



## TRINITY 10

Sunday, August 5, 2018, 8:30 & 10:00 AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

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**Welcome!** In the name of our risen Savior we welcome you to Mt. Olive and thank you for worshipping with us. If you are a guest, please fill out a **Guest Card** (found in front of you in the hymnbook rack) or sign our guest book in the entry. We invite you to come and worship with us again soon. **Large Print** copies of the order of service from the ELS Hymnary are available from the usher stand in the back of the sanctuary. **For the Hearing Impaired:** Our facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for a receiver.

**Explanation of the Week:** *As Christians, God has given us duties and obligations to follow. These can be very challenging for us—especially the task of repentance. We must admit our wrongs and lovingly encourage those around us to do likewise. This has been God's repeated message to His people—as we hear through His prophets: "Amend your ways and your doings." (Jer. 7:1-7). Those who are not repentant—who are not fulfilling these duties and obligations—are failing because they lack true faith in God. Through faith we leave behind our own unrighteousness and failures and receive Christ's righteousness and success. Not only does faith in Christ impart His righteousness to us, it causes love to flow out of our hearts. It inspires us to cheerfully and happily carry out our duty and obligations as God's servants. We then work together as dutiful servants of God, making use of the different gifts that we each have, showing love to each other and to God, glorifying Him as we serve Him and for the good of His kingdom (1 Cor. 12:1-11).*



I. The Service of Preparation

*(We prepare ourselves for worshiping God by acknowledging our unworthiness to stand before Him, and by receiving His forgiveness through absolution (forgiveness). We respond with thanks and joy.)*

~**Prelude** — *Preservice music & opportunity for prayer*

*(See "Prayers for Worship"  
—ELH p. 40)*

~**Opening Hymn 27, vv. 1, 2 O Holy Spirit, Enter In**

~**Invocation** — *Calling upon the Triune God*

*(ELH p. 60; Matt. 28:19)*

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **♫ Amen.**

~**Confession & Absolution** — *Admitting Our Guilt & Receiving God's Forgiveness*

*(ELH p. 60 #1; Ps 124:8, Ps 32:5)*

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **♫ Who made heav'n and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord;

C: **♫ And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

**C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: I ask each of you, in the presence of God who searches the heart: Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins?

C: **I do.**



**take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For You only are holy. You only are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

~**Salutation** — *The People's Blessing for the Pastor's Work*

(ELH p. 66; 2 Tim 4:22)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ **And with your spirit.**

~**Collect** — *The Congregation's Prayer of the Day*

(ELH p. 66; p. 160, #100)

P: Let us pray: O God, You declare Your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant that we, who by Your grace in Christ have been made partakers of Your heavenly treasure, may cheerfully serve You also in this life, walking in the way of Your commandments; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

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## II. The Service of the Word



*(After receiving the forgiveness of sins, we thanked God by singing His praises and praying to Him. He now increases our faith through His holy Word which we hear through the Lessons and especially through the Sermon where God's Word is applied to our lives today.)*

### ~Old Testament Lesson

**Jeremiah 7:1-7** The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, "Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, 'Hear the word of the Lord, all you of Judah who enter in at these gates to worship the Lord!'" Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: "Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place. Do not trust in these lying words, saying, 'The temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord are these.'" "For if you thoroughly amend your ways and your doings, if you thoroughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbor, if you do not oppress the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and do not shed innocent blood in this place, or walk after other gods to your hurt, then I will cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers forever and ever.

## ~Epistle Lesson

**1 Corinthians 12:1-11** Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were deceived and somehow led away to mute idols. Therefore I am informing you that no one speaking by God's Spirit says, "A curse be upon Jesus," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. There are various kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of ministries, and yet the same Lord. There are various kinds of activity, but the same God, who produces all of them in everyone. Each person is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one person a message of wisdom is given by the Spirit; to another, a message of knowledge, as the same Spirit provides it; by the same Spirit, faith is given to someone else; and to another, the same Spirit gives healing gifts. Another is given powers to do miracles; another, the gift of prophecy; another, the evaluating of spirits; someone else, different kinds of tongues; and another, the interpretation of tongues. One and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them to each one individually as he desires.

## ~Nicene Creed — *Confession of faith*

(ELH p. 69)

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the Resurrection of the dead and the Life of the world to come. Amen.**

## ~Chief Hymn 226, vv. 4, 6, 7, 9 *By Grace God's Son, Our Only Savior*

## ~Holy Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text

**Luke 17:1-10** Jesus said to His disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! It would be better for that person if a millstone would be hung around his neck and he would be thrown into the sea than for him to cause one of these little ones to sin. Watch yourselves. "If your brother sins, rebuke him. If he repents, forgive him. Even if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times returns to you and says, 'I repent,' forgive him." The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord said, "If you had faith like a mustard seed, you could tell this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. Which one of you who has a servant plowing or taking care of sheep will say to him when he comes in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at the table'? Won't the master tell him instead, 'Prepare my supper, and after you are properly dressed, serve me while I eat and drink. After that you may eat and drink'? He does not thank the servant because he did what he was commanded to do, does he? So also you, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants. We have only done what we were supposed to do.'"

## ~Sermon Theme

*The Obligations of a Dutiful Servant*

1. *Being followers of Jesus Christ imposes some difficult obligations on us.*
2. *By faith we fulfill them all.*

## ~Offertory — *Prayer of Renewal before Offering*

*(ELH p. 70-71; Ps 51:10-12)*

**C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your free Spirit. Amen.**

## ~Offering & Hymn 331, v. 6 *From Morn to Eve My Theme Shall Be*

*(The members of Mt. Olive give offerings as a joyful response to what God has given them. These offerings support the work of Gospel ministry in our community and around the world. **Visitors:** Please do not feel obligated to participate in this offering. We ask you to fill out a Welcome Card and place that in the offering plate.)*

## ~Prayer of the Church

*(ELH p. 71-72)*

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

*(Special petitions are included)*

P: For..., let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: O Lord, heavenly Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit we faithfully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. We praise You for His victorious resurrection from the dead. We thank You for the strength of grace and majesty of faith which He bestows on the Church by virtue of His ascension to Your right hand, where He intercedes for us as our Advocate and High Priest. Grant that the Holy Spirit will gather us into the company of all the faithful from the ends of the earth, so that we may celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. In Your mercy receive our prayers. Deliver us and preserve us. To You alone we give all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.

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### III. The Service of Holy Communion



*(Following Christ's command, we receive His grace to us in the special meal He instituted for the forgiveness of our sins. Here, He feeds with His true body and His true blood in, with, and under the bread and wine. This is the same body which was born of the Virgin Mary, and the same blood which dripped down the wooden cross. This part of the liturgy is one of the oldest parts, dating back to at least the third century AD.)*

*Questions and prayers to assist in preparing for the Lord's Supper are found in the black hymnal, pp. 38-40.*

**Guests & Visitors:** *We practice "Close" or "Closed Communion" (or "Membership Communion"). We do this out of love and concern for you. We want to make sure that those who take this holy meal receive it as a blessing and not to their harm as Scripture warns. We also understand that those who come forward to take communion are professing a unity of faith with our congregation and are in full agreement with the teachings and doctrines of Mount Olive Lutheran Church and of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Therefore, we ask those who have not taken Holy Communion with us before to speak with a pastor before communing. Thank you.*

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**~Preface**

*(ELH p. 72 ff.; 2 Tim 4:22, Col 3:1, Ps 136)*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: ♪ And with your spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**C: ♪ It is good and right so to do.**

**~The Proper Preface**

*(ELH p. 75)*

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**~Sanctus — “Holy”**

*(ELH p. 76)*

**C: ♪ Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heav’n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**~Lord’s Prayer**

*(ELH p. 77-78; Mt. 6:9-13)*

P: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**C: ♪ For Thine is the kingdom and the pow’r and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**~Words of Institution**

*(ELH p. 78; Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)*

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: “Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: “Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**~The Pax Domini — “The Peace of the Lord”**

*(ELH p. 79; Jn 20:19)*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: ♪ Amen.**

~**Agnus Dei** — *“Lamb of God”*

*(ELH p. 79ff; Jn 1:29)*

**C: ♪ O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. Amen.**

~**Distribution**

*(Communicants come at the direction of ushers. During the Distribution, the congregation sings the following hymns:)*

**Hymn 314, vv. 1-3 *Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord***

**Hymn 324, v. 1 *O Jesus, at Your Altar Now***

**Hymn 314, vv. 4-7 *Offered Was He for Greatest and for Least***

**Hymn 324, v. 12 *This Feast Which You in Truth Prepared***

**Hymn 314, vv. 8-10 *He Who His Saints in This World Rules and Shields***

**Hymn 325 *O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee***

~**Dismissal** — *Assurance of blessing for those who have communed*

*(ELH p. 81)*

P: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His precious blood strengthen and preserve you in the true faith to everlasting life. Depart in peace. Amen.

~**Nunc Dimittis** — *“Now I Depart”*

*(ELH p. 81-82; Lk 2:29-32)*

**C: ♪ Lord, now You let Your servant depart in peace according to Your word. For my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.**

~**Collect of Thanksgiving**

*(ELH p. 83, II)*

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup;

**C: ♪ We proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.**

P: Let us pray: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

**C: ♪ Amen.**

~**Salutation** — *The people's blessing for the Pastor's work*

(ELH p. 84)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ **And with your spirit.**

~**Benedicimus** — *Call for blessing*

(ELH p. 84; 2 Cor. 13:14)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

~**Benediction** — *Final blessing for God's people*

(ELH p. 84; Num. 6:24-26)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: ♪ **Amen, amen, amen.**

~**Closing Hymn 2, v. 3** *Thou Holy Fire, Comfort True*

~**Postlude** — *Opportunity for prayer & to greet one another!*

(See "Prayers for Worship"

—ELH p. 40)

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*Preacher: Pastor John Petersen / Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich*

*Organists: 1<sup>st</sup>: Cassie Johnson / 2<sup>nd</sup>: Elisabeth Urtel*

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**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE**

**Sunday: 8:30am, 207; 10:00am, 236; Monday: 25**  
**GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$11,792.24**



***NEEDED EACH WEEK TO MEET ANNUAL BUDGET: \$17,400***

*2 Corinthians 8:9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.*

*Did you know you can give your offering online? Just go to [www.mtolivelutheran.org](http://www.mtolivelutheran.org) and click on the link, "donate on line." If you would like to continue using your assigned envelope, just **write the word "online" on the envelope and drop it in the plate** during the offering.*

***Mt. Olive Worship Services on TV:***

*Mt. Olive services are being shown on local cable channel 181 (Charter) and 7 & 507 (Consolidated Communications) on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM and Thursdays at 11:30 AM.*

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**SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK**

**Greeters:** Mark & Michelle Graham, Ernie & Marge Lillo

**Ushers: 1st Service:** Arden Olson (captain), Mark Graham,  
Matt Holt, Martin Langhorst, Greg Costello

**2nd Service:** Don Lehne (captain), Mark Johnson,  
Michael Torres, Matthias Leyrer

**Offering Counters:** Stacey Olsen, Seth Tweit

**Altar Guild:** Elyse Haugen, Carol Leiferman

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**WEEK AT A GLANCE: August 5, 2018—August 12, 2018**

<b>Sunday</b> August 5	8:30AM 9:30AM 10AM 1PM 7:30PM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion Anthem Choir Rehearsal Divine Service w/Holy Communion Encourage One Another Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
<b>Monday</b> August 6	10AM 6:30PM 6:45PM 7PM	Veterans Bible Study Group, HyVee Divine Service w/Holy Communion Board of Deacons Board of Education (note time change)
<b>Tuesday</b> August 7	8AM 6:30PM 7PM	Women's Bible Study - <i>Psalms</i> Jesus Cares Ministry Men's Chorus Rehearsal
<b>Wednesday</b> August 8	9AM 9AM	M.O.M.s playdate, Hiniker Pond Bible Study - <i>Daniel</i>
<b>Thursday</b> August 9	9AM-3:30PM 7PM	CDS Faculty Work Day M.O.M.s Bible Study
<b>Fri. Aug. 10</b>	12:30-5:30PM	Red Cross Blood Drive
<b>Saturday</b> August 11	9AM 8AM-12PM & 1-3PM	Christian Service Committee School Clean-Up
<b>Sunday</b> August 12	8:30AM 9:30AM 10AM 12PM 6PM 7:30PM	Divine Service Anthem Choir Rehearsal Divine Service Sudanese Community Potluck Picnic, Erlandson Park Artemis Video Gaming Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Flowers on the altar** today are given to God's glory by Bill & Suzanne Bohning.

**Meeting Time Change:** The Board of Education will be meeting on Monday, **August 6**, at **7PM**, rather than at 6:30 PM as previously published in the August edition of the *Olive Press*.

**FYI: Waxing** of the school room hallways is slated for **August 6-7**.

### **Building Committee Update**

On Sunday, July 29, the voters of Mt. Olive met and discussed the best way to proceed with the building project, as the estimated project cost had exceeded the \$1.0M in additional financing that had been previously approved by the voters. Items having the largest impact on estimated costs exceeding budget are as follows:

1. Additional requirements from the City of Mankato have resulted in additional costs for curb and gutter and additional parking.
2. Estimated savings of \$20,000 related to a change in roof construction turned out to be a savings of only \$2,000.
3. Additional needs/costs for technology infrastructure have been identified that were not included in the original project cost estimate.
4. Increases in material costs such as steel, which has increased by 33% since the China tariffs were imposed, have added additional cost to the project.

The decision was made by the voters to increase the approved funding for the building project to a potential \$1.2M (up from \$1.0M) to cover these additional costs. Also discussed were the possibilities of a couple of outside grant opportunities that will be explored by the Building Committee as well as the impact of volunteer help from congregation members during the project, all of which could potentially lower the final costs.

As of now the final construction documents have been completed and sent to WEB Construction, our Construction Manager at Risk. A Maximum Guaranteed Price Agreement is being drawn up to be signed by WEB and Mt. Olive.

Discussions are also underway regarding a formal groundbreaking ceremony and possible celebration as the project begins. Please watch and listen for information regarding this in the near future.

God has richly blessed Mt. Olive with His grace, His love, and His protection. Please continue to thank and praise Him for all His goodness toward us and pray that all aspects of this project be done to His glory and to the good of His children, both within our little flock and those yet to be reached by our mission.

**Anthem Rehearsal/Singing:** A group of young and older folks will be singing an anthem for the Sunday, **August 26**, service. Rehearsals will be between services on Sunday mornings (August 5, 12, and 19). Additional details can be found in the August issue of the *Olive Press*. If you have questions, contact Carl Bloedel (507-720-6593).

**M.O.M.s Study Group Summer Park Playdate:** Join M.O.M.s for a field trip on Wednesday, **August 8**, at Hiniker Pond in Mankato. More information can be found in the August issue of the *Olive Press*.

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** Mt. Olive will be hosting a Blood Drive on Friday, **August 10**, from 12:30 to 5:30PM. To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit their website at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code MTOLIVEKATO.

**School Clean-up:** Saturday, **August 11**, 8AM-noon (and 1-3PM if needed). **School parents and friends:** please plan to join us. Check the August issue of the *Olive Press* for more details.

**A hot lunch coordinator/supervisor** is needed for the 2018-19 school year at Mt. Olive CDS. Contact Principal Born (507-345-7927 or [principal@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:principal@mtolivelutheran.org)) if you are interested.

**Soccer & Volleyball Enthusiasts:** Mt. Olive Lutheran School is looking for volunteer coaches for the soccer and volleyball programs this fall. Practices will be Monday and Thursday afternoons for the soccer teams and Tuesday and Friday afternoons for the volleyball teams. The August issue of the *Olive Press* has additional information. Contact Craig Zibrowski by e-mail ([mrz@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:mrz@mtolivelutheran.org)) if you are interested or have questions.

**Ushers Needed!** Gentlemen: Mt. Olive is currently in need of usher volunteers (any confirmed male member) for first, and especially second, services for the 2018-2019 fiscal year (July 1-June 30). Contact David Reagles at [david.reagles@blc.edu](mailto:david.reagles@blc.edu) or (507)304-0941 if you are willing to serve.

**Summer Moms On a Mission (M.O.M.s) Bible Study** meets each Thursday in August at 7PM in the Fireside Room. See the August issue of the *Olive Press* for more details.

**Interested in a used popcorn machine?** The Mt Olive Booster Club is selling its old popcorn machine that was used in the concession stand. It still works well, but we need to make room for the new popcorn machine purchased last spring. We are asking \$200 for the popcorn machine or make an offer. If interested, please contact Craig Zibrowski ([mrz@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:mrz@mtolivelutheran.org)) to see the popcorn machine.

**Kwik Trip Cards:** Mt. Olive youth (grades 5-12) are selling Kwik Trip Cards as a fundraiser for our church youth activities. The groups currently receive 5% of the profits. Cards are sold between services on **Communion** Sundays year round. Contact Angie Younge: 389-9137 or Rebecca Strom: 386-0372 with questions.

**On the narthex table are copies of** the *Building On Our Mission* packets; **sign-up sheets for** volunteering at New 2 You and the School Clean-Up; the **June edition of** *Thoughts of Faith*; the **July edition of** the *Mission News & Helping Hands*; **August editions of** the *Olive Press* and the *ELS President's Newsletter*; the **June-September edition of** *Meditations Daily Devotions*; and **giving envelopes for** *MVL* memorials.

### **Within Our Synod**



Mission work always has received much attention in our Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Already at the 1918 convention, a Home Mission Board was established. Much of the early mission work in those days was found in supporting small groups who had been displaced or left without church buildings as a result of the merger of 1917. In 1918, the synod called two pastors to serve as missionaries-at-large in the upper Midwest.

### **At Bethany Lutheran College:**

**Apartment Needed:** A female BLC student is looking for an apartment to rent for the coming school year. If you or someone you know has a "basement" apartment available, please contact the church office at 345-4966. Thanks!

### **Available at Minnesota Valley Lutheran**

**MVL has openings** for a full-time Director of Mission Advancement and a part-time Food Service worker. See the August issue of the *Olive Press* for more details.

# MANKATO

## Sudanese Community

### POTLUCK PICNIC



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 12 @ 12:00 p.m.**

## **Erlandson Park**

101 N Belmont Dr.

Bring food to share.

Drinks, plates, napkins, forks will be provided.

Soccer, games, and other activities.

Hosted by area churches

St. Marks, St. Pauls, Peace, and Mt Olive

Sponsored by:

