

TRINITY 2

Sunday, June 30, 2019, 8:30 & 10 AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

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Pastors John J. Petersen & Luke Ulrich | Principal Silas Born | Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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.

Explanation of the Week: *Wisdom has issued an invitation to the divine feast: "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Forsake foolishness and live" (Prov. 9:1-10). This is the call of the Spirit of Christ to believe the Gospel and to receive His saving gifts in the Holy Supper. Many make excuses and reject this invitation, even as the Jews did in the days of Jesus, yet the Master's house will be filled. The Gospel call therefore goes out to the lowly and despised, into the highways, even to all the Gentiles (Luke 14:16-24). Those who were once alienated have now been reconciled to God through Christ Jesus (Col. 1:21-23). Because of this, we now await the glorious feast on the mountain of the Lord (Is. 25:6-9).*

Order of Service, Rite One (p. 41). This order of service, known as the “Bugenhagen Order,” grew out of the Lutheran Reformation. It was provided for use in the churches of Denmark and Norway in 1537 by Johannes Bugenhagen, Martin Luther’s pastor. Minor revisions were made to this service in 1685 and 1889 before it was translated into English for **The Lutheran Hymnary** (1913). The service printed here comes directly from the **Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary** (1996).



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 Prayer**

(ELH p. 41)

P: O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ’s sake. Amen.

~**Entrance Hymn 1 *Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word***

~**Confession of Sin** — *Admitting our sinfulness to God*

(ELH p. 41, 1)

P: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins. Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us a true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

~**Kyrie Eleison** – *“Lord, Have Mercy”*

(ELH p. 42-43)

C: ♪ O God the Father in heaven, have mercy upon us. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us. O God the Holy Ghost, true Comforter, have mercy upon us.

~**Absolution** — *God's declaration of forgiveness*

(ELH p. 43, II; Mt 11:28, Jn 3:16)

P: Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord: Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~**Gloria in Excelsis Deo**

(ELH p. 44-45; Luke 2:14; John 1:29)

P: Glory be to God in the highest

C: ♪ And on earth peace, good will toward men. All glory be to God on high Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended; God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall dwell on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!

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

(ELH p. 45)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~**Collect** — *The congregation's prayer of the day*

(ELH p. 45; p. 158, #84)

P: O Lord, You never fail to help and govern those whom You bring up in Your steadfast fear and love: Make us ever revere and adore Your holy name; 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.

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**

Isaiah 25:6-9 And in this mountain The Lord of hosts will make for all people A feast of choice pieces, A feast of wines on the lees, Of fat things full of marrow, Of well-refined wines on the lees. And He will destroy on this mountain The surface of the covering cast over all people, And the veil that is spread over all nations. He will

swallow up death forever, And the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces; The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the Lord has spoken. And it will be said in that day: “Behold, this is our God; We have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord; We have waited for Him; We will be glad and rejoice in His salvation.”

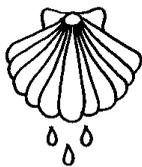
~Holy Gospel Lesson

(ELH p. 46)

Luke 14:16-24 Jesus said to him, “A certain man made a great banquet and invited many people. When it was time for the banquet, he sent out his servant to tell those who were invited, ‘Come, because everything is now ready.’ But they all alike began to make excuses. “The first one told him, ‘I bought a field, and I need to go and see it. I ask you to excuse me.’ “Another one said, ‘I bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out. I ask you to excuse me.’ “Still another said, ‘I just got married, and so I am unable to attend.’ “The servant arrived and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house was angry and said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town, and bring in here the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.’ “The servant said, ‘Master, what you commanded has been done, and there is still room.’ “Then the master said to the servant, ‘Go out into the highways and hedges, and urge them to come in, so that my house may be filled. Yes, I tell you that none of those men who were invited will taste my banquet.’”

C: ♪ God be praised for His glad tidings.

The Order of Holy Baptism (2nd Service)



(Holy Baptism has the power to work the new life of faith in the hearts of sinners. This regenerative washing “with water through the Word” is intended for all people, since all — including infants and children — are members of a sinful human race and are in need of God’s grace and forgiveness. Jesus has also commanded that “all nations” be baptized. Confession of sins and Absolution are a return to, and a renewal of, one’s Baptism. Matt. 28:19, John 3:5, Eph. 5:26, Titus 3:5, Acts 2:38-39)

~Baptismal Hymn 211, vv. 2, 6 Surely in Temples Made With Hands

~Baptism of Margaret Dorothy Leyrer

(ELH p. 133ff)

~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 412 *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain*

~Epistle Lesson & Sermon Text

Colossians 1:21-23 At one time, you were alienated from God and hostile in your thinking as expressed through your evil deeds. But now Christ reconciled you in his body of flesh through death, in order to present you holy, blameless, and faultless before him— if you continue steadfast and firm in faith, without being moved away from the hope of the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a minister.

~Sermon Theme

"A Gracious Invitation for Aliens"

~Prayer of the Church & Apostolic Benediction

(ELH p. 48-49, 2Cor 13:14)

P: Everlasting and merciful God, we beseech You in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ:

C: To have mercy upon us and to hear our prayer.

P: Look in mercy upon Your Church. Protect it and sanctify it by Your truth. May Your Word be taught in its purity and Your Sacraments be rightly administered. Grant unto Your Church faithful pastors who shall declare Your truth with power and shall live according to Your will. Send forth laborers into Your harvest and open the door of faith unto all unbelievers and unto the people of Israel. In mercy remember the enemies of Your Church and grant to them repentance unto life.

C: O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, hear us in the truth of Your salvation.

P: Let Your protecting hand be over our country and over all who travel. Prosper what is good among us and bring to naught every evil counsel and purpose. Protect and bless Your servants, the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, our judges

and magistrates and all in authority. Fit them for their high calling by the gift of Your Spirit of wisdom and fear, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

C: Hear, O Lord, and have mercy! Lord be our helper.

P: According to Your promise, O God, be the defender of the widow and the father of the orphan. Relieve and comfort the sick and the sorrowful (especially our brother/sister __ who is ill/grieving). Graciously help those who are assaulted by the devil and who are in peril of death. Be the strength of those who are suffering for the sake of Christ's holy name. Grant that we may live together in peace and prosperity. Bestow upon us good and seasonable weather; and bless us with upright Christian counsel in all that we undertake.

C: O Lord, be with all in trouble. Hear their prayers to the honor of Your Name.

P: We especially commend to Your care and keeping this Your congregation which You have bought with a great price. Keep from us all offenses and bind us together in the unity of Your holy love. Grant that the little ones who are baptized in Your name may be brought up in Your fear. At Your table give to those who there commune with You peace and life everlasting.

C: Let all rejoice who trust in You; let them shout for joy because You defend them.

P: In Your mercy look upon In Christ's name we pray.

C: Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer.

P: Be merciful, O God, to all, according to Your great love in Christ Jesus, our Lord. When our final hour shall come, grant us a blessed departure from this world, and on the last day, a resurrection to Your glory.

C: Amen. Grant us Your peace, O Lord!

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

C: Amen.

~Lord's Prayer

(ELH p. 49; 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.

~Offering & Hymn 222 Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee

*(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.)*

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

(ELH p. 58 III)

P Lord God, our heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your great mercy You have given us Your holy and blessed Word, by which You also among us gather Your Christian Church. We humbly entreat You, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we receive Your Word with thankful hearts, and live according to it, and ever increase in Christian faith, and hope, and love, and at last obtain eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your beloved Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

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

(ELH p. 59; 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 25, vv. 1, 2 O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace

~Closing Prayer

(ELH p. 59)

P: O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

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

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

*Preacher: Pastor John Petersen / Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich
Pianists: 1st: Cassie Johnson / 2nd: Dennis Marzolf*

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:

Sunday: 8:30am, 215; 10:45am, 229

Monday: 20

Monthly Giving Update:



Given to the General Fund (May 1-31)	\$55,195.33
Given to the Building Fund (May 1-31)	\$8,795.05
<u>Total Given (May 1-31)</u>	<u>\$63,990.38</u>
General Fund Budgeted (July 1-May 31) (\$75,425/month x 11 months)	\$829,675.00
General Fund YTD (July 1-May 31)	\$764,978.62
<u>Difference (Shortfall)</u>	<u>(\$64,696.38)</u>

Psalm 37:25 I have been young, and now am old; Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, Nor his descendants begging bread.

*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 & 2nd Service: Eldon & LuAnn Sting
Ross & Betsy Hermanson**

**Ushers: 1st Service: Juel Merseth (captain), Ron Bequette,
Greg Lieske, Ron Koth, Tim Merseth, Jordan Merseth**

**2nd Service: Dean Kluge (captain), Bill Bukowski,
Joe Madson, Jon Mueller, Jacob Mueller**

Offering Counters: John Schauer, Jim Gullixson

Altar Guild: Elyse Haugen, Carol Leiferman

WEEK AT A GLANCE: June 30, 2019—July 7, 2019

Sunday, June 30	8:30AM 10AM 11AM	Services in Gym Divine Service Divine Service Annual Voters Meeting No Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
Monday, July 1	6:30PM 6:30PM	Divine Service Board of Education No softball
Tuesday, July 2	8AM 1PM 6:30PM 7PM	Women's Bible Study Mt. Olive Crafters Jesus Cares M.O.M.s Bible Study
Wed., July 3		No Bible Study
Thursday, July 4		Independence Day Church Office Is Closed No Park Playdate
Fri., July 5		
Sat., July 6	9:45AM-3:15PM	New2You Volunteers
Sunday, July 7	8:30AM 10AM 10:30AM 11AM 1PM 2:30PM	Services in Gym Divine Service w/Holy Communion Divine Service w/Holy Communion Camp Indianhead Bus Loading Board of Deacons Encourage One Another Mt. Olive Golf Tournament No Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers: The flowers on the altar today are given to God's glory by Matthias and Sarah Leyrer.

Baptized Today During 2nd Service: Margaret Dorothy Leyrer, infant daughter of Matthias & Sarah Leyrer, was born June 21, 2019. Her sponsors are Jeremy and Abigail Laitenen and Paul and Marta Webber. May she ever grow in Christ and be blessed therein.

Pastor Luke Ulrich has received a divine call to serve as the Pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church, in Frankenmuth, Michigan. Please keep him and his family in your prayers, asking that God's will may be done.

Our annual voters' meeting today will include extending one year calls to Mrs. Donna Fosburgh and Mrs. Anita Krienke as teachers in Mount Olive Lutheran Christian Day School. May the Lord guide them in their response, and continue to bless their faithful work among us!

Building Project Update

Due to the overwhelming response of volunteers this past Tuesday night, we were able to get most of the work done in one night. A couple came in on Monday and Tuesday to prep the pews for moving. The gym was set up for services, and the remodeling crew did their fantastic work. Thanks to everyone who helped in this move!

The electricians are finishing the wiring. Once that's inspected, we will sheetrock and finish walls and ceilings and patch the wall inside the church. When the sprinkler system installation is completed, we will refinish the floor, install the new organ and pipes, and begin moving the pews back in to our (new) sanctuary.

Bible Study Notes: The Wednesday morning Bible Study is on hiatus until July 10. Also, the Veterans Bible Study will resume on September 9.

The 7th Annual Mt. Olive Golf Tournament is Sunday, **July 7**, at the Minneopa Golf Club. See the July issue of the *Olive Press* for more details and to sign up.

Parade Updates: The North Mankato Fun Days parade is Saturday, **July 13**. The Eagle Lake Tator Days parade is Saturday, **July 20**. Parade starts at 1PM; line up information TBD. Check the July issue of the *Olive Press* for additional information.

Mike and Anita Smith will be with us on Sunday, **July 14**, to give a presentation on their work in Hong Kong. Please make plans to be with us at 11AM that day.

Join us for Church Night at the MoonDogs game on Sunday, **July 14**, at 3:05PM. See the July issue of the *Olive Press* for details regarding sign up and ticket cost.

Attend the Mt. Olive Groups Fair, Sunday, **July 21**, at 11AM. We will have a picnic and fair showcasing all of the social, study, and service groups available at Mt. Olive. The July issue of the *Olive Press* has more information.

Registration is now open for Mt. Olive's Music Camp, August 12-16. Music Camp is geared toward 9-14+ year olds, featuring instruction in recorders, handbells, choir, and more! Cost is \$15 per camper. Details and registration information are available at www.mtolivelutheran.org/events and in the July edition of the *Olive Press*. Please register by July 28. Questions? Contact Marie MacPherson at mmacpher@blc.edu.

Meals for the Kempferts: Help support our vicar family, Jacob and Anna Kempfert, as they prepare for their new baby. A Meal Train has been organized for July 9-August 17. Sign up for a meal to bring by visiting mealtrain.com and searching "Jacob and Anna Kempfert," or contact Karla Reagles at 608-385-2694.

The M.O.M.s study group meets on **Thursday mornings** in July for their summer park playdates, from 9 AM – noon, at Sibley Park. You are welcome to pack a lunch and picnic if you like (please note that there will be no playdate this week on Thursday, July 4). If it's raining, the playdate is cancelled. Email Heidi Graham at heidijennifergraham@gmail.com if you have questions.

Save the date: on Sunday, **August 25**, there will be a school potluck picnic after the second service.

Interested in helping record our church services? We are looking for volunteers to run the camera for the live streaming and recording of our 8:30AM church services and other special services. Many shut-ins, those who are travelling, together with other people in our community and friends from all over the world, have tuned into our services via Internet and the cable TV channel. Contact Pastor Ulrich or John Sehloff if you are interested; training will be provided.

Wanted: pop tabs! With summer events now in gear, save your beverage tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. A container is available in the youth room.

If you see hymnals in need of repair, please turn them into the church office. Thank you.

Mt. Olive Lutheran School needs a hot lunch program director for the 2019-20 school year. If you are interested in this position, please contact Principal Born at 507-345-7927 or principal@mtolivelutheran.org. Thank you.

Within Our Sister Synod:

Christian Concert: July 2, at 7PM at Peace Lutheran Church, North Mankato, featuring WELS musician Chris Driesbach. Chris' music is intended for kids and adults alike. Throughout the concert, Chris will be sharing his story of how he came out of atheism and was brought to faith in Jesus Christ. There will be a potluck at 6PM before the concert; please bring a dinner dish to share.

On the narthex table are **sign-up sheets** for New2You volunteers, the Mt. Olive Golf Tournament, and Moon Dogs baseball; the **May edition of *Mission News & Helping Hands***; the **June edition of *Thoughts of Faith***; the **July edition of the *ELS President's Newsletter***; and the **June 2-August 31 issue of *Meditations Daily Devotional***.

For all other new announcements, including events at Minnesota Valley Lutheran, pick up your copy of the July issue of the *Olive Press* from the ushers today.