# **CONNECT CARD**

#### March 16, 2025

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Name(s)				
Phone				
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Address				
I am a: Guest				
Regular Attender				

### **CONNECT WITH FRIENDS!**

I want to receive regular prayer

emails from Friends Church.

I would like to be part of the

core prayer team.

This card is designed to help us connect with you and to help you engage with us. We pray that you will be encouraged and find opportunities to grow and serve in our life and ministry together.

If you provide your email address, you may get an average of one to two emails per week about events at Friends, but we will not share your information with any other organization without your consent.



# THIS MORNING AT FRIENDS

#### ARE YOU A GUEST? WELCOME!

If you're visiting, we'd love to meet you after the service and answer any questions you may have about our church. You're also invited to grab a cup of coffee and conversation at Friends Café. We want to get to know you better!

#### **MORNING SCHEDULE**

9:30 am – Pre-K & Under Care (Nursery Room): Birth–Pre-K Kids' Class (Kids' Room): Grades K-5 Sunday Growth Group (Adult Classroom): Teens–Adults

11:00 am - Worship Service

**Nursery** (Nursery Room): Birth–Pre-K Kids' Church (Kids' Room): Grades K-5 Youth Group: Worship in Sanctuary

#### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Worship Team

Announcements & Greeting / Dawn Calvert Songs of Praise—Great Things | His Mercy Is More | His Glory and My Good /

Pastoral Prayer / Pastor Rich Bennett

Offering

Message—The Wonder of His Service (Luke 5:1-11) / Pastor Rich Bennett

Song of Response—Jesus Paid It All / Worship Team

**Benediction** / Pastor Rich Bennett

#### **CONTACT US**

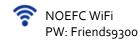
Campus Pastor: David Hoovler, pastordavid@noefc.org Worship, Music & AV: Robby Crichlow, robby.crichlow@noefc.org Kids' Programming: Stephanie Crichlow, stephanie.crichlow@noefc.org Hospitality: Nancy Smith, auntie355@gmail.com

#### **CONNECT WITH US**

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# OUR MISSION: Loving people to life in Jesus Christ

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## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday	12:00 pm 12:30 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Upward Basketball Celebration (NO Family Life Center) Secret Sister Reveal Lunch (NO Upper Room) Pickleball (NO FLC) Conference Call Prayer Meeting*		
Tuesday	11:00 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	AA: Open Doors to Hope and Freedom (NO FLC) Crossroads Young Adults (NO Upper Room) Moms in Prayer (NO Conference Room) Conference Call Prayer Meeting*		
Wednesday	10:30 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Wednesday AM Study: Lent (NO FLC) Living Grace (NO Kids Wing Incredible Rm) Family Fellowship Meal (NO FLC) Kids Clubs: Birth-5th Grade (NO Kids Wing) Youth Group (NO Upper Room) Adult Class: The Lenten Practices (NO FLC)		
Thursday	7:00 am 9:30 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Thurs. Morning Prayer Group (NO Conference Room) Community Bible Study (NO Sanctuary) Elyria Thursday Growth Group (E Sanctuary) Pure Victory Men's Group (NO Adult Classroom 2) Conference Call Prayer Meeting*		
Friday†	6:00 pm	Pickleball (NO FLC)		
Saturday	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast (NO Conference Room)		
*Prayer Meeting call in number: 605-562-8401, Code: 8047843				

Location Key: NO = North Olmsted campus, E = Elyria campus
For a full, detailed list of our upcoming events, visit noefc.org/calendar

Office Hours (North Olmsted Campus): Mon-Wed & Fri, 9:00 am-4:00 pm
Thurs, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

†North Olmsted campus access is limited to the church office from 9 am-5 pm Fridays as the Hearts for Jesus homeschool group will be using the entire facility.

# CIVING

You may give during the offering in worship, in the box in the lobby, online at **noefc.org/give**, or through Venmo by scanning the QR code.

General Budget YTD (Elyria)	\$23,319.34
General Offerings YTD (Elyria)	•
Generations of Faith Commitments	\$1,060,973.56
Generations of Faith Giving Total	\$845,434.54



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**BLESSING BAGS FOR THE HOMELESS** // We invite you to be a blessing during Lent. "Blessing Bags" are available in the back to give to people asking for assistance at intersections, highway ramps, etc. For info contact Pastor Rich, pastorrich@noefc.org.

**THURSDAY GROWTH GROUP // Mar. 20** @ **6:30 pm, Elyria Campus // There's room** for you in this small group! We gather at our campus for a potluck meal, fellowship, Bible study, and prayer twice a month. Information: Pastor David, **pastordavid@noefc.org**.

**CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED** // We are requesting donations of candy to put in Easter eggs for the Easter Jam family event. Candy should be individually wrapped, and should be dropped off at either campus no later than March 23.

**REFLECTIONS WOMEN'S GATHERING** // Monday, Apr. 7 @ 6:30 pm, NO Sanctuary // Ladies, you are invited to our spring fellowship featuring speaker Mary Wohleber sharing how the Lord has worked in her life through the Prison Ministry. Tickets (\$4) are available from Ginger Hoovler through the end of March.

ASPIRE WOMEN'S GATHERING // Saturday, Apr. 12 @ 6 pm, NO Sanctuary // Ladies, gather for an evening of laughter, learning, stories, and music. Tickets (\$25—note price correction) available from Ginger Hoovler today. Volunteers also needed—volunteer tickets are only \$10! Info: Darlene Wilke, 440-781-9931.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD ITEM COLLECTION** // For the month of March we are collecting toys for young girls to fill shoeboxes at Christmas. New items may be placed in the red train car in the lobby. Info: Candi Spurlock, spurlock247@gmail.com.

#### **LENT 2025**

Worship Night ~ Saturday, Mar. 29 @ 6:30 pm, NO Sanctuary
A special night of worship presented by students from Malone University.

Easter Jam ~ Saturday, Apr. 5 @ 9 am-noon, NO FLC & Kids Wing Everyone is invited to join us for this family event featuring games, snacks, Easter eggs, music, comedy, and the Easter Story!

#### **Weekly Opportunities:**

- Sunday Services: Marvelous in Our Eyes ~ 9:30 & 11 am @ North Olmsted;
   11 am @ Elyria
- Wednesday AM Study: Lent ~ 10:30 am, NO FLC
- Wednesday Family Fellowship Meal ~ 6 pm, NO FLC Please sign up at <u>noefc.org</u> or on your Connect Card—\$7/person, \$20 max/family.
- Wednesday Series: The Lenten Practices ~ 6:30 pm, NO FLC Focus on five practices to help us draw near to the Lord: Sacrifice, Sabbath, Submission, Simplicity, and Service. Classes for youth and kids also meet at 6:30.

For more information about these and other opportunities, visit <u>noefc.org/lent</u>. Pick up an NOEFC Lenten Calendar in the lobby to share with friends & family!

	I would like a pastor to contact me or follow up regarding this request.
	Please keep this request confidential (ministry staff only
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**HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?** 



# LENTEN WEDNESDAYS: FAMILY FELLOWSHIP MEAL SIGN-UP

Please enter name/family info on opposite side.

I/We plan to participate in Wed meals:

# Addits	
# Teens (13-17)	

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# Kids (12 & under) \_\_\_\_\_