

## COMMUNION

A note to our guests: As Lutheran Christians we believe in the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament. Here we receive His body and blood in our mouths in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. We desire to be strengthened in our faith through this sacred meal. If you have any questions about this practice, please visit with one of our Elders or the Pastor. Thank you.



A nursery is offered for young children in the 3yo preschool room during each worship service.

Restrooms are located to the right of the front entrance. A changing table is provided in both men's and women's restrooms.

Please contact the church office if someone in your family is sick or in the hospital or if you would like a prayer request in the Olive Branch.

Deadline to submit information for the Olive Branch is **noon on Wednesday.**

*Lauren, 277-8349 or lauren.prunty@molcs.org*

To join the MTO prayer chain. Please contact : *Lori, 979-3474 or dischk@yahoo.com*

## THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE

### Monday, December 24

4:00pm Christmas Eve Service– Family Oriented Service

7:00pm Christmas Eve Service- traditional candlelight service

### Tuesday, December 25

Merry Christmas!

9:00am Christmas Day service-Communion Served

### Saturday, December 29

5:00pm Lessons and Carols Service led by Pastor Mark Kleckner

### Sunday School

**Pre k– Kdg** students—3yo preschool classroom

**1st– 4th** students—4th grade classroom

**5th-8th** students— school library

**High School students-** - Board Room

### Contact Information for

#### Pastor Kleckner

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# Olive Branch December 22 & 23

Our Vision:  
Living Christ's Love Through  
**ACTION**

## WELCOME TO MOUNT OLIVE!

Welcome! If you are a visitor, we are honored to have you with us and pray that your time here will encourage you and strengthen your relationship with Jesus. Please fill out the yellow attendance card and place it in the collection plate during the offering.

### WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Liturgy with organ accompaniment

Saturday at 5:00 pm

Worship Service led by the Praise Band

Sunday at 9:00 am

#### Sermon

"God's Saving Mercy– Praise Him!"

#### Scripture

Micah 5:2-5a, Hebrews 10: 5-10,

Luke 1:39-45

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ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers are given by Bob Rees in celebration of Jesus' Birthday

WEEKLY OFFERING

\$5,272.37

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Saturday 5:00pm- 59 Sunday 9:00am-65  
Advent Service 7:00pm-42

**Christmas Eve Services:**

December 24 4:00pm - Family Oriented Service



December 24 7:00pm-Candle Light Service

**Christmas Day Service** 9:00am- Communion Offered

**Lessons and Carols Services:**

December 29 5:00pm & December 30 9:00am

**New Year's Eve Service** 7:00pm-Communion Offered

Mount Olive Book Club Meeting

Book Club will meet at 6:30pm on January 15, 2019. We will be discussing Prisoners of Hope, by Dayna Curry and Heather Mercer, on the sofas in the Gathering Area. This is a true, gripping, inspiring story of two extraordinary women rescued from Taliban imprisonment by United States Special Forces. **We invite you to join in the discussion; bring friends too!**

Investment Opportunity Ending Soon! 40-Month Note at 4%

To meet future LCMS ministry loan demand and help support growing ministry opportunities, LCEF needs to raise \$100 million. We are more than halfway there!

Join us; invest in ministry. Open LCEF's 40-month 40th-anniversary note at 4%. See total dollars invested to date and learn more at [lcef.org/40month](http://lcef.org/40month).

Once the goal of \$100 million dollars is reached, this limited-time offer will end.

Giving Thanks

During Advent as we think about family and friends, keep in mind that Christmas is about the greatest gift mankind has received: the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

The Elders ask that you keep Pastor Mark and Kimberly along with each of the teachers and staff of Mount Olive Lutheran Church and School in mind. If you want to thank them for their service with a card and/or a gift, please do so. Also, please pray for them and give thanks to God for their dedication to the Mission of Mount Olive Lutheran Church and School.



PRAYERS

For the health of:  
**Roland Pillack- blood clot in his leg**  
**Thelma Lenz-at home under hospice care**  
**Margaret Clayton**  
**David West**  
**Debbie Holseid**  
**Gretchen Versteeg**  
**Kelsie Boyd-awaiting liver transplant**  
**Leroy and Naomi Hanson**

Sunday School Update

There will be no Sunday school on December 23rd or the 30th. Sunday school will resume January 6, 2019.

Altar flower Increase

Starting 1/1/2019, flower donations provided through Boesen's Florist will see an increase to \$40 per arrangement. Thank you to all you help to make our church beautiful!

SERVING MOUNT OLIVE

<b>Elders</b>	This Week	D. Meyer	<b>Organist</b>	This Week	J. Behrens
	Next Week	Harold Reinboth		Next Week:	Jim and Anita Behrens
	December 24 4:00pm	J. Leyhe		December 24	D. Wermersen
	December 24 7:00pm	G. Davison		December 25	
<b>Ushers</b>	This Week	5:00 N. Mumm	9:00 A. Scheiwe & K. Koch	December 25:	Scheiwe's
	Next Week	5:00 G. Knapp	9:00 S. Honold		
	December 24 4:00pm	E. Oltmanns			
	December 24 7:00pm	N. Mumm			
<b>Acolytes</b>	This Week	5:00 S. Mumm	9:00 N. Powell	December 25:	D. Dunlap
	Next Week	5:00 Dalton Schoen	9:00 S. Honold		
	December 24 4:00pm	M. Leyhe			
		S. Mumm			
<b>Readers</b>	This Week	9:00 Donna Foltman	<b>Media</b>	This Week	N. Rains
	Next Week	9:00 Lessons and Carols		Next Week	D. Rains
<b>Sound</b>	This Week	9:00 Alex Brown	<b>Counters</b>	This Week	Sungrens & G. Kruckenberg
	Next Week	J. Meyer		Next Week	P. Davison & R. Hilken
				December 24&25	S. Stafford