



## *Mt. Olive Evangelical Lutheran Church*

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### Our Mission Statement:

“Mt Olive exists to proclaim God’s Word in its truth and purity, so that each believer may GROW in their faith in Jesus and be equipped to GO with the good news of Jesus Christ to our community and world, so that together we may GLORIFY God into eternity.”

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December 3, 2017

Advent 1

Worship: Wednesday 7P.M. & Sunday 8&10:30A.M.

Growth in the Word: Sunday 9:30A.M.

Welcome...to our visitors and guests who are with us today. We are pleased and privileged to have you join us as we focus our attention on the One Who came once to be judged (and condemned!) for us and Who is coming again in judgment. May our gracious God bless us to keep our “eyes on the skies” and to be ready for His imminent return!

**For Parents with Small Children:** Toddler “Busy Bags” are available for use-located on the west wall of church. The lower west kitchen (near the rest rooms) also contains a speaker system so that you may listen in on the service while attending to the needs of your little one. Please ask if there’s any other way we can serve you!

### **Our Worship:**

Opening Hymn of Praise: CW 3 “Life Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates”

Liturgy: Service of the Word (p. 38 in the front of the Hymnal)

Scripture Lessons:

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 6:1-3;5-14;17-22 (p.5 in the pew Bible)

Psalm of the Day: 24 (p. 73 in the front of the hymnal)

Epistle Lesson: 1 Peter 3:18-22 (p. 1202)

Children’s Sermon: All kids are invited to approach the altar to be nurtured in their faith in Jesus.

Hymn of the Day: CW 9 “Jesus, Your Church with Longing Eyes”

Sermon: Mark 13:32-37 (p. 1006)

THEME: Advent Calls Us to Keep Watch!

The Apostles’ Creed (p. 41)

Offering of our gifts to help share the Gift of salvation and life with the world!

Hymn: CW 32 “When Sinners See Their Lost Condition”

Closing Hymn of Praise: CW 30 “Rise, Arise”

### Our Week in the Lord at Mt. Olive (If God so wills it!)

Today: 8 & 10:30A.M. Sunday Worship  
9:30 A.M. Adult Bible Class and Children's Program Practice  
Noon "New Life in Christ" Bible Information Class  
6:30 P. M. Women's Bible Study @ The Mill on Innovation Campus

Monday: 7P.M. Evening Worship at St. Mark's (a post-view of Sunday)

Wednesday: 2P.M. Windcrest Bible Study  
4:30 P.M. Catechism  
6:00 P.M. Meal prepared by Mt. Olive Youth  
7:00 P.M. Advent Service

Thursday No Evening Worship at Mt. Olive until January (a preview of the Sunday Service)

Saturday 9:30-11:30A.M. Final Children's Christmas Program Practice

Sunday: 10:0A.M. Children's Christmas Program, one service only

### News and Notes:

To Our "New Faces" in the Crowd today: Thanks for joining us for worship. We were blessed to have you with us this morning as we gathered here in God's house to be encouraged by His message of love and forgiveness to otherwise lost sinners! Please sign our guest register-and please...come again!

THANK YOU: We thank our organist this morning, for helping us praise our God and for offering her musical gifts, which are "on loan" from HIM for HIS glory.

WE ARE QUICKLY approaching our Children's Christmas Program which is scheduled for Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 A.M. The children will need to be there that morning no later than 9:30 A.M. to get into their costumes and be in their respective places.

Additionally, we have a **dress rehearsal** on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-11:30 A.M. This is the most important practice, and we ask that all children and teachers be present! The first 15-30 minutes of the dress rehearsal will be utilized to get into costume and find where each child will start.

Thank you for all the time and effort that you put in to spread the blessed news of our Savior!

THE BARNES AND NOBLE book fair is coming up for St. Mark, Thursday, Dec. 9th. Carol Hans has a lot of script for Barnes and Noble. Using script for the purchases would benefit the school even more as well as they would get a percentage from the sale of the script. If anyone is interested in getting some for that night - or just getting Barnes and Noble or other script, call her at 402-430-1053 or e-mail her at [hanselec@windstream.net](mailto:hanselec@windstream.net).

### SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY/THIS WEEK:

	Early Service	Late Service
Altar Guild:	Christine Smith, Candace Meyer	Delores Wasserman, Emma Gettemy
Ushering:	John & Will Costin, Tom Monroe, CL Kemnitz	Mike Lauber, Chris Hansen, Darren Kauk, Stephen Boggs
Cleaning God's House This Next week:	Downstairs-R Wasserman; Upstairs-Yeager; Narthex-L. Wasserman	

\*If you can't clean please call Kevin Ferrell @ 430-7823 and he will find you a sub...

### GOD'S WORD FOR ADVENT 1

Genesis 6:1-3;5-14;17-22 When human beings began to increase in number on the earth and daughters were born to them, <sup>2</sup>the sons of God saw that the daughters of humans were beautiful, and they married any of them they chose. <sup>3</sup>Then the LORD said, "My Spirit will not contend with humans forever, for they are mortal; their days will be a hundred and twenty years."<sup>5</sup> The LORD saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time. <sup>6</sup>The LORD regretted that he had made human beings on the earth, and his heart was deeply troubled. <sup>7</sup>So the LORD said, "I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—for I regret that I have made them."<sup>8</sup> But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.<sup>9</sup>This is the account of Noah and his family. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked faithfully with God. <sup>10</sup>Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham and Japheth.<sup>11</sup>Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence. <sup>12</sup>God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. <sup>13</sup>So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. <sup>14</sup>So make yourself an ark of cypress-wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out. <sup>17</sup>I am going to bring floodwaters on the earth to destroy all life under the heavens, every creature that has the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will perish. <sup>18</sup>But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark—you and your sons and your wife and your sons' wives with you. <sup>19</sup>You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you. <sup>20</sup>Two of every kind of bird, of every kind of animal and of every kind of creature that moves along the ground will come to you to be kept alive. <sup>21</sup>You are to take every kind of food that is to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them."<sup>22</sup>Noah did everything just as God commanded him.

I Peter 3:18-22 <sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. <sup>19</sup>After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits— <sup>20</sup>to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, <sup>21</sup>and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

Mark 13:32-37 <sup>32</sup>"But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. <sup>34</sup>It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch.<sup>35</sup>"Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. <sup>36</sup>If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. <sup>37</sup>What I say to you, I say to everyone: "Watch!"

