



Friends *forecast*

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NEW TO FRIENDS?

NEWCOMERS FELLOWSHIP

– Sunday, October 14, at 5 pm at the home of Pastor Geoff and Mary Schultz, 6363 Cary Road, North Ridgeville // Are you new (since the beginning of January) to the life and ministry of North Olmsted Friends? If so, we want to invite you to an evening of fellowship and an opportunity to spend time with the staff. Dinner will be provided and children are invited. We encourage you to

bring a side dish or dessert to share. To sign up, call the church office at 440-779-9484 or email pastorrich@noefc.org. For more information speak to one of the pastoral staff.

WELCOME TO FRIENDS CLASS

Join Pastor Geoff on Saturday, October 27, from 9:00 am – 12:30 pm, as he takes you through NOEFC's history and shares how you can plug in to the life and ministry of our church. To sign up, call the church office (440.779.9448)

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

North Olmsted Friends Church believes in the significant role that pastors, pastoral staff and their families play in our church and community; therefore, we gladly celebrate and promote Pastor Appreciation Month in the month of October.

We encourage you to honor and show gratitude to your pastors and pastoral staff. You can do this with a card, note, gift card, or anything you feel led to give to help ignite their faith and applaud their efforts. Baskets will be set up in the lobby every Sunday during the month of October.

FELLOWSHIP

Friends Young Adults Harvest Gathering

If you're a young adult 18 to 30(ish), join us for an evening of fellowship as we connect and reconnect as the body of Christ. We'll meet at 6:30 October 12 at the home of David and Ginger Hoovler in North Olmsted, enjoy a meal together and talk about what Friends Young Adults can be in the months ahead. Look for more details in the coming weeks on Sundays and at noefc.org.

Silver Friends Road Trip to Amish Country –

Thursday, October 11 – Leaving the church parking lot 9:45 am – Join us for our last road trip of the season as we travel to Mt. Hope for lunch at Mr. Yoder's Restaurant, and then travel to Lehman's Hardware in Kidron before returning home. To reserve your spot please call Margie Metz at 440-779-0784 by Monday, October 8. Silver Friends is a ministry of fellowship for our older adults. We gather on the second Thursday of the month for lunch.

Additional Silver Friends Opportunity - EFCER

Annual Senior Retreat – Saturday, October 13 – Join us for lunch (featuring chicken, ham, roast beef or vegetarian), fellowship and some great gospel music by the quartet "Jericho Road." Cost is \$20. Location – Canton First Friends, 5455 Market Ave N, Canton, OH. Registration deadline is October 9. To sign up or for more information contact Pastor Rich.

Children's Discipleship

Hello parents!

Our Wednesday night programming is now in full swing and going strong! If your kids have been missing out, we have something for everyone!

Our **Son Seekers choir** meets at 6:10 pm for kids in Grades 1 - 6, and our **Little Seekers choir** at 6:30 pm for kids in Pre-K, who are at least 4 years old, through Kindergarten.

Club FX and **Club 56** are our mid-week programs for Kindergarten - 4th Grade and 5th/6th Grade,

respectively, and meet at 7 pm.

Additionally, mark your calendars for our **Fall Costume Party**, which will be on Wednesday, October 24, for kids in Kindergarten - 6th Grade! There will be plenty of games, prizes, and candy!

Lastly, our next set of **Children's Discipleship Classes** will be coming up on Saturday, October 27, in S-4/5. If your kids have had questions regarding salvation, baptism, or communion, then this is the perfect day to bring them and have all of their questions answered! Kids need not have attended any one class prior to coming to any of them, but it is

recommended that they attend "I Want 2 Know Jesus" first, as it sets the stage for the other two.

If you plan to attend, please e-mail me at adam@noefc.org to let me know you will be there, and how many kids will be joining you. (***Please remember, it is required for parents to stay with their kids during class.***)

- ***I Want 2 Know Jesus:*** 9 am - 10 am
- ***Bubble Blast Baptism Class:*** 10:15 am - 11:15 am
- ***What's Up With the Bread and the Cup?:*** 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

- MR. ADAM!

Youth Discipleship

Fall Retreat

The Fall Retreat is coming soon! All 7th-12th graders are invited to join in on this fun-filled, Christ-centered weekend November 2-4 at Camp Gideon. It'll be a time filled with worship, awesome games, a bunch of food, and an amazing speaker. The cost is \$65/person and you should have received registration forms in the mail. Feel free to pick up more forms in the youth room to invite your friends! Contact Adrienne if you have any questions. Can't wait to spend this weekend with you!

Adult Discipleship

New Adult Discipleship Courses in October

Join us for two new adult discipleship classes starting in October. Beginning Wednesday, October 3, Steve Windahl will be leading a study based on the book "**Closer than Your Skin**" by Susan Hill. This study will explore the importance of intimacy with God in the context of our daily lives. Books will be available the first night for a suggested donation of \$15.

Beginning Saturday, October 6, at 9 am Gina Glazer will lead a morning *women's study* called "**She's Got Issues.**" This video series will explore how Christ's power can transform our everyday weaknesses into strengths and gifts.

Ongoing adult programs include "**Mountaintops**" Sundays at 11:00 am, facilitated by Pastor David Hoovler, and "**Affirming Potential**" Wednesday evenings at 7:00, facilitated by Kim Klima in partnership with Love INC.

Wednesday AM Growth Group: "Psalm 119" - 10:30 am in S-4/5 - It is never too late to join us for this 10-week study as we explore the longest chapter in all of Scripture. Considered by many scholars as a compilation of David's thoughts over his lifetime and through all seasons of life, we will rediscover the power of God's Word for our lives. For more information, contact Pastor Rich.

Around the World

The youth group is putting on their own version of Epcot with food, crafts, and games from places around the world on October 20 in the FLC! Food will be ready at 5 pm and entertainment will be dispersed throughout the evening until 7 pm. You will also get the chance to hear about our recent mission trip to Kenosha, WI, and from a missionary that the church supports. Donations towards the youth mission fund will be taken at the event. You can pick up a FREE ticket at our lobby table on Sunday!