

Welcome!



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

## OLIVET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

13575 OLIVET ROAD  
LUSBY, MARYLAND 20657



**Sunday February 8, 2026  
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 3 RULES**  
1. Do no harm.  
2. Do good.  
3. Stay in love with  
God.

**Rev. Dr. Edward C. Andercheck, Pastor**

❖Order of Worship❖

February 8, 2026

We Gather

Congregational Announcements.....Liturgist  
Opening Prayer .....Liturgist  
Silent Prayer.....Congregation

Processional

We Worship

Welcome.....Pastor Edward C. Andercheck  
\*Call to Worship.....Liturgist

Leader: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Come, all who seek God's presence, who long for mercy and peace.

**People: We come with hearts open, ready to receive God's love.**

Leader: Let us worship the Lord, who gathers us as one family and strengthens us for service in the world.

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise      "It Is Well with My Soul"      UMH 377

**Prayer for the illumination of Scripture (in unison)**

*Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your  
Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word  
proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today.  
Amen.*

Scripture Reading .....Liturgist

\*Sermon Hymn      "Awesome God"

Sermon.....Pastor Edward C. Andercheck

Meditative Response      "Be Not Afraid"

Prayers of the People & Pastoral Prayer

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

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Offertory/Offertory Prayer.....Pastor Edward C. Andercheck

**\*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      "Take My Life"      UMH 39

**\*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.*

**Old Testament**

**Psalm 112:1-9 (NRSVUE)**

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD, who greatly delight in his commandments. <sup>2</sup>Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. <sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever. <sup>4</sup>They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous. <sup>5</sup>It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice. <sup>6</sup>For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever. <sup>7</sup>They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD. <sup>8</sup>Their hearts are steady; they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes. <sup>9</sup>They have distributed freely; they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

**New Testament**

**I Corinthians 2:1-12 (NRSVUE)**

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. <sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory <sup>8</sup>and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"— <sup>10</sup>God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by 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.



### Thursday MUSIC MINISTRY REHEARSALS

February 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>

Strummers @ 3pm ~ Choir @ 4pm  
Please join us!!

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### Pancake Supper

Tuesday February 17, 2026 @ 6pm  
GNC Fellowship Hall

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### ASH Wednesday Service February 18, 2026 @7pm

Mt. Olive UM Church

10 Fairground Road \* Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678

Carpooling is encouraged. In the spirit of caring for one another, those interested in giving or receiving a ride may contact the Administrative Office.



March 6- 8, 2026

More details forthcoming

### RIPPLE CENTER LUNCHEON

Wednesday, April 30, 2026  
Details are forthcoming

Tues., February 10 6:00 pm

Flying Needles @ Olivet United Methodist Church

Thurs., February 12 10:30 am

Ripple Center Ministry  
24400 Mervell Dean Rd, Hollywood, MD 20636

Sat., February 14 7:00 am

AA meeting @ Olivet UMC. 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.

### CONTACT US

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### 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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**All appointments with Pastor Andercheck can be scheduled through the Church Office**

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### Baltimore Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church

**Bishop LaTrelle Easterling,**

**Resident Bishop**

**Rev. Dr. Johnsie W. Cogman,**

District Superintendent, Two Rivers District

## PRAYING TOGETHER

If you become aware of one of our members/regular attendees in the hospital or in need of immediate prayer, don't hesitate to get in touch with Pastor Edward C. Andercheck. You can send prayer requests to [olivetumcoffice@comcast.net](mailto:olivetumcoffice@comcast.net). We truly believe in the power of prayer; therefore, 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)*

## **THE GOSPEL** **Matthew 5:13-20 (NRSVUE)**

<sup>13</sup>"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot. <sup>14</sup>"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. <sup>17</sup>"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

**The Word of God, For the people of God, Thanks be to God.**



**Rejoicing  
Growing  
Giving**

**Jesus said "...It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35**

Please consider a sacrificial gift Today.

**LOVE THROUGH GIVING**

### **Olivet Stewardship: Love in Action**

Approved Budget	\$217,207.80
Average Weekly Income Needed	\$4,177.07
February Giving Total	\$1,781.43

### **On-Line Giving**

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

### **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](mailto:olivetumcoffice@comcast.net), and we will journey with you.*