

Mount Olive Presbyterian Church

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Mount Olive, North Carolina



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**Welcome to Worship on the Lord's Day
5th Sunday after Epiphany
February 9, 2025**

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

BRINGING GOD'S LIGHT INTO THE CHURCH

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lynn Williams

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come from different backgrounds on various roads to get here.

People: But we are all here seeking an experience of the holy.

Leader: Listen for the promise of God's steadfast love and God's faithfulness.

People: We are listening for God's call in our lives.

*HYMN

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

#721 (Purple)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God, though we walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve and deliver us. Though our lips are not clean and our hearts are not pure, you call us. Forgive us, we pray, when we wander away from you, lost and at risk. Forgive us when our lives do not reflect your glory and the purposes you intend. Help us to comprehend your ways in the world. We long to feel your grace and glory, for in you we can be healed and set free; in Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear and trust this good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: **Thanks be to God. Amen!**

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS The Gloria Patri #581 (Purple)

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SHARING FAITH WITH OUR CHILDREN Rev. Savannah Demuynck

WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 138 p. 444 (pew Bible)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 5:1-11 p. 728 (pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Arise and Come to Jesus

Arr. P. Drennan

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and pow'r.

Arise and come to Jesus; He'll embrace you in His arms;

In the arms of our dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;
true belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

Arise and come to Jesus; He'll embrace you in His arms;

In the arms of our dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall; if you tarry till you're better, you will
never come at all.

Blessed are the eyes that see Him, blest are ears that hear His voice;
blessed are the souls that trust Him and in Him alone rejoice.

Arise and come to Jesus; He'll embrace you in His arms;

in the arms of our dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

SERMON

"Catch and Follow"

Rev. Savannah Demuyneck

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' 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

From the Nets of Our Labors

#751 (Purple)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving 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.

Words of Institution

Prayer after Communion

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

#592 (Purple)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENT TO SERVE AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Go Now in Peace

D. Besig & N. Price

Go now in peace.

Never be afraid

God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true

Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

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



This Week's Activities

Today	11:00 am	Worship
	1:00 pm	Christian Ed. Committee Meeting
Monday	3:45 pm	Senior Fitness
Tuesday	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Cub Scout Pack 34
Wednesday	6:45 am	Men's Group
	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	10:00 am	Children's and Adult Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship

Welcome to Mount Olive Presbyterian Church! We are so glad you are here. If you would like more information on ways to get involved, see Pastor Savannah after the service.

The **Christian Education Committee** will be meeting at 1 pm today in the Serendipity Classroom.

The **Service Circle** will meet Monday, February 10th, at 7 pm in the parlor. All women are invited to attend.

Senior Fitness class is designed to address flexibility and balance. Each exercise usually has two ability levels, moderate and more challenging. A good portion of the class is done sitting down and the standing portion encourages safety by optionally holding onto the back of a chair for balance. The instructor is certified and adapts the class for seniors. Meeting time is Mondays at 3:45 until 4:30 in the fellowship hall. You do not need to sign up. Come join us!

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Concerns

- Janet Kennedy - fall
- Carl Rivenbark— Abdominal aortic aneurysm surgery
- Peggy Barwick—neck injury from fall
- Ann Blanton- eye surgery recovery
- Brenda Schroeder- physical therapy at home

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the families of:

(names listed for 2 months)

- Jackie Waters- brother of Alice Adams
- Benjamin and Jill Wicks - brother and sister in law of Steven Wicks
- Everette Coates - father of Doug Coates
- Ann Williamson - mother of Cheryl Kornegay

Homebound/Nursing Facilities

- Edna Colson
- Bobbie Coley
- Vennie Jordan
- Robbie McSwain

Please call or email the church office with your prayer concern. Church members and their family will be included in the worship bulletin 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 Savannah at savannah.mopc@gmail.com

A Brief History of Mount Olive Presbyterian Church

Two thousand, twenty-four, marks the 150th anniversary of Mount Olive Presbyterian Church. Organized in 1874, by the Reverend Alexander Kirkland, sixteen members gathered to begin what would become Mount Olive Presbyterian Church of the Wilmington Presbytery. In 1875 a lot was given to build a wooden building on the site of our current sanctuary. By 1914, the membership had outgrown the old wooden building and the church was moved to the back of an adjacent lot to make room for a new sanctuary. The new brick building was completed in 1916. Additions and improvements to our Church have continued through the years. The Mount Olive Church joined with Baker Presbyterian in 1988 and has been blessed by the guidance and love of the various ministers who have served as our leaders. We are proud of the work our congregation continues to accomplish as shared in our 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." As we celebrate our past, we look to a future defined by renewed commitment and spiritual growth.

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