

OLIVE BRANCH

Preaching the Gospel for now and Eternity

Week of May 14th, 2023

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Pastor Garret Kasper

Message:

"Enjoying Life + More Stuff = Happiness" 1 Timothy 6:3-10 Scripture Readings: Acts 17:16-31

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 13th

5:00pm Traditional Worship Karl Koch – Elder Sandi Christofferson – Reader

Sunday, May 14th

9:00am Contemporary Worship With Sunday School Celebrating the Lord's Supper Karl Koch – Elder Paul Brown – Usher Sara Stafford – Reader

Wednesday, May 17th

9:00am Library Team 10:30am Nurture Team Meeting

Altar Flowers

Thank you Carol and Paul Brown for providing this week's altar flowers.



Thought of the Week

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and not of yourselves; it is a gift of god, not of works, lest anyone should boast."
Ephesians 2:8-9
When were you saved? How were you saved? The biblical answer is in Ephesians 2:8-9 – by the grace of God through faith.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Please join us for our next Ladies' Night Out Thursday, May 18th, 6:00 pm. This month we are checking out a new restaurant called MinGaLaBar Burmese Kitchen, 8134 Douglas Ave, in Urbandale. Enjoy a delicious taste of traditional Southeast Asian cuisine. All women are welcome. Bring a friend — or make a new one! Call or text Becky Pillack at 515-988-5832 to let us know you are coming

Please Help....Parents and Graduates

We are collecting information about the 2023 graduates. Please share the information with us by filling in the chart in the Church Library or by sharing information by e-mail or text to Lois Schumann 515-490-9424 or dschum209@gmail.com. Please include graduate name, school, future high school, university or trade school, degree, and any special information you'd like to share including special awards. Plans are to celebrate the graduates the first week end in June.

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Gifts from the Heart



Dear Mount Olive Church & School families, you are invited to join in supporting several ministries with your gifts, now through June 18th. Look for the designated box near each south entrance. Here is what we are collecting to take to the LWML National Convention June 21st in Milwaukee, WI. Please label gift cards in permanent marker with the \$ value.

Phil's Friends: Puzzle books, journals, regular playing cards, fuzzy socks, hats (knit, crocheted, baseball), Walmart gift cards.

A Place of Refuge: Gift cards from Walmart, Target, or Kohl's

MOST Ministries: Recycled new and like-new eyeglasses and sunglasses

Orphan Grain Train: Quilts, blankets, comforters, supplies for Hygiene Kits

<u>Hygiene Kit Supplies</u>: 1 bath towel, 1 washcloth, 1 bath-size bar of soap, 1 toothbrush, 1 sturdy comb, 1 small pack of facial tissues, 1 nail clipper. Women's ministry will contribute additional items to round out the kits.

Come and help assemble hygiene kits from items donated on Monday, June 19 at 7pm in the church library.

If you have any questions please contact Sandi (515-229-1240).

Thank you so much for your generosity and for sharing the love of Christ!

~ Mount Olive Women's Ministry



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We only have one chapel day left in the 4th quarter to meet our goal of \$1500 for CanPlay Sports. If our students bring in enough chapel offering to meet our goal, we get to put Mr. Emily and Pastor Garrett in a dunk tank! As a bonus, we have placed buckets in front of the school office featuring the faces of our 8th graders. Students can put money towards our chapel offering in one of the buckets, and whichever 8th grader has the most money will also go into the dunk tank! To make this happen, we must meet our \$1500 goal. We still need about \$900 right now, so let's make it happen!



Mount Olive volunteers, we appreciate you!!!

Our library is the best! Our classroom fix-it lists are short. Our meals are served with kindness. And that's just the start. Volunteers, we can't thank you enough for the goodness you bring to our school. Thanks for letting your light shine here for our Mustangs! Please stop into the office for your volunteer appreciation gift, a sweet candle.



Congratulations to Lois Schumann, recipient of the 2022-2023 Joshua Award. Thanks for your willingness to follow God's call to serve faithfully over the years. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16



Wendysue is a BOLD Christ follower, wife to Craig, mom of 2 young adults, and a Wisconsin-based musician who takes her music on the road; each week as her full-time job. She provides:

- original scripture-based songs;
- a weekend of worship to offer reprieve to music directors/organists
- concerts or book sings for all ages
- themed women's retreats

Wendysue has sung in 31 of our United States on Christian women's cruise in the Caribbean, serves her community with the Optimist Club, and is an anthem singer at sporting events like the Milwaukee Brewers and Bucks.

Her life verse is I Peter 3:15. In your hearts, let Christ be Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you for the reason for the hope you have. God has opened opportunities for Wendysue to connect with strangers in airports, hot tubs, and parking lots; sing for Southwest passengers while flying over Kansas; and even witness to the guy who hit her van in Atlanta rush hour while waiting for the police.

*During quarantine she and her daughter Miranda created a children's book – a combination of Wendysue's lullaby song lyrics and Miranda's illustrations. The book is for girls birth to age 9. A free download of the song as well as her other music and resources can be found at wendysue.com - and for sale here at her product table.

Wendysue was 2017 Women's Quarterly Cover Girl and the song leader for our 2017 NTL LWML convention in ABQ. The Lord's opened doors for her to be song leader and entertainer at 14 district retreats and conventions since then.



Can you believe we are inching our way to summer vacation? We are sending home our summer camp registrations today. Make sure you get your forms and \$50 registration fee turned in early to make sure you get a spot. Please let us know if you have any questions.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 13 Track Meet (Boone High School)

May 24 8th Grade Graduation 6:00 pm

May 25 Last Day of School 1:15 Dismissal