



THE OLIVE BRANCH

APRIL 2019



From the desk of Pastor Ryan

You may have heard me mention in worship a few weeks ago that there is a little-known ministry Mt. Olive offers to our community that is regularly drawing about 20 folks every Thursday morning - and most of those folks aren't members of our congregation! The ministry to which I refer is "Kids' Korner," our music and movement ministry for preschoolers. It's absolutely wonderful to greet these new faces and watch as they trickle in slowly, but surely, and fill Deacon Lynne's Youth Music Room. It goes beyond the joy of success at having folks respond to a ministry offering to a true and tangible glimpse of resurrection. Let me explain.

One of the first pieces of news I received when I began serving Mt. Olive was that our beloved preschool was closing. This was heart-breaking news for us all, but especially to the dedicated teachers who worked so hard to provide loving and faith-filled activities for the little ones in the program. Even as a staff member who was fairly "hands-off" with our preschool, I immediately noticed something missing after the closing - our office space was no longer filled with children's laughter and energy. Frankly put, a part of Mt. Olive had died, and the grief was palpable. Yet, even in the midst of the grieving there was hope that better days lie ahead. Hope is a precious gift that Jesus Christ has given us.

Here we are two years after our preschool's closing, listening to the chatter and giggles of preschoolers once again - new life following death. My point with this article is that as we reflect on and celebrate the miracle of Jesus' resurrection following his death, we are called to recognize the miracle of resurrection that is happening all around us all of the time. If we look for it, we will see new life and new possibilities on display in every facet of our lives. All of this we owe to our resurrected Lord. May Easter not just be one day of our year, but also our everyday reality. Amen.

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Ryan



**DEADLINE FOR MAY
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES:
April 15**

Please note: newsletter articles should be sent to Karen at mtolivelutheran@embarqmail.com

Upcoming Events

Apr 18: Maundy Thursday @
Northminster Presbyterian
Apr 19: Good Friday Service
Apr 20: Easter Eggstravaganza
Apr 21: Easter Sunday

**MT. OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)
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Upcoming Events

Sunday's in April 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday evenings April 3, 10

- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Lenten Meals
- 5:30-7:00 p.m. Parenting class
- 6-7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- 6:00-6:45 p.m. Children & Youth Music
- 7:00 p.m. Worship
- 7:30-8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice



How many people were on Noah's ark??

Lenten Activities

Wednesday nights, March 13-April 10, supper will be served from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and activities will be held including parenting classes by the Children's Resource Center, a study on King David by Pastor Ryan, and children's music and activities by Deacons Liz and Lynne. Candlelight Prayer Services will be 7-7:30 p.m.

Music Notes

The Worship & Music Team will meet on Sunday, April 7th at noon in Heritage Hall.

The children will join Chancel Choir for a special Palm Sunday anthem on April 14 at 10:45 a.m. worship.

The Catawba Valley Brass will accompany our festival worship on Easter Sunday, April 21st at 10:00 a.m.

If you would like to sing with Faith Out Loud or Chancel Choir at either Easter worship service, please contact Deacon Lynne. No robe required! Just come for a least one rehearsal and then on that morning, come up for the anthem.

The youth music, Faith Out Loud and Chancel Choir groups will **not** meet the Wednesday after Easter, April 24th.

Kids' Korner Preschool Music & Stories will **not** meet the Thursday after Easter, April 25th.

Weekly Activities

Sun	8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:35-10:35 a.m.	Faith Out Loud rehearsal Worship w/Communion Children's Ministry (K-5th grade) Teen Ministry (6th-12th grade) Adult Sunday School Coffee Hour in the Fellowship Hall Worship w/Communion
Mon	8:30-11:30 a.m.	Tying & Tacking - Quilt Making
Tues	7-8:00 a.m. 8-9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study Men's Breakfast @ Café Gouda Mt. Olive Staff Meeting
Wed	6-6:45 p.m. 6:45-7:35 p.m. 7:30-8:30 p.m.	Children & Youth Music Faith Out Loud Praise Group Chancel Choir
Thur	10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Kids' Korner (Preschool Ministry) Narcotics Anonymous
Fri & Sat		Office Closed

****Please check your bulletin for any changes in these weekly activities.****



KAMO Events (K-6)

Mar.-April 2019

- April 14th: Micah's Cupboard packing at 2pm
- April 20th: Easter Eggstravaganza 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- May 5th: Service project during Sunday School
- May 19th: Bo's following worship, bring money for food

The Children's Ministry Room is in need of a few items to update the space! We are looking for donations of games, pillows, fun lamps, twinkle lights, and storage boxes. Thank you for helping make this space about the children that enter our doors! Please contact Deacon Liz if you have any of the items to donate or you can drop off smaller items in her office.

It's that time of the year again! We will be collecting candy starting the beginning of March. Please bring individually wrapped candy to fill the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt, no nut candies please! There will be a box in the Narthex labeled Eggs-travaganza until April 12th! We also will be looking for volunteers to fill the eggs. If you are interested please let Deacon Liz know!



Youth (Teen) Ministry (Grades 6-12)

Weekly meeting– Teens meet every Sunday from 9:35-10:35 a.m. in the Youth Room for sharing weekly joys and struggles and exploring the central stories of our faith. We always have fresh donuts!

Service opportunity– Teens are encouraged to help pack boxes for Micah's Cupboard on Sunday, April 14th at 2 p.m.

Confirmation-Sunday, April 14th at St. Paul's Mission Property (4591 Startown Rd., Newton) from 3-5 p.m.

Worship and leadership-Teens and Children will LEAD our joint Good Friday service with Northminster Presbyterian on April 19th at 7:00 p.m. We'll be practicing on Sunday mornings.

Adventure-Coming up the first weekend in May– rafting the Nolichucky River. On Saturday, May 4, we'll leave from the upper parking lot at 7:00 a.m. and should be back by 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$80, and includes lunch. Friends are welcome and confidential scholarships are available if cost is an issue.



Youth assisting at Ash Wednesday Pancake Feast



April Happenings at Mt. Olive

**Trivia Answer:
Eight (Gen 7:13)**

April Adult Fellowship

The Adult Fellowship will not meet on the 3rd Wednesday in April but attend the Lenten Organ Series Concert on Friday, April 5th at 12:30 p.m. to hear Andris Rozukalns play. Lunch after will be at Captain's Galley.

Outreach Team

Mt. Olive will be hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on April 8th from 2:30-7:00 p.m. in Heritage Hall.

Breakfast Club

**When: Sunday, April 14th
Where: Panera Bread
Time: 9:45 a.m.**

April Birthdays

- Apr 1 David Collins,
Lila Seabock
- Apr 2 Rick Carmack
Shannon Horton
- Apr 4 Amanda Truett
- Apr 7 Nathan Denton
- Apr 8 Jon Anthony,
Whitney Horton,
Gene Moser
- Apr 9 Libby Garner
- Apr 11 Andrea Skidmore
- Apr 12 Sue Coble,
Tyler Davis
- Apr 15 Ashley Propst,
Nolan Ray,
Jimmy Seabock,
Sue Seabock
- Apr 16 Amy Hollar,
Tyler Hollar,
Markus Pope
- Apr 20 Chasity Richter
- Apr 22 Connie Burleson,
Thomas Salley
- Apr 23 Rachel Crosby
- Apr 24 Deborah Hoover,
John Petersen,
Jessica Smith-Macedo
- Apr 25 Brenna Garner
- Apr 26 David Glenn
- Apr 27 Naomi East,
Ryan Ray



Have A Heart Update

Esther Circle would like to thank the members of the congregation for their most generous support of our "Have A Heart" food drive for Cooperative Christian Ministry during the month of February. You donated 328 lbs of food which will go a long way in feeding the hungry in our community. You also donated \$845.00 which will enable CCM to purchase additional items from Second Harvest Food Bank, filling those shelves for the long months ahead. May you be blessed for answering God's call to love and care for our neighbors.



Thank you Mt. Olive congregation for hosting the neighborhood party. MOLC is a good neighbor, providing a walking track, hosting ACAP meetings, providing a voting site and more. Thanks for allowing me to keep two bluebird nest boxes in your park.

Yours truly, Lynne Spees

Micah's Cupboard April Update

A big thank you to those of you who attended the Micah's Cupboard luncheon on March 17th. Approximately 80 people were in attendance or served and we raised \$942.00 which will help provide local school children and their families with food, clothing, and a helping hand.

Please join in on Sunday, April 14th at 2:00 p.m. to help pack Easter food boxes. These boxes will be delivered to schools on April 15th and 16th. Many volunteers are needed to help on these three days. Please consider lending a helping hand if you are available. It's actually a lot of fun!

Remember our mission: *"Believe, Belong, Serve. God's Work. Our Hands"*



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thank you to all the ones that crochet or knit prayer shawls. Starting now, there will be a basket on top of the cabinet with the cards you sign as well as lengths of yarn to attach the cards to your shawl. This will be an easier way for all prayer shawls to be identified. Please continue to place completed shawls in the box to be blessed. Thanks again to all the dedicated people who continue to contribute to this vital ministry of our congregation. If you have any questions contact Frances Hallman at 828-638-1680.

March Photo Booth



Mt. Olive Council Meeting, Sunday, March 10, 2019

Attendees: Lindsay Atwater, Mickey Barnett, Gerald Burke, Melissa Cook, Simon Frye, Herm Price, Pastor Ryan, Lynne Reed, Chasity Richter, Samantha Seabock, Thom Shell, Pam Sigmon, Geoff Yount

Guests: Frances Hallman, Tim Lineberger, Deacon Mitzie Schafer (ELCA)

Absent: none

Gifts planning: Presentation by Deacon Mitzie Schafer, Regional Gift Planner for the Carolinas for the ELCA Foundation; she is a resource for congregations exploring ways to start or grow their endowments. ELCA Foundation started in 1999. The ELCA Foundation offers gift planning resources to members, congregations and ministry partners. As a non-profit by the church and for the church, the ELCA Foundation takes what would be "profit" for another financial institution and funnels that into ministry. Investing with the ELCA Foundation takes investing in ministry to the next level. People need to be asked to include their church in their gift planning. Mitzie told of the role she plays in assisting congregations and the Gift Policy Task Force to get ready to handle gifts. Make sure congregations have a gift giving policy. Pastor Ryan, Mickey Barnett (as council chairperson), plus three other people will make up the task force. Legacy givers like to give to endowments. There are no fees charged for Mitzie's services in assisting us to develop a gift-planning program; the same goes for members with whom she meets one-on-one. This is an opportunity for Mt. Olive members to be involved or expand their estate planning.

Where do we go from here? Deacon Mitzie schedules 8 to 10 months out. So this couldn't begin until 2020 for us. Thom Shell made a motion to call Mitzie Schafer in 2020 to present Gift Planning program to the congregation; Geoff Yount seconded motion; motion passed.

ADDITIONAL NOTE: On Monday (3/11), Pastor Ryan talked with Mitzie and Mt. Olive has scheduled Mitzie's presentation to the congregation for Sunday, February 9, 2020. Pastor Ryan and Mickey will begin forming the Gift Policy Task Force.

Devotions: presented by Lynne Reed; Gospel reading of Sunday, 3/10/19: Luke 4:1-13.

Approval of minutes: Melissa Cook moved to accept February meeting minutes as submitted; Pastor Ryan seconded; motion passed.

Staff Reports: Lindsay Atwater made motion to accept submitted staff reports; Thom Shell seconded; motion passed.

Treasury report: Gerald Burke covered finances, budget info. Motion from Geoff Yount to accept Financial Report as submitted; Simon Frye seconded; motion passed. (Financial Report will be attached to the hard copy that is placed in notebook in church office.)

Cleaning maintenance contract: John Audish, Lake Hickory Cleaning, now has a key to the church. He is ready to begin now. Need motion to begin cleaning immediately. \$160 per cleaning. There will be a log in the office for notations to be made of tasks that need to be done. We have signed a five-year contract with no increase in costs during that time. Thom Shell made motion; Samantha Seabock seconded; motion passed.

Covenant Team: met in February. They decided we need a calendar filled out by teams as to the approximate dates of when they conduct their various collection projects throughout the year. The calendar is now on the wall of the first-floor hallway in Education Building. If someone wants to do service project or schedule event, they will need to present their proposal to the council requesting permission at least 30 days prior to the event. This needs to be the process to keep from overlapping of projects. Also, in the future, it would be wise to view that calendar when planning any event to make sure there is not a conflicting project or event.

Church painting situation: Still gathering quotes for painting of education building exterior.

Church credit cards: The church still has one credit card with Lynne's name on it that is still active. Micah's Cupboard has a credit card that is handled by them. Gerald is thinking about getting a credit card for Deacon Liz to use for her children's projects.

There is, on the Designated Cash Balances page, a line item listed 'General Fund, Temporary Deposits' a \$50,400 amount. The Finance Team is suggesting we place that money in a couple of CD's. A motion made by Thom Shell that we follow their recommendation; Geoff Yount seconded; motion passed. One CD will be for 6 months and one will be a 12-month CD.

Block Party: Five neighboring families attended. Entire party was well planned and well attended.

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7pm.

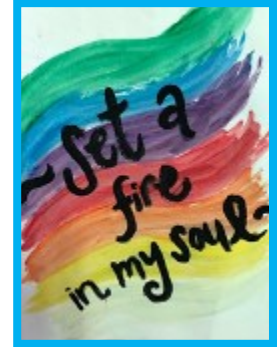
Prayer Field Trip/ Adult Fellowship

When I say the word “prayer” – what do you think of? Bowing your Head? Kneeling? Quiet place? Church? Reverence?

What if I told you there are other ways to pray? There are! And we are going on a “prayer field trip” to Charlotte’s 24/7 Prayer Rooms and want you to come with us.

Now you’re asking “what is a 24/7 Prayer room and why should I go?”

- It’s a place to help people encounter God in an interactive setting.
- It’s a place where you can actively feel, touch, and hear prayer – in unique and wildly engaging spaces.
- It’s a place you can wander around alone or go with a buddy.
- It’s a place created to have a soulful experience to unplug for one clutter-free, stripped down period of time to reconnect with God and yourself.
- A place you can come to a full stop, to pray, read, reflect, and engage in bite-sized learning sets.



Sound interesting – Are you intrigued to find out more? Join Pastor Kate Crecelius and Penny Lineberger for a field trip that could possibly change your whole prayer life!

When: April 17 – right in the middle of Holy Week!

Meet at the church to carpool at 10:00 AM

Lunch afterwards (and we should be back by around 2:00)

Sign up: Call the church office or
contact Penny Lineberger by phone (828-256-6092)

MY NEIGHBOR IS NOT FOR SALE

On March 10, an informational event was held at Mt. Olive on human trafficking. At this event the DVD, *Chosen*, was shown. Some participants in the group requested to have the DVD available to share with others. This video is being placed in the church library.

DVD summary:

Chosen: As traffickers target younger and younger victims, American youth are engaged in a battle they were never prepared for. Learn the shocking true story of two teen girls tricked into trafficking. Brianna, 18, was a star student, cheerleader, and waitress. Lacy, 13, enjoyed church and volunteering in her community. Both were manipulated. Both were exploited. Both were chosen.

Contact Karen Birkedal if you have questions about this material.

Care Team Meeting

Colossians 3:12

So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience;

Care Team will meet April 4th at 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Heritage Hall. We will talk about the book-Christian Caregiving-and begin building our listening skills we well as identifying and describing roles. If you missed the last meeting but would still like to be part of this, please come!

Pastor Kate Crecelius



**Mt. Olive Members in
Assisted Living or Nursing Facilities:**

Heritage Care

John Beatty

Trinity Village, Springs Road:

Martha Yount,

Mildred Salley

Edna Punch

Brookdale Assisted Living Falling Creek

Ann Everhart

Brookdale Assisted Living Lenoir

Catherine Adams

Catawba Valley Living at Rock Barn:

Maxine Kirchin

GraceRidge

Jennie Bost

Pinecrest

Mary Black

We are proud of our Mt. Olive members who are continuing their education post high school. **Please remember to keep them in your prayers.**

Emma Barger, Darrius Adam Barger, Ben Bazzle, Brittany Collins, Matt Cook, Jacob Garren, Keely Horton, Whitney Horton, Bradley Langan, Heather Langan, Derek Moose, Halee Ormand, Markus Pope, Daniel Richter, Kayla Seabock, Megan Shook, Paige Shook, Allison Tice, Will Truett, Jenna Waters, Robert West

Members of Mt. Olive

Esther Armstrong	Tom Rhea Jr.
Margaret Barger	Tom East
Jennie Bost	Van Seabock
Chris Brookshire	Tara Rink
Brad, Meredith, and	Amy Preslar
Owen Elder	Paul Christ
Nina Fullwood	Michael Bock
Ann Everhart	Loretta Stephenson
Mary Gregory	Miya Teague
Eugene Helton	Diane Shacklady
Jeanette Huffman	
Linda Huffman	
Sarah Hull	
Henry & Thelma Javis	
Virginia Killian	
Gwen Kingsley	
Terry Laxton	
Darrell Punch	
Mildred Salley	
Thomas Salley	
Lorene Setzer	
K.C. Setzer	
Carolyn Sigmon	
Pat Thompson	
Mary Wright	
Huitt Drum	

Our Family and Friends

Anne Barnes, friend of Susy Morrison
 John Beatty, son of Elma Jean Beatty
 Kim Birtwistle, friend of Pam Sigmon
 David Bolick, friend of John & Kathie Hegert
 Barbara Boudreau, friend of Hank & Bernice McCrorie
 Gary & Lisa Bowne, friends of Mickey & Linda Barnett
 Bill Canata, friend of McCrorie's
 Barbara Van Cleave, cousin of McCrorie's
 David Conger, friend of Jane Spaugh
 Frances Cranford, friend of Eva Helton
 Daphne Crump, Doug Sullivan's mother
 Micki Earp, friend of Judy Rao
 Nadine Eckerd, Joan Yount's mother
 Bill Field, family of June Field
 Louise Foster, mother of Paulette Church
 Christine Gates, friend of Judy Rao
 Deborah Gleaton, friend of Amanda Truett
 James & Cathy Grant, friend of Rick and Debbie Carmack
 Dwayne Helton, friend of Amanda Fu
 Mary Howell, friend of Teresa Bazzle
 Daken James, friend of Penny & Adelia from Pocahontas, VA
 Shirley Lail, friend of Pat Neill
 Tom McCarthy, brother-in-law of Ellis Bolick
 Emma Martinez, granddaughter of Lynne Bolick
 Olivia Mason, great niece of Teresa Bazzle
 Shelby Mason, niece of Teresa Bazzle
 Sidney McCoy, niece of Jane Spaugh
 Donna Parker, sister of Frances Hallman & Margaret Barger
 Lauren Parlier, Paul Rozzelle & Zeke, friend of Amy Whaley
 Warren Paschal, nephew of Pat Neill
 Barbara Pennell, sister of Kay Hefner and Jeanette Huffman
 Eric Petersen, son of John & Susan Petersen
 Tom Rhea III, Tom Rhea's son
 Alton Piester, brother of Elma Jean Beatty
 Cindy Robbins, sister of Jane Spaugh
 Amanda Rogers, Jim William's sister
 Jim Russell, friend of McCrorie's
 Norene Setzer, Cindy Sullivan's mother
 Sharon Smith, friend of Amanda Fu
 Leigh Thompson
 Robin Teeter, friend of Pam Propst
 Celeste Cranford-White, friend of Eva Helton
 Justin White, son of Kate Rhea
 Ann Widner, friend of Lynn Seabock
 Sandra Yahl, family of John & Susan Petersen

Please keep Gerald Burke and family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of his brother, Guy Burke.



OFFERINGS

Cash Basis:	Feb 24	Mar 3	Mar 10	Mar 17	Mar 24
Total General Offerings	\$6,241.00	\$11,164.50	\$12,903.14	\$5,111.50	\$6,127.00
Budgeted amount needed weekly	\$8,310.00				
Designated Funds:	Feb 24	Mar 3	Mar 10	Mar 17	Mar 24
World Hunger		\$220.00		\$110.00	\$110.00
Youth fund/trip		\$785.00			
Micah's Cupboard	\$50.00			\$942.00	\$110.00
Quilting Fund		\$50.00	\$100.00		\$10.00
Love Offering/Jenna	\$415.00	\$57.00	\$4.00		
Have a Heart /CCM	\$375.00	90.00	\$10.00		
Evangelism		\$10.00			
Hickory Soup Kitchen		\$120.00	\$380.00	\$785.00	\$342.00
Shoebox					\$10.00
Pickle jar/ Pastor					
Operation Christmas Shoebox					
Youth BYG Agape					\$180.00
Use of building				\$150.00	\$50.00
TOTAL DESIGNATED FUNDS	\$840.00	\$1,332.00	\$494.00	\$1,987.00	\$812.00
Reserve - Repairs & Maintenance	\$100.00	\$115.00	n/a	\$140.00	n/a

Financial Update at a glance:	January	February	March
Month to date giving	\$34,838.70	\$31,876.00	\$35,306.14
Monthly budgeted amount:	\$33,962.00	\$33,962.00	\$42,452.50

FEBRUARY 2019 TREASURER'S REPORT

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Financial Highlights, February, 2019

A net deficit of \$497 was experienced for February, compared with a budgeted monthly deficit of \$3,469. Unrestricted giving of \$32,252 received during the month was above the budgeted target of \$32,000. Monthly actual expenses were \$32,750, compared with a budgeted total of \$33,091.

Total cash-in-bank at February 28, 2019 was \$208,543. The unrestricted cash balance (General Fund) was \$75,269, and the restricted cash balance (Designated Funds) was \$133,274

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

SERVICE	Feb 24	Mar 3	Mar 10	Mar 17	Mar 24
Combined	131	131	166	153	156

STAFF AND CHURCH LEADERS

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Worship Times:

Sunday Mornings

8:30 am with Holy Communion

10:45 am with Holy Communion

Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday

8:00 am—4:00 pm

The office is closed on Friday

Our Mission Statement:

**In response to the love of Jesus Christ,
our mission is:**

Believe, Belong, Serve. God's Work. Our Hands.



North Carolina Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

APRIL 2019 WORSHIP ASSISTANTS, MEETINGS, ASSIGNMENTS

APRIL 7 8:30 SERVICE

Communion Asst: Mickey Barnett
 Crucifer: Connie Burleson
 Acolyte: Mickey Barnett
 Lay Lector: Barbara George
 Greeters: Gail Miller / Pat Neill
 Ushers: Darrell Punch/ Darin Shook

APRIL 14 8:30 SERVICE

Communion Asst: Chris Bass
 Crucifer: Darrell Punch
 Acolyte: Chris Bass
 Lay Lector: Connie Burleson
 Greeters: Karen Pruet/ Linda Barnett
 Ushers: Dennis Anthony/ John Hegert

APRIL 21 7:30 SERVICE

Communion Asst: Tom Atwater
 Crucifer: Darin Shook
 Acolyte: Tom Atwater
 Lay Lector: Chris Bass
 Greeters: Amy Cook/ Lisa Atwater
 Ushers: Tom/Lisa Atwater

APRIL 28 8:30 SERVICE

Communion Asst: Shirley Griggs
 Crucifer: Curtis Paul
 Acolyte: Shirley Griggs
 Lay Lector: Rita Miller
 Greeters: Kenny /Susy Morrison
 Ushers: Herman Price/ John Hegert

APRIL 7 10:45 SERVICE

Communion Asst: Sonny Bolick
 Crucifer: Amanda Fu
 Acolyte: Brenna Garner
 Lay Lector: Amanda Fu
 Story Time: Lix Fox
 Children's Church: Liz Fox
 Greeters: Marion Waldon/ Debbie Seabock
 Ushers: Craig Garner/ Dave Collins

APRIL 14 10:45 SERVICE

Communion Asst: Steve Seif
 Crucifer: Steve Seif
 Acolyte: Carly Seif
 Lay Lector: Susan Garren
 Story Time: Pastor Ryan
 Children's Church: TBD
 Greeters: Mike /Sue Ellen Frye
 Ushers: Chris / Bryna Frye

APRIL 21 10:00 SERVICE

Communion Asst: Penny Lineberger
 Crucifer: Nolan Ray
 Acolyte: Penny Lineberger
 Lay Lector: Teresa Bazzle
 Story Time: Lynne Reed
 Children's Church: Liz Fox
 Greeters: Robert /Gail Welch
 Ushers: Harry Heavner/ Dave Collins

APRIL 28 10:45 SERVICE

Communion Asst: Kim Ray
 Crucifer: Simon Frye
 Acolyte: Meadow Frye
 Lay Lector: Susan Petersen
 Story Time: Jenna Waters
 Children's Church: TBD
 Greeters: Frances Hallman/ Joan Yount
 Ushers: David Glenn/ Corey Seabock

MEETING TIMES:

Men's Bible Study: Tuesday 7:00 am
Upstairs Prayer Chapel

"Tying & Tacking Girls": Monday 8:30—11:30
Heritage Hall

ACAP (Adult Children of Aging Parents):
2nd Tuesday of month 5:30 pm Heritage Hall

Narcotics Anonymous: Thursday 6:30 pm
Heritage Hall

Girl Scouts: Second & Fourth Tuesday / Month
2nd floor Ed. Bldg.

WELCA CIRCLE MEETINGS:

Abigail: 1st Wed 7:00 pm Martin Luther Room
Devotions: Chasity Richter

Esther: 1st Mon 2:00 pm Heritage Hall
Program: Elma Jean Beatty

Martha: 1st Tues 11:30 Heritage Hall
Leader: (Salad Supper)

Mary: 1st Thur 12:00 pm
Hostess: Karen Birkedal

ALTAR FLOWERS:

April 7: Curtis Paul
 April 14: Sue Seabock
 April 21: Amy Whaley
 April 28: John & Kathie Hegert

ALTAR DUTY:

Brenda Bass
COMMUNION PREP: Becky Anthony
 Pat Neill

COMMUNION BREAD:

Becky Anthony

ROBE CLEANING:

Lynne Reed

MONDAY MORNING COUNTERS:

Tim Lineberger, Supervisor
 Becky Anthony Pam Propst

ADULT FELLOWSHIP GROUP:

Apr 17: Corinth Reformed Church

OUTDOOR SIGN for April:

Jane Spaug

APRIL 2019 ACTIVITIES AT MT. OLIVE

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 8:30 am: Tying & Tacking 2 pm: Esther Circle	2 7:00 am: Men's Bible Study 8:00 am: Men's breakfast 11:30 am: Martha Circle	3 5:30 pm: Lenten meal 6-6:45 pm: Children & Youth Music 5:30 pm: Parenting Class 6:00 pm: Bible Study 7:00 pm: Abigail Circle 7:00 pm: Worship 7:30 pm: Chancel	4 10 am: Kids' Korner 12:00 pm: Mary Circle 6:30 pm: Narcotics Anonymous 6:30-8:30 pm: Care Team meeting	5 Office Closed 12:30 pm: Adult Fellowship / Lenten Organ Series	6
7 12 pm: Worship & Music meets in Heritage Hall 3 pm: Outreach Team	8 8:30 am: Tying & Tacking 2:30-7 pm: Blood Mobile (HH)	9 7:00 am: Men's Bible Study 8:00 am: Men's breakfast 5:30 pm: ACAP	10 5:30 pm: Lenten meal 6-6:45 pm: Children & Youth Music 5:30 pm: Parenting Class 6:00 pm: Bible Study 7:00 pm: Abigail Circle 7:00 pm: Worship 7:30 pm: Chancel	11 10 am: Kids' Korner 6:30 pm: Narcotics Anonymous	12 Office Closed	13
14 9:45 am: Breakfast club 12 pm: Egg packing 2:00 pm: Micah's Packing board 3-5 pm: Confirmation Meeting Palm Sunday Worship	15 8:30 am: Micah's Cup-board Delivery 8:30 am: Tying & Tacking	16 7:00 am: Men's Bible Study 8:00 am: Men's breakfast 8:30 am: Micah's Delivery	17 10:00 am: 24/7 Prayer Room Trip	18 10 am: Kids' Korner 6:30 pm: Narcotics Anonymous 7:00 pm: Maundy Thursday at Northminster	19 Office Closed 7:00 pm: Good Friday Service	20 10 am-12 pm: Easter Eggstravaganza
21 He is Risen! 7:30 & 10 am Services 8:30 am Breakfast Catawba Valley Brass at 10 am worship! Easter Festival Worship	22 Office Closed 8:30 am: Tying & Tacking	23 7:00 am: Men's Bible Study 8:00 am: Men's breakfast	24 No music rehearsals	25 6:30 pm: Narcotics Anonymous No Kids' Korner	26 Office Closed	27
28	29 8:30 am: Tying & Tacking	30 7:00 am: Men's Bible Study 8:00 am: Men's breakfast	<p>Each Sunday (unless noted): Worship with Holy Communion at 8:30 & 10:45 am; Faith Formation for all ages: 9:35-10:35 am; Coffee Fellowship Hour in Heritage Hall 9:35-10:35 am; Youth Group: 9:35-10:35 am for middle & high school youth April 7 & 14; Faith Out Loud rehearses at 8 am & Chancel Choir rehearses at 10am Each Tuesday: 7-8 am Men's Bible Study Wednesdays April 3 & 10: Lenten Meal: 5:30-6:30 pm; Children & Youth Music: 6-6:45 pm; Parenting Class: 5:30-7 pm; Bible Study: 6-7 pm; Worship: 7-7:30 pm;</p>			