

SEPTEMBER 2023

THE OLIVE BRANCH

Romans 11: 11-24



MOUNT OLIVET
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH

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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

Many of you may have noticed in recent weeks that, on many of our social media posts and advertisements, a logo depicting our church steeple has been prominently involved. That is intentional. A number of weeks ago, I asked Nathan about getting us a new logo. Something that was unique and spoke to who we are at Mt Olivet. ALL United Methodist Churches use the “cross and flame” logo, but I wanted something that would stand out and distinguish our church from others, because I truly believe that this place is special. I am proud of the ways that we constantly find to engage in our community, to encourage one another, to learn all we can about God, to dive into Scripture and prayer and song and service. I want you to be proud of that, too. Nathan’s sister developed the logo that you see here, and we have stickers at church for those that want one, so that you can proudly tell everyone the worshipping community that you are a part of. Perhaps it could also lead to invitations to others to come worship with us, to see what we are truthfully all about: a church with Jesus as the head, focused on how to grow in all the ways we love God and love our neighbors!



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2023 Mt Olivet

Admin Board:

Marc O'Neal (Pastor); Chris Seawell (Chair); Reha Otte (Secretary); Peggy Snead (Lay Member to Annual Conference); Chip Phillips (Lay Leader); Warren Blackburn (Chair, Trustees); Jason Waughtel (Chair, Finance) Carol Nease (Chair, SPRC); Marcia Bryant (Chair, Missions); Kathy Seawell (Chair, Worship); Janice Tillett (Chair, Preschool Board); Mike Harris (Pres., Mount Olivet Men); Deloris Harrell (Chair, Care & Connections); Grey O'Neal (Youth Representative)

James 5:7-8

Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near.

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

September Birthdays and Anniversaries!

Birthdays:

1st Carol Nease, Tara Wheeler; 4th Flossie Tugwell, Kimrey Keith; 10th Stuart Bell, Rose Skinner; 15th Alfie Wheeler; 17th Will Atkinson, Kitty Burke, Drew Brown; 20th Sarah Presgrave; 21st Gracie Gallop; 24th Peggy Snead; 25th Jamie Hopkins; 27th Jake Brown; 29th Sarah Lynn Phillips, Sandra Sawyer, William Songer; 30th Peggy Parker, Nathan Schierer, Joan Maxwell

Anniversaries:

1st Lee & Tiffany Martin; 3rd Scott & Deb Hill, Rodney & Sarah Benson; 13th Hannon & Lisa Fry; 15th Charlie & Joyce Edwards, Mike & Jen Meekins; 20th Malcolm & Susan Fearing; 21st Warren & Wendy Blackburn; 23rd Will & Sandy Atkinson; 24 Johnny & Sara Farrow; 26th William & Dorothy Songer; 28th Owen & Joan Maxwell



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL!

We are so, so happy that Children's Sunday School has returned! This also gives us a chance to remind you of all the Sunday School opportunities at Mt Olivet:

-K-2nd Grade will be upstairs, classroom on the left

-3rd-5th Grade will be upstairs, classroom on the right

-(Nursery available as well during Sunday School hour)

-The Bible Recap class will meet upstairs in Room 202

-The Joy Class will meet upstairs in Room 208

-Discussion Class will meet downstairs in Classroom B

-The Younger Parents Class will meet downstairs in Classroom C

-The Men's Bible Class will meet in the Library

Prayer List

We invite you to pray for those listed below.

Pat Bascue, Bill Songer, Frank Stolz, Jamie Norman, Celia Meekins, Carleen Mitchell, Jim Davis, Ray Long, Cal Heberer, Linda Holmes, Paul Tury, Pastor Soia & Family, Ted Midgett, Argent Spake, Ina Ernst, Walter Baum, Shirley Shannon, Sherron Moore, Darrell Collins, Anne Davis, Marcie Haywood, Greg Sadler, Laura Rhodes, Johnny Walker, Cathy Boyce Phil Ray Haywood, Mikey Buck Haywood, Stacie Allen, Ted Kramer, Martha Callis, Mike & Emily Wilson & Children, Courtney Ford, Vickie Henry, Tim White, Susan Tury, Mamie Daniels, Maria Daniels, Patsy Laster, Maudie Vaughn, Jean Daniels, Bud & Linda Brooks



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



I wanted to make you aware of a new initiative we will be starting here at Mt Olivet. It's called "Service Sunday", and is an idea brought to us by Jennifer Phillips. I

In any month in which there is a 5th Sunday, those that want to participate will arrive at church in "work clothes", and after a worship time of 30 or 45 minutes, "work teams" will disburse inside and outside of the church to perform acts of service.

What might that look like? We could have a team stay at the church and prepare casseroles to be frozen and then taken to those in need. Nathan could take a team out to Peak to sing for them. I could take a group with me to Spring Arbor and have a time of worship and communion. A team could go out and help with yardwork, or home repair, at the home of one of our members or neighbors in need. A group could gather in the sanctuary to pray for those that are out and about, or other needs in our community. The possibilities are endless!

A committee has been formed to help with coordination and identification of need, but if you want to be part of one of the "teams" that goes out, or have an idea of a service project that we can do, please be sure to let us know!

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 SEPTEMBER:

SEPTEMBER 3RD, FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:
EXODUS 3: 1-15;
PSALM 105; ROMANS 12: 9-21; MATTHEW 16:21-28

SEPTEMBER 10TH, FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:
EXODUS 12:1-14;
PSALM 149; ROMANS 13:8-14; MATTHEW 18:15-20

SEPTEMBER 17TH, SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:
EXODUS 14:19-31;
PSALM 114; ROMANS 14:1-12; MATTHEW 18:21-35

SEPTEMBER 24TH, SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:
EXODUS 16:2-15;
PSALM 105;
PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30;
MATTHEW 20:1-16

CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT!

SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 17TH
3:30PM
MT OLIVET YOUTH HOUSE
FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP!

The poster features a close-up of a wooden corn hole board with a hole. Below the hole is a logo of a church steeple inside a circle. The background is a vibrant green field of grass. A red and blue bag is lying on the grass in the foreground.

This and That...



“Welcome Home”

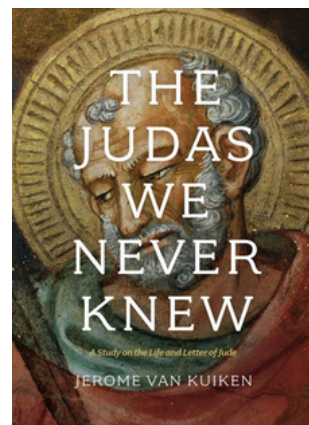
There’s been an addition to the church grounds: home plate! It simply signifies the fact that, after a busy summer, and a return to our routines, everyone is welcomed back “home”, to be a part of our worshiping community!

Don’t forget: “Devotions and Discs” every Monday, 5:30pm, at the Ace Run course on the North End!



If you missed “All In” Sunday, and need a blessed backpack tag, steeple sticker, or “Christ is my Anchor” bracelet, we have extras at the church!

Our Wednesday Bible Studies are Back! Starting Sept 6th, through Oct 25th, at 10am and 7pm. This fall: The Book of Jude! Come join us!



Youth Group News

Our Youth Group kicked off the new year with a cookout on August 27th. There's a packed year full of fun coming up; if you know a middle or high schooler looking for a group, send them our way!



Coming up....



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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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