

Welcome!



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

OLIVET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**13575 OLIVET ROAD
LUSBY, MARYLAND 20657**



Sunday Worship
September 6, 2026 • 9:30

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 ❖

September 6, 2026

We Gather

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

Processional

We Worship

Introit *"He Has Made Me Glad"* TFWS 2270
Welcome.....Pastor Edward C. Andercheck
*Call to Worship.....Liturgist

Leader: Come, people of God, and rejoice in this new day!

People: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: In every season God is faithful and God's love endures.

People: We place our hope in the LORD and trust in God's unfailing love.

Leader: Come, people of God, let us worship together the One who renews us, strengthens us, and sends us into the world.

All: With joyful hearts, we come to worship the Lord! Amen.

*Hymn of Praise *"Let All Things Now Living"* TFWS 2008

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 ReadingLiturgist

*Sermon Hymn *"Open the Eyes of My Heart"* W&S 3008

SermonPastor Edward C. Andercheck

Meditative Response *"Here I Am Lord"* Video

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 *"Jesus, United by Thy Grace"* UMH 561

*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

Exodus 12:1-14 (NRSVUE)

¹The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²"This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn with fire. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand, and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the Lord. ¹²I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from human to animal, and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴"This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

New Testament

Romans 13:8-14 (NRSVUE)

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. ¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off^[u] the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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.

Tues., Sept. 8 6:00 pm
Flying Needles @ Olivet United Methodist Church

Thurs., Sept. 10 10:30 am
Ripple Center Ministry
24400 Mervell Dean Rd, Hollywood, MD 20636

Sat., Sept. 12 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.

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**Schedule an Appointment with
Pastor Andercheck through the Church Office**

**or “POP IN” for a Visit
Wednesdays between 11:30 am and 1:00 pm**

**Baltimore Washington Conference
of the United Methodist Church**

**Bishop LaTrelle Easterling,
Resident Bishop**

Rev. Dr. Johnsie W. Cogman,
District Superintendent, Two Rivers District

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OLIVET

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS





Small Groups
BEGINNING
SEPTEMBER 16!
Grow in Faith.
Build Community.
Walk Together in Christ.



WEDNESDAYS
AT
11:15 AM



MUSIC MINISTRY
REHEARSALS BEGIN
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
Strummers
@ 3:00 PM
Choir
@ 4:00 PM



Project ECHO
Hope for the Homeless
www.projectecho.net

CHILI DINNER
September Donations Due
Sunday, September 6 @ 3:00 PM
Bring Donations to the
Good News Center (GNC) Kitchen


WARM MEALS
Feeding Families


SERVING OUR
COMMUNITY
One Meal


SHARING
HOPE
At A Time


DELIVERING
HOPE



MINISTRY FAIR
Second and Third Sundays of September
(13th & 20th)
After Worship in the GNC – Explore outreach
and service opportunities and discover ways
you are involved in the life and ministry of Olivet.
Refreshments will be provided.

*All are
WELCOME!
Come, Learn,
Connect &
Serve!*



NEW BIBLE STUDY
“Living into the Love of God”
Beginning September 16th @ 7:00 PM
Pastor Ed will present how God’s promises
are already ours to keep.
Sign-up sheets are in the office.



MAX LUCADO
UNSHAKABLE
HOPE
Featuring
the book
Unshakable Hope
by
Max Lucado

ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE
Saturday, November 7, 2026 • 9:00 AM
at Mt. Harmony-Lower Marlboro United Methodist Church
155 E. Mt. Harmony Road, Owings, Maryland 20736



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. 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 18:15-20 (NRSVUE)

¹⁵"If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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



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

2026 Annual Budget	\$217, 207.80
Total July Income	\$26,281.32
Total July Expenses Paid	\$17,313.69



Olivet UMC Giving QR Code

On-Line Giving

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

Pastor's Corner

Dear Olivet Family,

When we gathered back in the summer for a second edition of listening sessions, I heard a unanimous desire for weekly communion.

Therefore, beginning in September, we will begin offering communion to all who come forward with the Love of Jesus in their hearts at every Sunday Service.

No one must receive every Sunday. If your spirit is troubled and you do not wish to receive, stay in prayer in the Pews or come forward with your arms crossed over your chest for a special blessing. This is a sacrament given to us by Jesus so that we might know him better.

Recall Luke 24:30-31: Cleopas and his friend walked with Jesus some 7 miles to Emmaus but did not recognize Jesus, only "When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him"

I surely don't want any of us to miss the opportunity to recognize Him.

Peace,
Pastor Ed