COMMUNION

A note to our guests: As Lutheran Christians we believe in the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament. Here we receive His body and blood in our mouths in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins. We desire to be strengthened in our faith through this sacred meal. If you have any questions about this practice, please visit with one of our Elders or the Pastor. Thank you.

- A nursery is offered for young children in the 3-year-old preschool room during each worship service.
- Restrooms are located to the right of the front entrance. A changing table is provided in both men's and women's restrooms.

Contact Information for Pastor Dahlke

Email: david@sotv-wdm.org

Work ph. 515-371-1623 ext. 115

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- PreK-Kdg: 3 Year Old Classroom
- 1st-4th Grades: 4th Grade Classroom
- 5th– 8th Grades: Youth Room
- Adults: Social Room

Please contact the church office if someone in your family is sick or in the hospital or if you would like a prayer request in the Olive Branch.

Deadline to submit information for the Olive Branch is **noon on Wednesday.**

Lauren, 277-8349 or lauren.prunty@molcs.org

To join the MTO prayer chain. Please contact : *Lori, 979-3474 or dischk@yahoo.com*

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE

School off December 21-January 2

Lauren Prunty off December 27-29.

Saturday, December 30

5:00pm Worship led by Pastor Stephen King

Sunday, December 31

9:00am Worship Led by Pastor Stephen King and the Praise Band

5:00pm New Year's Eve Service led by Pastor David Kottlowski

Olive Branch
December 23 & 24

Our Vision:

Living Christ's Love Through

ACTION

WELCOME TO MOUNT OLIVE!

Welcome! If you are a visitor, we are honored to have you with us and pray that your time here will encourage you and strengthen your relationship with Jesus. Please fill out the blue attendance card and place it in the collection plate during the offering.

WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Liturgy with organ accompaniment

Saturday at 5:00 pm

Worship Service led by the Praise Band

Sunday at 9:00 am

Sermon	Scripture
"Waiting With the Lord"	2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16,
We welcome Pastor Mark Gerken this weekend! Thank you for your service!	Romans 16:25-27, Luke 1:26-38

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ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers are dedicated to the glory of the Christ Child and in recognition of the many blessings bestowed on Paul and Marlene Glahn during 65 years of marriage.

SOLI DEO GLORIA!

Additional flowers given this weekend by Bob Rees to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ!

WEEKLY OFFERING

$ 8,790.51

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Saturday 5:00pm – 94 Sunday 9:00am– 48

News To Know

Advent and Christmas Services

December 24 Christmas Eve Service 5:00pm

December 25 Christmas Day Service 10:30am

December 31 New Year's Eve Service 5:00pm

Thank you!

We would like to express our thanks and gratitude for all the prayers, flowers, meals and encouraging words we received from our Mt. Olive family. Your monetary support for her Memorial was extremely generous. You helped us through a difficult time as Norma was in Hospice care and then went to be with our Lord. You may not realize how your thoughtfulness and care was such a blessing to us. May the Lord bless you abundantly for your love and kindness,

The Pillack Family

Commitment 2018 Campaign

We wanted to thank everyone that submitted "commitment cards" for the 2018 Campaign. There is still time to submit. Additional cards are available in the back of the church. I also wanted to point out that spiritual giving can be a private matter. Commitment cards can be submitted anonymously by completing the card and leaving the name portion blank. Cards can be dropped off in Sara Stafford's mail box # 194.

In Christ,
Paul Brown, Sara Stafford, George Davison

Offering Envelopes & Statements

The 2018 Offering Envelopes are available in the Narthex for you to pick up. If you are interested in "Simply Giving" (automatic withdraw from your bank account) , please call the church and ask for Bob. You can select from weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly for the frequency of the payment.
The 2017 Contribution Statements will be emailed by the 15th of January. If you are receiving a paper statement and would like to receive your statement electronically, please email Sara Stafford (sstafford37@gmail.com). The paper statements will be in your church mail box no later than January 27th.

PRAYERS

For the health of:
Thelma Lenz
Margaret Clayton
Mavis Herzberg
Family of Rod Laird
Justin Davidson
David West , brother of Lori McNeeley–Cancer dx
Debbie Holseid

Prayers for the Family and Friends of Norma Pillack who passed away December 10th

Senior Youth Group News

Upcoming events:

January 7 Bible Study
January 19 Movie Night "A Case for Christ"
Service Event TBD

Remember to invite your friends. Questions? Call or email Sara at sstafford37 @gmail.com, 515-210-9820

SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

Elders	This Week	**Sat: G. Davison** **Sun: D. Meyer** **Christmas Day: G. Davison**	**Organist**	This Week	**K. Brammeier**
	Next Week	**Sat and Sun: A. Mager** **New Years Eve: D. Meyer**		Next Week:	**K. Brammeier** **Dec 24 and 25: J. Behrens**
Ushers	This Week	**5:00 G. Scheiwe**	**9:00 K. Discher & L. Klawitter**		**Dec 24 Eve: J. Rains & K. Discher**
	Next Week	**5:00 J. & L. Klawitter**	**9:00 G. & A. Scheiwe**		**Dec 25: G. & A. Scheiwe**
Acolytes	This Week	**5:00 J. Leyhe**	**9:00 N. Rains**		**Dec 24 Eve: H. Leek**
	Next Week	**5:00 Dalton Schoen**	**9:00 M. Leyhe**		**Dec 25: N. Powell**
Readers	This Week	**9:00 J. Rains**	**Media**	This Week	
	Next Week	**9:00 D. Foltman**		Next Week	**T. LeMaster**
Sound	This Week	**5: 00 DJ Mager**	**Counters**	This Week	**S. Stafford**
		9:00 E. Rains Dec 24 Eve: J. Meyer Dec 25: N. Mumm		Next Week	**A. Meiners & E. Oltmanns**
	Next Week	**L. Tegtmeier & N. Mumm**			