

Weekly Calendar

December 3 - 9

Monday (12/3)

9am Quilters

6:30pm Men at Work

Tuesday (12/4)

5pm Olive Branch Rehearsal
Board of Ed Meeting

Wednesday (12/5)

10am Today's Light
12pm Advent Service
 1pm Denny's Meetup
 5pm LOGOS
7pm Advent Service
 7pm Evening Worship

Friday (12/7)

6:15pm Advent by Candlelight

Saturday (12/8)

10:30am Handbells Rehearsal
 11:30am Choir Rehearsal
6pm Int'l Christmas Party

Sunday (12/9)

8am Traditional Worship
 9:20am Sunday School
 9:30am Bible Studies
 10:30am Contemporary Worship †
12pm Christmas Party
 11am Calvary Worship

Calvary Events † Communion
calvarymadison.org offered

Prayer Requests

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This Week's Prayers

We Pray for God's comfort, peace and healing for Dorothy Zobel, Mark Austin.

This Week's News

Attendance: Tue, Nov 20 72 Sun, Nov 25 Early 87 Late 55

"What Child is This" Advent Series: TODAY is the First Sunday in Advent. This Advent, we will be following a series called "What Child is This?" Sermons and Sunday Bible Study will follow this theme, as will the Sunday School Christmas Program on **Sun, Dec 16th (late service).**

Youth Christmas Bake Sale: 'Tis the season for sweets! The Mount Olive Youth hold their annual Christmas Bake Sale TODAY! Be sure to pop into the gym to purchase some holiday sweets - all proceeds support Mount Olive youth ministries.

Advent By Candlelight: All ladies (5th grade girls and older) are invited to attend this special evening **THIS FRIDAY (12/7) beginning at 6:15pm!** A free-will offering will be taken at the event to support Care Net. **Men:** we need your help as well for kitchen and coffee assistance. If you need a ride, we can arrange for that also. Visit the table in the Narthex to learn more and to find out how you can help make the evening a success!

International Christmas Party: International Friendship Center (IFC) hosts their annual Christmas Party at Mount Olive **THIS SATURDAY (12/8) at 6pm.** As always, you are invited to experience this wonderful evening of fellowship with brothers and sisters from across the globe. **Please contact the office if you are free to volunteer.**

MOLC Christmas Party: The annual Christmas Party is **NEXT SUNDAY (12/9) at NOON.** Sandwiches are provided, but you can sign up at the Welcome Center to bring a dish to pass!

Holiday Worship: Flyers are available at the Welcome Center with holiday services and events listed that you can take and give to friends! Note: Wed Advent services **begin THIS WEDNESDAY (12/5) at 12 & 7pm.**

Small Catechism Sale: Concordia Publishing House is running a sale on new Small Catechisms. Sign-up by the bathrooms **by Dec 15th.**

2019 Budget: Copies of the 2019 Budget are available TODAY at the Welcome Center. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Justin Kirchen, Stewardship Director, at stewardship@molc.us.

Care Net Open House: Drop by Care Net, located at 1350 MacArthur Rd, **THIS FRIDAY (12/7)** anytime **from 2-6:30pm**. Take a tour of their First Care Clinic & The Elizabeth House. Refreshments will be served. RSVP by calling (608) 259-1606. Care Net is a Christian organization that provides support for families by following life-affirming values through every aspect of care, including pregnancy care.

Voters Meeting: There will be a Voters Meeting on **Sun, Dec 16** following the late service. There will be light snacks provided (crackers, fruit, etc...). If you are new to Mount Olive and have not submitted a Voters Application, they are available in the office at the Member Resources book shelf. Please **fill out by Sun, Dec 9th** and place in Gary Strohm's (Exec Dir) mailbox to assure voter eligibility.

Caroling to Shut-Ins: 'Tis the season to bring Christmas cheer to those who are not able to get to Mount Olive and worship with us! Every Christmas, everyone is invited to join in singing carols for Mount Olive members who are currently homebound. This year, it will be **on Sun, Dec 23 beginning at NOON at church**. We will carpool the best we can, and when we are "sung-out", we grab some pie together. Give Linda a call or an email at church if you are interested! (608) 238-5656 x214 or lkrueger@molc.us.

New Small Group Study: Sign up at the Welcome Center to join a group. Current small group leaders are being asked to contact the office with # of books needed and collect payments for their groups. **We especially need leaders, so please sign up if you are willing.** Contact Pastor Mark at mbaldwin@molc.us if you have questions.

Volunteer at Agrace! Agrace Hospice & Palliative Care is holding a volunteer orientation session **Tue, Dec 11 from 5-9pm** at 5359 Cheryl Pkwy. Call (608) 327-7163 with questions, or to register for orientation.

MACH Holiday Concerts: Madison Area Concert Handbells hold their annual holiday concerts **THIS WEEKEND - Fri, Dec 7 at 7pm** (Verona Area Community Theater - 103 Lincoln St), **Sat, Dec 8 at 7pm** (Christ Presbyterian Church - 944 E Gorham St), and **Sun, Dec 9 at 3pm** (St. Stephen's Lutheran Church - 5700 Pheasant Hill Rd).

Stewardship Corner

"If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this" "The Lord has need of it." (Luke 19:31)

Consider the faithfulness of that man who owned the donkey and colt. All he needed to hear was, "The Lord has need of it," and he willingly gave. The Lord has given each of us various callings in life - in our homes, in the Church, and in our communities. In each calling we have good work to do, and that comes from the Lord's hand. The Lord has need of us in each calling. How is He calling you to generous giving in each of your vocations?

Just a Note

Card Shop: Nice selection of boxed Christmas cards, and if you only need a few cards, buy some at special pricing. We are in the Library, next to the Nursery. All profits to LWML missions.

You can pick up your **Lifetouch Portraits** at the Welcome Center!

Volunteers Needed!

Please prayerfully consider and contact the office if interested!

Sound Booth: Projection for 8am
Offering Counters
SCRIP Coordinator
Ushers: 10:30am service

Our Staff

Rev. Jason Zobel, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Dan Anderson, *SMP Pastor*
Rev. Mark Baldwin, *Dir of Family Life*
Laurel Zobel, *Preschool Director*
Linda Krueger, *Music Director*
Derek Handley, *Office Manager*