

# Mount Olive Presbyterian Church

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**Welcome to Worship on the Lord's Day**  
**6th Sunday after Epiphany**  
**February 12, 2023**

**WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

BRINGING GOD'S LIGHT INTO THE CHURCH

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joy Bayles

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 33)

Leader: The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,  
and his ears are attentive to their cry;

**People: But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil,  
to blot out their name from the earth.**

Leader: The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them;  
he delivers them from all their troubles.

**People: The Lord is close to the brokenhearted  
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.**

\*HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

#144 (Blue)

CALL TO CONFESSION (from Psalm 32)

“I acknowledged my sin to you  
and did not cover up my iniquity.  
I said, “I will confess  
my transgressions to the Lord.  
And you forgave  
the guilt of my sin.”  
Let us confess our sins before God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (unison)

**Holy and merciful God,  
In your presence we confess  
our failure to be what you created us to be.  
You alone know how often we have sinned  
in wandering from your ways,  
in wasting your gifts,  
in forgetting your love.  
By your loving mercy  
help us to live in your light and abide in your ways  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (from Psalm 32) unison

**“Blessed is the one  
whose transgressions are forgiven,  
whose sins are covered.  
Blessed is the one  
whose sin the Lord does not count against them  
and in whose spirit is no deceit.” In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri

#579 (Blue)

ANTHEM

Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness

Farrell

**WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\*GOSPEL READING

Mark 1: 21-28

(pew Bible page 707)

SERMON

“Super Bowl Clash at the Synagogue”

The Rev. Dr. Sid Batts

\*HYMN

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

#171 (Blue)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Please stand as you are able) Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His Only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*HYMN

Let the Whole Creation Cry

#256 (Blue)

**SENT TO SERVE AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE Go With Us, Lord #535 (Blue)

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way  
through this and every coming day  
that in your Spirit strong and true  
our lives may be our gift to you.  
Amen.**

\*POSTLUDE

*(\*Please stand as you are able.)*



**This Week's Activities**

Today	11:00 am	Worship
Tuesday	8:00 am	Walking Club
	10:00 am	Bible Study
Wednesday	6:45 am	Men's Group
	5:30 pm	<i>Disciplines for the Inner Life</i> meeting
	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	3:45 pm	Chair Yoga
Sunday	11:00 am	Worship Communion

There will be a **Congregational Meeting** on Feb. 26th following the Worship Service to present the budget.

The **Tuesday morning *Disciplines for the Inner Life*** class will meet Wednesday this week with the 5:30 pm class.

**Worship Attendance:** Feb. 5th - 68

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

### Recent Surgeries or Illnesses

*(names listed for 2 weeks)*

- Aubrey Blizzard, major surgery
- Brenda Schroeder, cardio version
- Catherine Brier, (aunt of Ralph Schroeder, hospice)

### Ongoing Concerns

*(names listed for 2 months)*

- Vennie Jordan (mother of Selena Bennett, surgery to repair/replace hardware from previous surgery)
- Sonny Cain's father, (heart issues)
- Linda Jennings, (Alice Adam's sister, colon cancer treatment)
- Aubrey Blizzard, continuing health issues

### Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the families of:

*(names listed for 2 months)*

- Shelton Blanton, Jan. 18

### Homebound/Nursing Facilities

- Bobbie Coley
- Vennie Jordan
- Barry Giddings
- Robbie McSwain
- Rudy Hooks

Please call or email the church office with your prayer concern. Church members and their family will be included in the worship bulletin and e-newsletter for the durations listed above. Please let us know as prayers are answered, so we can celebrate with you; or as needs change, so we know how best to pray with and for you. If you have a confidential concern, please contact Pastor Bob.

## Church Mission Statement

Called together by God and empowered by the Holy Spirit, Mount Olive Presbyterian Church is committed to sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with all people, to nurturing Christian discipleship, and to serving the world in the name of Christ.

