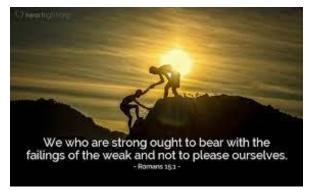
# October Good News in Ono



Ono United Methodist Church
9 Main Street
Ono . 17077
717.865.7469



Now we who are strong have an obligation to bear the weaknesses of those without strength, and not to please ourselves. Each one of us is to please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. For even Christ did not please himself. On the contrary, as it is written, The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me. For whatever was written in the past was written for our instruction, so that we may have hope through endurance and through the encouragement from the Scriptures. Now may the God who gives endurance and encouragement grant you to live

in harmony with one another, according to Christ Jesus, so that you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ with one mind and one voice.

-Romans 15: 1- 6 (CSB)

Serving others is fundamental to Christianity. Paul even points out that Jesus' coming to earth was not to serve Himself, but to serve others. The incarnation was to benefit the whole of humanity even at great cost to Jesus Himself. For this reason, Jesus serves as the ultimate example of service. Paul uses this to remind Christians that our purpose in life should be to build our neighbors up- help them to see Jesus and have better lives. The world would be an amazing place if we all sought ways to benefit each other. However, this can be an exhausting process. Seeking to serve first can drain our own personal, emotional beings. How do we endure?

Paul does not leave people at odds with how to accomplish this. Endurance and encouragement come through God. Paul points to the Scriptures that uplift and encourage us. The Bible reminds us that no matter where we go, God's presence is there (Psalm 139). The Bible reminds us to be strong and courageous because of God's presence (Joshua 1. 9). Jesus, again, models this through His own behavior. He frequently leaves the crowds behind, goes up the mountain and spends time alone with His Father. Jesus understood His human limitations and sought the renewal that can only come through the presence of God. Therefore, we need only to remind ourselves that as difficult as it might be to serve, God's presence is a refreshing stream, a healing balm. We should not tire not because we are strong, but because God's presence is strong in us.

My hope and prayer is that people see Ono UMC as a church that serves its neighbors. That we are willing to put those around us above us. This only happens, though, if we stay resolutely focused on God's presence. It is God's presence that guides us to serve, and it is His presence that uplifts and encourages us through the trying times. In those moments when you are ready to give up, remember to set your heart upon God- our encourager and leader. His love and grace can lead us through all situations and always for His glory.

#### Youth and Worship news by Jessica Grimes



This time of year is always a busy one for families as we are back to school, sports, music programs, clubs, homework, jobs and, oh yes...and church! There is so much "asking" for our time these days. How do we discern what is OK and prioritize what is most important? I have been trying to be more faithful in prayer during this season of my life...praying over my family and friends... praying through

decisions...praying in a spirit of worship and praise just because God is worthy. I know that as we seek God in prayer, He is faithful to answer us.

#### Pastor Rick Warren said,

"There is no such thing as unanswered prayer. God doesn't always answer the way we like, but He always answers prayer in one of four ways."

#1 If your request is wrong, God says, "no".

#2 If your timing is wrong, God says, "slow"

#3 If your character is wrong God says, "grow"

#4 If your request is right, God says, "go!"

#### **Worship News:**

#### **CHRISTMAS AT UNCLE PHILS DINER!!!!**

CHRISTMAS AT UNCLE PHILS DINER!!! We are very excited to begin the planning and preparing for this fun outreach dinner theater event on December 9,10, 11! Ticket reservations will be available starting Oct 31st. A casting call will be taking place on October 3 at 7pm. We will be having rehearsals on Wednesday evenings during youth group time throughout October @ 7pm for all involved.

#### **CHRISTMAS CHOIR**

All singers are invited to join us for our Christmas Choir. We will be preparing a short cantata to share with the congregation for the Christmas holiday! Practice will begin on *Thursday evenings in October, with the first practice being the 21st.* 

### Ono Children's Ministry

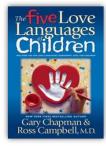
Family Movie Night October 1st 7pm-?

We will be watching the movie Luca Rain or Shine at the church



**Sunday School Class for Parents** 







Do you have kids or would like to have kids one day. This might be the class for you. We will be going through the book 5 Love languages of Children. This class will not only inspire you but will help you realize that you are not the only one struggling with raising kids in our society.

We are starting to work on the new Kids Ministry Room.





with Hard Hats may enter!!

We started a Mens group that meets on every third Thursday of the month from 6 till 7pm at the church.

Come Join us for a refreshing and uplifting time with the word of God.

We are looking for Sunday School and Childrens

Church teachers!!!!

Thank You all for Your support!



#### **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. *Thank you!* 

#### **Holy Communion**

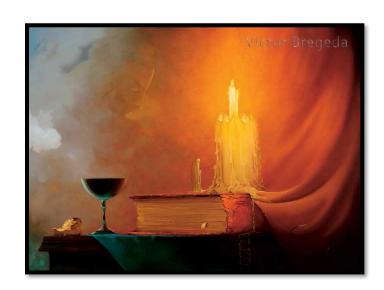
Sunday, October 3rd

And so,

in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

### Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.





It's time to start shopping for items to pack in a shoe box to bless a child this year. While our church is not doing a collective packing party, we would still encourage you to pack your own shoe boxes! Ono UMC will again be a relay center for shoe box collections. Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup> will be collection day. That is only 7 weeks away! For those who need an empty box, we will have shoe boxes available in the narthex. Brochures with the label and postage paid envelope are included for you to mail the \$9.00 for shipping and materials. Samaritan's Purse is now preferring that the \$9.00 is mailed to them to avoid any money or checks left in a shoe box

gift. You can pay for any amount of shoe boxes on one check. You can still pay online and follow your shoe box! (If you have any shoeboxes to donate, please place them in the narthex. Thank you!!!

#### UMCOR (United Methodist Committee On Relief

UMCOR is working to assist refugees from Afghanistan through Church World Service. If you would like to donate specifically to that cause, you can use a special offering envelope and place Afghanistan on the envelope or check.

#### 74 MCGILLSTOWN ROAD PROPERTY UPDATE

At the June Ad Council Meeting, Ad Council discussed the congregational vote in May to proceed with the purchase of the 74 McGillstown Road property. The closing occurred on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The Finance Committee has arranged a loan agreement with JBT.

If you are led to help pay down the mortgage on 74 McGillstown Road, please write "74McGillstown" on the memo line of your check.

If giving cash, put the cash in an envelope clearly labeled "74McGillstown".

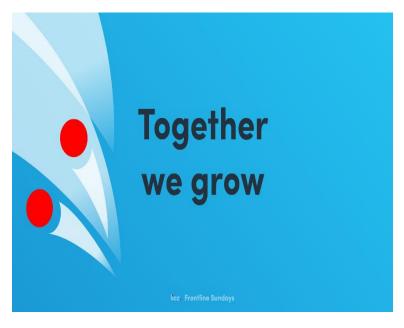
If giving online, type "74McGillstown" in the box.

This way, all money given to reduce the mortgage can be accurately recorded and directed.



You will have the opportunity once again to bless a child or youth through our Giving Tree. Beginning on Sunday, November 14th, there will be "Angle Tags" available for you to take. The tag will include the

name, age and suggestion of a toy, game, books, clothes etc that the individual child (or caseworker) has requested. We receive the list through Children and Youth Services, Lebanon Co. This ministry was started by Ruth Jones any years ago. For any questions, please contact Barb Blauch or Laurie Shuey. Thanks!



# **SUNDAY EVENING GROUPS:**

7pm - groups will be held for: Adults, Youth and Children.

# WEDNESDAY EVENING GROUPS:

7pm – groups will be held for: Adults, Kids4Jesus and Uncle Phil's Diner rehearsal.

**At the last Ad Council Meeting,** a decision was made to temporarily suspend the Building and Capital Campaign. For information, questions, or concerns, please contact one of these committee members:

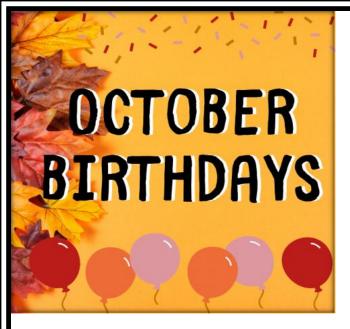
**Capital Campaign Committee:** Charlie Miller, Ken Moyer, Lorraine LaPorte, JoLynn Brummer.

**Building Committee:** Leann Snyder, Jim Bragg, Ken Eisenhour and Jeannette Shuey. Thank You

#### Church Family Hayride!



Bring the whole family and a few friends out for a hayride and campfire on Sunday, October 10 at 6pm at the Moyer Farm (27 Dead End Rd., Annville) Bring your lawn chairs and a snack to share around the fire! Drinks will be provided!



10/1 Robin Rollman

10/1 Kris Gongloff

10/2 Sara (Smith) Lucas

10/2 Mauriana Userry

10/2 Randy Piotrowski

10/4 Al Howard

10/4 Eric Ritz

10/4 Justin Beamesderfer

10/6 Chelsea Schneider

10/6 Clara Fessler

10/7 Abbey King

10/9 Jeannette Shuey

10/10 Michaela Rankin

10/11 Elta Seaman

10/11 Ruth Leibold

10/12 Travis Wise

10/13 Amanda Murry

10/14 Diane Miller

10/15 Nancy Shuey

10/15 Donna Seaman

10/16 Jordan Andino

10/17 Kathy Smith

10/17 Kaden Beamesderfer

10/18 Lee Moyer

10/19 Jen Lengle

10/20 Mira Grimes

10/20 David Warner

10/23 Derik Shepps

10/24 Ryan Walker

10/24 Jenna Wentling

10/25 Carol Hebel

10/25 Maggie Miller

10/28 Brenda Gerberich

10/29 Joyce Good

10/29 Charlie Grimes

10/29 Brandon Diamond

10/30 Kim Moyer

10/30 Grant Adams

















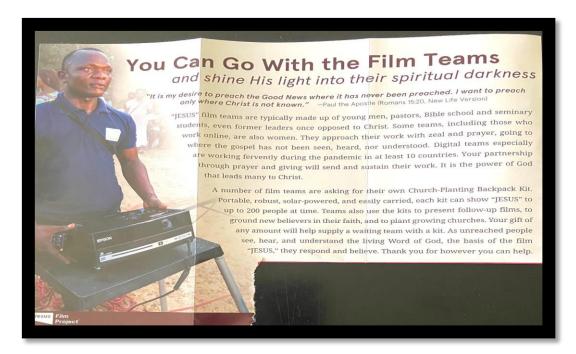




Fall Festival 2021



## Missions Committee Updates



### <u>The Jesus</u> <u>Film</u> <u>Project</u>

We have been supporting the Jesus Film Project for many years. The Jesus Film Project continues toward its goal of translating the Jesus Film into as many languages as possible so unreached people

groups (ethnic groups of people who have no Christian witness among them) can hear in their own language the hope of the gospel message. To date, the film has been translated into 1,838 languages. As it says above, we at Ono go with the film teams into the spiritual darkness through our giving and praying.

Pray for continued protection of the film teams who go to places trapped in spiritual darkness.



We have been supporting **Luke and Liza Wentling** the last 3 years in their ministry serving high school students through Young Life on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. In July, they took 12 students to a Young Life outreach camp near Lexington, Virginia where 6 students accepted Christ!

Pray that the adult volunteers would be encouraged and excited as they start another

semester of pursuing lost teens in Jesus' name. Pray also, that plans would move forward with starting Wyld Life, a ministry for middle school students.



It's back!
Join us Monday
evenings. 5:45-6:45

Any and all levels welcome!

Christmas Cantata
Rehearsal
Thursday's @ 7pm
Beginning Oct. 21st





#### **BECOME A FOSTER PARENT**

You can bring hope when kids need it most.

We all know young people thrive with love, security, and opportunities to learn and grow. But for children and teens who have experienced trauma and neglect, that's not a given.

As of 2019 statistics, there are over 15,000 children in foster care in Pennsylvania alone. Each one deserves a safe, stable, caring home. If you've ever thought about making a difference in a child's life by fostering a child, teen, or sibling group, Lebanon County Children and Youth Services encourages you to find out more.

#### WHAT IT TAKES TO FOSTER A CHILD

- A safe, stable home environment (you can rent or own)
- · Good communication and problem-solving
- Open to learning new parenting skills to help a child who has experienced trauma
- An understanding that every child is unique and comes with his/her own unique abilities, interests, and background
- Desire to work as part of the child's support team
- A sense of humor helps

Consider being a foster parent with Lebanon County Children and Youth Services.

We would love to have you and your family as part of our team!

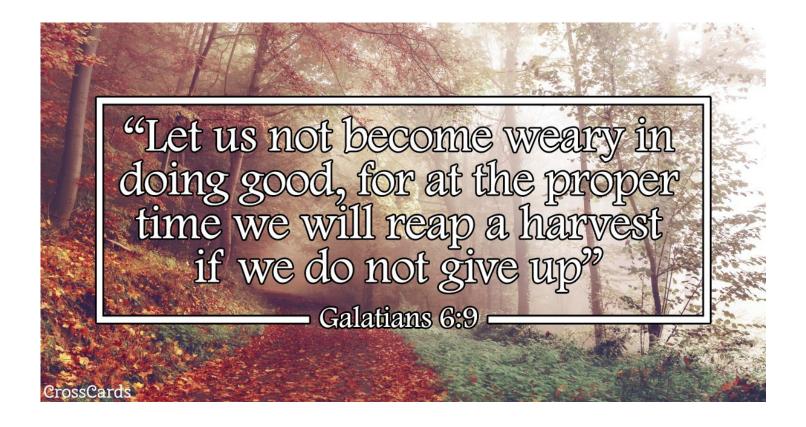
Training Dates: via Zoom

October 16, 2021 October 23, 2021 October 30, 2021

\*\*\* You are required to attend all trainings to receive approval.

# LEBANON COUNTY CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES

For more information and to register for trainings, please contact Nicole Ruela at nruela@lebcnty.org, Lori Bradley at lbradley@lebcnty.org or (717)228-4430



#### Good and gracious God,

You know what each of us is going through. You know our hardships, you know what we're waiting for, you know what we are asking, and you know the good we do in our best efforts to be obedient and righteous. Help us not to become weary doing good, help us not to give up, so that we will reap the promised harvest for pursuing righteousness. We are so grateful that by your might all things are possible. Help us lead lives that are pure and holy, pleasing in your sight. We thank you for strength and wisdom each day to keep moving forward in hope and trust. This time of year teaches us that we will reap the harvest of our good efforts because you fulfill all your promises. Thank you, Lord, for being just and faithful.