

*"Committed to His Will,  
His Way, and His Word"*



# Mount Olive Baptist Church

## Announcements

### December 20, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Advent



#### Our Vision Statement

<sup>18</sup>"The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the broken-hearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; <sup>19</sup>To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD." Luke 4:18-19 (NKJV)

It is the vision of Mount Olive to be a church that is intentional in its efforts to identify and meet the needs of broken, hurt and oppressed people in the greater Glen Allen area through the message and ministry of Jesus Christ.

#### MOBC CORE VALUES

1. Radical Hospitality
2. Passionate Worship
3. Intentional Faith Development
4. Risk-Taking Mission & Service
5. Extravagant Generosity

#### CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS

  
Church Office and Buildings  
will be closed for the  
**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**  
on Thursday, December 24th  
thru Monday, December 28th

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#### Sunday School

8:30 AM

Lesson:

"A Regal Response to Holy Light"  
Matthew 2:7-15

Teacher: Dea. Willie Ryan

Call in Number and Access Code  
**1-605-472-5412 AC 229743**

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**2020 Theme:**  
**The Year of**

  
**PROGRESS**

Isaiah 43:18-19 (NKJV)

<sup>18</sup> "Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old. <sup>19</sup> Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness *And* rivers in the desert.

## Today At Mount Olive

*Morning Worship Service*  
*VIA Live Stream*  
**10:00 AM**



*Today we light the*  
***Light of Love***

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

John 3:16 NKJV



# MOBC COMMUNITY NEWS!!

## The Season of Advent

November 29 — December 24, 2020



### The Pulpit Attire is Purple

The Christian Year opens with the Advent season. Advent means "coming" or "arrival". This season emphasizes expectancy and preparation — expectancy of the coming of Christ and preparation for His coming again. The color for Advent is purple; it speaks of penitence and is associated with Christ as King, purple being a royal color.



### Theme For This Quarter:

"CALL IN THE NEW TESTAMENT"

This quarter examines God's call in stories from the New Testament. The greatest call came to Jesus. Other calls in the New testament led to the extension of Christian ministry into the world.

#### UNIT 1 \* THE BEGINNING OF A CALL

This unit has four lessons from the Gospel of Matthew. Lesson 1 highlights the heritage of Jesus. Lesson 2 tells the story of Jesus' birth. Lesson 3 speaks of the witness of the Magi to Jesus' call as the Messiah. Lesson 4 tells of the call of John the Baptist.

#### NEXT WEEK'S LESSON:

December 27, 2020

#### "Called To Prepare The Way"

Matthew 3:1-12

Important projects require thoughtful preparation. What endeavors demand our greatest efforts in preparation? John called for people to repent of their sins and thus be ready to welcome the soon-coming Messiah.

#### \* MONDAY: A Voice Cries, "Comfort My People"

Isaiah 40:1-5

#### \* TUESDAY: John the Baptist Is the Greatest

Matthew 11:2-15

#### \* WEDNESDAY: The Baptist's Testimony of Faith

John 1:19-34

#### \* THURSDAY: Jesus, the Father's Beloved Son

Matthew 17:1-8

#### \* FRIDAY: In John, Elijah Has Come

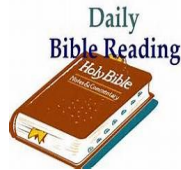
Matthew 17:9-13; Malachi 4:4-5

#### \* SATURDAY: John Baptizes Jesus in the Jordan

Matthew 3:13-17

#### \* SUNDAY: John Prepares the Way for Jesus

Matthew 3:1-12



## HOW TO ACCEPT JESUS CHRIST INTO YOUR HEART

Perhaps while reading the announcements you realized you have never made a Christian commitment. Don't delay that decision! We encourage you to embrace God's love today and receive the salvation that only Jesus Christ gives. Here are five simple steps you can take to find assurance of salvation.

1. **Recognize your need.** The Bible tell us that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Rom. 3:23) All of us are sinners, and we must admit our need for a Savior.
2. **Repent of your sins.** Our sins create a wall that separates us from God. By confessing our sins and turning from them, you will find forgiveness. The Bible promises: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).
3. **Believe in Jesus.** God sent His only Son to die so that He could pay for all our sins. Put your faith in Him and believe in His power to save you. The Bible says, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16).
4. **Receive His salvation.** God has given us a great gift in His Son, but we must receive His gift. Thank Him for loving and forgiving you, and ask Him to live in your heart. His promise to us is clear: "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God" (John 1:12).
5. **Confess your faith.** The Bible assures us: "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved" (Rom. 10:9). You have been born again and are now part of God's family. Tell some one else what Jesus has done in your life!

**Heavenly Father,** I now understand my need to have my sins forgiven. I also realize that only Jesus — because of His sacrifice on the cross — can forgive my sin. I put my faith and trust in Jesus today. Please forgive me and become the Lord of my life.

## Sermon Highlights

December 13, 2020

Rev. Carlos Brown, Associate Minister, MOBC

Title: "A Silent Night"

Text: Luke 2:6-12

**Main Idea:** God often uses the silent night to reveal His divine plan and to manifest His power and show Himself powerful. Joseph and Mary endured a silent night, but that silent night became a Holy Night. How do you make it through a silent night? You can make it through a silent night when you:

- Main Points:**
- 1) Remember God's promises.
  - 2) Focus on God.
  - 2) Know that morning is coming.

For the full message order a CD or DVD of the service from the Media Ministry.  
CDs \$5.00; Double CDs \$7.00; DVDs \$10.00

## "What We Believe" Article of Faith of the Month



### XVII. RIGHTEOUS AND WICKED.

We believe the Scriptures teach that there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked, and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in and after death.

# MOBC COMMUNITY NEWS!!

## DECEMBER Upcoming Events

Dec. 31



via Live Stream

**Church Office and Buildings  
will be closed on  
Friday, January 1, 2021  
in observance of  
New Year's Day**



## Teen Sunday School

Join us every Sunday for Teen Sunday School  
via Zoom at 12:30 PM.



**Join Zoom Meeting - Copy Link**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89470810266?pwd=U1ZVM08xMzcra3FPMWwrV2pyR2MzUT09>

**Meeting ID:** 894 7081 0266      **Passcode:** 945983  
**Dial In #:** 1 (301) 715-8592



## VIRTUAL LEARNING CENTER

**For more information please contact:**

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Rev. Deborah Simmons @ [deborahasimmons@aol.com](mailto:deborahasimmons@aol.com)

or Call the Church Office.



## INTERCESSORY PRAYER Sick & Shut-ins

*Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me?*  
Jeremiah 32:27

Robert Ashe  
Grace Baker  
Keith Davis  
Dea. Kevin Dunigan  
Zelda Mason



Dwight Perkins  
Aswana Stewart  
Alma Tarry  
Mable Williams  
Craig Yates

## Advent The Christian Year opens with the Advent Season

**Nov. 29, 2020** 1st Sunday in Advent — **HOPE** (Purple) — Romans 15:13  
**Dec. 06, 2020** 2nd Sunday in Advent — **PEACE** (Purple) — Isaiah 9:6-7  
**Dec. 13, 2020** 3rd Sunday in Advent — **JOY** (Pink) — Luke 1:46-49  
**Dec. 20, 2020** 4th Sunday in Advent — **LOVE** (Purple) — John 3:16

**December 23th — CHRIST CANDLE** (White) — Luke 2:1-7

*The light has finally come bringing **HOPE, PEACE, JOY AND LOVE** to all mankind.*

The word Advent means "coming" or "arrival." The focus of the season is the celebration of the birth of Jesus the Christ in his First Advent and the anticipation of the return of Christ the King in his Second Advent. Thus, Advent is far more than marking a 2,000-year-old event. It is celebrating a truth about God—the revelation of God in Christ, whereby all of creation might be reconciled to God.

Advent also symbolizes the spiritual journey of believers as they affirm that Christ has come, that He is present in the world today, and that He will come again in power.

Advent is marked by a spirit of expectation, anticipation, preparation, and longing. There is a yearning for deliverance from the evils of the world, first expressed by the Israelite slaves in Egypt as they cried out in their bitter oppression. It is the cry of those who have experienced injustice in a world under the curse of sin, and yet have hope of deliverance by a God who has heard the cries of oppressed slaves and brought freedom.

It is this hope, however faint at times, that brings to the world the anticipation of a King who will rule with truth, justice, and righteousness over His people and in His creation. That hope now anticipates anew the reign of an Anointed One, a Messiah, who will bring peace, justice, and righteousness to the world.



## Bereavement Support

### Preparing for the Holidays

Being mindful of your grief during this time of the year remember:  
**You Are Not Alone!**

For those who are experiencing grief, the Bereavement Support Ministry is here to assist you and your family through your stages of grief. Also, we are seeking new members to join our Bereavement Support Ministry. Interested persons should contact Rev. Dr. Jimmie L. Walker, Sr. Chair @ 804-721-2487 or email - [pastorjlwsr@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjlwsr@gmail.com)

## COMMUNITY FOOD GIVEAWAY SCHEDULE

### DRIVE THRU FOOD DISTRIBUTION

**WEDNESDAYS**  
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

**SATURDAYS**  
12:00 PM

Zip Codes: **23227, 23228, 23059 & 23060**

**Food Pantry will be closed on the following dates:  
December 23rd & 26th, 2020 and January 2, 2021.**

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic our community food distribution will be drive-thru.

**Free to All !**





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## Mount Olive Baptist Church

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### CHURCH STAFF Directory

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**Office Hours:**  
Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Pastor's Appointment Hours:**  
Monday - 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE:

Deadline for bulletin and media information is 12:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Please email information to:  
[Secretary@mobcva.org](mailto:Secretary@mobcva.org) or call the church office at (804) 262-9614.

*Thank You!*



Thanks and appreciation have been expressed by:

**Sis. Catherine Crump**

**Rev. Molly & Bro. Craig Yates**

All thank you acknowledgements are posted on the bulletin board outside of the church office.

### On Call December 2020

#### Deacon on Call

Joseph Starks.....256-9519

James Isler.....222-8979

#### Deaconess on Call

Phyllis Burrell.....262-9604

Helen Taylor.....266-1681

#### Trustee on Call

Alfred Smith.....264-3556

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ANNOUNCEMENTS ON  
THE WEB

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NOTICE.**

### Sunday

8:30 a.m. Sunday School

8:30 a.m. New Members Class



### Children's Church

2nd, 3rd & 5th Sunday's  
during Worship Service



**Nursery** open for children  
3 months to age 6 during Worship Service

### Teen EXPERIENCE

2nd, 3rd & 5th Sunday's  
Ages 12- 18

**Music  
ARTS  
MINISTRY**

**CHOIR  
Rehearsals**



**CANCELLED  
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

### Enter His Gates with Thanksgiving and His Courts with Praise....

Psalm 100:4

Please Reverence the House of God:

- \* Enter to Worship
- \* Connect with the Spirit of God
- \* Meditate on God's Word
- \* Focus on God's Glory
- \* Welcome God's Presence
- \* Invite God into your life today
- \*Honor God with the fruit of your lips.

*Let all things be done decently and in order. 1 Corinthians 14:40*

**Please refrain from eating, drinking and talking on cell phones  
in the sanctuary.**

# DECEMBER IS SAFE TOYS AWARENESS MONTH



In the spirit of giving, we want to be mindful of the gifts we give especially those that are given to children. Below is a list of safe toys to give during this holiday season.

## Up to 2 years old

- \* Sturdy rattles (watch inside parts)
- \* Push and pull toys
- \* Toys to ride, pushing with feet
- \* Rubber or cloth dolls with no small removable parts or hair

## 2-3 years old

- \* Floor trains, cars, and boats (nonelectrical)
- \* Large crayons (only those labeled non-toxic)
- \* Big wheeled toys to ride
- \* Balls, books, and large blocks
- \* Large peg boards

## 3-6 years old

- \* Easel and nontoxic washable paints and paint books
- \* Action figures
- \* Blackboards and dustless chalk
- \* Dolls and equipment
- \* Modeling clay
- \* Nonelectric trains
- \* Nontoxic bubbles for blowing

## 6-12 years old

- \* Hobby kits (instruct in use of glue)
- \* Video games (supervise electrical set-up)
- \* Tape recorders and record players (check electrical cords)
- \* Crafts, board games, crayons, construction sets, clay and washable finger paints

For more information, please visit [www.bringingupbaby.com](http://www.bringingupbaby.com)



# DECEMBER

## Events

### 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <b>Trustee Ministry</b> Via Teleconference 7:00 PM	2 <b>Intercessory Prayer</b> via Conference call 6:00 AM - 7:00 AM <b>Call Number: Access Code:</b> 1-978-990-5085 8837843 <b>Breakout Bible Study</b> 7:00 PM <b>No New Members Class</b>	3	4	5 <b>Food Distribution</b> MP Building 12:00 AM
6 <b>2nd Sunday in Advent</b>  <b>Sunday School</b> 8:30 AM Call in Number & Access Code 1-605-472-5412 AC 229743 <b>Morning Worship Service</b> VIA Live Stream 10:00 AM	7 <b>Warriors for Christ Women's Ministry</b> Prayer Conference Call 6:00 AM - 6:15 AM  <b>Call in Number</b> (712) 770-4598  <b>Access Code</b> 283419#	8	9 <b>Intercessory Prayer</b> via Conference call: 6:00 AM - 7:00 AM <b>Call Number: Access Code:</b> 1-978-990-5085 8837843 <b>Bible Study</b> 7:00 PM <b>No New Members Class</b>	10	11	12 <b>Food Distribution</b> MP Building 12:00 AM
13 <b>3rd Sunday in Advent</b>  <b>Sunday School</b> 8:30 AM Call in Number & Access Code 1-605-472-5412 AC 229743 <b>Morning Worship Service</b> VIA Live Stream 10:00 AM	14 <b>Warriors for Christ Women's Ministry</b> Prayer Conference Call 6:00 AM - 6:15 AM  <b>Call in Number</b> (712) 770-4598  <b>Access Code</b> 283419#	15	16 <b>4th Advent in Candle</b>  <b>Pre-Christmas</b> <b>Virtual Worship Service</b> 7:00 PM	17	18	19 <b>USDA Food Distribution</b> MP Building 12:00 AM
20 <b>5th Candle in Advent</b>  <b>Sunday School</b> 8:30 AM Call in Number & Access Code 1-605-472-5412 AC 229743  <b>Morning Worship Service</b> VIA Live Stream 10:00 AM	21 <b>Warriors for Christ Women's Ministry</b> Prayer Conference Call 6:00 AM - 6:15 AM  <b>Call in Number</b> (712) 770-4598	22	23 <b>Intercessory Prayer</b> via Conference call: 6:00 AM - 7:00 AM <b>Call Number: Access Code:</b> 1-978-990-5085 8837843 <b>No Bible Study</b> <b>No New Members Class</b>	24  <b>Church Office and Buildings</b> <b>will be closed in observance</b> <b>of the</b> <b>Christmas Holiday</b>	25  <b>WISH YOU ALL A</b> <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b> <b>HAPPY HOLIDAYS</b>	26 <b>No Food Distribution</b>
27 <b>Sunday School</b> 8:30 AM Call in Number & Access Code 1-605-472-5412 AC 229743  <b>Morning Worship &amp; Communion Service</b> VIA Live Stream 10:00 AM 	28 <b>CHURCH OFFICE AND BUILDINGS CLOSED</b>	29	30 <b>Intercessory Prayer</b> via Conference call: 6:00 AM - 7:00 AM <b>Call Number: Access Code:</b> 1-978-990-5085 8837843 <b>No Bible Study</b> <b>No New Members Class</b>	31  <b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b> <b>Watch Night</b> <b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b> <b>11:00 PM</b>		