



# PEACE

*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace,  
good will toward men.*

LUKE 2:14



## Worship Service

December 7, 2014-7:30a.m. & 10:45a.m.

### TIME OF GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION.....Rev. Gregory J. Jackson

HYMN OF CELEBRATION .....#54 "Angels, We Have Heard..."

\*THE ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Pastoral Emphasis

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING..... Pastor Jackson

THE READING OF THE EPISTLE..... Philippians 1:3-11

#### Litany:

LEADER: Last Sunday we lit the first candle in our Advent Wreath, the candle of hope. We light it again as we remember that Christ, who was born in Bethlehem, will come again to fulfill all of God's promises to us.

*(a person lights the candle of hope)*

Congregation: The second candle of Advent is the Candle of Peace. Peace is a word that we hear a lot. It is one of the things that we hope for. Christ brought peace when he first came to us and he will bring everlasting peace when he comes again.

LEADER: The prophet Isaiah called Christ "the Prince of Peace". When Jesus came he taught people the importance of being peace makers. He said that those who make peace shall be called the children of God.

Congregation: We light the candle of peace to remind us that Jesus is the Prince of Peace and that through him peace is found.

*(a person lights the candle of peace)*

LEADER: Peace is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at this candle we celebrate the peace we find in Jesus Christ.

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UNISON: Let us pray: Thank you God for the peace you give us. We ask that as we wait for all your promises to come true, and for Christ to come again, that you would remain present with us. Help us today, and every day to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your peace with each other. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING .....#581, "The Lord's Supper"

INTERCESSORY PRAYER ..... Deacon Robert H. Robinson  
Deacon Ralph Shaw

MINISTRY OF SHARING..... Benevolent Offering

\*THE WELCOME OF VISITORS ..... Hospitality Ministry

THE OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING..... Malachi 3:1-4

THE PRAISE REPORT OF HEALING ..... Deacons

PRAYER OF HEALING & INTERCESSION... .....Altar Call

### THE PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OFFERINGS



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### THE SPOKEN WORD

THE NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING.....Luke 3:1-6

\*SERMONIC SELECTION.....United Voices Choir

MINISTRY OF THE WORD .....Rev. Gregory J. Jackson

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE CALL TO SALVATION & CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

ORDINANCE OF COMMUNION..... Church Covenant

THE DOXOLOGY & BENEDICTION

\*Worshippers may enter the sanctuary

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The Advent wreath is a Christian tradition that symbolizes the passage of the four weeks of Advent. It is a circular candle holder that typically holds five candles. During the season of Advent one candle on the wreath is lit each Sunday until all of the candles, including the fifth candle, are lit on Christmas Day. Each candle represents an aspect of the spiritual preparation for the celebration of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Most Advent wreaths use three colors of candles – purple, pink, and white.

As with many long-standing customs, the origins of the Advent wreath are somewhat debated. Some histories of the advent wreath say that Christians simply adapted an even earlier custom from pre-Christian Germanic tribes. Supposedly, then, these pagan people tried to break the darkness of winter with candles and invoke the sun god to return with the warmth and light of spring. In addition, the evergreen wreath would remind them that there is still life and the circle of time would again come back to spring.

According to this viewpoint, Christians later placed new and Biblical meaning to the old customs. Now the candles pointed to Jesus, the Light of the world (John 3:17-21.) The evergreen wreath now reminded believers that our Savior God grants new and everlasting life in Jesus. The wreath was also a symbol of victory, for a garland wreath was often placed on victors in contests or conquests. So naturally, a Christian can think of the crown of life that Jesus has won for us. The four candles in an Advent wreath would then emphasize the four week period of penitence and preparation during Advent, as we eagerly await the coming of the Light of the world to bring new life and hope.

The advent wreath became quite popular in homes in post-Reformation Germany. It seems pretty certain that in many German homes families had a custom of lighting four candles during advent, candles placed in a wreath of evergreens. When these candles were lit, Scripture and prayer was part of the custom and the family devotion time was a time of instructing the children about Christ's coming. Later, the custom crossed over different denominational lines and other faith traditions adapted its use. Today, you can find Advent wreathes in many Protestant and Roman Catholic churches.

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## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS TO BE PLACED IN THE BULLETIN MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 9:00 A.M. TUESDAY MORNING, (via email at [officemanager@mountolivebaptist.org](mailto:officemanager@mountolivebaptist.org) if possible). **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS MONDAY-FRIDAY, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.** Announcements, letters and flyers must be approved by the office before distribution. Please continue to check the website [www.mountolivebaptist.org](http://www.mountolivebaptist.org) for additional and updated information.

- Please turn off cell phones, pagers and other devices during worship.
- Please, No food or drink in the sanctuary at any time.
- Your support and contributions of \$10.00 to the **BIRTHDAY CLUB** continues to help to pay down the principal on the Family Life Center. Your support is appreciated.

### Monthly Schedule:

- Sunday Worship Services: 7:30am & 10:45am
- Sunday School, 9:30am; New Members Class in the Ray Agnew Banquet Room, FLC
- Communion and Right Hand of Fellowship 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays (for all new members who have completed the New Members' classes)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, Baby Dedication during 10:45 am service
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Baptism during 10:45 am service
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Youth Sunday; 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays Youth Church at 12:30pm in the Ray Agnew Banquet Room, FLC
- Senior Bible Study, Wednesdays, 11am, Fellowship Hall
- Wednesday, Hour Power-12noon; Prayer Services & Bible Study-7pm-in the Sanctuary
- **GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT MINISTRY** on hiatus until after November
- Have you placed your name or your family's name, your favorite Bible verse or quote on the Tree of Life? (Forms are available outside church office). Gold leaf: \$500; Silver leaf: \$300; Bronze leaf: \$150 Rocks: Small-\$1000; Medium-\$1500; Large-\$2000
- **THE GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRY** meets on the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Sunday of the month at the Teaneck Nursing Home, 1104 Teaneck Road, from 2pm-3pm. Volunteers are welcome. See Rev. Ella Hayes.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE CHURCH.** . To honor God and the Holy Spirit, we ask that **you PLEASE DO NOT CONSUME, BRING FOOD OR DRINK INTO THE SANCTUARY AT ANY TIME.** The Crying room and Fellowship Hall is available for parents to sit with small children who may be restless, and you can continue to observe the service. Please dispose all gum, wrappers, tissues, etc., in the receptacles at the entrance. Thank you for your cooperation.

Worship Service Live Audio streaming: [www.wmocradio.net](http://www.wmocradio.net)

- **FOOD DONATION:** Please remember to bring food donation for the pantry. We thank you for your donation which is a big help for those in need in this community.
- The **UGLY HOLIDAY SWEATER** Dinner Dance is cancelled.



### Attention New Members

Your are cordially invited to attend a  
**New Members Reception Sunday, December 14,**  
2014 (after the 10:45 am service)

In the Family Life Center

The presidents of the ministries will be available to give you information about their ministry with an opportunity to join. Please invite family members. A light meal will be served.

On the third Sunday in each month, all persons who have joined the church since January are encouraged to come out for a *"meet-and-greet"* with other new members, along with Pastor Jackson, Rev. Hilton, and the officers of the church at 9:30am in the Ray Agnew Room.

This is a one-on-one opportunity to ask any questions or express any concerns you may have with the Pastor. You will also be informed about matters of the church and you will get to know some of the officers of the church. No sign up needed.

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- Auxiliary Presidents, Date Claiming is Saturday, December 20, at 10am in Room 20. Contact your spiritual advisor for election of 2015 officers; Officer Installation service is January 25 during 10:45am worship service.
- **PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO HOUR OF POWER SERVICE** on December 24 and December 31.

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2 hours per week of Worship

2 hours per week of Study

Personal Devotion

Sunday School

Bible Class

2 hours per week of service to your Church

2 hours per week of service to the world

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**Christmas Play Rehearsal Schedule**

(meet Deaconess Boyd in the Life Center Banquet Hall)

Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> & 13 @ 11am

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> after 10:45am service

Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm

**FULL DRESS REHEARSAL:** Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup> @ 11am

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The Sunday School Ministry is hosting a trip to  
Sight and Sound Theatre, Lancaster, PA, to see the play,

**MOSES**

Date: December 27, 2014; show time @11am

Adults: Age 19+, \$75; Teens: Age 13-18, \$45; Child: Age 3-12, \$30

The price includes transportation, entrance to the show, and a box lunch.

All interested in going please sign up in bookstore.

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Thank you to all who have selected a name from the Angel tree, located on the bookstore door. We appreciate your commitment to make a difference to bring a smile to the faces of children during the holiday season.

There are a few more names available. Please help out a child this holiday season.

Gifts should be dropped off to the church no later than  
**Wednesday, December 17.**

The families are being invited to a special gathering on Saturday, December 20, 12noon-2pm in the Fellowship Hall for gift distribution.

**Happy Holidays and Thank You!!**



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# Mount Olive Baptist Church Youth Ministry December FUN Storm of Events

## December 6: Paintballing

Where: Long Live Paintball  
Address: 1989 Englishtown Rd.  
Monroe Township, NJ 08831  
Phone: 732-656-9566



Arrive at Church for Breakfast: 7am  
Depart Church: 7:45am  
Return to Church: 2pm  
Cost: \$30

## December 13

### Youth Christmas Party

Where:  
Logan Family Life  
Center  
Time: 7pm-11pm



## December 14:

### Youth & Children's Church

Where: Logan Family Life Center  
Time: 10:45am

## December 26:-27: Teens Lock-In

Where: Logan Family Life Center &  
Garden State Plaza  
Students Arrive at: 8pm



Events: Learning Activities  
Next Day-December 27:  
Mall Scavenger Hunt  
Student Pick-Up: 5pm

## December 28:

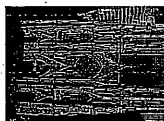
### Youth & Children's Church

Where: Logan Family Life Center  
Time: 10:45am

## December 28: Trip to NYC

- St. Patrick's Cathedral (Address: 5th Ave, New York, NY 10022/ Phone-(212) 753-2261)
- Christmas Tree (Rockefeller Center)
- Studio Museum Harlem (Address: 144 W 125th St, New York, NY 10027/ Phone-(212) 864-4500)

Depart after Youth Church:  
12pm  
Return to Church: 6pm  
Cost: \$3 for Students 13 and older



## January 3rd:

### Children's Trip to Fun Force

Where: Fun Force  
Address: 551 Main Ave  
Wallington, NJ 07057  
Phone: 973-777-0767

Cost per student: \$25

## CHRISTMAS AT MOUNT OLIVE



"LOVE CAME DOWN"  
Sunday, December 21

Sunday School Christmas Play  
9am in the Family Life Center

One Worship Service - 11am

Candlelight Service - 5pm  
Bring your family and friends  
and celebrate together.

December 31 Watch Night Worship Service - 10pm

We will gather in THE LOGAN after service for a  
"Pot Luck" family celebration.

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## ALTAR GUILD Holiday Poinsettia Sale

CHRISTMAS IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

PLACE YOUR ORDER FOR POINSETTIAS

NOW!

POINSETTIAS ARE \$10.00

PLEASE PRINT NAMES CLEARLY

IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

OR

IN HONOR OF: \_\_\_\_\_

PURCHASED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

SOLD BY: \_\_\_\_\_

COLORS: RED ☐ or WHITE ☐

YOUR REQUEST WILL APPEAR IN THE CHURCH BULLETIN IF

RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 14, 2014.

ALL FLOWERS SOLD ARE TO REMAIN IN SANCTUARY THE

UNTIL AFTER THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM ON SUNDAY,

DECEMBER 21, 2014

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Church Calendar - December 7-20, 2014						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>7</b> <b>ADVENT</b> 9:30am Sunday School New Mbrs Class—FLC	<b>8</b> 7p Prayer Line 6:30p Diabetes Support Grp rm.20 6-10p-Drama-FLC	<b>9</b> 7p SS teachers rm.8 7:30p NA—FH 7:30pm Nurses	<b>10</b> 11a Senior Bible Study 12p Hour Power 7p Prayer/Bible Study/Teen Bible Study 8p NA-FH	<b>11</b> 6a Intercess Prayer-Sanc 6:30p Grief Support-King Rm 7:30p Home Missions-FH	<b>12</b> 6-8p-Kids Zone-Arts-FH	<b>13</b> 7a Intercess Prayer 12-2 SEI Mtg. Rm. 20 2-6p-FH-Event
<b>14</b> <b>ADVEN</b> 1pm- NEW MBRS RE-CEPTION Baby Dedication Youth Church 9:30am Sunday School New Mbrs Class—FLC	<b>15</b> 7p Prayer Line 6-10p-Drama-FLC	<b>16</b> 7:30p NA-FH 7:30 Trustees Mtg	<b>17</b> 11a Senior Bible Study 12p Hour of Power-Sanc 7p Prayer/Bible Study/Teen Bible Study 8p NA-FH	<b>18</b> 6a Intercess Prayer 7:30p H&W Mtg. 6:30p Grief Support-King Rm 10am Food Pantry	<b>19</b> 7p Men's Ministry 6:30p Girl Scouts-rm 26 6-8p-Kids Zone-Arts-FH WOW Fellowship-FLC	<b>20</b> 7a Intercessory Prayer 1p-3p Men-toring SS Setup in FLC 12n-2p-Angel Tree Party-FH 10AM - 2015 Date Planning-Rm. 20



# MOUNT OLIVE MUSIC & ARTS CALENDAR—DECEMBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
7 #54 "Angels, We Have Heard on High" 7:30a—United Voices	8	9 6:30p-Adult P&W 7:30pm W.O.W. Chor/Young	10	11 6:15p-Youth/Teens&Christ 7:30p-9:15p United Voic- es/Christmas	12
14 #52 "While Shepherds Watched their Flocks... 7:30a-WOW 10:45a-Young Adults 5p-NIDMBA Christ- mas Concert	15	16 7:30p Young Adults	17	18 6:15p-Youth/Teens&Christ 7:00p Christmas Dress Rehearsal	19
21 # 6 "Joyful, Joy- ful, We Adore Thee" 11:00a—Youth/ Teens&Christ 5p - CANDLELIGHT	22	23 7:30p Inspirational Choir & M.O.P.	24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26
28 #61 "Joy to World" 7:30a M.O.P. 10:45a Inspirational	29	30 7:30p-United Voices/	31 10p WATCH NIGHT		

## Church Calendar December 21, 2014–January 3, 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
21- ADVENT 9am SS Christ- mas Play ONE SER- VICE @ 11AM 5pm CHRIST- MAS CAN- DLIGHT SERVICE	22 7p Prayer Line	23 7p SS teachers rm.8 7:30p NA-FH 7p Educ Scholarship	24 CHRISTMAS EVE NO HOUR OF POWER	25 CHRIST- MAS DAY Vicky Thom- as serving dinner-FH OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27 Sunday School trip to Sight and Sound
28 Baptism Youth Church 9:30a SS/New Mbrs Class— FLC	29	30 7p SS Teach- ers Rm 8	31 NO HOUR OF POWER: 10p-Watch NIGHT SER- VICE— gathering af- ter service in FLC	JANUARY 1, 2015 NEW YEAR'S DAY-Office Closed	2 OFFICE CLOSED	3 4-8-FH Event 12n-9p- FLC Event

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 HOLY COM- MUNION Worship 7:30/10:45am 9:30a SS/New Mbrs Class— -FLC	5 7p Prayer Line 6:30p For- eign Mis- sions	6 Epiphany 7:30pNA -FH 7p-SS Tchrs 7p-Ushers 7p Nurses	7 11a Senior Bi- ble Study 12p Hour of Power 7p Prayer / Bible Study 8pm NA-FH	8 6a Interces- sory Prayer 7:30p MLK Choir Re- hearsal	9	10 7a Interces- sory -Sanc 12-2p-Lola Sims-Chapel 9-10 Exercise class
11 Worship 7:30/10:45A M 9:30a SS/ New Mbrs Class-FLC 4-7p-Baby Shower-FH	12 7p Prayer Line 6:30p Dia- betes Grp	13 7:30pNA -FH 7p-SS Tchrs	14 11a Senior Bi- ble Study 12p Hour of Power 7p Prayer / Bible Study 8pm NA-FH	15 6a Interces- sory Prayer 10am Food Pantry	16	17 7a Interces- sory Prayer- Sanc 1p- Mentoring 12-2p-Lola Sims-chapel 10am MLK Choir Re- hearsal

**SICK & SHUT IN at Nursing Homes/Hospitals**

Deaconess Pauline McCall ..... Bristol Manor Nsg. Home, Rochelle Park, NJ  
 Sis. Aloma Price ..... Ctr. For Nrsng. & Rehab, 520 Prospect Pl., Bklyn, NY 11238  
 Bro. Darryl Folsom ..... Oak Ridge Rehabilitation Ctr., Wayne, NJ 07470  
 Sis. Deloris Bullock-Morris ..... Kessler Rehabilitation Center, Saddle Brook  
 Sis. Helen Heard ..... Woodcrest Nsg. Home, 100 River Road, New Milford,  
 Sis. Sylvia Mizell ..... Hospital for Special Surgery

**SICK & SHUT IN at Home**

Bro. Noel Wilson ..... 1085 Tuxedo Sq., Teaneck, 07666  
 Sis. June Fields ..... 280 Stanley Place, Hack., 07601  
 Sis. Commry Clarke ..... 302 E. 119<sup>th</sup> St., Apt. 1B, NYC, 10035  
 Bro. Clinton Jackson ..... 49 Bogert St., Teaneck, 07666  
 Bro. Arthur Sims ..... 215 Second St., #22, Hack, 07601  
 Bro. James McCain ..... 220 Green St., Englewood, 07631  
 Sis. Carolyn Gaston ..... 49 Finnegan Ave., Apt #C7, Saddle Brook, 07663  
 Sis. Ruby Jones ..... 115 Humphrey St., Apt. A, Englewood, 07631  
 Sis. Elizabeth Daniels ..... 164 Beech St, #5F, Hackensack, 07601  
 Sis. Rosemary McCain ..... 100 W. Forest Ave., Teaneck, 07666

**PRAYER LIST**

Deaconess Ruthie Spruill ..... 184 Washington St., Hack., 07601  
 Sis. Wannetta Jones ..... 70 Polifly Rd. #315, Hack., 07601  
 Bro. John King ..... 164 Beech St, #6C, Hack., 07601  
 Sis. Dollie Cheek ..... 31-51 First St, A3, Hack., 07601  
 Sis. Ollie Atkins ..... 302 Berry St., Hack., 07601  
 Rev. Merritt & Deaconess Mary Merritt ..... 164 Beech St., Hack., 07601  
 Sis. LaTonya Easter ..... P.O. Box 4053, River Edge, 07661  
 Sis. Dorothy Walton ..... 4543 Belfield Rd, Freeman, VA 23856  
 Sis. Eileen Honore ..... 172 Larch Avenue, Teaneck, 07666  
 Sis. Roberta Hughery ..... 299 Park St., Hackensack, 07601  
 Sis. Dottie Williams ..... 99 Hirliman Road, Teaneck, 07666  
 Sis. Peggy Allen ..... 101 Prospect Ave., 5F, Hack, 07601  
 Sis. Sheron Keeling ..... Teaneck, NJ  
 Sis. Ruth Kent ..... New York, NY  
 Sis. Jacqueline Cobb-Johnson ..... 22 Garfield St., Little Ferry, 07643  
 Sis. Mary Jones ..... Hackensack, NJ

If you have suffered loss in your family or in the event of hospitalization or extended illness, please (have a family member or hospital staff) contact the church office at 201.489.6888. Please contact the office when your status changes.

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