

August at Northwest

Worship

Our August message series will be "Rooted: Growing Deep for What's Next." This series is a call to allow God to cultivate something lasting beneath the surface of our lives. In a season of new beginnings - welcoming new members, celebrating ordination, and stepping into new opportunities for spiritual growth - we are reminded that strong roots are what sustains real fruit. Through scripture we will explore how God plants us on purpose, nurtures us in community, and anchors us through life's storms. Before we grow wide or rise high, we must first grow deep so we are ready for the fruitful future that unfolds. Additionally this month we will welcome new members on Sunday, August 3 and have a Back to School Blessing on Sunday, August 17 at 9:30 with refreshments in the Hall at 10:30.

Sunday Worship Schedule

- ♥ 8:15 a.m. Chapel in the Woods (rain location in the Sanctuary)
- ♥ 9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary and Online
- ♥ 11:00 a.m. Gathering Service in the Ministry Center and Online



The last Chapel in the Woods of 2025 will be Sunday, August 31

Children and Youth

Children's Small Groups

Children's Small Groups meet at 9:30 and 11:00 each Sunday morning in room 214. On Sunday, August 17, the kids will have a Back to School Party at both services. There will be games, crafts, and activities. Weather permitting, kids will be playing outside so sneakers are recommended.

Youth Lock-In

Youth entering grades 6-12 this month are invited to the annual youth lock-in. Starting Friday, August 22 at 6 p.m., the youth will stay all night at the church. There will be tons of fun with food, games, and more! The lock-in ends at 9 a.m. on Saturday, August 23. Contact Zach Peterson or Pastor Chris through the church office for more information.

Adult Small Groups

Interfaith Coalition for Racial Reconciliation

This group consists of several member churches that meet monthly to discuss issues related to racism and racial reconciliation. The August meeting will be Saturday, August 23 at 4 p.m. at Woodland Christian Church (143 Woodland Ave. in Columbus).

Fall Bible Studies starting in August

Pastor Chris is leading two Bible studies starting in August.

- 1 Samuel Study: Building on our July message series, Pastor Chris will lead a group through the book of 1 Samuel on Tuesday nights from 7-8:30. This is a hybrid study meeting in room 212 and on Zoom beginning Tuesday, August 26 and continuing through December 16.
- The Biblical Story: Do you want to attend a Bible study, but aren't sure where to start? Pastor Chris will be leading this casual Bible study following key stories from the Biblical narrative. Starting August 28, this study will meet Thursday nights at 7 p.m. at Pastor Chris's home. Contact the church office for more information.

Fall Ministry Guide

Looking for a new small group? We have many more groups that resume in September, so watch for our annual fall ministry guide which will come out later this month.

Give and Serve

NNEMAP Pantry Item

Each month we collect a specific item for the NNEMAP Food Pantry; this month includes two collections. On Sunday, August 3, we will be collecting fresh fruits and vegetables as these important staples have been harder for NNEMAP to get from the Mid-Ohio Food Collective. The rest of the month we will collect canned meat and tuna which can be placed in the shopping cart in the Hall throughout the month.



Church for All People Breakfast

Northwest will be preparing and delivering breakfast to the Church for All People on Sunday, August 24 and Sunday, August 31. We need donations of breakfast items as well as volunteers to prepare and serve the meal. Sign ups are in the Hall or you can find the online signup at nwumc.com/connect.

Manna Cafe

Northwest will prepare and deliver our beef pasta casserole for Manna Cafe on Wednesday, August 20. Donations and volunteers are both needed. Sign up in the Hall or find the online signup at nwumc.com/connect.

Soup-er Thursdays

Each month we deliver Soup to be given away at the Linden Market. Soup can be prepared at the church or at home. The August delivery date will be Thursday, August 20. Contact Denise Regenbogen at the church office for more information.

Caring for our Gardens

Do you love to be outside caring for creation? We have a beautiful campus and it all requires maintenance. If you would like to help maintain our gardens, including, but not limited to, the Northwest Children's Garden and the Memorial Garden, please contact the church office.



Stay Connected



Receive Communications

The connect page of the website (nwumc.com/connect) is the place to find current announcements, sign up to receive emails, request prayer, and find all our social media links. Use the QR code to go directly to that page.

Questions?

Contact the church office at 614-451-2825, email info@nwumc.com, or stop by the church during office hours:

- Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Friday 9 a.m. - noon

*Loved by God, we find belonging in community
and purpose in loving the world.*

