

THE LIGHT OF LIFE
OLYMPIC GAMES VBS 2016
JOHN 8:12



2016 Camp VBS Needs Your Help!

July 18 - 22 8:15 – 12:00

God has truly blessed the Mt Olive VBS the past couple of years and our congregation has had the amazing privilege of sharing the Gospel with hundreds of children.

As our program has grown so has the need for enthusiastic volunteers. That's where you come in. Camp VBS is in the planning stage right now and we

need a few adults who would like to help ensure that it is a success.

How YOU can Help:

- Plan the Olympic Events and Games for each grade level. You are in charge of this section, but will have many helpers the week of VBS.
- Coordinate and recruit volunteers to help the week of VBS.
- Lead our Music Section. We use songs with lots of energy and an array of instruments to help get the kids excited about sharing their faith.
- Plan and lead the Craft Project. You will have helpers the week of VBS.
- Help write interactive Bible Lessons. Our goal is to capture and hold the kids' interest; help them understand what they are learning and enable them to remember the lesson once they go home.

We will need many people to help the week of Camp VBS. Volunteers are usually at Mt Olive 7:35 - 12:15. A sign-up sheet will be available soon. If you'd like to volunteer, but have children that are too young to attend VBS -- we do provide babysitting for those little ones.

Please pray about how you can use your talents to help with Camp VBS.

Please contact Sally Sorensen (507) 385-1520 or sallys@hickorytech.net with any questions or to volunteer.



TRINITY 2

Sunday, June 5, 2016, 8:30 & 10am

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:

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 14:15-24). For "you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ" (Eph 2:13-22). In Christ, believing Jews and Gentiles are no longer strangers but fellow members of the household of God. The enmity of class and race is put to death through the cross. Having been reconciled in the one body of Christ, we are enabled to love one another (1 John 3:13-18) as we await the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which will have no end.

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.

Bethany Lutheran College

Job Openings: Bethany 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.

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.

Office Manager: Mt. Olive will soon be hiring for the position of Office Manager for the Church and School. A complete position profile and applications are available in the church office.

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.

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

~Order of Service, Rite Two (p. 60)

~Hymn 412 *Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain*

~Invocation (p. 60)

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

C: ♪ Amen.

~Confession of Sin (pp. 60-62, form II)

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: 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 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.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved.

C: Grant this unto us, O Lord. Amen.

~Introit

P: The LORD was my support. In the day of my calamity

C: He brought me out into a broad place; He delivered me because He delighted in me.

P: I will love You, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress.

C: For You will save the humble people, but will bring down haughty looks.

P: As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the LORD is proven;

C: I will give thanks to You, O LORD, among the Gentiles, and sing praises to Your name.

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.

~Kyrie Eleison (p. 63, form I)

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

~Gloria in Excelsis Deo (pp. 64-66)

P: Glory be to God on high:

C: ♪ And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise You, we bless You, we worship You, we glorify You, we give thanks to You, for Your great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You 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 (p. 66)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~Collect (p. 66)

P: Let us pray: Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks to You, that through Your holy Word You have called us to Your great supper, and we beseech You: Enliven our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that we may not hear Your Word without fruit, but that we may prepare ourselves rightly for Your kingdom, and not allow ourselves to be hindered by any worldly care; through Your beloved Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

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.

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 NOW for 2015 to the church office for the June 26th meeting. (*Reports are still needed from the Board of Trustees, Evangelism 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

WEEK AT A GLANCE: June 5, 2016 – June 12, 2016

Sunday June 5	8:30AM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	10AM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	11AM	Bible Information Class
	1PM	Encourage One Another
	7:30PM	Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
Monday June 6	6:30PM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	6:30PM	Board of Education
	6:45PM	Board of Deacons
Tuesday June 7	8AM	Women's Bible Study – <i>Book of Acts</i>
	6PM	Planned Giving Committee
	6:30PM	Jesus Cares Ministry
Wednesday June 8		
Thursday June 9		
Friday June 10		
Saturday June 11		
Sunday June 12	8:30AM	Divine Service
	10AM	Divine Service
	11AM	Bible Information Class
	2:30PM	Golf Outing
	7:30PM	Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the Altar: The flowers beautifying the altar today are given to God's glory by Jacie Lieske in memory of Wilbur.

School Parents: Please pick up your child's report card after today's service. They are located on a table in the narthex. Mr. Rude, Mr. Zibrowski, and Mrs. Buelow are by the table if you need help. Only parents may pick up the report cards. Thank you.

~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."

~Epistle Lesson

1 John 3:13-18 Do not marvel, my brethren, if the world hates you. We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death. Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him? My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

~Alleluia (p. 67)

C: ♪ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

~Holy Gospel (p. 68)

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!

Luke 14:16-24 Then He said to him, "A certain man gave a great supper and invited many, and sent his servant at supper time to say to those who were invited, 'Come, for all things are now ready.' But they all with one accord began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.' And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.' Still another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.' And the servant said, 'Master, it is done as you commanded, and still there is room.' Then the master said to the servant, 'Go out

into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say to you that none of those men who were invited shall taste my supper.”

P: This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

C: ♪ **Praise be to You, O Christ!**

~Nicene Creed (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.

~Hymn 413 *Come Unto Me, Ye Weary*

~Sermon Text

Acts 24:24-27 And after some days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was Jewish, he sent for Paul and heard him concerning the faith in Christ. Now as he reasoned about righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and answered, “Go away for now; when I have a convenient time I will call for you.” Meanwhile he also hoped that money would be given him by Paul, that he might release him. Therefore he sent for him more often and conversed with him.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 8:30am; 196 10am; 318 (Graduation)

GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$16,170.17

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: Ross Hermanson (captain), Craig Brown, Broderick Brown, Will Holt, Nathan Younge

2nd Service: Robert Irwin (captain), Scott Dzwonkowski, Dennis Soule, Kent Waletski

Greeters: 1st Service: Mark & Michelle Graham, Eldon Sting, Keith Anderson

2nd Service: Bob & Ruth Heidenreich, Dan & Joanne Maas

Offering Counters: John Schauer, Jim Gullixson

Altar Guild: Ruth Heidenreich, Elyse Haugen

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** (pp. 82-83, form I)

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: ♪ And His mercy endures forever.

P: Let us pray: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through these salutary gifts, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through them in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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** (p. 84)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~**Benedicamus** (p. 84)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God.

~**Benediction** (pp. 84-85)

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 586 vv. 1, 3 How Blest Are They**

Preacher: Pastor John J. Petersen / Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich

Organists: 1st: Cassie Johnson / 2nd: Mark DeGarmeaux

But after two years Porcius Festus succeeded Felix; and Felix, wanting to do the Jews a favor, left Paul bound.

~**Sermon Theme**

"Is This a Convenient Time?"

1. Some wait for a convenient time to consider eternal truths.
2. That time is now.

P: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus unto everlasting life. Amen.

~**Offertory** (pp. 70-71)

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 & Voluntary**

(Guests: Please place guest cards in offering plate)

~**Prayer of the Church** (pp. 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.

* **Holy Communion:** *This morning the confirmed, communicant members of our fellowship come to receive the true body and blood of Christ in the Holy Supper. Here Christ gives us this treasure for the remission of our sins. As we commune together we also outwardly demonstrate the unity of faith which we confess. If you are a guest and wish to commune with us, please speak to our pastor prior to the service. Thank you.*

~**Preface** (pp. 72-73)

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.

~**Proper Preface** (pp. 73-75)

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** (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** (pp. 77-78)

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** (pp. 78-79)

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."

~**Pax Domini** (p. 79)

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

C: ♪ Amen.

~**Agnus Dei** (pp. 79-80)

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**

Hymn 316/317 *Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior*

Hymn 328 vv. 5-9 *In My Heart I Find Ascending*

Hymn 494 *I Know My Faith Is Founded*

~**Dismissal of Communicants** (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** (pp. 81-82)

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