other! I even loved our unique way of managing communion- even though it takes far more time and effort. Thank you so much for warming my heart! I also want to thank those who streamed the service at home so that we would have more space! I truly appreciate your support of the process as well! What a joy it is to be a part of Ono UMC!

In the coming weeks, we will continue to evaluate how we do service and ministry so that everyone can be safely served. One of the ideas is to do more outdoor services at 10:30 am as the weather permits. We are working on that and if possible, we will do that. While it does require more work, it also affords more space- the weather even looks great for this coming Sunday! Regardless of where service is, we will continue to stream on youtube so everyone can participate. Most important, as we navigate these waters, we know who our Captain is! God is good- all the time! May God's blessings continue to rain down on you, His face shine upon you and grant you peace. ref

A beautiful poem submitted by Audrey Gongloff written by Kathleen O'Meara in 1869..

Thank you Audrey!

SOMETHING LOVELY

And people stayed home
and read books and listened
and rested and exercised
and made art and played
and learned new ways of being
and were still
and listened more deeply
someone meditated
someone prayed
someone danced
someone met their own shadow
and people started thinking differently...

And people healed...
And in the absence of people who lived in
ignorant ways
dangerous, mindless, and heartless...
The earth began to heal...

And when the danger ended
And people found themselves...
They grieved for the dead
and they made new choices
and dreamed of new visions
and created new ways to live
and heal the earth fully
just as they had been healed.



Newsletter – Youth June 2020

I was so very proud of the awesome job our teens did in putting together a very wonderful and challenging YOUTH SUNDAY 2020! If you haven't had a chance to see it, please take time and worship with our youth as they challenge to us to live out Psalm 118:24 - "Today is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!" (It can be found as the Sunday worship service for May 17, 2020 on the Ono Youtube channel.)

As summer begins we are all very anxious to be able to start having in-person times of worship and youth group again. We will continue to be respectful of all the guidelines in places to keep everyone safe and healthy as we begin to meet and understand if people don't feel comfortable attending.

During June and July, we will be hosting a series called LifeClass – for our high school and middle school youth groups. The high school will meet on Wednesday nights and the Middle school will meet on Sunday nights from 6:30pm- 8:30pm. Each night different classes will be held offering a variety of life skills like cooking, outdoor survival, and household painting just to name a few. The evening will begin with a teaching time focused on the Armor of God and then teens will divide up into groups for the different classes and then finally the night will end with a time of refreshments. If you have a life skill or ability that you would enjoy teaching to our teens this summer, please contact Jess Grimes to get on the schedule.

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*For the commandment is a lamp
and the teaching a light; correction
teaches you the way of life. -Proverbs 6:23*

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Ono Children's Ministry

A new month and a new chapter to write in your life. I hope this reaches everyone with good health.

We delivered cookies to all at kiddos (around 60).

We had the cookies in a box with icing and sprinkles for the kiddos to decorate the cookie. We wrote a letter to remind them that we all have special gifts and talents. And when they eat the cookie to remember how sweet God is. Here are the different shape cookies we sent out.



We have been sending out monthly letters and Birthday cards to the kiddos to remind them that God loves them and we all care about them.

My 5th graders (Austin Atkins, Miya Broughton, Anna Crawford, Jillian George, Mason Hostetter, Kylie Ollar, Riley Sallada, Devon Schamber and Caiden Weaber) who are moving up. We will miss you and are praying that you will continue to grow in the Love and Grace of our Heavenly father. Don't forget that my door and heart are always open for you guys!

With a heavy heart, we are going to have to Cancel VBS for June. We are looking into different ways to still do something for the kiddos later in the summer like a VBS. I will keep everyone posted when we make a decision.

With much love

Mr. K

We're still streaming live on Sunday mornings!

 Bulletin

Capital Campaign

April Good News

Prayer Request Wall

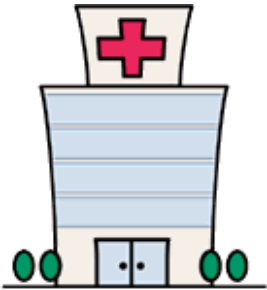
Fill out the form and we will put your request on the prayer wall. Know that God always hears your prayers.

Connect with us on line at: onochurch.org



Our YouTube Page

 Northern Lebanon Cluster



Hospital Admissions:

Please inform the church office when you or a loved one becomes a patient in the hospital or other health care facility. The federal HIPPA regulations do not permit health care providers to release personal information without your expressed permission. Not all health care facilities have chaplains on staff to contact us about your admissions. A phone call to the church office at 717-865-7469 will help us to respond to you with pastoral care.



Day Break Devotion

.Tuesday mornings @ 5am

.30 or so minutes

.The warmth of a fire

.Wisdom from the word

.A friend, or two

At the Faller's Fire Circle

Bring your coffee, a chair and an open and willing heart.

SYMPTOMS OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019

Patients with COVID-19 have experienced mild to severe respiratory illness.

Symptoms* can include

FEVER



COUGH



***Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure.**

Seek medical advice if you develop symptoms, and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.

SHORTNESS OF BREATH



Happy Birthday!

JUNE BIRTHDAYS!

6/2 Ginger Hershey

6/2 Rick Rollman

6/3 Vernice Helms

6/5 Peter Helms

6/6 Lily Blauch

6/6 Katie Govern

6/6 Charles Jones

6/7 Vanessa Helms

6/8 Nicole Ditzler

6/8 Lenny Gibble

6/10 Emma High

6/10 Anna Ulrich

6/10 Esther Wentling

6/11 MaKenzi Knauff

6/11 Barb Pennycoff

6/13 Lauren Murray

6/15 Ken George

6/15 Dianne Shepps

6/16 Mindy Harmon

6/18 Abby Boyanowski

6/20 Linda Edris

6/21 Krista Artley

6/21 Mike Rittle

6/22 Lynn Brown

6/22 George Marinkov

6/22 Angela Pho

6/23 Janelle Mannion

6/24 Clyde Meyer

6/24 Cassie Pennycoff

6/24 Joanne Siegrist

6/27 Rose Marinkov

6/27 Jeri Peiffer

6/28 Jim Bragg

6/28 Susan Hazel

6/30 Cody Leiss

6/30 Rawlinson Walker

We sure hope we didn't miss anyone, but if we did, would you mind notifying us in the office so we can update our file?

Steve Shriver *and* Kevin Atkins

You make it all sound good!



Thank you!





*Ono will not be hosting packing parties, but we hope you continue to make boxes for the kids!
We will let you know when the Collection days are.*



In the 1950s, when it seemed certain that Alaska would be admitted to the Union, designers began retooling the American flag to add a 49th star to the existing 48. Meanwhile, a 17-year-old Ohioan named Bob Heft student borrowed his mother's sewing machine, disassembled his family's 48-star flag and stitched on 50 stars in a proportional pattern. He handed in his creation to his history teacher for a class project, explaining that he expected Hawaii would soon achieve statehood as well. Heft also sent the flag to his congressman, Walter Moeller, who presented it to President Eisenhower after both new states joined the Union. Eisenhower selected Heft's design, and on July 4, 1960, the president and the high school student stood together as the 50-star flag was raised for the first time. Heft's teacher promptly changed his grade from a B- to an A.

To the Class of 2020

By Greg Stier

There've been times throughout the ages
When pain and struggle grew.
Where darkness reigned in utter terror
And hope would not renew.

From wars to plagues to pestilence
Despair kept mankind down.
All expectations for escape
Were wrestled to the ground.

But in the midst of blackest dark
A light would pierce the sky.
Hope would rise in victory
And brighten weary eyes.

Out from the grave came forth true life
From darkness came pure joy.
Humanity would live again
Hope could not be destroyed.

2,000 years ago or so
The darkness seemed to reign.
The Son of God hung on the cross
Absorbing all our pain.

Nailed to the cross was Jesus
Suffering for our sin.
He paid the price with His own blood
So we could finally win.

Then from the grave came forth true life
From darkness came pure joy.
Jesus lives once again
Hope cannot be destroyed.


So as we face this global struggle
That we deal with everyday,
Let's keep our eyes on Jesus,
For He will lead the way!

No mask will keep us quiet
Or pandemic keep us down!
We will proclaim the good news
Through Christ we have been found!

And like He sent His young disciples
With Gospel flags unfurled
He sends forth all you graduates
To go and change the world!



The nation's first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910, in the state of Washington. However, it was not until 1972—58 years after President Woodrow Wilson made Mother's Day official—that the day honoring fathers became a nationwide holiday in the United States. Father's Day 2020 occurs on Sunday, June 21.



Loving Lord

We pray for your love and compassion to abound
as we walk through this challenging season.

We ask for wisdom for those who bear the load
of making decisions with widespread consequences.

We pray for those who are suffering with sickness
and all who are caring for them.

We ask for protection for the elderly and vulnerable
to not succumb to the risks of the virus.

We pray for misinformation to be curbed
that fear may take no hold in hearts and minds.

As we exercise the good sense that you in your mercy provide,
may we also approach each day in faith and peace,
trusting in the truth of your goodness towards us.

Amen

Prayer: Mothers' Union

Image: Elizabeth Perry

News letter submissions

deadline: 3rd Sunday ea. Month

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