

# Mount Olive Presbyterian Church

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**Welcome to Worship on the Lord's Day  
Christ the King Sunday/Communion  
November 24, 2024**

**WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

BRINGING GOD'S LIGHT INTO THE CHURCH

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lisa Dismore

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In Christ all things hold together;

**People: he is head of the church and Lord of all.**

Leader: Jesus Christ is coming to reign.

**People: To God be glory forever and ever!**

\*HYMN

Praise Ye the Lord, The Almighty

#35 (Purple)

CALL TO CONFESSION

In Christ, God came to reconcile all things, making peace through the blood of the cross.  
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: God has rescued us from the power of evil and claimed us for the realm of Jesus Christ, in whom we have redemption. In the name of 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 Demuyneck

## WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING      Psalm 93      p. 425 (pew Bible)

NEW TESTAMENT READING      John 18:33-37      p. 767 (pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM Why Should I Feel Discouraged? Martin and Gabriel

Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come?

Why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home,

When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is he;

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

“Let not your heart be troubled,” his tender word I hear,

and resting on his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;

though by the path he leadeth but one step I may see;

his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;

his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise,

When song gives place to sighing, when hope within me dies,

I draw the closer to him; from care he sets me free:

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free,

for his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

SERMON “Is Jesus Really Lord” Rev. Savannah Demuynck

\*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 All who Hunger, Gather Gladly #509 (Purple)

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Prayer after Communion

## \*OFFERING

## \*DOXOLOGY

#592 (Purple)

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## 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.**

## SENT TO SERVE AS GOD'S PEOPLE

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

## \*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 Congregational Meeting
Monday	3:45 pm	Senior Fitness
Tuesday	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 **altar flowers** are given to the glory of God on this Christ the King Sunday.

There will not be **Bible Study** Tuesday, November 26th.

The **Church Office** will be closed Wed., Nov. 27 and Thurs., Nov. 28.

The Spiritual Growth, Nurture and Care Committee typically serves a meal to the family when someone in our church family passes away. Instead of doing our usual funeral meal for Rudy Hooks, Cheryl Crumpler Hooks wanted to share a meal with her whole church family! You may remember the midweek Family Night Supper meals from years ago; please join us **Wednesday, December 11th at 6:00 for a fellowship meal, Family Night Supper style.** We are asking those in attendance to bring side dishes, desserts and beverages. Fried chicken will be provided. Please plan to join us for a time of fellowship and visitation with Cheryl and our MOPC family!

**Advent Readers** are needed: can be families, friends, or an individual that would like to do the reading and light the candles. Dates needed are Dec. 1, 15, 22 and 24th. Please contact Joy Bayles or Lynda Roten if interested.

The **Two Cents A Meal offering** collected in October was \$103.65.

**III Century Singers** presents their annual Christmas Concert “Celebration of Carols” December 8 at First Baptist Church in Goldsboro at 3 pm and again December 12 at First Baptist Church in Mount Olive at 7 pm. Admission is free but donations are accepted.

There are extra **church histories**, if anyone would like a copy. Please pick one up in the church office.

### **Church Leadership**

#### **Elder Class of 2024**

Ralph Schroeder  
Charlotte Stentz Price  
Patsy West

#### **Elder Class of 2025**

Margaret Anderson  
Robin McSwain  
Keith Wright

#### **Elder Class of 2026**

Joy Bayles  
Gordon Bennett  
Lisa Dismore

#### **Clerk of Session**

Lynn Williams

#### **Moderator**

Rev. Savannah Demuynck

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

### Concerns

- Brenda Schroeder— heart valve issues

### Ongoing Concerns

*(names listed for 2 months)*

- Eddie Best—health concerns
- Ann Blanton— mouth & eye issues

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

*(names listed for 2 months)*

### 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](mailto: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.