MOUNT OLIVET

GRATEFUL TOGETHER



AND SO WE GIVE THANKS!

DAVID J. LOSE, Senior Pastor

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ount Olivet's 101st year has not gone the way we imagined. Not for us. Not for our communities. Not for the world. It has, in many

ways, been a year of loss, challenges, and grief. And yet....

And yet it has also been a year of grace. A year of discovering new ways to connect. A year of realizing what is most important. A year



of living into our faith in ways we'd never imagined. A year of remembering just how important faith is.

And so we give thanks because God is still among us, working to help us not just survive but flourish, and equipping us to reach out to others in need, to be a light shining in the darkness, to be, in short, the Church.

And so we give thanks.... Through our words, our actions, and our pledged financial commitments. 2021 will bring its own set of challenges and opportunities, and we will face them together, renewed in our confidence that God is with us, for us, and working through us.

MOUNT OLIVET BY THE NUMBERS

SINCE MARCH 15, 2020

6,000+ People watching online Sunday worship weekly



125+ Ministry videos & content created



1,500 Community Meals served



28,000+ Messages & calls sent by pastors and staff



700+ Mount Olivet virtual gatherings







EVERYONE HAS A PLACE

YOUTH MINISTRY

Text, phone, Zoom, Instagram videos... You name it – this is the generation that knows how to build and maintain relationships digitally. We're proud to accompany our youth on their faith journey as we navigate life's possibilities and challenges together, always confident of God's grace. This fall, join us for deep-dive conversations, socially-distanced Hootenannies, and more!







EXTENDING HEARTS AND HANDS

SERVICE AND OUTREACH

There has never been a greater need in our community, and Mount Olivet is rising to the challenge. Whether it's serving more than 1200 meals a week, hosting regular donation drives, or sewing masks for frontline caregivers, we continue to serve our neighbors with the gifts God has entrusted us with.

SUSTAINING THE DISCIPLES OF JESUS FOR TWO MILLENIA

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Amid the unexpected loss of our ability to gather together, we have created worship experiences centered in God's Word that create in us hope for the future and love for our neighbors. Join us each Sunday – or whenever you can! – to be renewed in faith, hope, and love.



JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

From virtual VBS to interactive digital Sunday School newsletters, we've continued to reach out to share God's love with our children. This fall we're focusing on connecting parents and children through Sunday worship videos and activities, and meeting families where they are through day-retreats and virtual gatherings.









GATHERING GRACEFULLY

ADULTS - EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP

Part of what makes Mount Olivet "the biggest little church you'll ever find" is the many groups gathered around a shared desire for fellowship and learning. Video classes, Zoom gatherings, and virtual Bible studies have helped us stay connected. Join us to find your "little church" this fall!

EMBODYING THE LOVE OF GOD

PASTORAL CARE & COUNSELING SERVICE

A pandemic can't stop us from caring for each other! Whether by text, call, hand-written note, through-the-window visits, or drive-by-birthday greetings, we are still walking with you through all of life's journeys. Let us know how we can extend God's grace and Mount Olivet's support to you!





STEWARDING THE WONDER OF GOD'S CREATION

CATHEDRAL OF THE PINES & MOUNT OLIVET CONFERENCE & RETREAT CENTER

If you feel closest to God when enjoying the beauty of creation, then Cathedral of the Pines Camp and the Mount Olivet Retreat Center are both holy places. Quieter than usual this year, we are planning for an exciting new year of connecting people to God, nature, and each other.

EVERYTHING AT MOUNT OLIVET STARTS WITH YOUR GENEROSITY

There are so many easy and convenient ways to support the ministries you love and the Church that loves you! Please make your commitment to Mount Olivet and its ministries for 2021 via your pledge card or online at mtolivet.org. Options to fulfill your pledge include:

- · Scheduled giving (credit card or bank withdrawals) via Realm*
- · Checks or cash via mail and offering envelopes
- ·Text to give or use your Realm app
- · One-time gifts or stock transfers, and more!

Questions and more information: Tricia Lerohl-Morgan, 612.767.2255 or tricial@mtolivet.org

*Current Realm scheduled givers: please remember to update your giving amount, frequency, and credit card information as needed for 2021. Thank you.



Thank You!

Week in and week out – through health and illness, celebration and loss – Mount Olivet is here for you! And not one thing could be accomplished without your pledge. We continue living into God's mission for Mount Olivet in so many ways.

Thank you for your faithful generosity!