

SERMON NOTES

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believe. belong. **become.** behold.

Our Vision:

*Our vision is to be a place where people can freely worship
God, connect with an authentic community of believers, spread
the Gospel of Jesus Christ, impact our community, and
fervently study the Word of God.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

21-DAY PRAYER & FASTING

Join us for 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting, January 5–25, as we consecrate ourselves and prepare for what God has in store for 2026. Each morning, we'll gather for a 15-minute devotional at 6:00 a.m. via Zoom and conference call. The Zoom Meeting ID: 837 4387 9921 | Passcode: 355135 | Dial-In: 312-626-6799

Be sure to grab your copy of the Prayer & Fasting Guide in the lobby after service, or download it online at mtolivejoliet.org/fast.

MLK LEGACY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

We're excited to bring back our annual Martin Luther King Jr. Legacy Worship Celebration! Join us on Sunday, January 18 at 6:00 PM as Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church hosts a powerful evening honoring the life, legacy, and lasting impact of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. We are honored to welcome special guests including Lauren Underwood, the Generation Dance Company, and our featured guest speaker, Rev. Dr. Charlie Dates, who will deliver a powerful and timely message.

This evening is proudly sponsored by the Joliet NAACP, Lebanon Joliet, the African American Business Association of Will County, the National Hook-Up of Black Women Joliet Chapter, the Alliance for Civic Engagement, and the Rainbow Push Coalition Joliet Chapter. Come and celebrate a legacy that still calls us to justice, unity, and faith in action. We look forward to worshipping with you.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

We're excited to invite you to our Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on Friday, January 30 at 7:00 PM! If you've served in any capacity during 2025, this night is for you. We can't wait to take time to thank you, celebrate your commitment, and honor the impact you've made. Please be sure to RSVP no later than January 23 by scanning the QR code or visiting our website, so we can prepare to welcome you.

KEEP YOUR INFORMATION UPDATED

Help us stay connected with you! Please take a moment to ensure your contact and household information is current in the Church Center system. Keeping your profile updated allows the church to communicate important updates, events, and ministry information.

How to Update Your Information

You can update your information using the Church Center App or online:
<https://mtolivejoliet.churchcenter.com/me/profile-and-household>

2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Church family, your 2025 contribution statements have been sent directly to your email. Please check your inbox and follow the instructions to download your statement. If you don't see it, be sure to check your spam or junk folder.

We encourage everyone to download their statement electronically as we continue to be efficient and environmentally responsible. If you prefer a printed copy, please note that statements will not be printed until after January 23. Any statements not downloaded by January 23 will be mailed. If you need assistance, please contact the church office.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 18, 2026

COUNTDOWN

Worship Screens

VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Screens

WELCOME VIDEO

Worship Screens

WORSHIP IN SONG | VOICES OF PRAISE

“Come Thou Almighty King” as ministered by Rev. Timothy Wright

CALL TO WORSHIP, SCRIPTURE, AND PRAYER

Minister

Congregational Hymn

Blessed Assurance

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS & DISMISSAL OF STUDENTS

Minister

WORSHIP IN GIVING

WORSHIP IN SONG

“Precious Jesus” as ministered by Thomas Whitfield

PREACHED WORD

Rev. Wendell Martin, Senior Pastor

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Minister

CLOSING REMARKS & BENEDICTION

Ministers, Deacons, and Deaconess are available at the altar after each worship gathering for those in need of special prayer.

NEW HERE?
WELCOME!

We'd love to get to know you!
Please fill out a Connect Card
from the back of the pews and
drop it in the offering basket
during our offertory period. We
can't wait to connect with you!

5 WAYS TO GIVE



By Mail:
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Text to Give:
Text Any Dollar
Amount to
(833) 800-5897



Online at
www.MtOLiveJoliet.org



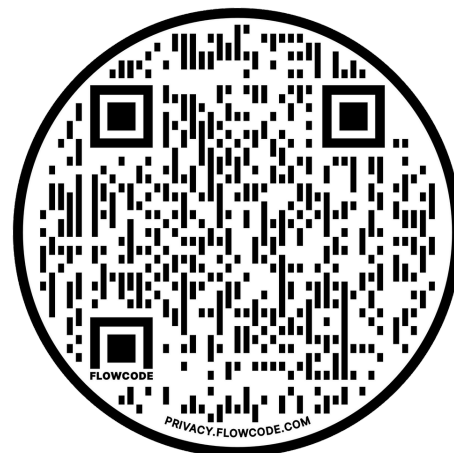
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your offering in
the secure
dropbox next to
the main entrance



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App Store or in
Google Play

Giving Affirmation

"LORD IT IS WITH A
CHEERFUL HEART THAT I
JOIN YOU WHERE YOU ARE
WORKING AND SOW THIS
SEED TODAY. I GIVE IT AS
AN ACT OF WORSHIP WHILE
MEETING THE NEED'S OF
THIS LOCAL CHURCH FOR
THE EXPANSION OF YOUR
KINGDOM BECAUSE I KNOW
YOU WILL RESPOND. I
DECREE THAT THE NEEDS
OF MY FAMILY ARE MET
SPIRITUALLY, PHYSICALLY.
AND FINANCIALLY.
IN JESUS' NAME, AMEN."



SCAN THE QR CODE TO VIEW THE BULLETIN, FILL
OUT A CONNECT CARD, GIVE ONLINE, CHECK IN
FOR M.O. TOWN, FIND SMALL GROUPS, AND
MUCH MORE!

Welcome our newest members

Wilma Crisp
Shamekia Gwin
Cedric Garner
Roosevelt Curry
Scherri Wilson
Connie Martin
Brianna Baker
Keyana Brooks
Patricia Newsome

LET'S CELEBRATE

Is Your Birthday or Anniversary Missing?
Let us celebrate with you! If your special
day hasn't been listed in the bulletin, please
email the church office at
mtolivejoliet@gmail.com
to be added.

ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

1/2 Trinity Morgan
1/4 Diane Harris
1/4 Regina Martin
1/4 Princess Johnson
1/4 Cheyenne McGinnis
1/5 Shanita Tidwell
1/6 Tashia Martin
1/6 Demetruis Brown
1/6 Demetris Anderson
1/6 Jayceon Plummer
1/6 Alanzo Hill
1/7 Kareeana Carter
1/11 Irma Moulton
1/11 Connie Martin
1/11 Brayden Blue
1/13 Velencia Sutton
1/13 Nate Martin
1/14 Ivina Latham
1/16 Zian Greene
1/17 Mya Gatson
1/17 Melissa Parker
1/19 Shawn Matthews
1/22 Tangia Peten
1/25 Rashid Bell
1/25 Timothy Susdorf
1/26 Rose Heath
1/26 Victor Bailey
1/28 Nannette Woods
1/29 Kera Page



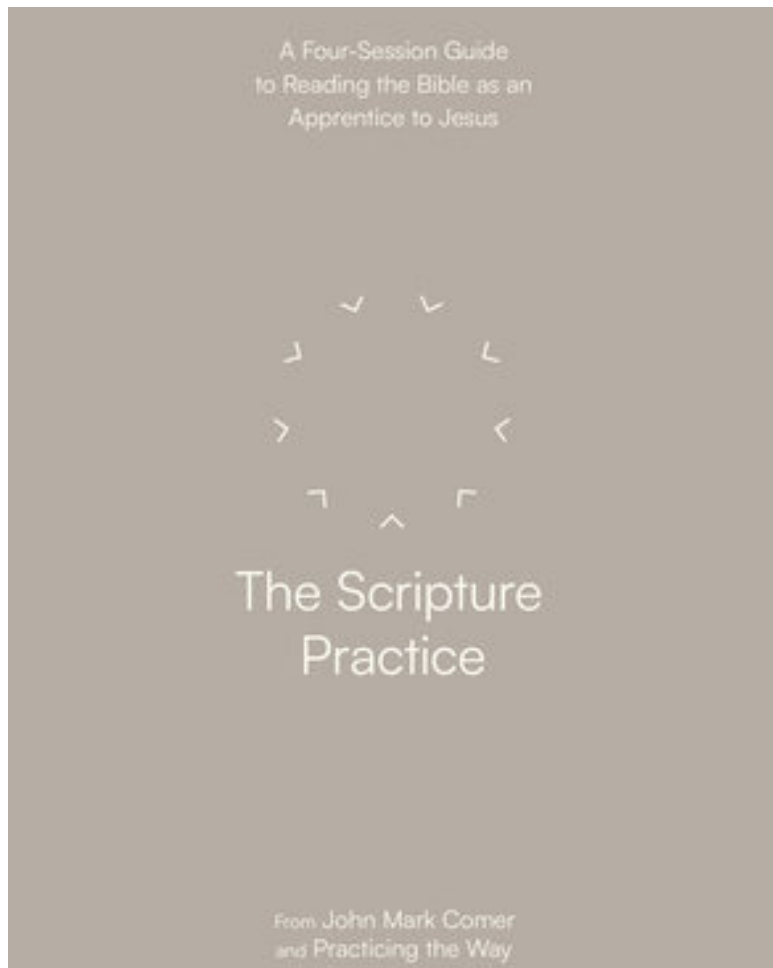

THE CHRISTIAN LIVING CORNER



**Album of the Week:
Fresh Start Worship
– Fresh Start Worship**

Fresh Start Worship is a Spirit-filled project that centers on renewal, hope, and the transforming presence of God. With heartfelt lyrics and congregational worship moments, this album creates space for listeners to reflect, surrender, and begin again in God's grace. Each song points toward restoration—reminding us that no matter our past, God offers mercy, renewal, and a fresh start.

Blending contemporary worship sounds with sincere expressions of faith, Fresh Start Worship is ideal for personal devotion or corporate worship. It invites believers to lift their hearts in praise and embrace the new work God desires to do in and through them.



**RightNow Media Study of the
Week: The Service Practice
Teacher: Tyler Staton**

Service is not just something Christians do—it's a way of life shaped by Jesus Himself. In The Service Practice, pastor and author Tyler Staton explores what it truly means to follow Christ by loving and serving others with humility, faithfulness, and compassion. This study invites believers to see service not as obligation or burnout, but as a spiritual practice that forms us to become more like Jesus. Through biblical teaching and practical insight, Staton helps us understand how everyday acts of service—both seen and unseen—become a powerful way to partner with God in His work in the world. The Service Practice challenges us to lay down self-interest, embrace sacrificial love, and rediscover the joy of serving as an expression of our devotion to Christ.



Prayer List

Sick & Shut in

David Hampton
Faye Devers
Christina Moran
Sis. Doris Bruton

In Bereavement

Sis. Mary Patterson & Family
The Family of Alice Bell
Sis. Arthetta Reeder & Family
Sis. Cathy Smith-Harris

Hospitalized



Stay in the know about all things happening at Mt. Olive by receiving text message updates. Simply text the word "Join" to 877.217.5602

Text to Give

Take advantage of our text-to-give option. Simply text any dollar amount (example: \$5 text 5 or \$100 text 100) to (833) 800-5897 and follow the prompts.***



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