

SERMON NOTES

SCRIPTURE:

TITLE:

SPEAKER:

DATE:



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Rev. Wendell Martin, Pastor



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.

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



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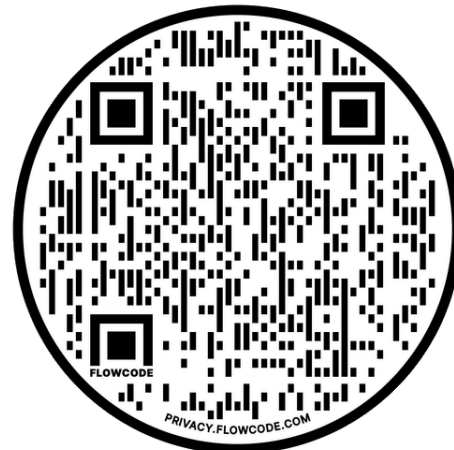
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your offering in
the secure
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the main entrance



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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

Alexis Harris
Samantha Weber
Linda Jones
Addyson Vidales
Kenneth Tyler
Brad McCullum
Terell Hill
Evelyn McGowan
Timothy Susdorf

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

- 8/6 Cal & Doris Bruton celebrating 56 years
- 8/20 Eric & Rosalind Lanier celebrating 38 Years
- 8/20 Allan & Theresa Washington celebrating 38 Years

BIRTHDAYS

8/1 Richard Welch	8/22 David Castellanos
8/1 Carolyn White	8/23 Dante Mays
8/6 Larry Hall, Sr.	8/23 Taureon Thompson
8/7 Beverly Porter	8/23 Evelyn Roubisoff
8/8 Armarie Bates	8/24 Leo Morgan
8/8 Rev. Brian Cooper	8/24 Lamorrah Dixon
8/8 Jeyah Malone	8/24 Philip Halliburton
8/10 Jason Rickmon	8/25 Legacies Porter
8/11 David Hampton, Jr.	8/25 Roosevelt Curry
8/11 LeTieles Baker	8/26 Kendall Cobbs
8/13 Genita Hayward	8/26 Amarion Bradley
8/14 Trinity Allen	8/28 Shane Mitchell
8/15 Avalyn Martin	8/29 Reginald Brown
8/15 Theresa Sales-Martin	8/29 Kimberly Philips
8/15 Danny Cochran	8/29 Victoria Charleston
8/17 Kelly Curry	8/29 Kearra Jakes
8/17 Robert Walker	8/30 Corissa Nobles
8/17 Nashantee Amos	8/31 Tia Robinson
8/17 Stetson Martin	
8/19 Nykkia Crane	
8/19 Mary Thompson	
8/20 Taleasha Daivs	
8/21 Isaiah Kerr	
8/21 Susan Brass	
8/22 Stephen Martin	



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rededication of Rev. A.M. Varnado Park

Join the Joliet Park District for the rededication of Rev. Alva M. Varnado Park located at 206 Monroe St. (Water St. & McDonough St.) during the “South E.N.D.” Picnic 2026. Saturday, August 22 at 3:00 p.m. Rev. Varnado served as Pastor of Mt. Olive from 1951-1970 and again from 1981-1983. Come help celebrate this great occasion.

Baptism Sunday

August 23rd is the 4th Sunday and you know what that means here at Mt. Olive...it's BAPTISM SUNDAY! If you've received Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and are ready to make an outward declaration of your inward conviction, Scan the QR code today or visit mtolivejoliet.org to register.

Lebanon District Annual Session

Join the Lebanon Baptist District Association for our 67th Annual Session; August 24–26 at 6:30 PM nightly at Shiloh Baptist Church in Lockport. This year's celebration is centered around the theme “Better Together” from Ecclesiastes 4:9–12. Across three powerful nights, our Auxiliary Presidents and Moderator will share their Annual Addresses, we'll celebrate the work God is doing throughout our district, and most importantly, we'll gather together to WORSHIP!

Next Steps Ministry

God is doing something new at Mt. Olive, and you can be part of it! Our Next Steps Ministry is looking for volunteers to help guests and members take their next step in their faith journey—from welcoming first-time guests to connecting people with classes, baptism, small groups, and serving opportunities.

Whether your gifts are in hospitality, teaching, administration, organization, or encouragement, there's a place for you to serve. Visit mtolivejoliet.org/visionbuilder or visit the table in the lobby.

JoyFest 2026 | September 19–20

JoyFest is coming September 19–20, and there's a place for you to be part of it!

Vendor registration is officially open for Saturday's JoyFest Marketplace, and we're also looking for volunteers to help us serve our community throughout the weekend.

Want to help us spread the word? Sponsorship packets are available in the lobby to share with local businesses and organizations.

Whether you want to serve, sponsor, or become a vendor, visit mtolivejoliet.org/joyfest to get started. Let's bring joy, build community, and show the love of Christ beyond the walls of our church.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, August 16, 2026

COUNTDOWN

Worship Screens

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister

WORSHIP IN SONG | Voices of Praise

"The Medley (Remember When)" as ministered by William Smith & Renewed Voices For Christ

SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER

Minister

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS & STUDENT DISMISSAL

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VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Screens

WORSHIP IN GIVING

WORSHIP IN SONG | PRAISE TEAM

“There's Power” as ministered by Lonnie Hunter & The Voices of St. Mark

PREACHED WORD

Rev. Wendell Martin, Senior Pastor

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Minister

CLOSING REMARKS & BENEDICTION

The Intecessory Prayer Team is available at the altar after each worship gathering for those in need of special prayer.

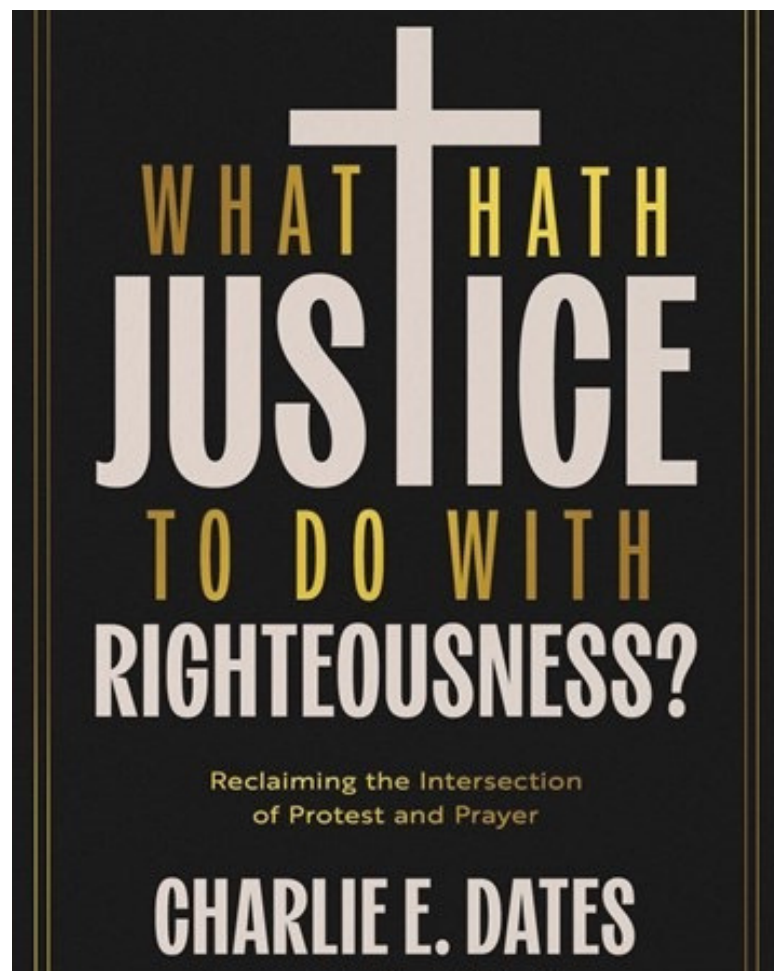
THE CHRISTIAN LIVING CORNER



“Again”
Judah Band

Acclaimed gospel outfit Judah Band, is proud to announce the release of their powerful new album, AGAIN.

AGAIN is more than just a musical project—it is a collection of nine songs that take you on a spiritual journey focused on restoration, faith, and renewal. Featuring soaring vocal stacks and infectious energy, the record weaves a rich tapestry of inspirational sounds designed to uplift, encourage, and remind listeners that it is time to "live again".



What Hath Justice to Do With
Righteousness?

Rev. Dr. Charlie E. Dates

In What Hath Justice to Do with Righteousness?, Rev. Dr. Charlie E. Dates provides a biblical and historical overview of the bond between these two pillars of the Christian faith that challenges our assumptions, renews our understanding, and invites us into a new movement of protest and prayer. Dates challenges assumptions, exposes divisions, and delivers a call to action for both protest and prayer. Prepare to be called, inspired, and equipped to resist systemic injustice on biblical grounds and embody both justice and righteousness in every step you take.



Prayer List

Health Concerns

David Hampton
Faye Devers
Mary Patterson
Sydney Martin
Stephen Martin

Bereavement

Lonnie Brass & Family
Rev. Ronald & Donald Johnson and Family
Yvonne Smith & Family
Sis. Jessica McNeal & Family
Sis. Natasha Nelson & Family



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Text to Give

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