# WELCOME!



# OLIVET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

13575 OLIVET ROAD LUSBY, MARYLAND 20657



Sunday ~ October 19, 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.

Rev. Dr. Edward C. Andercheck, Pastor

# ♦ Order of Worship ♦ October 19, 2025

#### We Gather

Opening Prayer		Liturgist
Silent Prayer		Congregation
Introit	"Freely, Freely"	UMH 389
	Processional & Lighting of Candles	

#### We Worship

Welcome	.Pastor Edward C.	Andercheck
*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 "This Is a Day of New Beginnings" UMH 383

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

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

Glorious God, we thank you for your Holy Instruction Book of Life. Guide us by your Word into the Way that you would have us to think and be. Encourage us, we pray, that we may not grow weary or fainthearted. Help us to accept your gentle discipline, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture Reading		Liturgist
Sermonic Meditation	"Seek Ye First"	UMH 405
Sermon		Pastor Edward C. Andercheck
Offertory/Offertory Prayer	Pastor Edward C. Andercheck	
Congregational Announce	Liturgist	
Prayers of the People &	Pastoral Prayer	

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#### \*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 "Standing on the Promises" UMH 374

#### \*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**

#### **Psalm 119:97-104 (NRSVUE)**

<sup>97</sup>Oh, how I love your law! It is my meditation all day long. 98 Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is always with me. <sup>99</sup>I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are my meditation. 100 I understand more than the aged, for I keep your precepts. 101I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word. 102I do not turn away from your ordinances, for you have taught me. <sup>103</sup>How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! <sup>104</sup>Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.

# II Timothy 3:14-4:5 (NRSVUE)

<sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup>and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 4 <sup>5</sup>But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

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.

# Welcome!!!

Rev. Dr. Edward C. Andercheck, Pastor

1st Sunday in the Pulpit - October 19, 2025 Welcome Service - Sunday, November 2, 2025 Stay tuned for additional information

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\*Group Listening Sessions with the Pastor\*
Held during October and November

Upon receiving your invitation, please reply promptly

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MUSIC MINISTRY REHEARSALS

October 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>
STRUMMERS 3 pm \* CHOIR 4 pm
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Sat. November 1, 2025 1:00 pm Church Conference

**Trinity UMC** 

Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678

All members are encouraged to attend. Your voice and your vote matter.

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PROJECT ECHO

Donations Due Sunday November 2 @ 3pm

#### ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

"Because of Bethlehem"

Wednesdays 12 noon & 7pm November 19<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, & 17<sup>th</sup> Suggested Donation per Book: \$19

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE TO SECURE YOUR BOOK

**Tues., October 21 6:00 pm**Flying Needles @ Olivet United Methodist Church

Thurs., October 23 10:30 am

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

**Sat., October 25** 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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Facebook: Olivet United Methodist Church

**Zoom Connections** 

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

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

PW: 181188

#### **Need to meet with Pastor Andercheck?**

Please schedule all appointments through the Church Office

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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## PRAYING TOGETHER

If you become aware of one of our members/regular attendees in the hospital or in need of immediate prayer, please don't hesitate to contact our Pastor, Rev. Dr. Edward C. Andercheck. You can send prayer requests to olivetumcoffice@comcast.net. We truly believe in the power of prayer; praying continually that others will experience 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

**Luke 18:1-8 (NRSVUE)** 

18 <sup>1</sup>Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' "And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"



Rejoicing Growing Giving



"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

**On-Line Giving** 

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

#### UNITE WITH 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 olivetumcoffice@comcast.net.