

Welcome!



*We are honored
that you chose
to worship with
us today!*

Olivet United Methodist Church

*13575 Olivet Road
Lusby, Maryland 20657*

But God...



Sunday, September 14, 2025
9:30 AM Worship Experience

OUR MISSION

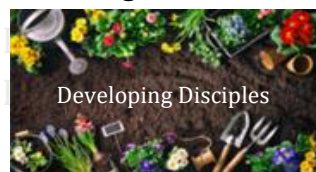
Rejoice In Jesus,
Grow Our Faith,
Pass It On!

OUR VISION

*We Are Passionate
Christians Making
Disciples of Jesus Christ*

OUR 2025 FOCUS

Growing Our Garden



OUR 3 RULES

1. Do no harm.
2. Do good.
3. Stay in love with God.

❖ Order of Worship ❖

September 14, 2025

We Gather

Opening PrayerLiturgist
Silent Prayer.....Congregation
Congregational Announcements.....Liturgist
Processional & Lighting of Candles

We Worship

Welcome.....Pastor
*Call to Worship.....Liturgist

Leader: Whatever you do, from the time you wake up until you lay your head down again, God knows you.

ALL: Whatever we do, God knows our name.

Leader: However, you live, from the inner thoughts to public acts and everything in between, God knows you.

ALL: However we live, God knows our name.

Leader: We gather to worship God, who loves us and calls us by name.

ALL: We gather to worship God, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made by God who knows our name!

*Hymn of Praise “Awesome God”” TFWs 2040

Prayers of the People & Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison) UMH #895

Prayer for the illumination of Scripture (in unison)

Glorious God, we thank you for the cloud of witnesses, the multitude of the faithful of all ages, who surround us. Considering their example, and looking to Jesus, may we run the race of life faithfully. Encourage us, that we may not grow weary or fainthearted. Help us accept your gentle discipline, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture ReadingLiturgist
Sermon.....Rev. Dr. Wendy van Vliet
Sermonic Meditation “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling” UMH 348

Offertory/Offertory Prayer.....Pastor

***Doxology (in unison)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise him all creatures here below, praise him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen.

*Sending Forth Hymn “Be Thou My Vision” UMH 451

***Benediction & Blessing (in unison)**

The Lord Bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26)

**Please stand in posture, sign, or heart.*

Scripture Reading

**Old Testament
Psalm 14 (NSRVUE)**

¹Fools say in their hearts, “There is no God.” They are corrupt; they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good. ²The LORD looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God. ³They have all gone astray; they are all alike perverse; there is no one who does good, no, not one. ⁴Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the LORD? ⁵There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous. ⁶You would confound the plans of the poor, but the LORD is their refuge. ⁷O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion! When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

**New Testament
Luke 15:1-7 (NSRVUE)**

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” ³So he told them this parable: ⁴“Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

The Word of God

For the people of God

Thanks be to God

Let us pray: Lord, bless all who are here today, and all those on Zoom. May we spend the next few moments in silent prayer and personal reflection as we prepare ourselves to hear your message. May peace be within each one of us. Amen.



****October 1, 2025****

Olivet Welcomes our New Pastor,

Rev. Dr. Edward C. Andercheck

1st Sunday in the Pulpit - October 19, 2025

Welcome Service - November 2, 2025

Stay tuned for additional information

**Interim Pastor Cogman will be attending a Conference
September 15th – 19th**

**Pastor Ruth Dixon will serve for Pastoral Care during her
absence**



MUSIC MINISTRY REHEARSAL

September 17th

STRUMMERS 3 pm * CHOIR 4 pm

Victorious Voices in the Pulpit



Sept. 14 Rev. Wendy van Vliet

Sept. 21 Rev. Marianne Brown

Sept. 28 Rev. Ruth Dixon

Sunday, October 5th - Project Echo – Lasagna Dinner
Please support this vital ministry



Sat. November 1, 2025 1:00pm

Church Conference

Trinity UMC

90 Church Street

Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678



September Birthdays!!!

8 Ellen Curran * 16 Dixie Hungerford * 17 James Foote, Jr.
17 Doug Hood * 22 Kathy Heil * 23 Marie Sidleck *
24 Phil Thom * 26 Michele Seabaugh * 28 Charlie Barnes

Tues., September 16 6:00 pm

Flying Needles @ Olivet United Methodist Church

Thurs., September 18 10:30 am

Ripple Center Ministry

24400 Mervell Dean Rd, Hollywood, MD 20636

Sat., September 20 7:00 am

AA Meeting @ Olivet United Methodist Church

For more information call 800-492-0209



Grocery gift cards can be purchased in the office Tuesday – Thursday, 10am – 2pm. For each \$100.00 card purchased, the church receives \$5.00

Growing Our Garden

“How did God speak to you today?”

Share your thoughts with us

Sundays after worship

Mondays @ 6pm via Zoom

Zoom Connections

Video: ID: 216-168-3604, PW: 181188

Phone: Call 1-253-215-8782, Enter 216-168-3604#, PW: 181188

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Have a question/comment for the Unified Board?

We would love to hear from you.

Email: olivetumcboard@gmail.com

Need to meet with Dr. Cogman one on one?

Rev. Dr. Johnsie W. Cogman, Interim Pastor

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PRAYING TOGETHER

If you become aware of one of our members/regular attendees in the hospital or in need of immediate prayer, please contact Interim Pastor Rev. Dr. Johnsie W. Cogman ASAP! You can send prayer requests to olivetumcoffice@comcast.net. We truly believe in the power of prayer; pray continually so that others will see the power of the Almighty God. *“Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results”*. (James 5:16, NLT)

Sermon Personal Reflection

Sermon title:

Scripture(s):

Notes:

Unite with Olivet UMC

Welcome to Olivet! We invite you to become a full participant in this worship experience as we sing, pray, read, give, listen, and learn together for God’s revelation to us.

We welcome you to unite with us by either of these:

Confession of Faith – expressing first-time belief in Christ and first-time membership in a church.

Reaffirmation of Faith – reconnecting with Christ or re-connecting to the church by renewing your membership.

Affiliate Membership - already a member of another UMC located in another city or state, but desires to be a part of the Olivet Family.

Associate Membership – already a member of another Christian fellowship where you desire to maintain your primary membership, but want to be a faithful worshipper at OLIVET UMC.

If God leads you to unite with us, please contact the office at (410) 326-8400 or at olivetumcoffice@comcast.net, and we will journey with you.



Rejoicing

Growing

Giving



It's Offering Time

On-Line Giving

<https://www.olivetumc-lusby.org/give>