

December 9, 2018

From the Stewardship Committee:

Thank you so much to all of those who have joined with us by pledging for 2019. Your gifts will assist Mount Olivet in continuing to sow seeds for the future!

Received to date: 83 pledges totaling \$357,388.00;
58% of the 2019 budget

“We are participating in God’s providential plan for the world.” - Andy Stanley

December Ushers:

8:30: Stuart & Ramona Wescott

11:00: Clint Hepler

December Altar Guild:

Margaret Daniels, Chair; Paula Oliver,
Mary Pool, Estelle Midgett



Tomorrow at 7 PM, students and their families are invited to join a “Meet Michelle” small group night. Sign up on Facebook or by calling the church office!

“We would be surprised by what our souls say to God.” (Gerald May)

Prepare your heart for Christmas. We invite you to pause in the busyness of life and listen for the voice of God speaking through Scripture. This is a gift you can give yourself during this special season of Advent; as you to ponder, listen, be silent or even joyful with God’s word within the soul.



Wed. December 12, and 19, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM, in the Sanctuary. Share this time exploring Christmas stories in scripture, reading in a quiet, prayerful space. Led by Sarah and Rodney Benson. All are welcome.



Opportunities to Give this Season

SHOE DRIVE - We are collecting gently used shoes, both adult and children's for 5th Graders at Ocracoke School. The student’s goal is to collect 2500 pairs at which time the organization that distributes them around the world will make arrangements, at no cost to the 5th Graders, to pick up the shoes and give them a \$1000 "finders fee." The collection box is located at the entrance to the church and will end **TODAY**.

ANGEL TREE - Thank you to everyone who adopted an angel (or more) from the board! Don’t forget to return the gift **UNWRAPPED** with the original request tag to the church **by noon, Friday December 14**.

Wrapping Costa Rica in Love - Christmas gift wrapping fundraiser **December 15th, 11 AM - 1PM** at Downtown Books Manteo; this is a donation only event to benefit several youth attending the upcoming Costa Rica Mission trip. Have your Christmas gifts wrapped or pick up some last minute stocking stuffers; while at the bookstore. Don’t miss a book signing by special guest author Vivian Howard 10 -12.



And so, I’m offering our special home to friends from 1 to 102...
December 16th from 3-5 PM, the Seals family is hosting an Open House for the church family at the Parsonage. This is a drop-in event and families are welcome!
We are excited for everyone to see this beautiful house we have made a home.

Here We Go A-Caroling! On Wednesday, December 19 at 6 PM, join us as we spread Christmas all over Manteo by singing carols and visiting friends of the church. Our goal this year is to fill 3 buses. Afterwards all will meet at the Cove for fellowship and a bonfire. So, warm up those vocals, bring the family and a chair for a singing good time!



This Week at Mount Olivet

Sun Dec. 9	5:00 PM 5:00 PM 7:00 PM	FAITH Friends Christmas Party Youth Sunday Night Youth Praise and Youth Dance
Mon Dec. 10	6:30 AM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Men’s Reunion Group meets in Room “C” Men’s Monday Night Bible Study Room “A” Meet Michelle Small Group @ The Cove
Tue Dec. 11	6:00 PM 6:30 PM	United Methodist Men Nannie Midgett Circle Christmas Party at Wanda Daniel’s Home
Wed Dec. 12	9:30 AM 11:30 AM 6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Card Ministry Christmas Scripture Readings in Sanctuary Prayer Meeting in the Church Library High School Bible Study
Thurs Dec. 13	7:00 AM 10:00 AM 5:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Youth Breakfast Food for Thought - Join us in packing bags! Chancel Choir Rehearsal Resounding Praise JOY (63+) Dinner at Basnight’s Lone Cedar NA - ends 8:30 PM



Children's Ministries

Birth – 5th grade 252-473-2089 Ext. 29
olivetkids@mountolivetumc.org

Sunday School - For Pre-K through 5th Grade

We will see you in Rooms 200 & 203 at 8:45 as we learn and grow in our faith.

FAITH Friends - For Pre-K through 5th Grade

Tonight from 5-7 PM - Come for games, acting out our story, singing, food and fellowship!

Children's Church - We will **not** have Children's Church today. Enjoy the cantata and feel free to grab an activity sheet or other items by the entrance to use during the service.



Youth Ministries

6th – 12th grade *unless otherwise noted*
thecoveobx@gmail.com

Sunday Morning Small Group, the Cove, 8:45 AM

Sunday Night Youth Group, the Cove, 5-7 PM;
Join us for heavy snacks, games, & studying Scripture!

Wednesday High School Bible Study, 7:30 - 9:00 PM
at The Cove; open to all 9th -12th grade students.

Thursday Morning Youth Breakfast, 7:00 - 7:40 AM
Hot breakfast and guest speaker Thursdays during the school year. Transportation is provided to school.

Winterfest is coming Dec. 30 – Jan. 1! Limited spots.
\$60 per student. Register online agody.wixsite.com/cove

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Music Ministries

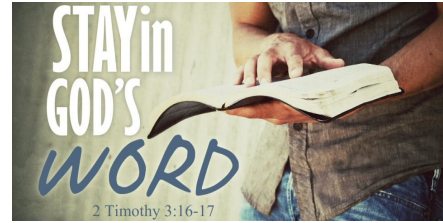
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Christmas Cantata - The Glory of Christmas!

We are rehearsing TODAY at Noon. This Thursday is our final rehearsal from 6-9 PM, meet in the sanctuary. Our children's chorus and youth dance team will join us from 6:30-7:30PM.

Resounding Praise will NOT meet this week.

Youth Praise & Youth Dance will meet this evening at 7:00 PM.



Men's Bible Study meets Mondays 7:00 PM.

Please join us as we study the New Testament. The only book you need is the Bible; no sign up is required. Come explore God's Word with us!

Missions Opportunities



Mt Olivet will be packing bags for Food for Thought this **Thur., Dec. 13, 10 AM**. Join us off Airport Rd - past the NC Aquarium, look for the Food for Thought sign! Thank you for your prayers and support, Janice O'Neal, Coordinator

The Food Pantry is always in need of paper grocery bags; so keep them coming! Thank you for your generous and continued support of the Pantry, you are truly appreciated!



All are welcome to join the **Card Ministry**; we meet the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 9:30 AM in the Library. Come and spread the love of Christ by encouraging our brothers and sisters!

Happy Birthday

Dec. 10 - Katherine Bottjen

11 - Tucker Walker

12 - Jen Phillips, Meldine Lee

13 - Geneva Ward

14 - David Hook

15 - Samuel Midgett, Rebecca Boyce

Happy Anniversary

Dec. 11: Lee & Sarah Wise – 24 yrs.

Dec. 15: Ronnie & Carol Meekins – 61 yrs.

Dec. 15: Gary & Carol Setzer – 29 yrs.

Mount Olivet United Methodist Church offers Online Giving Options

At mountolivetumc.org through the online giving tab or with your smartphone QR code reader



Sunday, December 2, 2018

Sunday School: 166 Church Services: 260

2018 Budget - \$619,377.00

Received December 2, 2018 - \$19,233.00

Needed to date - \$571,732.80

Needed Weekly - \$11,911.10

Year to date Budget Deficit - (-\$51,333.15)

Received to date - \$520,399.65

Amounts Received into Activities Accounts on December 2, 2018

Cove Snacks - \$10.00	Discussion Class - \$31.00	Prayer Blanket Ministry - \$11.00
Missions - \$895.00	God's House Repairs - \$80.00	Pastor's Discretionary - \$282.00
Christmas Joy - \$20.00	Every Nations Ministry - \$30.00	Food Pantry - \$1,350.00
Koinonia Class - \$20.00	Youth Breakfast - \$75.00	Capital Improvements Reserve - \$20.00
Forward in Faith Capital Campaign - \$900.00		