



OLIVE BRANCH

Preaching the Gospel for now and Eternity

Week of December 18th, 2023

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Pastor Garret Kasper

3rd Sunday in Advent

Message: "God With Us"

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 7:10-16

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8; 19-28

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 17th

8:30am Traditional Worship

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

Karl Koch – Elder

Greg Scheiwe – Usher

Mark Rowley – Reader

9:40am Sunday School

Adult Bible Study

10:30am Contemporary Worship

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

Karl Koch – Elder

Ken Discher – Usher

Cory Emily – Reader

Tuesday, December 19th

6:30pm Advent Service led by

Mount Olive School Children

East Campus Auditorium



Thought of the Week

"He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him." John 1:11

Many around us reject the Savior and the Good News of the Gospel. They are waiting for someone to rescue them when the Savior has already come. Pray for an opportunity to share the Good News of Christmas with someone this week.

IOWAY appeal – With the ripping through of tornadoes in Tennessee last week, the loss of lives, and major property destruction, we are letting you know of one way to help if you so choose. IDW will be gathering funding at this time to share with the midsouth district and LERT (Lutheran Early Response Teams – disaster response and relief) who are on the ground in that area. Our goal is to get the funding shared in early January for the ongoing relief efforts. If you choose to donate, please send funds to:

Iowa District West
c/o Julie Mann – IOWAY
409 Kenyon Rd #B
Fort Dodge, IA 50501

Mount Olive Lutheran Church
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Mount Olive
Lutheran Church
& School Presents

Men for Christ



Mt. Olive is proud to present a men centered group focused on God's word and fellowship as we lead our daily lives.

What is man? Who is he in the 21st century? What does the Bible say? Where do I turn to for support and answers? Where can I seek Christian fellowship with other men? Join us as we come together in the name of Christ Jesus to discuss these topics under God's word.

Who is welcome?

Congregational members,
Dads, loved ones,
friends. This group is
intended to serve our
male community.

Just Bible Study?

NO! We are planning to host various
activities for fellowship as well as
outings. All ideas welcome!

Why?

Statistics show that men are lacking
much needed support during this
time. This is an outlet for men to
come together, support one another,
and feel welcome in Christ's
fellowship.

When?

Our first get together will be January
24th 2024 @ 7pm. We are planning
on meeting monthly but times and
frequency can always change based
on need.

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another"

Proverbs - 27:17

CELEBRATING OUR BAPTISMS –

We rejoice with the following members and friends who are celebrating their December baptism anniversaries:

Marlene Cocks
Lori Discher
Steve Honold
Amanda McKay
Ann Meiners
Terry Rowley
Wendy Walker

"We were therefore buried with [Christ] through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." Romans 6:4

If we missed your name, or if you would like to submit your baptism date for future celebrations, please let us know so we can include you. Fill out one of the Celebrating Your Baptism forms on the table at the back of the sanctuary and place in the offering plate or hand to an usher.

Mount Olive Holiday Service Schedule

Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24th

No Morning Services

6:30pm Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

Christmas Day

No Service

New Years Eve

Sunday, December 31st

Regular Sunday Morning Services

No New Years Eve Service

New Years Day

No Service

