



The Lord is Risen!

Easter Sunrise Service, April 21, 2019

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Sunday, April 21, 2019, 7:30 AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School, ELS

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Pastors John J. Petersen & Luke Ulrich / Principal Silas Born

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 **“Get Connected!”** card (found in front of you in the hymnbook rack). 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.

Order of Worship: The Office of Matins

*(pp. 109-119 in the hymnal—
the Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary (ELH))*

Our Easter Sunrise Service follows the order of worship known as “Matins.” “Matins”—from the Latin word for “morning”—is one of the main services the monks would sing together each day during the middle ages. The Lutheran church kept the Matins liturgy because its focus is on the reading and hearing of God’s Word. In this early morning hour we rejoice to hear God’s Word proclaim to us the Good News that “He Is Risen!”

~Prelude — *Preservice music & opportunity for prayer*

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

~Opening Hymn 352 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

~Confession of Sin — *Admitting our guilt & receiving God’s forgiveness* (ELH p. 109)

P: Dearly beloved! We have come together in the presence of God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at His hand, to set forth His most worthy praise, to hear His holy Word, and to ask for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and salvation. O come, let us worship Him! Let us kneel and bow down before Him. Let us confess our sins with penitent hearts, and obtain forgiveness by His infinite grace and mercy.

C: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the devices and desires of our hearts. We have offended against Your holy law. We have done those things which we should

not have done, and we have not done those things which we should have done. Have mercy on us, O Lord! Spare us and restore us, according to the promises You have declared to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord. For His sake grant that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord has granted us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins, grace for true repentance and amendment of life, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~**Versicles** — *Opening sentences*

(ELH p. 109 ff; Ps 51:15, Ps 70:1)

P: O Lord, open my lips.

C: ♪ And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: ♪ Make haste to help me, O Lord.

~**Gloria Patri** — *Glory to the Father*

(ELH p. 110)

C: ♪ 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. Alleluia!

~**Psalmody** — *Psalm 118* (read responsively)

(ELH, p. 112)

P: The LORD is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation.

C: The voice of rejoicing and salvation Is in the tents of the righteous; The right hand of the LORD does valiantly.

P: The right hand of the LORD is exalted; The right hand of the LORD does valiantly.

C: I shall not die, but live, And declare the works of the LORD.

P: The LORD has chastened me severely, But He has not given me over to death.

C: Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them, And I will praise the LORD.

P: This is the gate of the LORD, Through which the righteous shall enter.

C: I will praise You, For You have answered me, And have become my salvation.

P: The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone.

C: This was the LORD's doing; It is marvelous in our eyes.

P: This is the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

All: 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.

~**Hymn 351, vv. 1, 2, 7, 8** *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

~Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 52:13-15 Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high. Just as many were astonished at you, so His visage was marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men; so shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; for what had not been told them they shall see, and what they had not heard they shall consider.

~Senior Choir Responsory — *Christ Jesus Lay In Death's Strong Bands* (ELH Hymn 343, v. 1)

*Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands,
For our offenses given;
But now at God's right hand He stands
And brings us life from heaven;
Therefore let us joyful be
And sing to God right thankfully
Loud songs of Alleluia!
Alleluia!*

~Holy Gospel Lesson

Mark 16:1-8 When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so they could go and anoint Jesus. Very early on the first day of the week, at sunrise, they went to the tomb. They were saying to each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance to the tomb for us?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. He said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'" They went out and hurried away from the tomb, trembling and perplexed. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

~Apostles' Creed — *Confession of faith*

(ELH p. 46)

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

C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again

from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting. Amen.

~Chief Hymn 343, vv. 2-5 *No Son of Man Could Conquer Death*

~Exordium

~Exordium Hymn 348 *He Is Arisen! Glorious Word!*

~Epistle Lesson & Sermon Text

2 Timothy 2:8 Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, a descendant of David, in accordance with my gospel,

~Sermon Theme:

Three Words of Truth: "Remember He's Risen!"

~Offering and Canticle Hymn 359 *This Is the Feast*

*(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 "Get Connected!" card and place that in the offering plate.)*

~Kyrie — "Lord, Have Mercy"

(ELH p. 116)

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

~The Lord's Prayer

(ELH p. 117; Mt 6:9-13)

C: ♪ 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. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

~**Collect** — *In appreciation of God's gifts*

(ELH p. 118)

P: Let us pray: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, having safely brought us to the beginning of this day, defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doing, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; 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.**

~**Benedicamus** — *Call for blessing*

(ELH p. 119; 2 Cor. 13:14)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

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

(ELH p. 119; Num. 6:24-26)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

~**Closing Hymn 354, vv. 1, 2, 6** *Like the Golden Sun Ascending*

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

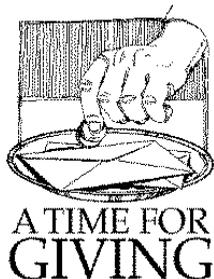
(See "Prayers for Worship"
—ELH p. 40)

Preacher: Pastor Luke Ulrich / Liturgist: Pastor John Petersen
Organist: Cassie Johnson / Choir Director: Elisabeth Urtel

On the narthex table are sign-up sheets for New2You volunteers and softball; **Camp Indianhead registration forms** and sign-up sheets; **registration forms for** MVL softball camp and summer camps, Scarville Lutheran School Olympics, and Lutheran Girl Pioneers camp; the **March edition of** *Mission News & Helping Hands*; **April editions of** the *Olive Press*, the *ELS President's Newsletter*, and *Thoughts of Faith*; and the **March 3-June 1 issue of** *Meditations Daily Devotions*.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:
Sunday: 8:30am, 365; 10:45am, 190

Monthly Giving Update:



Given to the General Fund (Mar. 1-31)	\$79,844.26
Given to the Building Fund (Mar. 1-31)	<u>\$32,533.00</u>
Total Given (Mar. 1-31)	<u>\$112,377.26</u>
General Fund Budgeted (July 1-Mar. 31) (\$75,425/month x 9 months)	\$678,825.00
General Fund YTD (July 1-Mar. 31)	<u>\$620,796.00</u>
<u>Difference (Shortfall)</u>	<u>(\$58,029.00)</u>

Psalm 116:12-13 What shall I render to the Lord / For all His benefits toward me? / I will take up the cup of salvation, / And call upon the name of the Lord.

*Did you know you can give your offering online? Just go to 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.

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK:

Greeters: 1st Service: Ernie & Marge Lillo,
Lois Otto

2nd Service: James & Carolyn Gates

Ushers: 1st Service: Ron Younge (captain), Brian Strom,
James Strom, Silas Born, Paul Gullixson

2nd Service: Jim Gullixson (captain), Peter Bloedel, Hans Bloedel,
David Gullixson, Spencer Olson

Offering Counters: Will Holt, Lance Schwartz

Altar Guild: Sharon Madson, Kristin Matzke, Lynette Merseth



Flowers adorning our sanctuary today are given in celebration of the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Rev. Ted & Diane , Mark and Paul Gullixson in honor of Ruth Webber
Mark & Michelle Graham in honor of loved ones
Becky Anton in honor of Robert & Ruth Kimble
Elli and Joe Fisher in honor of Ron Fisher and loved ones
Bill & Suzanne Bohning in honor of our parents
Kay & Roger Hislop in honor of loved ones
Paul & Mary Jane Tweit in honor of loved ones
Mark & Sharon Madson in honor of our parents
Sandy & Mark Johnson in honor of Mary & Orville Sampson
Laurie Kuster-Overn in honor of loved ones
Art & Terri Westphal in honor of loved ones
Ron & Mary Younge in honor of loved ones
Dave & Cindy Reimers in honor of our fathers and siblings
Steve & Lois Johnson in honor of Walt & Mildred Gullixson
Seth & Bethany Ferkenstad in honor of Ray & Irmgard Zielke and Lydia Kletscher
Kurt, Rose, and Evelyn Shrader in honor of Baby Gale
Jim & Carolyn Gates in honor of our parents



WEEK AT A GLANCE: April 21, 2019—April 28, 2019

Sunday, April 21	7:30AM 8:30AM 10AM	Easter Sunday Senior Choir Sings Sunrise Service Easter Breakfast Festival Service w/Holy Communion No Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
Monday, April 22	10AM	No CDS (Office Closed) Veterans Bible Study No Evening Service
Tuesday, April 23	8AM 1PM 7PM	Women's Bible Study, Old Testament Book "Job" Mt. Olive Crafters M.O.M.s Bible Study
Wednesday, April 24	8:05AM 9AM 4PM 6:30PM	Chapel Bible Study, "Portraits of Easter" Confirmation Classes PTF Large Group
Thursday, April 25	8:30AM 7PM	M.O.M.s Bible Study at Peace Confirmation Examination
Fri., Apr. 26	10:15AM	Pathstone Service
Saturday, April 27	8:45AM 5PM	Confirmation Photos & Rehearsal Board Game Night w/Potluck
Sunday, April 28	8:30AM 9:40AM 10:45AM 6PM 7:30PM	Confirmation Sunday Spring Connect Groups Start Divine Service Sunday School/BIC/Bible Study Divine Service & Confirmation Artemis Video Gaming Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Flowers: Many thanks to those who purchased flowers to beautify our altar today! If you have not yet paid for them, please stop in the office, and Annette or Gail will be happy to help you. Please take your flowers home today after the 10AM service to enjoy with your families.

Confirmation for 14 young people is scheduled for Sunday, **April 28**, at the 10:45AM service. In order to have adequate seating for the families and friends of the confirmands, please consider attending the 8:30AM service that day. Thank you!

Need a confirmation gift? The Bookstore at Bethany Lutheran College has many gifts available for confirmation, including prayer books, Confirmation keepsake books, the Lutheran Study Bible (ESV) and other Bibles, books, and confirmation hymn cards. Bibles and prayer books can be imprinted. The Bookstore is located on the second floor of the Old Main Building.

Our Spring Connect Group season will begin the week of **April 28** and end the week of May 26. There are a variety of Connect Groups who meet throughout the week to socialize and delve deeper into God's Word and the sermons on Sunday. To learn more and to sign up, go to mtolivelutheran.org/connect.

Please note: there is **no** Monday evening service on April 22. Monday evening services will resume on **April 29**.

Call Announcement

"Dear Members of Mt Olive,

I am writing this letter to inform you that this past Sunday I received a call from St. John Lutheran Church in Waterloo, WI. They have called me to teach 5-6 Grade, Athletic Director with some coaching, and to serve as Vice-Principal. Please keep my family and me in your prayers as I deliberate between the two calls that I now hold; the call here at Mt Olive and the new call from St. John.

Yours in Christ,
Mr. Zibrowski"

From the family of Roger Holtz: Many sincere thanks for all of your thoughts, prayers, and financial gifts during Pastor Holtz's transplant. After an extended stay in the hospital, he is now settled at home in Kaukauna, WI. Though there is still a long road of recovery ahead, we thank God for His provision and for the support of so many Christian friends.

A "Grief Support" class is being planned. All those who would be interested in taking part are asked to contact the church office for more information.

Planned Giving Update: At Mount Olive, we are blessed to have information, tools, an endowment fund, a trust fund, and also knowledgeable individuals connected to our

church and school that can help you with the process of setting up a planned gift. To learn more, please pick up a planned giving brochure at the narthex table, or go to the Mount Olive webpage and look under the “Serving” tab.

Honoring the Memory of our Military Personnel: Mt. Olive Lutheran Church wishes to recognize members’ relatives who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, and who are now deceased. If you have a relative or ancestor who served at any time dating back to the Revolution, we would like to publicly recognize and thank God for them over Memorial Day Weekend. Please submit information about them before Sunday, May 12, using forms available on the narthex table or online, by following the link on our website's banner at mtolivelutheran.org.

1 TIM | **4:8** **CrossTrain** is Mt. Olive’s new Leadership Conference for Tweens. It will be held at Mt. Olive on **Tuesday, June 25th** and will focus on *Leadership through Service*. The tweens will learn leadership skills and will identify how they can use their natural gifts from God in order to serve Him and others.

CROSS | **TRAIN**

Teach an Elective – Registration Deadline is April 30th

Do you have a special talent, skill, interest or passion? This is an opportunity for you to share your God-given gifts with a group of 5th & 6th graders and to positively impact the future leaders of our Church and Community.

We want the kids to have an opportunity to explore a new hobby or enjoy an interest they already have, and we want to give them a HUGE variety of options to choose from! Anything goes: – Acting, Baking, Cake/ Cookie Decorating, Crafts, Crocheting, Dodge ball, Drawing, Harmonica, Juggling, Knitting, Line Dancing, Magic Tricks, Painting, Percussion, Sewing, Sign Language, Singing, Skateboarding, Sports, Wood Working – just to name a few possibilities.

Elective sessions are 1 hour and you choose the time that works best for you.

To take part in this great opportunity, sign up by April 30th so we can include your class on the conference registration forms.

Visit MtOliveLutheran.org/CrossTrain to Register and for More Information.

Happening at our Sister Synod

You are invited to a musical play “O Chicken of Little Faith” on **Sunday, April 28**, at 2PM at Trinity Lutheran Church of Smiths Mill, performed by the Trinity youth. Desserts will be served afterwards. Your donations will help support Trinity members Cody and Ingrid Spiess and their family. Cody has a very rare, non-treatable fatal disease. For more information, see the poster on the narthex bulletin board.

Happening at Bethany Lutheran College:

Tuesday, April 23, at 7:30PM in Trinity Chapel: annual AGO recital by students from Bethany Lutheran College, Martin Luther College and Gustavus Adolphus College. This recital is sponsored by the local Sioux Trails American Guild of Organists.

Wednesday, April 24, at 7PM in Trinity Chapel: Spring Semester Honors Recital. Bethany students enrolled in private music lessons audition for the honor of performing at this recital. The recital is free; the public is cordially invited to attend.

Thursday, April 25, at 7PM in the YFAC Gallery: Student art show reception and award presentation.

Saturday, April 27, at 4PM in Trinity Chapel: From Age to Age Chamber Choir, directed by BLC alum Dr. Peter Durow, performs with the BLC concert choir. \$10 suggested donation at the door.

Sunday, April 28, at 4PM in Trinity Chapel: BLC Concert Band and Chamber Orchestra perform a concert featuring Edvard Grieg's piano concerto with soloist Sarah Wei. Pre-concert talk at 3:15PM by history major David Evans.

Notes from Minnesota Valley Lutheran:

MVL summer sports camps offer area youth a fun opportunity to improve their fundamentals for the game and learn from MVL's own coaches and players. Visit mvl.org to download a registration form now through April 26.

MVL's annual spring play is the classic musical “Bye Bye Birdie.” Performances are Friday and Saturday, **May 3 and May 4**, at 7PM and Saturday, **May 5**, at 2PM. Several props are still needed for the play. Please visit mvl.org/activities/drama/ to see if you can help!