



Olive Branch

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Worship services are: Saturday, 5 PM; Sunday, 8 and 10:45 AM

Thanksgiving Worship

Wednesday, November 27

Thanksgiving Eve—7 PM

Thursday, November 28

Thanksgiving Day—10 AM



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Lifestyle of Stewardship

In 2014, Mount Olive embarks on its 50th year of serving Christ and our community. As we prepare to celebrate our half century mark, it is fitting that we take time to examine and think upon our church's rich and proud history. We are the beneficiaries of our congregation ancestors' commitment to Christ as manifested through their generous donations of time, talent and treasure to Mount Olive. As beneficiaries, we have a stewardship responsibility to emulate our predecessors by ensuring Mount Olive's on-going presence and continuing viability in our community. Moreover, our stewardship responsibility is not just to those who went before us, but to those generations who will follow us. Most importantly, however, fulfilling our stewardship responsibility is a reflection of our relationship with God.

In a lifestyle of stewardship, we commit our lives, gifts and resources to serving the Lord and fulfilling His will for our lives. Being a Christian steward involves the way we view life and the deployment of all of God's blessings. Think of it this way, stewardship is the use of God-given resources for the accomplishment of Christ-centered objectives. In other words, stewardship is managing everything God brings into our life in a manner that honors Him as it strengthens our relationship with Christ.

As we approach commitment Sunday on November 16/17 and you consider your response to **Fulfilling God's Purpose**, ask yourself what role Mount Olive plays in your relationship with Christ. Take time to look around, see, feel and hear the power of the Holy Spirit in this congregation. Take a look around and see our gathered community, which more importantly is a community of our Lord Jesus. God has given great, wonderful gifts to each of us, gifts that we need, gifts in incredible amounts. Yes, God has given them to each of us. Our gifts are there to use and do what God enables, or better yet, empowers us to do. Then, after prayerful consideration, ask yourself if what you are giving back to God, through Mount Olive, is an accurate reflection of His role in your life.



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Facebook: **Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Aurora, CO**



Blog: mtoliveluth.blogspot.com



Twitter: [mtoliveluth](https://twitter.com/mtoliveluth)

Human Care

Blood Pressure Check

Saturday, November 16
4:30-6:15 PM

Sunday, November 17
9-11 AM

(In the Church Office)

Before and after each worship service we provide an opportunity for you to have your blood pressure checked by a nurse. It is quick and simple and a great way to monitor your health.

Senior Transportation

We provide transportation for those who have no other means to get to church and are able to get onto our bus (not wheelchair accessible) within a 2-3 mile radius from Mount Olive. There is a simple form to fill out and no cost for this bus service. Please contact Pastor Mike at 303.755.9123 for more information or to get a form.

Dates are:
November 10/24
December 8/22



Aurora Interchurch

November donations

Thanksgiving dinner items

Brown grocery bags are needed every month.

You don't need to give every month. We ask that you give when you can, what you can. Thank you for all you do for others.



Reach Out
To Those in Need

Thanksgiving Baskets

Mount Olive will be collecting items for the Thanksgiving Baskets. We need your help in filling the baskets. What a great way to share!

Collecting items through November 22.
Collection box by the Fellowship Hall.

Baskets will be assembled and delivered on November 23.

The items needed have been divided by the initial of your last name, but feel free to bring any item you want.

A – B	Spaghetti and sauce
C – E	Stuffing and gravy mix
F – G	Pie crust, canned pumpkin and canned milk
H – J	Jell-O, pudding, cake mix and frosting
K – M	Muffin, bread, biscuit mix
N – P	Canned juice
Q – S	Instant potatoes and rice
T – V	Canned cranberries, fruit and vegetables
W – Z	Cereal

Turkeys are also needed. If you want to contribute a turkey, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall. This will help us plan for freezer space.

Additionally, **fresh oranges, apples and potatoes** would be very welcome. Please bring the fresh items to the kitchen, labeled for Thanksgiving Baskets between November 19 – 22. Donations of **laundry baskets**, to use as food baskets are also needed – this will also help in the delivery process.

If you know of someone who can use a basket, please leave the name, address and phone number in the Church Office along with your name and phone number by November 17.



It's time for our annual LWML bake sale
Saturday, December 7, and Sunday, December 8!

Your donation of baked goods helps support our missions here in our community and overseas.

If you are donating baked goods, please bring them to Mount Olive any time before December 7. We will store them in the freezer, and even plate your items for sale, too.

If you can help with set up, selling, or clean up, please sign up at the ARK.

Thank you for your support!

LWML Circles

Mercy Circle will meet November 5, 9:30 AM in Room 3.

Faith Circle will meet November 21, 9:30 AM. at the home of Hilda Wojahn.

Glorious Circle will meet November 14, 7 PM at the home of Karen Montross.

November Birthdays

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|---|---|----|---|----|--|----|--|
| 1 | Schilling, Joshua
Mc Guire, Andrew | 9 | Segebart, Mary Ann
Egan, Pamela | 17 | Wallace, Paige | 24 | Bellis, Aaron
Spoerl, Elizabeth |
| 2 | Osborne, Richard
Wood, Robynn | | Jost, Andy
West, Stacy | 18 | Bruce, Donna
Helfrich, William | 25 | Flint, Jim
Bowers, Keith |
| 3 | Myers, William | | Clow, Katherine | | Cairns, Kaye | | Luedders, Renee |
| 4 | Wilks, Landon
Dunkel, Elise | 10 | Archambeau, Geri | | Wallace, Chris | | Guigli, Rebecca |
| 5 | Tae, Kari
Eller, Winnie
Myers, Danita
Pelepchan, Brian | 11 | Weldon, Dorothy | | Bellis, Lynn | 26 | Kahmeyer, Wayne
Kirbach, Kathy |
| 6 | Natomeli, Lisa
Huebschmann, Matt
Kerr, Erin
Fischer, Kelly
Coverly, Alyse | 12 | Miller, Teri
Whittlesey, William | 19 | Cochran, Karen
Raebel, Marsha | 27 | Domineck, Devonne
Ford, Christopher |
| 7 | Hurley, Jill
Nebbia-Smith, Morgan | 13 | Bame, Erik
Johnston, Noah | 20 | Colehour, Joyce
Veen, Pieter IV | 28 | Berlinski, Robert
Keith, Jeff |
| 8 | Weber, Kyle | 15 | Van Dyke, Kristine
Lehew, Jessica
Buerck, Samuel
Neubauer, Chris | 21 | Luedders, Mary
Osburn, Theresa | 29 | Hadley, Jack
Sullivan, Gary |
| | | 16 | White, Richard
Brewer, Lolly
Dixon, Tammy | 22 | Fagerquist, Caryl
Skerjanc, Shirley
Wildermann, Mykenzie | | Watt, Ian
Koschik, Joshua |
| | | | | 23 | Butler, Charles
Mc Kelvey, Jennifer | 30 | Johnston, Joel
Lish, Savannah |

November Anniversaries



- 1 Cassandra & Scott Parker
- 3 Richard & Christine Pittenridge
- 5 James & Shelley Stewart
- 7 Robert & Christine Potzer
Elisabeth & Cory Parkinson
William & Danita Myers
- 10 Shakil & Neena Nizami
- 11 Ed & Diane Wichert
- 14 Joreen & Graham Jones
- 16 Larry & Sheila Auffert
- 21 Kendall & Marlo Barstad
- 22 Kevin & Cynthia Meador
- 25 Don & Virginia Strauch
Angela & Kristopher Wildermann
- 27 Edward & Andrea Christ
Terry & Jane Dunn
- 30 Eric & Beth Goeglein

Mount Olive Family News

Mount Olive says hello to:

Sylvia Zwingelberg

We say goodbye to:

Lisa/Nicole Charles

Larry/Nancy Kraft

Owen/Donna,

Brianna/Callie Frey

Baptisms

Mia Rae Peterson

Deaths

Irene Preston

Acacia Henkle



Mount Olive's Book Club List for 2013-2014

Date	Book	Author	Leader
November 6	<i>Killing Kennedy: The End of Camelot</i>	O'Reilly/Dugard	Joanne Petersen
December 4	<i>Benediction</i>	Kent Haruf	Nancy McWhirter
January 8	<i>Orphan Train</i>	Christina Baker Kline	Jennifer Klekamp
February 5	<i>River of Doubt</i>	Candice Millard	Janice Muir
March 5	<i>Impossible Odds</i>	Buchanan/Landemalm/ Flacco	Ellie Jones
April 2	<i>Inferno</i>	Brown	Connie Taylor



We meet the first Wednesday of the month at 5:45 PM in the Library.

Cookie Cans for College Students –

The 2013/14 school year is off to a GREAT start! We sent out 16 cans on Saturday, October 5, and could have a few more for November 2.

It's not too late to receive a can – submit the name and address of your college age child to Kathy, 303.693.4161 OR email to kpelepchan@msn.com. We are sending cans to graduate and POST-four-year students, too!

We are asking that each family submitting a name help with the project for at least one of the months in which the cans are mailed. It takes about 25-30 cookies for each can. That's 16 cans times 25 cookies = 400 cookies per month or about 34 dozen ... **so your help is needed and greatly appreciated.**

If you don't have college age kids but love to bake, we would welcome and appreciate your contribution, too! Cookies can be frozen for future use at home and brought in that Saturday morning.

Make sure you WRAP the cookies and goodies!!!

We also need donations of cider mix, hot cocoa packets, seasonal candy, granola bars, popcorn, pretzels, cheese/peanut butter-filled crackers, nuts, raisins and other dried fruits, trail mix, rice cakes, Crystal Lite, ice tea and/or other drink packets, etc., anything small that will fit in the coffee cans.

There will be no sign up sheets on the Narthex table anymore so please bring your baked goods and other items to the church either by or on the Saturday we pack cans.

Thank you so much for all your support and help!

Operating Income and Expenses September 2013 (Fiscal Year July 2013-June 2014)

Church Income	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance
Regular Offerings	190,363	196,201	(5,838)
Other Income	1,797	3,353	(1,556)
Total Income	192,160	199,554	(7,394)
Church Expenses			
Personnel/Benefits	92,106	122,553	(30,447)
Programs	27,053	32,744	(5,691)
Administrative	7,584	10,948	(3,364)
Properties	55,672	43,306	12,366
Total Expenses	182,415	209,551	(27,136)
Net Church Income	9,745	(9,997)	19,742
ECEC Income			
Tuition	42,476	47,813	(5,337)
ECEC Expenses			
Personnel/Benefits	24,550	28,246	(3,696)
Administration	691	2,109	(1,418)
Instructional	2,948	10,854	(7,906)
Total Expenses	28,189	41,209	(13,020)
Net ECEC Income	14,287	6,604	7,683

News from Missionary in South Africa

Kristin Matasovsky, LCMS teacher in South Africa, and supported through Mount Olive's Endowment Fund, writes in her September 2013 newsletter:

This is a country rich in culture and I absolutely love being immersed in it! This past weekend we celebrated Heritage Day at church. As I sang along to the songs and watched my church family worship together, I was reminded once more what an amazing calling I have to serve among and alongside these people. The imprints we make are not defined by the cultures we come from but by the blood of Christ that binds us to Him and to one another. We **ARE** the Body of Christ.

Kristin is beginning the second year of her two year assignment in South Africa. She has grown fond of her students and the challenge they present. She requests our prayers that her students show love and forgiveness to one another, along with respecting their teachers. She also asks for prayers that plans go well for the organization of school for the 2014 school year.

The Mount Olive Endowment Fund (MOEF)

- ⇒ Helps aid students preparing for ministry
- ⇒ Assists in unique outreach ministry opportunities in our community
- ⇒ Reaches out in mission opportunities here and abroad
- ⇒ Supports select unbudgeted projects at Mount Olive



Request forms for a MOEF grant may be obtained in the Church Office or on the church website under the "Connecting" heading. Please include the MOEF in your prayers and with gifts, memorials and wills.

The current Board of Managers include—Don Berlinski (chairperson), Orville Geisler, Kevin Meador, Kristin Neuharth, Brian Pelepchan and Fred Piazza

Musical Preludes in the Worship Service



Many people who attend worship services arrive early to sit and ponder as they listen to the prelude music. It is important to keep in mind why preludes are played and not to lose such a vital means of nourishing the spirit and preparing one for worship.

Playing music for a worship service establishes a tranquil, peaceful, or uplifting setting prior to worship. The music is carefully selected and properly presented to enhance the spirit of worship. It is one of the most important responsibilities of the musicians to create this atmosphere before a worship service. By setting the mood for the service, people are able to clear their heads from their busy lives and are uplifted on a journey of spiritual harmony. Preludes usually consist of hymns/hymn arrangements or compilations of theme appropriate music (i.e., Easter, Christmas, communion and so on) that are familiar to the congregation. What greater opportunity to convey a message that compliments the scripture of any given Sunday than choosing a song that the majority of the congregation knows. Prelude music should touch and move people like the warmth of a blanket on a cold winter day. By achieving this time of uplifting solitude and silent reflection, the musicians have connected with the congregation and prepared them to praise the Lord.

Prelude music has become such an integral part of our worship services that we anticipate hearing it when we arrive for worship. Let us respect and honor our musicians and their preparation as we begin our worship in Mount Olive's Sanctuary as a time of humble silence and thoughtful meditation and prayer.



Helping Families Grow Spiritually

Faith Legacy Series is a DVD-based curriculum to help families grow spiritually in their home. Parents meet for three sessions with other parents of same-aged children. The sessions include small group discussion interspersed throughout the DVD teachings. When the course is completed, parents speak a personalized blessing over their child while giving the child a blessing object. This blessing event takes place in a



worship service so the whole church can better support parents helping their children know, love and follow Jesus.

Toddler Bible Class

Toddler Parenting
November 3, 10, and 17

Toddler Blessing

November 24
10:45 AM



Volunteers Needed

Adult volunteers are needed to facilitate our Faith Legacy parent classes in 2014. No experience is necessary and materials are provided. Please contact Robin Kurth if you are able to facilitate one or more of the following classes.

Devotion Kit (Preschool)

January 5, 12, 19

Towel and Basin (Grade 1)

February 2, 9, 16

Infant Blessing

March 2, 9, 16

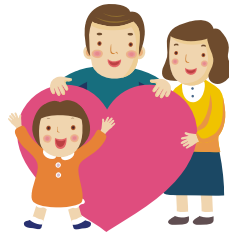
FALL FUN



Sacred Heart House

November 2, 5:00 PM

One family is needed each month to serve dinner and help with children's activities at Sacred Heart House. Sacred Heart House is a shelter that offers a continuum of services to homeless mothers with children and single women, with a commitment to become self sufficient. If your family would like to help share God's love, please contact Robin Kurth at rkurth@mtoliveluth.org or sign up in the Children's Ministry Binder at the ARK.



November Family Service Club Life Care Center of Aurora Program

November 3, 11:30 AM–1:30 PM

Our children and families will be sharing God's love with the residents of Life Care Center of Aurora on November 3. We will have lunch (hotdogs, chips etc.) at Mount Olive at 11:30 AM, practice our short program at Noon, and travel to Life Care Center. We will set-up and share a program of singing and recitations with the residents in their dining room at 1:00 PM. Our children will practice their parts during the Sunday School hour and during Wednesday evening music practice. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Kid's Club

November 6, 6:00 PM

All children, age 3-grade 5 are invited to participate in Kid's Club. Children will grow in faith and friendship, while studying God's Word, making crafts, playing games, and eating treats. Kid's Club meets the first Wednesday of every month, at 6:00 PM.

Good News, Great Joy!



Christmas Program and Family Soup Supper

December 8, 4:00 PM

On December 8, our children will share the message of Christmas and lead carols for their families and friends. Following the program our children, families and friends are invited to make crafts and enjoy a soup supper. If you would like to bring a crockpot of soup to share or help with serving, please contact Robin Kurth at 303.775.9123 or rkurth@mtoliveluth.org. We would like all families to bring a dozen Christmas cookies to share. Families are encouraged to invite friends, neighbors and unchurched family members. We are hoping to reach out to others with God's truth this Christmas!

Saturday Practice:

December 7
9:00-11:00 AM

All children age 3 through
grade 5 may participate in
the Christmas Program.

We are
called by
God to:



reach out to children,
care for children and
build children toward
maturity in Christ.

It is the goal of the Child and Family Ministry Team to accomplish this mission by equipping and encouraging parents to be active teachers and intentional examples of faith in their children's lives, as they share Jesus' love.

Youth and Family Ministry

Weekly/Monthly Events

Junior High Journey/ Sunday Confirmation

Bible study for middle school students (Gr. 6-8) meets every Sunday in Room 2 at 9:30-10:30 AM.

Confirmation

Confirmation explores more about what it means that Jesus is our Savior, Redeemer, and Friend. Confirmation instruction on Sundays at 9:30 AM and Wednesdays at 6 PM.

Senior High Reel Time

Bible study for high school students (Gr. 9-12) meets every Sunday in Room 10, 9:30-10:30 AM.

Senior High Impact

Senior High youth meet twice a month on Sunday evenings from 6-8 PM (unless otherwise noted) for food, devotions and fun activities.



THANKSGIVING BASKETS

On Saturday, November 23 at 10 AM, Middle School and Senior High youth and their families are invited to prepare baskets of food to be given to families in need. It's fun with family doing something Jesus would do—feed the hungry! Please join us!

COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 3—9:30 AM Confirmation Instruction
- 6—6 PM Confirmation Instruction
- 10—9:30 AM Confirmation Instruction
- 6 PM MPACT
- 13—6 PM Confirmation Instruction
- 17—9:30 AM Confirmation Instruction
- 20 - 6 PM Confirmation *Family Fellowship*
Operation Christmas Child
- 23—10 AM Thanksgiving Basket
Service Event
- 2—9:30 AM Confirmation Instruction
- 27—NO CONFIRMATION CLASS
IMPACT at 6 PM

DECEMBER

- 15—7:30-11:00 AM *Hearty Breakfast*

MINISTRY HELPERS NEEDED

C.F.W. Walther, the first President of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod said, “You cannot use your time to better advantage than by serving well the young people of the congregation.”

We want to walk alongside parents and family as their children grow to adulthood. Would you like to join our team of youth and family ministry helpers? There are many ways to be a part of a student's life that are a blessing to them and to the helper.

For more information, contact John Elms-hauser. And thank you.

QUESTIONS Teens Are Asking . .

About **life** . . .

About **faith** . . .

About **relationships** . . .

IMPACT on 2nd and fourth Sundays at 6 PM



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Year by year, God has used shoe box gifts to bring the gospel to children around the world. Students and families in our confirmation ministry will be gathering on November 20 at 6 PM to pack the boxes for shipment to children around the world.

Your donations at the narthex display will go far to add joy to a child's Christmas and share the message of the Savior, born in Bethlehem. We do **still need someone** to coordinate the display for the boxes. Call the office if you can help please.

SUMMER MISSION TRIPS

2014

We're planning two summer *mission trips* in 2014, one each for Senior High and Middle School students. The Senior High trip will be a YOUTHWORKS sponsored trip to Cortez, CO July. 13-18. We'll be building a team for that event soon. We're still researching several Middle School opportunities, including ones that might help flood or fire victims in our own state. If you have a suggestion please share it with one of our youth leaders soon.



Young at Heart

Wednesday, November 13

11:30 AM

Potluck lunch — Fellowship Hall

Our speaker will be Ms. Michael Ann Pineda from the Denver Rescue Mission. She will show a video and tell us about their long-term New Life rehab programs for men.

Newcomers are always welcome.

Come for fellowship, good food and an interesting program.

Hosts will be Glenn and Jo Kalthoff and John and Joanne Petersen.

Young@HEART



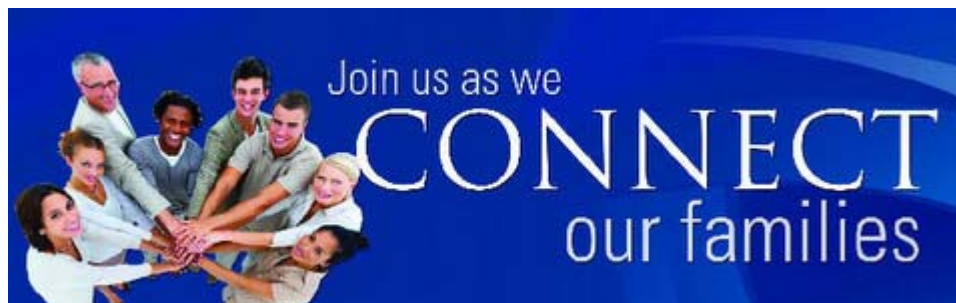
- ⇒ Are you out of debt?
- ⇒ Are you on Baby Step 7 and don't know where to go from here?

The Legacy Journey is an all-new, seven-week, biblically based class that teaches you how to truly live and leave a legacy for generations to come. This class will lead you deeper into investing, basic estate planning, purposeful living, safeguarding your legacy, and discovering the keys to generational wealth and true generosity. Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small-group activities, you'll learn a biblical framework for living intentionally now so that later you'll be able to leave a legacy that will secure your family's future and make a lasting impact on the world around you.

The Legacy Journey classes meet for around an hour and a half each week for seven weeks at 7 PM and will start on January 9, 2014.

Go to mtoliveluth.org for the link to sign up or to get more information!!

*Live like no one else so later you can live,
and give, like no one else!*



Pictorial directory coming in 2014.

Definite dates for pictures to be taken will be announced soon!

Early Childhood Education Center

What do you think of when you hear the word Thanksgiving? Here are a few thoughts of what preschoolers think of when they hear that word:



Reece.....Turkey with some kind of sauce on it
 Leo.....God
 Cate.....Fall and playing pin the tail on the turkey
 Mason.....Family
 Maia.....Turkey and mashed potatoes and gravy
 Gabrielle.....Turkey with apples all around it
 Olivia.....Fun!
 Sarah.....Going to Grandma's house

And ... Thanksgiving dinner is coming to the ECEC – SUPER Yummy! The children will help make the fixins' for our Thanksgiving feast. We will have turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, pumpkin muffins and Pumpkin decorated cookies. We invite the church staff as our guests. This is a delicious and fun way to learn about Thanksgiving and sharing of a meal.

November is a very "Thank-full" month!" We will celebrate this season in chapel on November 21/22 with Pastor Mike. There will be many kinds of turkeys, cornucopias, thankful books and more this month.

God is so good and we as a staff, along with the children and families of the ECEC, are so thankful for your love, support and prayers. Together with God's help, we are making a difference in the lives of these children and families.

Help Mount Olive See Double!

Participate in the Thrivent Choice® Double Direction Church Campaign and help our congregation in a big way!

During the campaign, Thrivent is giving up to \$15 million to churches across the country through the Thrivent Choice program. Here's how you can help:

- Direct available Choice Dollars® to Mount Olive until November 30.
- Thrivent will **double** all Choice Dollars directions made to churches during this time or until up to \$15 million has been awarded.

The Thrivent Choice allows eligible members of Thrivent Financial® to recommend where some of its charitable grant funds go.

- Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice, or
- Call 800-THRIVENT (800.847.4836) and say, "Thrivent Choice."

Directing Choice Dollars® is subject to the terms and conditions of the Thrivent Choice® program. Visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice for complete terms and conditions. All grants are made at the sole discretion of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.



Christmas Party

Ladies of Mount Olive,
you are invited to a Christmas Party!

Saturday, December 14,
11:30 AM

Blossoms Restaurant at Heather Gardens
\$16.50 per person

Sign-up sheet and
payment envelopes at the ARK.

Hosted by Glory Circle

Angel Tree Gifts

We will be placing angels on the tree for the children and adults at Lutheran Family Services. In the past Mount Olive has responded generously to this project.

The tree, located in the Narthex, will be up on November 10.

- † Pick a special angel
- † Purchase the gift
- † Return the unwrapped gift under the tree by December 2

What a joy it is to see all the gifts under the tree. Think of all the smiles on Christmas from the children.



Wanderers

The Sikh Temple in Brighton will give the Wanderers a presentation on Sikhism and a tour of the facility on **Friday, November 15**. Lunch following the tour will be at lunch at Buc-ci's Italian Restaurant in Brighton. Depart Mount Olive at 9:15 AM and return at approximately 2 PM. Cost is \$5.

On **Sunday, December 22**, the Wanderers will journey to the final production of Heritage Square Music Hall: *Merry Christmas to all and to all a Good Night*. The buffet lunch, show and transportation are included in the \$43 cost. Tickets are limited so please put your check in an envelope and drop it off at the Church Office. Please pay by **November 20**. We'll depart Mount Olive at 12 Noon and return by 5:30.



Become a Wanderer by ...

... signing up for any of the tours in the binder at the ARK.

All ages are welcome. It's a fun way to get better acquainted with all that Colorado has to offer and it's a great way to get better acquainted with other Mount Olive members.

Poinsettias

\$7 per plant

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia to enhance our Christmas worship, sign up in the 2014 Flower Calendar binder at the ARK. Payment envelopes are located in the pocket of the binder.

Plants are taken home after the Christmas Day worship.



Plants are purchased through Pickens Technical College.

Thank You

Dear Mount Olive Family,

Thank you for your kind words and prayers this summer. The loss of Gary's dad and my grandmother was tough on our family, but we are comforted knowing they both are at peace in Heaven.

We sincerely appreciate your love and support,
The Bond Family

Church Staff

Rev. Michael Borgstede, Associate Pastor
Robin Kurth, Director of Child and Family Ministry
John Elmshouser, Interim Director of Youth and Family Ministry
Kim Montross, Interim Director of Music
Mike Kallas, Operations Manager
Kaye Cairns, Office Manager
JoAnn Stibrich, Director of the ECEC
Greg Karampelas, Building Custodian



Our Mission Statement

God has called us to **reach** out, **care** for and **build** people toward maturity in Christ.

The deadline for the newsletter is the 10th of each month.

God's Servants - November 2013

November 3

All Saints'

Lessons

Revelation 7:9-17

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12

November 10

25th after Pentecost

Exodus 3:1-15

2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17

Luke 20:27-40

November 17

26th after Pentecost

Malachi 4:1-6

2 Thessalonians 3:1-13

Luke 21:5-28

November 24

Christ the King

Malachi 3:13-18

Colossians 1:11-20

Luke 23:33-43

Elders Saturday Jeff Claxton**8:00** Ed Kilgore**10:45** Jim Downs**Greeters****Saturday**

Darlene Ommen

8:00

Orville/Betty Geisler

Lois Schliske

10:45

Ed/Doris Kilgore

Kenneth Schultz

Roy/Lenore Sande

Marilyn Eisenach

Scott/Kristy Dankenbring

Marlene Blesch

Joe/JoAnn Stibrich

Edwina Heiser

Tammy Dixon

Elaine Steffen

Jim/Renee Minter

Charles/Karen Thies

Pat/Nancy Amore

Lois Gottberg

Austin Talmage

Organists

Nathan Eickmann

Marsha Raebel

Diane Asmus

Mark Elmshauser

Lay Readers**8:00**

Joe Stibrich

10:45

Janet Buckingham

Robert Borgstede

Sandi McCoy

Heather Cammack

Penni Urbach

Duane Asmus

Dave Klekamp

Ushers**8:00** Glenn Krueger, Dave Student, Mike Dunkel, Tim Krabbenhoft, Travis Krabbenhoft**10:45** Fred Piazza, David Klekamp, Gary Piazza, Bob Swedberg**Altar Care**

Jane Dunn

Mary Frevert

Betsy Wirth

Lynn Sattler

Christine Pittenridge

Tammy Dixon

Lori Bowers

Sue Shellenberger

Lynn Sattler

Jane Dunn

Donna Bame

Ellie Saving

Jean King

Acolytes**8:00****10:45****Assist Pews**

Jim Langhofer

Marlene Blesch

Jim Langhofer

Darlene Ommen

Bulletin Helpers

S. Fabozzi/J. Kalthoff

Bud/Lucille McGee

Larry Auffert

Walt/Ruth Pelepchan