

Good Morning!
Welcome to Mt. Olivet UCC!
May 16, 2021
Ascension Sunday

Bell Ringer -

Trent Rapp

Welcome -

Pastor Michael

Prelude –

Spencer Reed

Opening Prayer -

Pastor Michael

Call to Worship – *John 16:33*

“I have told you these things, **so that in me you may have peace.**
In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

Opening Music – *Where I Belong*

Contemporary Team

Sometimes it feels like I'm watching from the outside; Sometimes it feels like I'm
breathing but am I alive
I keep on searching for answers that aren't here to find

(Chorus)

All I know is I'm not home yet; This is not where I belong; Take this world and
give me Jesus; This is not where I belong

So when the walls come falling down on me; And when I'm lost in the current of a
raging sea
I have this blessed assurance holding me

(Chorus)

When the earth shakes, I want to be found in you; When the lights fade I want to
be found in you

(Chorus)

Kid's Time -

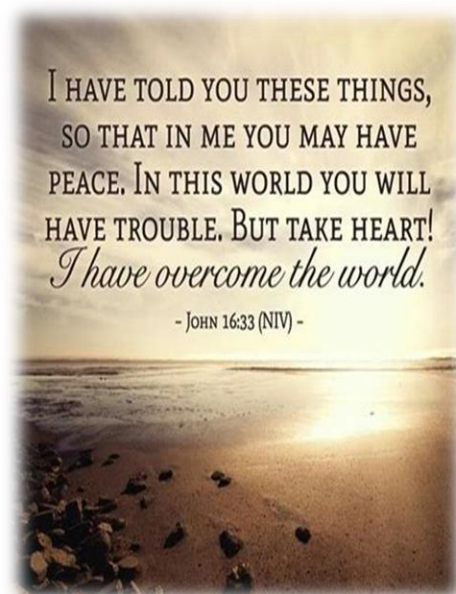
Pastor Michael

Mt. Olivet Birthdays – May 16th to May 23rd

Liturgist, Julianne Hazlett

Scripture Lesson – John 14:12

This is the Word of God. Thanks be to God.



I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry; All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make the darkness bright; Who will bear my light to them, Whom shall I send?

(Refrain)

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord.; I have heard you calling in the night, I will go Lord
If you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.

I the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain; I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, Fill their hearts with love alone; I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

(Refrain)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, ... I will tend the poor and lame.; I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied.; I... will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

(Refrain)

Prayer Time – *Pastoral-Silent-Lord's Prayer*



Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn – *How Great Thou Art*

Mt. Olivet Choir

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars,
I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power thru-out the universe displayed!

(Chorus)

Then sings my soul, my savior God, to thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my savior
God, to thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When thru the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from
lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze,

(Chorus)

And when I think that God, His son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in – that on the cross, my burden
gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin!

(Chorus)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in
humble adoration and there proclaim, my God, how Great Thou art!



Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father (John 20:17). Two reasons why Jesus returns to his heavenly Father after his resurrection: 1) Jesus ascends so the Holy Spirit can descend to dwell within us (Pentecost). God becomes available for all believers everywhere not just those located near Christ. 2) Jesus was in the world, not of the world (John 17:16, 18). We as followers of Christ live in duality. 1) an earthly existence 2) an eternal life to come. For our citizenship is in heaven... (Phil. 3:20). How do we coexist, being in the world, but not of the world? We find our identity, and our worth being faithful and modeling Christ in the here and now always putting God first in our lives. Love God, others & self (mark 12:30-31).

Song of Encouragement – *You Say*

Contemporary Team

I keep fighting voices in my mind that say I'm not enough
Every single lie that tells me I will never measure up

Am I more than just the sum of every high and every low
Remind me once again just who I am because I need to know

(Chorus)

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing
You say I am strong when I think I am weak
And you say I am held when I am falling short
And when I don't belong, oh You say I am Yours
And I believe
Oh, I believe
What You say of me
I believe

The only thing that matters now is everything You think of me
In You I find my worth, in You I find my identity

(Chorus)

Taking all I have, and now I'm laying it at Your feet
You have every failure, God, You have every victory

(Chorus)

Oh, I believe
Yes, I believe
What You say of me
I believe

Church Prayer List



Thank You to Our Health Workers – Becky Bierdeman, Rachel Bradley, Janine Brown, Cynthia Cash, Frank Dispenza, Judy Gifford, Pam Gregory, Kyle Guterba, Kelly King, Steve Lippert, Jared Miller, Jodi Stratton, Gary Williams, Andrew Yocum, Kris Yocum

Prayer Concerns & Praises – Rich Brintzenhofe, Brysen Brown, Viola Davis, Sean Drummond's ministry at ACH, Tom Eisenbraun, Nicole Harker, Brynn Peters, Cynthia Walker, Shirley Jindra, Thelma Bender, Jeff White

Shut-Ins or Assisted Living – Rosemarie Baun, Helen Brown, Marge Campman, Sally Crumbacher, Shirley Gerthung, Jack & Maggie Hughes, Edith Kellner, Leonard Pirl, Dale Sr. & Alyce Sheely, Twila Telego, Bob & Jean Watson

Cancer Patients – Gary Allen, Jim Allen, Donna Barnett, Jackie Burley, Barb Feaster, Patricia Hrinko, Kay May, Stephanie Pavlich, Connie Sarti, Debbie Stevenson, Chelsey Taylor

Military, Law Enforcement, Foreign & Christian Missionary Service – David Butcher, Lauren Bradley (FS) Destree Combs, Tom Edwards, Dustin Elliott (ZPD), Marissa Elliott, Sharon F. (CMS), Eric Humer, Craig Miller, Donovan Shimer, Tristian Sullivan, William Sullivan, Nathan Whan

Events & Reminders

In-person and Facebook Live Worship Services will begin at **10:30am**.
Don't forget a facial covering, keep physically distanced from others, and get your temperature taken.

Movers & Seekers adult Sunday School class will be held in the Chapel at **9:15am**.

Kid's Sunday School will take place right after Kid's Time during Worship.

May issue of the Voice Magnified is available at the back of the Sanctuary or in the hallway!
~ News for the June issue is DUE TODAY!!! ~

If you want to attend the Camp Frederick Quarter Auction that supports the camp, we are just weeks away!!
Go online to purchase tickets or see John Crouse if you don't have a way to order. Saturday, May 22nd, starts at 6pm. Bring your own beverages and snacks, but there will be a food truck there.

The same night, May 22nd, Mike Libb and Laina Zack will perform in THE GROVE from 4pm-7pm. Bring a chair or blanket and some drinks & snacks. It is free and open to all!

May 9, 2021 ~ Attendance: 50 Offering: \$3,255.00

Thank you for your support of Mt. Olivet UCC! Have a blessed week!

