

*Garrettsville United
Methodist Church
Newsletter*



2026

**Church Office Hours
Mon. - Fri. 9am-Noon**

Please call and leave a message.

Office Phone #:
330-527-2055

Pastor Sandi has office hours on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

The door is locked for security. Please ring the doorbell to gain entry.

Thank you for your patience

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Garrettsvilleohumc.org

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Garrettsvilleohumc@gmail.com

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Garrettsville United Methodist Church

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SEPT. 7, 2025 - February 28, 2026

10am Garrettsville (Praise Music with Sunday School 9:45am)

MARCH 1 - AUGUST 31, 2026

10am Garrettsville (Praise Music 9:45 with Sunday School 9:45am)

JOINT SERVICES ON 5th SUNDAYS AT 10AM:

March 29, 2026 at Garrettsville

May 31, 2026 at Nelson

August 30, 2026 at Windham

Nov 29, 2026 at Garrettsville

Dec 19, 2026 at Windham



****When a prayer need arises, please contact Linda Fall, our Prayer Chain Coordinator at 330-730-4672.**

THOSE IN OUR HEARTS NOT MENTIONED THIS DAY

THOSE FACING CHALLENGES:

Wade Johnston
Tommy Miller
Pam Montgomery
Benny Bailey
Mollie Lewis
Cody Stone
Elliot Thompson
Alex Washington
Rebecca Williams
John Sedensky, Sr.
Marie Elium
Adam Walker
Cheryl Hall

CELEBRATING A JOY

OUR SHUT-INS:

Ann Kalina
Belva Smith
Kay Smith
Roderick Nimtz
Joanne Kraft
Carrie Kraft
Janet Heiss

:FAMILIES IN NEED OF PRAYER:

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER:

Fred & Jane Bell

Jack Schultz
Susan Dade
Matt & Ann Long
John Wolfe
Ken & Evonne
Shannon Seiler
Kat Berry
Gale Lane



New Address

Jan Pratt

3879 Ivygate Place

Dublin, Oh 43016

Hank & Chalene Osterman

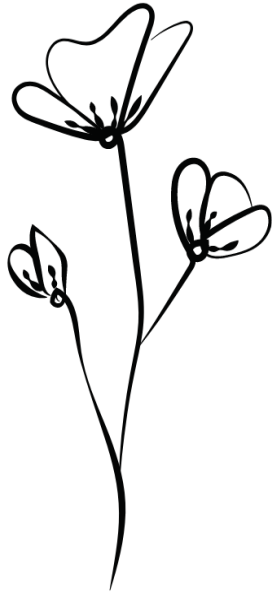
800 South 15th St.

Unit 802

Sebring,,OH 44672

**February -
2026**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worship Service 9:45 Greif Group 2pm * Youth Group 5:30 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Joint Bible Study @ Gville 1pm *Jesus Chimes 5:30pm 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bells I 6:15 Choir 7:30 Nelson Bible Study @6pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Member Care 9 GUMC Bible Study @ 11am *Bells II 7:15 		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worship Service 9:45 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Joint Bible Study @ Gville 1pm *Jesus Chimes 5:30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Messy Church 5:30 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Bells I 6:15 * Choir 7"30 Nelson Bible Study @6pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Apple Tree Valentine Party GUMC Bible Study @ 11am *Bells II 7:15 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Crysalis Flight
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Crysalis Flight * Worship Service 9:45 *Greif Group 2pm *Youth Group 5:30 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Presidents Day * Crysalis Flight *Joint Bible Study @ Gville 1pm *Jesus Chimes 5:30pm 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ash Wednesday Service 7 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Bells II 7:15 GUMC Bible Study @ 11am 		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Youth Group * Worship Service 9:45 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Joint Bible Study @ Gville 1pm *Jesus Chimes 5:30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Vision Comm. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Choir Practice Nelson Bible Study @6pm 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GUMC Bible Study @ 11am *Bells II 7:15 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Men's Breakfast



Grief Support Group

**The group will meet on 1st Sunday of the
month @ 2PM**

at the Garretttsville UMC

**for approximately 1 1/2 hours and
is open to any who have experienced
loss.**

**For more information or to register,
call Pastor Sandi at 440-228-3093 or the
Church Office at 330-527-2055**



WHAT IS CHRYSALIS ?

This stage is a delicate process that eventually changes a caterpillar into a butterfly with beautifully colored wings. Outwardly it may look like nothing is happening, but inside the chrysalis, a change is taking place. This symbolizes that through dying to self, Christ can transform us into new beings that can experience the beauty and fullness of God's love. It is necessary to experience the chrysalis stage to open ourselves to Jesus so this transformation may occur.

Chrysalis is the name chosen for the Youth Walk to Emmaus because it symbolizes faith growth in the lives of youth – the spiritual growth that is necessary between adolescence and adulthood. It is a crucial time of maturing faith for discipleship.

WHAT HAPPENS AT CHRYSALIS?

You will spend 3 days with other young people in worship, prayer, fellowship, recreation, singing, and discussion. You will experience the love of Christ through the prayers and acts of service of a loving supportive community. You will hear talks given by youth and adults that focus on the needs of maturing youth and that offer the message of the gospel and that a friendship with Jesus can help you live your faith with family, friends, church & community.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER CHRYSALIS?

Following the three-day retreat, you are invited to build upon the Chrysalis weekend for the rest of your life. This can happen through involvement with a local church, participation in a small share/support group and a personal devotional life. You can continue to experience and grow in God's love each new day.

UPCOMING CHRYSALIS WEEKENDS

The Chrysalis experience begins with the prayerful invitation from a sponsor, who is someone that has already gone through a Chrysalis or Emmaus weekend. If you, your friend, or your family member are interested in attending, go to the link below to register.

<https://www.westohiochrysalis.com/register>

UPCOMING CHRYSALIS WEEKENDS:

West Ohio Boys Chrysalis #75 - February 14-16, 2026

West Ohio Boys Chrysalis #76 - June 26-28, 2026

West Ohio Girls Chrysalis #76 - July 24-26, 2026



Member Care Committee

You don't have to be alone for church services or other church events. The following people have volunteered their services of driving, to any Member of our church in need of a driver.

Volunteer Drivers available at this time are:

Shirley Cline	330-235-3240
Jane Parker	812-655-0908
John Parker	216-496-0422
Beth Drebus.	440-496-2060
	(June, July & August only)
Richard & Linda Fall	330-221-5918.

UNITED WAY

HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT!

DIAL 211 — ENTER ZIP CODE 44XXX — ENTER CITY --
ENTER YOUR LOCATION THEN SELECT CATEGORY.

Thank you very much,
Member Care Committee

You're invited to:



**You are welcome to join the fun for
an evening of a lesson,
activities and a great meal.**

**Hope to see you there &
bring a friend!**

**Next fun day is
Tuesday,
February 10 @ 5:30pm**

YOUTH GROUP REPORT



Grades 6 - 12 are welcome.

We meet on the
2nd & 4th Sunday of each month
at GUMC from 5 - 6:30pm

Bring a friend or 2!

Dinner included.

Men's Group

Men from Garrettsville, Nelson and Windham are invited to join them on their next adventure in 2026. Contact Mark Ellerhorst for details @ 330-672-1009.

The HS musical this year is

The Addams Family

Opening Night March 19 @7

March 20 @7

March 21 @ 2 and @7

We have church family members involved: Sanura Oliver and Jaxen Cushing, Colin Cupples is not only running lights but is also the Stage Manager! Elise Edwards is in the ensemble .

How Exciting!!



We are looking to make a schedule to have the Nursery covered when needed during Sunday Worship.

If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please call the church office @ 330 527 2055. Leave your name and phone number or sign-up in the narthex at the welcome desk.

We will contact you to see when you are available to help.

Thank You!!!

What' have our Trustees been up to?

Here's an update from them. Believe me, they work very hard to keep our church up and running!!!

Projects:

- Thank you for keeping our sidewalks shoveled for our safe walk into the church
- Thank you Joe Leanard and John See for making sure our stained glass windows are fixed.
- Thank you to Mike MiKula for getting our church clean.

The Committee List Booklet went out by email in January. I know some of you do not do email! So, here are the 3 disciplined committees for the GUMC.

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January & February

The following were missed for January Birthdays:

Jan 2—Bob Bytnar

Jan 12—Jeff Ellerhorst

Jan 16—Tammy McKensie

Jan 19—Virginia Sheller

February Birthdays:

2/3 Leah Schultz

2/5 Julie Brawn

2/6 Gale Lane

2/12Melanie Bosma

2/13Rich Colopy

2/15Cameron Edwards

2/21Helen Louise Bouts

2/26 Melody Bratnick

2/27 Eliana Kirimi

2/28 Cassie Thompson



2/20—John & Maureen See

2/21—Russ & Sally Hammel

2026 Garrettsville Christmas Walk ***‘Let the Presence of Jesus be your Present’***

What do I do with my Christmas ‘Stuff’ I just don’t want to put away again this year? Well, I have an answer! Our church will be in the 2026 Garrettsville Christmas Walk. As you know it takes a lot of people and a lot of decorations to make our church beautiful for the Walk..

If you have any of the following items that you would like to donate, please drop them off in the box in the narthex or call the church office and we will arrange for pick up.

Every little bit is appreciated!!

Wanted in colors of Burgandy/Red, Gold, Silver, White and Green:

Wired Ribbon, Wrapping paper, small boxes, scotch tape, zip ties, pipe cleaners, Christmas picks, garland and greens (no Christmas trees).

Here are some pictures of how we are using the items





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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you would like to submit articles, committee news or announcements for the next newsletter please provide by
February 20, 2026

Email: garrettsvilleohumc@gmail.com

Website: garrettsvilleohumc.org

Facebook: [Garrettsville United Methodist Church](https://www.facebook.com/GarrettsvilleUnitedMethodistChurch)

Submission by email is desired , however if email is not an option please feel free to provide a hard copy to the church office.

***Thank You,
Gale Lane, Web Designer & Newsletter Coordinator***