



TRINITY 1

Sunday, May 29, 2016, 8:30am

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School, ELS

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Pastors John J. Petersen & Luke Ulrich / Principal Larry Rude

Welcome! In the name of our risen Savior we welcome you to Mt. Olive and thank you for worshipping with us this morning. 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:

When the beggar Lazarus died, he was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. For he was truly Abraham's seed. He believed in the Lord, and the Lord "accounted it to him for righteousness" (Gen 15:1-6). The name Lazarus means "God is my help." The unnamed rich man, on the other hand, did not love and trust in God. For he evidently cared little for the beggar at his gate. And "he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?" (1 John 4:16-21). He who loved and trusted in possessions and prestige died and was in torments in Hades (Luke 16:19-31). Repentance and faith are worked only through Moses and the prophets, that is, the Word of God, for it points us to Christ. Through His death and resurrection, we are brought to the comfort of life everlasting.

~Opening Prayer (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.

~Hymn 13 *Dearest Jesus, Draw Thou Near Me*

~Confession of Sin (p.41, form I)

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 (pp. 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 (p. 43, form II)

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** (pp. 44-45)

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** (p. 45)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~**Collect** (p. 45)

P: Let us pray: O God, the Strength of all who put their trust in You: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without You, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may please You both in will and deed; 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.

~**Epistle Lesson**

1 John 4:16-21 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. We love Him because He first loved us. If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also.

~**Gospel Lesson**

Luke 16:19-31 "There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw

Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. “Then he cried and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.’ “Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father’s house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.’ Abraham said to him, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ But he said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.’”

C: ♪ God be praised for His glad tidings.

~Rite of Baptism (p. 133) *Catherine Rose Londgren*

~Hymn 406 *Lord, Thee I Love*

~Sermon Text

Jeremiah 29:11-14 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart. I will be found by you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back from your captivity; I will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD, and I will bring you to the place from which I cause you to be carried away captive.

~Sermon Theme

“Planning Your Future”

~Offering & Hymn 409 vv. 1-3, 6 *Thee Will I Love*

~Prayer

~**Collect** (pp. 57-58, form II)

P: We thank You, Almighty God, that You have built Your Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Head Cornerstone. Grant that we may be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable unto 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.**

~**Benediction** (p. 59)

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 597** *Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name*

~**Closing Prayer** (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.

Preacher: Pastor Luke Ulrich / Liturgist: Pastor John J. Petersen
Organist: Cassie Johnson

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 8:30am; 253 10:45am; 131 Monday: 25

GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$11,430.57

NEEDED EACH WEEK TO MEET ANNUAL BUDGET: \$15,500

Colossians 3:17 And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

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 10AM and Thursdays at 11:30AM.

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK

Ushers: **1st Service:** Bruce Gratz (captain), Alec Gratz, Seth Tweit,
John Sehloff, Keith Anderson

2nd Service: David Munsen (captain), Matthew Munsen, Dan Maas,
Justin Maas, Craig Christensen

Greeters: **1st Service:** Ross & Betsy Hermanson, Eldon Sting, Lois Otto

2nd Service: Bob & Ruth Heidenreich, Mark & Vivian Smith

Offering Counters: Craig Christiansen, Bruce Gratz

Altar Guild: LuAnn Sting, Lynette Merseth

WEEK AT A GLANCE: May 29, 2016 - June 5, 2016

Sunday May 29	8:30AM 10AM 11AM 2PM 7:30PM	8th Grade Graduation Divine Service Divine Service w/ Graduation Reception for 8 th Grade Graduates in Social Hall MVL Graduation Service Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
Monday May 30	6:30PM	Memorial Day NO Divine Service
Tuesday May 31	8AM	Women's Bible Study - <i>Book of Acts</i>
Wednesday June 1	9AM 5-10PM 7PM	Bible Study Jr. Youth Group - Wow Zone! Building Committee Meeting
Thursday June 2		
Friday June 3		
Saturday June 4	9AM 9:45AM-3:15PM	Christian Service Committee Meeting Mt. Olive Volunteers at New 2 You
Sunday June 5	8:30AM 10AM 11AM 1PM 7:30PM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion Divine Service w/Holy Communion Bible Information Class Encourage One Another Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Baptized Today During 1st Service: Catherine Rose Londgren, infant daughter of Trevor and Jennifer Londgren, was born on May 20, 2016 at Mayo Health Systems, Mankato. Her sponsors are Brandon and Rachel Londgren, and Jeff Bukowski. We rejoice that through this "washing of regeneration" this child is received into God's Kingdom of Grace. May she ever grow in Christ and be blessed therein.

Borrowing Tables & Chairs: Anyone wishing to borrow tables or chairs from Mt. Olive for upcoming events should call or email the office (507-345-4966 or church@mtolivelutheran.org) so we can be sure there are enough available.

A Special Thank You: We would like to say thank you to everyone at Mount Olive for the sendoff last Sunday. We have had the joy of being part of your church and school family for the past three years and have enjoyed getting to know many of you. Thank you for the support you have given our family as Kurtis completed his seminary classes. Thank you for the fine education Fiona has received these past years. Thank you for the well wishes and gifts we received last Sunday. It was wonderful to fellowship with you! We will be leaving for Vero Beach, Florida on June 15, so we will still get to worship with you a few more Sundays. We wish you all the best in Mount Olive's continuing ministry, and you will all be in our prayers. Thank you!

~Kurtis, Andrea, Fiona, and Dale Freimuth

Blood Drive: Thursday, June 16, 2016 from 1 - 6pm. To schedule an appointment: call 1-800-733-2767 or go online to www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code **MTOLIVEKATO**. 1 pint of blood can save 3 lives!

Mt. Olive Golf Outing: Join Us for our 4th Annual **Mt. Olive Golf Tournament!** **June 12th, 2015.** Tee Times starting @ **2:30pm** at the **Minneopa Golf Club**. Cost: **\$15** for Golf (*Additional fee for golf cart*) AND Food (and Prizes!) to follow at the Awards Banquet at the Minneopa Club House. *All are invited and welcome to come—we will divide into groups and play a Texas Scramble format to make it a fun outing for golfers of all skill levels! (Any questions or comments can be directed to Pr. Luke Ulrich) Please sign up on sheet on Narthex Table.*

Annual Report Deadline: All church Boards, Committees and Groups, should submit reports for 2015 to the church office by June 1, for the June 26th meeting. (Reports are needed from the Board of Deacons, Board for Stewardship, Board of Budget & Finance, Board of Trustees, Board for Parish Ed. and Youth, Evangelism Committee, Membership Committee, PTF, Booster Club and Lutheran Girl Pioneers.)

Job Opportunities at Mt. Olive: After School Care Coordinator - a part-time position, about 15-20 hours per week, which offers a competitive hourly wage and summers off. It involves overseeing the K-8 program from approximately 2:15-5:15PM on school days. The position officially starts in late August; however, some training will be provided as needed by the 2015-16 ASC coordinator. Administrative duties include scheduling and managing After-School Care staff, with a primary focus on keeping the children safe and occupied. If interested, please contact Mt. Olive at 345-7927 or email Principal Larry Rude at lrude@mtolivelutheran.org.

Head Cook: Mt. Olive Lutheran School is seeking a Head Cook for our school lunch program. Competitive hourly wage. Qualified candidates would ideally possess a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science Degree, but this is not required. The Head Cook must participate in paid training to learn how to apply for state funding, recording of free/reduced lunches, and more. A course must also be taken to receive a license to serve food, and there would be some continuing education seminars/classes to take throughout the year. Some time would be spent with the Head Cook from the 2015-16 school year to help with the learning curve. Organizational skills are essential, and a willingness to exhibit patience and love for children is also a big plus! Please contact Principal Larry Rude at [507-345-7927](tel:507-345-7927), or lrude@mtolivelutheran.org, if interested.

Sunday School Offering Collection: The Sunday School has collected \$175.03 this semester for the Gift of Life for Ukraine.

Don't know what to do with the kids during the summer? Bring them to the park! The Moms On a Mission (M.O.M.s) group has set up park playdates on Wednesday mornings for the summer months. All are welcome (even dads)!!! Join us Wednesdays, starting June 1, from 9am-noon, bring a picnic lunch if you like. Come and go as you please. We will be rotating a different park each month. June is Spring Lake Park, July is Alexander Park, and August is Sibley Park. If weather is rainy, playdate is cancelled. Questions? Contact Kristen Lukasek 507-382-7963 or mattlukasek@yahoo.com.

Pizza Ranch Fundraiser for Camp Bus: Youth going to Camp Indianhead can sign-up to work at Pizza Ranch to raise funds for camp transportation. The fundraiser will take place on Monday, **June 20** during synod week from 4:30 to 9:00PM. Youth may sign-up for 1 or both shifts. Contact Lance Johnson for information [507-720-2130](tel:507-720-2130) or lgustavj77@gmail.com.

Camp Indianhead is scheduled for **July 10-15** at Luther Island Camp, and is open to boys and girls ages 11-16. The cost per camper is \$275. Register online at: islandcamp.org (scroll down and click on our logo, then click "create new parent") or find registration and health forms on the narthex table. The camp bus is now filled to capacity. Contact Lance Johnson with any questions.

Sr. Youth Group: Lutheran Youth Association (LYA) will be held **July 28-31, 2016** in Dallas, TX. This year's theme is, "Two Kingdoms". **Go to: els.org/lya16/ to register.** **The cost is \$300.** We have reserved up to three buses to leave from Mt. Olive's parking lot on Wednesday, July 27th at 3PM, and return on Monday, August 1st by late-morning. The cost for the bus will be @ \$250/person. (This is a separate cost than the LYA convention). **A \$100 down-payment is due by June 1st.** *If you helped out with Easter Breakfast, or have Kwik Trip Scrip money in your name, your money will be applied later.* **Forms are available on the narthex table, and need to be turned in to the office.** Questions? Contact Lance Johnson, or Peter or Sarah Bloedel.

High School Youth: Bethany Lutheran College is sponsoring its annual Summer Honor Choir Camp at Bethany during the ELS Synod Convention, **June 18-23.** The Camp is directed by Dennis Marzolf, and will include vocal music study, performance, and recreation for 9-12 graders. Registration forms can be found on the narthex table.

New 2 You: New 2 You is looking for someone to fill accounting/bookkeeping duties for the store. This position would require approximately 10 hours per month. The position requires experience with Quickbooks and will be responsible for running payroll for 3 people and providing financial statements. Contact Lila at New2You if interested. Support New 2 You by volunteering, making donations, shopping our store, or praying for continued blessings on their efforts. If you would like to become a volunteer please call New2You at [507-385-1455](tel:507-385-1455). ***~Mt. Olive provides volunteers on the first Saturday of every month. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex.***

Mt. Olive School Scrip program offers gift cards for purchase for a wide variety of retailers. A percentage of gift card purchases go towards Mt. Olive Tuition. Visit www.shopwithscrip.com to view the 400+ participating retailers. If you have questions or need help getting started email Tanya Norris scrip@mtolivelutheran.org or Krista Petzel krista.petzel@gmail.com.

Kwik Trip Cards: Mt. Olive youth (grades 5-12) are selling Kwik Trip Cards as a fundraiser for our church Youth Groups. 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.

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School

Graduation Service: MVL's graduation service will be held at 2PM TODAY in the gym. Congratulations to the graduates!

Bethany Lutheran College

Job Openings: Bethany has an immediate opening for the head coach of the men's and women's tennis program, and head coach of the softball program. For more information, contact Paulette Tonn Booker at Paulette.TonnBooker@blc.edu or 507-344-7840.

Bethany also invites applications for a full-time, nine-month faculty position in English beginning August 1, 2016 and an Admissions Counselor beginning June 1, 2016. For more information, contact Paulette Tonn Booker.



Jr. Youth Group!

**WOW ZONE
NIGHT!**

COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR WOW ZONE NIGHT!!!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1ST

FROM 4:15-9:00PM.

WE WILL MEET FIRST FOR DINNER + BIBLE STUDY IN MOUNT OLIVE'S FELLOWSHIP HALL, AND WILL THEN CARPOOL TO THE WOW ZONE FOR UNLIMITED BOWLING, LASER TAG, AND MINI GOLF BETWEEN 5-9:00PM! KIDS: BRING MONEY FOR SNACKS + ARCADE GAMES. PARENTS: PLEASE PICK UP KIDS AT THE WOW ZONE - WE ALSO NEED HELP WITH CARPOOLING—IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP, PLEASE LET PRLU KNOW. WE INVITE ALL WHO WILL BE GOING INTO 7TH GRADE ALONG WITH ALL CURRENT 7TH + 8TH GRADERS TO THIS SPECIAL EVENT!

COST: FREE (WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR JR. YOUTH FUNDRAISERS!)