

# Mount Olivet United Methodist Church

November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent – Hanging of the Greens 11:00 AM

PRELUDE “Hark! the Herald Angels Sing” Tommy Midgett  
 CALL TO WORSHIP “Love Was Born at Christmas” Chancel Choir  
 \*RESPONSIVE READING Sarah Benson, Lay Leader

How shall we prepare this house for the birth of Jesus?

**With branches of cedar, the tree of excellence and strength.**

How shall we prepare this house for the eternal Christ?

**With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.**

How shall we prepare this house for the prophet of Galilee?

**With wreaths of holly and ivy, telling of his passion, death and resurrection.**

How shall we prepare our hearts for this revelation of God?

**By hearing again the words of the prophets and the promises of God.**

For in the story of Jesus we see revealed the transforming power of God

We are reminded anew of God’s vision of wholeness, justice, and peace for all of creation.

**Thanks be to God.**

DEFINING THE SERVICE John Dutton

LIGHTING THE CHRISTMAS CANDLES John 1:1-14 Fry Family

\*HYMN “O Little Town of Bethlehem” No. 230

PRESENTING THE ADVENT WREATH John Dutton

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE Isaiah 2:1-5 Ted & Allison Martin,  
Keith, Olivia & Edgar

\*HYMN “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” No. 211

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Crystal Hale

PRESENTING THE EVERGREENS Hosea 14:1-2, 4-9 Bill & Margaret Jean Daniels

\*ANTHEM “A Christmas Medley” Chancel Choir

PRESENTING THE POINTSETTIAS Brenda, Sarah & Evan Davis

\*HYMN “While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks” (vs 1-3, 6) No. 236

PRESENTING THE CHRISMON TREE Isaiah 11:1-10 Lance Culpepper

\*HYMN “Angels from the Realms of Glory” (vs 1, 2 & 4) No. 220

BAPTISM Kinslee Grace Davis No. 39

PRESENTING THE CHRISMONS Luke 18:15-17 Janice Tillett

# Mount Olivet United Methodist Church ~ Nov. 27 – Dec. 3, 2016

Mount Olivet Preschool & Afterschool ~ 8:15- Noon ~ 2:30 - 5:30 PM

<b>Sun</b>	<b>Nov. 27</b>	7:30 AM	Resounding Praise Warm Up & Prayer for Services
		8:30 AM	Contemporary Service
		9:45 AM	Sunday School
		11:00 AM	Traditional Service
		4:00 PM	<b>Children’s Musical Rehearsal</b>
		5:00 PM	Youth Sunday Night
		7:00 PM	Youth Praise
<b>Mon</b>	<b>Nov. 28</b>	6:30 AM	Men’s Reunion Group meets in Room “C”
		7:00 PM	Men’s Bible Study
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Nov. 29</b>	7:00 PM	<b>Children’s Council Meeting</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Nov. 30</b>	6:00 PM	Prayer Meeting <u>in the Church Library</u>
		7:30 PM	High School Bible Study
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Dec. 1</b>	7:00 AM	Youth Breakfast
		9:00 AM	Staff Meeting
		10:00 AM	Mom’s Group at the Cove
		6:00 PM	Resounding Praise Rehearsal
		7:00 PM	<b>CANTATA CHOIR</b> & Chancel Choir Rehearsal
		7:30 PM	Narcotics Anonymous - ends 9:00 PM
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Dec. 2</b>		<b>Christmas Downtown Manteo</b>



Next Sunday, 5:00 PM! 3 Wise Men & A Baby Children’s Christmas Program. Following will be the Birthday Party for Jesus. Pizza and Cake will be provided! Also, each child is encouraged to bring a Birthday Gift for Jesus. Gifts will be designated to help the children of local flood victims.



**Attendance and Offering for Sunday, November 20, 2016**

Sunday School: 127 Church Services: 198

Community Thanksgiving Service: 291

Offering for Hatteras Island Christian Fellowship: \$1,354.35

Budget for 2016 .....	\$615,883.73
Amount Needed Weekly .....	\$11,843.92
<b>Amount Received November 20, 2016</b> .....	\$9,447.50
Amount Needed to date.....	\$556,664.24
Amount Received to date.....	\$510,304.64
Year to date <b>Budget Deficit</b> .....	\$46,359.60
88 Capital Campaign Pledges to Date .....	\$249,646.00

**Amounts Received into Activities Accounts November 20, 2016**

Missions .....	\$262.50	Roanoke Island Food Pantry .....	\$1,096.17
Prayer Blanket Ministry .....	\$350.00	Advent Food Pantry Bags .....	\$100.00
UMYF Mission Team (Canada) .....	\$1,065.00	Children’s Ministry .....	\$175.00
Koinonia Class .....	\$32.00	Local Emergency Relief.....	\$500.00
Phone tree .....	\$1,000.00	Hatteras Hymnals.....	\$1,313.00
UMCOR World Hunger.....	\$1,000.00	United Methodist Men .....	\$10.00
Covenant Class.....	\$6.00	Discussion Class .....	15.00
Pastor’s Discretionary .....	\$314.00	God’s House Repairs .....	\$260.00
Forward in Faith Capital Campaign.....	\$590.00		

**November Ushers:** 8:30 AM – John & Sherry Wescott 11:00 AM – Clint & Nita Hepler

**Altar Guild:** Angie Sellers, Chair; Charlotte Dixon, Susan Fearing, Allison Martin

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** **November 27** - Sunshine Scarborough **29** - Wil Reed

**30** - George Miller 1 - Jenna Frank **2** - Olivia Gainey , Casey Howell, Gena Terry, Karen Walker

**3** - Chuck Edwards, Tess Harrell, Elizabeth Hodgson, Lindsay Mitchell

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** **November 27:** Jon & Donna Presgrave, 52 yrs.

**Mount Olivet United Methodist Church offers Online Giving Options**

- Go online to [mountolivetumc.org](http://mountolivetumc.org) – use the onlinegiving tab
- Download the app (Joyfully2umc) - Find your church
- (**Mount Olivet UMC**) –Give
- With your smartphone QR code reader



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Corner of Ananias Dare and Essex Streets  
Manteo, N. C. 27954



Established 1887

*As Disciples of Christ, we will passionately follow the leading of the Holy Spirit as we unite to promote and nurture spiritual growth among all God’s Children.*

Church 473-2089

Website: [mountolivetumc.org](http://mountolivetumc.org)

Parsonage 473-2088

PO Box 787, Manteo NC 27954

**John Dutton - Pastor**

Aletia Goudy – Administrative Assistant

Crystal Hale – Director of Children’s Ministry

Nathan Schierer – Director of Music

Stephen Stetson –Technical Ministries

Ann Payne – Church Treasurer

**Ministers - All**

Jean P. Basnight – Office Assistant

Drew Peyton – Director of Youth Ministry

Tommy Midgett – Organist

John Wescott – Custodian

Dana Thomason - Nursery Attendant

Preschool, Afterschool & Seasonal Summer Day Camp

Shon Ballance Lee – Director

Scarlett Clarke – Assistant

De-Ann Bateman - Treasurer

## Today's Nursery

8:30 AM: Rita Shaffer 9:45 AM: 11:00 AM: Melva Garrison

### Next Week's Nursery – December 4<sup>th</sup>

8:30 AM: Pam Harrison 9:45 AM: Dana Thomason 11:00 AM: Lisa Fry

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## Bible Study

**Mom's Group Of Roanoke Island; a Bible Study/Fellowship meets on Thursdays 10- noon** at The Cove. Nursery is provided (A collection will be taken for the sitter.) We will be studying **“Loving Our Kids on Purpose” by Danny Silk.** Contact: Erica Burkhart – 423-0989

**Men's Bible Study meets Mondays 7:00 PM.** Please join us as we study the book of Exodus. The only book you need is the Bible; no sign up is required. Come explore God's Word with us!

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## Mission Opportunities

### **Christmas 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Celebration, Downtown Manteo - December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30 to 9:00 PM**

The Manteo Lighting of the Christmas Tree gives Mount Olivet congregation an opportunity to let the community know: “It's ok to say Merry Christmas”

**We need your help with this event in two special ways!**

- Cooking chicken or roast beef to go in the 1,000 cups of Brunswick Stew that will be given out for free at the event
- Handing out cups of Brunswick Stew during this event.

If you can help with either of these opportunities please sign up on the bulletin board by the front door or in your Sunday School classroom. For more information contact Reha Otte' 443-271-4206.

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## Notices

Several members of the Chancel Choir will be participating with area singers and musicians performing *Handel's Messiah* **this Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 PM at Holy Redeemer by the Sea Church**, 301 West Kitty Hawk Road, Kitty Hawk. The concert, presented by the Eastern Carolina Concert Society, is being directed by John Buford, music educator with Dare County Schools and music director/organist at Holy Redeemer by the Sea. The concert is free and the public is invited to attend.

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To pause in this Advent season and listen for the voice of God speaking through Scripture just may be a way to prepare our hearts for Christmas. **Join us for “Christmas Scripture Readings” – a time of quiet Wednesdays 10:00-11:00 am in the Sanctuary at Mt. Olivet.** Share this time to explore the stories of Christmas, reading in a quiet, prayerful space, listening together. **Begins Wednesday December 7, 2016.** No preparation is needed, just come with an open heart. Led by Sarah and Rodney Benson. “This Advent, let's go to Bethlehem and find our kneeling places.” All are welcome.

\*HYMN “Away in a Manger” No. 217

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

WORSHIPPING WITH GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory “The Holly and The Ivy” Tommy Midgett  
\*Doxology No. 95  
\*Prayer of Dedication

PRESENTING THE BELLS Psalm 150 Lance Culpepper

\*SPECIAL MUSIC “I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day” Nathan Schierer

\*HYMN “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” No. 196

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

Take time, in the busyness of this season, for quiet reflection—  
For the light of God's love is discernible everywhere.

**We will let ourselves be surprised by wonder and set aside time to offer quiet thanks.**

The good news of Advent is this: Christ is coming. Christ is always coming.

**We will welcome Christ into our hearts.**

**We will let ourselves be guided by his ministry.**

**We will go forth from this place in hope.**

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE “Emmanuel” No. 204

POSTLUDE “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” Tommy Midgett

## THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO WITNESS AND SERVE GOD

\*PLEASE STAND AS ABLE

**CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM – Kinslee Grace Davis**, daughter of Katlin Fayssoux Snapp and William “Willie” Davis, Jr. of Grimesland. Grandparents are Marc Snapp of Stumpy Point, Allison Snapp of Manteo, Verna Davis of Grimesland, and the late William Davis, Sr.. Great Grandparents are Lynda F. Midgett and Arvin Midgett of Manteo, and Sandra & Bob Snapp of Chocowinity.