

AUGUST 2023

# THE OLIVE BRANCH

Romans 11: 11-24



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*A monthly newsletter highlighting the missions, ministries and activities of Mount Olivet United Methodist Church*

## From the Pastor's Desk

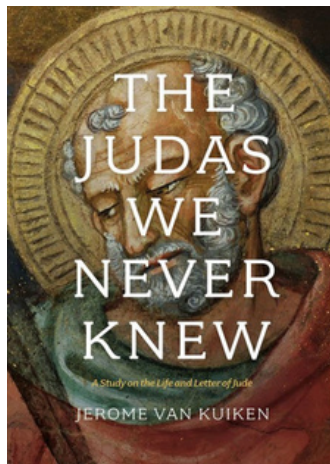
Pastor Marc O'Neal

Happy August, sisters and brothers! As the summer draws to a close, I'm excited for us to get back to weekly Bible study. The votes have all been tallied, and you, the congregation, picked The Book of Jude as our study. We'll begin on September 6th, and meet for 8 consecutive weeks, at 10am and 7pm, finishing on October 25th. Be sure to sign up for one of the two time slots, so we can order a book for you!

Jude (a.k.a. Judas) and the biblical letter that bears his name have been sidelined for centuries. But his personal history teaches us about the complicated relationship between faith and family. His letter's teachings about Jesus, spirituality, sexuality, community, and the afterlife have plenty of relevance.

This book explores all these topics and more in a fast-paced conversational style that connects with popular culture and history—from football to fantasy films and from John Wesley to Star Wars! I can't wait to dig into it with you!

Blessings,  
Pastor Marc



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2023 Mt Olivet

Admin Board:

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Thank you to the Carolina Cross Connections mission team, who took time out of serving on the OBX to help with landscaping at the church, and cleaning of The Cove!

# UMC Book of Discipline Required Committees

Our UMC Book of Discipline requires that each church in the UM system have certain committees in order to maintain the functionality of each church. Here's a quick look at each and what they do.

**Trustees:** Functions as Christian stewards of property God has entrusted to the congregation. This includes supervising and maintaining both the physical property of the congregation and gifts made to the congregation so that the ministries of the congregation can be effective and all legal requirements related to the property are satisfied. Meetings are open to anyone to attend. Contact Chairman Warren Blackburn for details.

**Finance:** This committee proposes a budget; then raises, manages, and distributes the financial resources of the congregation to support and strengthen the mission and ministry of the congregation. Contact Chairman Jason Waughtel for details.

**SPRC: Staff Parish Relations Committee** proactively council with and advise Pastor and Staff on their performance. The SPRC builds a strong positive relationship among the Pastor, staff, and the congregation to help make disciples of Jesus Christ. Contact Chair Carol Nease for details

**Administrative Board:** This group is made up of the chairpersons/ members of the church committees, and is the final stop for most matters affecting the church. Meetings are open to anyone to attend. Contact Chairman Chris Seawell for details.

# Celebrate

## *August Birthdays and Anniversaries!*

### **Birthdays:**

**2nd** Charlotte Dixon, Chip Phillips, Lawson Lee; **3rd** Babs Meekins;  
**4th** Lee Martin; **5th** Susan Tury; **6th** Joanne Williams, Ben Gallop;  
**7th** Elizabeth Hopkins, Sarah Marshall Gallop; **12th** William Beatty;  
**13th** Jack Dunn, June Bell; **15th** Atfield Wheeler, Owen Maxwell;  
**16th** Carol Haywood, Amy Dixon; **17th** Scott Hill, Kevin Duprey;  
**18th** Jason Waughtel; **19th** Michael Davenport;  
**20th** Cindy Funderburg, Trisha Beach; **21st** Dee Isenhour, Lee Kisse;  
**24th** Samantha Keith, Pam Jones, Susan Ehart;  
**27th** Jessica Twiford; **30th** Sharon Collins

### **Anniversaries:**

August 2 John & Loretta Fertal, Stuart & Ramona Wescott  
August 3 Rufus & Roxie Pritchard, Jep & Carol Adams  
August 4 Alvah & Geneva Ward  
August 6 Alfie & Tara Wheeler  
August 7 Dan & Katherine Bottjen  
August 9 Chip & Jennifer Phillips  
August 11 Dick & Peggy Parker  
August 15 Bob & Flossie Tugwell  
August 16 Chris & Kathy Seawell  
August 25 Jeff & Carol Nease  
August 28 Mark & Gloria Spence



### **Back to School Prayer for our Teachers:**

Dear God, Thank You for the amazing teachers who have devoted their lives to serve our children. As they navigate this unique school year, fill them with strength to lead and thrive in their classroom—whatever it may look like! Protect their bodies from illness and their spirits from weariness as they pour into the next generation through education. In Jesus' name, Amen.

### **Back to School Prayer for our Students:**

God, I ask that you would help my child to be strong and courageous as they tackle a new school year! Take from them any dread, anxiety, or grief that may want to steal their joy as they embark on a new school year. Remind them daily that you are with them! You will never leave them and give them the strength they need to walk through each day. Amen.

**BACK  
TO  
SCHOOL**

# Prayer List

We invite you to pray for those listed below.

Pat Bascue, Bill Songer, Jeffrey Latham, Pearce Berry Celia Meekins, Ginny Adlon Jim Davis, Ray Long, Skip Dixon, Linda Holmes, Paul Tury, Saint Tillett, Ted Midgett ,Argent Spake, Ina Ernst, Walter Baum, Shirley Shannon, Sherron Moore, Darrell Collins, Anne Davis, Jim Tobin, Greg Sadler, Laura Rhodes, Johnny Walker, Cathy Boyce, Phil Ray Haywood, Mikey Buck Haywood, Stacie Allen, Lawson Lee, Martha Callis, Mike & Emily Wilson & Children, Courtney Ford, Vickie Henry, Tim White, Susan Tury, Mamie Daniels, Maria Daniels, Patsy Laster, Bud & Linda Brooks

# Mt Olivet Night at Scallywags Game!

Many had a great time at "Mt Olivet Night" at the OBX Scallywags game! It was great to be together to support the team that supported us during VBS!



Our sanctuary is open for prayer, each Thursday, at 10am and 5pm

Outdoor Worship Service Coming up with our Friends at Manteo First Assembly on August 13th:

Outdoor Family Night

**Praise**

on

**64**

812 Wingina Ave

manteofirstassembly

**Sunday, August 13th**

**5 - 8 PM**

**Bring the whole family!!**

**Food Fundraiser - Refuge Youth & Tiki Treats Truck!**

Music by MFA Worship Team & Guest

**Special Guest**  
Outer Banks Bluegrass Band

# Announcements!



## Reminder

STARTING AUGUST 6TH:  
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9AM  
WORSHIP 10AM



**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL!**  
Starts on August 27th, 9am!



## "ALL IN!"

Sunday, August 27th

During Worship:

-Blessing of the Backpacks

After Worship

-Lunch

-Ministry Fair

*Are You Ready to be "All In"?*

*You're Invited!!*



**When?** Every home game at 5:00pm

**Where?** The grass beside the tennis courts

**What is it?** A chance to hangout with other Redskin football fans! Bring food, drinks, and lawnchairs for a time of "tailgating" before we all head into the stadium to cheer for MHS!

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR AUGUST:

**AUGUST 6TH; 10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

GENESIS 32:22-31;  
PSALM 17; ROMANS 9:1-5; MATTHEW 14:13-21

**AUGUST 13TH; 11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

GENESIS 37:1-4, 12-28; PSALM 105; ROMANS 10:5-15; MATTHEW 14:22-33

**AUGUST 20TH; 12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

GENESIS 45:1-15; PSALM 133; ROMANS 11:1-2A, 29-32; MATTHEW 15:10-28

**AUGUST 27TH; 13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

EXODUS 1:8-2:10; PSALM 124; ROMANS 12:1-8; MATTHEW 16:13-20

# Patriotic Concert

Nathan led our choir in a wonderful Patriotic Concert on July 2nd, followed by an Ice Cream social. The choir was then back at it at the Downtown Manteo 4th of July festivities! Way to go everyone!



# Youth Group News

Our Youth Group had fun this past month. Part of their activities was going to OBX Laser Tag, as well as dolphin watching on the Capt Johnny! Have a middle or high schooler interested in being part of our group? Contact Pastor Marc!



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**SUMMER SCHEDULE**

**OFFICE HOURS ARE:**

TUESDAY-THURSDAY,  
8:30AM-4:30PM  
(CLOSED FROM 12P-1P  
FOR LUNCH)  
FRIDAY  
8:30AM-NOON

**FOOD PANTRY:**

MONDAY-FRIDAY  
9AM-11AM

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