



**Mt. Olive
Lutheran
Church**

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Trinity 15

Sunday,
September 13, 2015
8:30 & 10:45am

 Evangelical
Lutheran
Synod



Trinity 15

Welcome! In the name of our risen Savior we welcome you to Mt. Olive and thank you for worshiping 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.

Order of Service, Office of Prime (p. 108)

~Hymn 11 vv. 1, 4, 5 *Come, Holy Ghost, In Love*

~Versicles and Gloria Patri (p. 108)

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord. 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.

~Confession of Sin (p. 108)

C: Almighty God, heavenly Father: I have sinned against You through my own fault, in thought, word, and deed. For the sake of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, forgive me all my sin, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

~Hymn 14 *Father, Who the Light This Day*

~Old Testament Lesson

Deuteronomy 6:4-7 "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."

~"4 or More" Men's Choir: **Teach Me O LORD**

*Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes,
And I shall keep it unto the end.*

Bethany student **Triah Meyer** presents her senior voice recital on **Sunday, Sept. 27** at 2PM in Trinity Chapel, accompanied by pianist Bethel Balge and guitarist Johnathan Moeller. Free and open to the public.

Monday, Sept. 28 at 7PM in Trinity Chapel: **Musicians of the Minnesota Opera** perform popular arias and operatic duets in a Guest Artist Series ticketed concert. Six soloists plus professional accompanists are slated to perform. Tickets are available at the door an hour before the performance, **\$10 adults, \$6 students/seniors.**

An Admissions Representative from Bethany Lutheran College will be at MVL on Tuesday, **September 15**, all day. Please stop by to talk about your goals and plans for your future.

Bethany Lutheran College

Fall Festival Join us **September 18-20** for the Bethany Fall Festival. Fun for all ages is planned. Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet, Theatre Physics, BLC Soccer and Volleyball games, Alumni Reunions, inflatables – activities - games for kids, hayrides around campus, live music, and more. There will be an Alumni & Friends Reception on Saturday the 19th at 4:00pm in Honsey Hall with an opportunity to meet new Bethany President, Dr. Gene Pfeifer. For the complete weekend schedule and registration information, go to www.blc.edu/fallfestival or call 507-344-7519.

Bethany Lutheran College National Auxiliary Day will be **Monday, September 28, 2015**. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear a variety of music selections from fine arts students, hear our Concert Choir, and receive interesting information from a number of faculty and staff members. Bethany's new President, Dr. Gene Pfeifer, will address the group, and the annual business meeting will be held.

The Bethany community looks forward to hosting the National Auxiliary Day each year and we are grateful for the support we receive from the Auxiliary group. The special day provides a wonderful opportunity to become better acquainted with all that is happening at Bethany and to enjoy Christian fellowship.

Fine Arts Events:

Bethel Balge faculty piano recital with guest violinist Kenneth Freed, cellist Sharon Rodgers, and student pianist Sam Johnson – **TODAY, Sunday, September 13 at 3:00 pm** in Trinity Chapel. This recital is free with free will donations welcome.

Theatre Physics performances are at 7 & 9PM on Fri. and Sat., Sept. 18-19, and 2PM on Sun., Sept. 20 in Lee Theater. Free tickets, with free-will donations taken at the door. Reserve online at blc.edu/theater or at [507-344-7374](tel:507-344-7374) weekdays between 1-5PM. The best availability is for both 9:00PM performances. Saturday at 7:00PM is virtually sold out. All are welcome to show up at any performance to claim remaining empty seats, first come first served.

Soprano **Natasha Drake** performs a voice recital in Trinity Chapel on **Tuesday, Sept. 22** at 7PM. The program will include vocal works by Edvard Grieg. Free.

~Epistle Lesson

Galatians 5:25-6:10 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one examine his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. For each one shall bear his own load. Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches. Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

~Apostles' Creed

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.

~Hymn 182 vv. 8-10 *Jesus, in Thy Cross Are Centered*

~Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text

Matthew 6:19-23 "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness!"

~Sermon Theme

“Which God Will You Worship?”

1. Will you worship a make believe God?
2. Or will you worship the one true God?
3. How can you know the difference?

Offering & Hymn 529 *Vain World, Now Farewell!*

~Responsory (p.108)

P: O Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy upon us

C: O Lord Jesus, seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost

C: O Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy upon us.

P: Arise, O Christ, and help us.

C: And deliver us for Your name’s sake.

~Prayer

~Lord’s Prayer

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 (p. 108)

P: O Lord Jesus Christ, bright Sun of the world: shine upon my spirit and drive away the night of sin, that I may walk in Your holy light all my life and even forevermore.

C: Amen.

~early service only~

~Hymn 180 vv. 1-3 *Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds*

~Installation of Sunday School Teachers

~Hymn 180 vv. 4, 5 *O Teach Them With All Diligence*

narthex if you would be willing to help and what you would need. Requested supplies will be at church on Sunday, Sept. 20.

Singing Through the Hymnary It has been suggested that having another time to sing our hymns could help our members be more familiar with the ones they don't know as well. If you are interested in getting together once a month or so, beginning on Saturday, **October 3**, please call Lois Johnson at 278-3369.

Moms on a Mission Bible Study The Peace/Mt Olive Moms On a Mission bible study group will begin its Fall Session this Wednesday, **September 16**, at Mt. Olive. You may drop off children with our childcare workers in the youth room any time after 8am, then enjoy fellowship with other moms in the social hall. Our bible study begins at 8:45 and ends at 10am. All materials are provided. New moms welcome! Direct your questions or register to come by contacting Kristen Lukasek at mattlukasek@yahoo.com or [507-382-7963](tel:507-382-7963).

Mt. Olive School Scrip program: The 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 any 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 10% 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.

New 2 You: Please continue to 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 New 2 You at [507-385-1455](tel:507-385-1455).

~Please consider volunteering at New2You. Mt. Olive provides volunteers on the first Saturday of every month. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex.

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School

Job Opening: Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School has a job opening for a Development Director. This position is open to male candidates and will start on January 1, 2016. Interested candidates may contact Principal Tim Plath for a job description and application at [507-354-6851](tel:507-354-6851) or tplath@mvlhs.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the Altar: The flowers beautifying our altar today are given to God's glory by Paul and Mary Jane Tweit.

Greeters are needed for our Sunday morning services. If you would like to assure that all visitors and members receive a warm welcome to worship, please sign up on the Narthex table.

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.

Blood Drive: Mt. Olive will be hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, **September 16 from 2 - 7PM.** To schedule an appointment call [1-800-733-2767](tel:1-800-733-2767) or sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: MTOLIVEKATO.

Save the Date! Sunday, **September 20** is Mt. Olive's Annual Fall Festival at McGowan's Farm from 2-4PM. Come and join the fun!

After School Care job opportunities: Mt. Olive offers care for the CDS students after the school day until 5:15PM. Currently we are still in need of some people to assist with this program. Please call the church office for more information. The hours are from 2:30-5:15PM, M-F, and the position will pay \$9/hr.

ATTENTION JR. YOUTH! 7th & 8th Graders- We will have our first Mount Olive Jr. Youth Meeting of the school year on **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, at 6:30 - 8:30PM.** We will enjoy some group games, a bonfire, & s'mores in Pr. Ulrich's backyard (if the weather is bad we will move indoors to the church facilities). Invite your friends! Come and Join us!

OUR NEXT SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH gathering is scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, from 5:30-7:00. Join us for a pizza supper, followed by an informal discussion based on Luke 14:1-11. Please sign up on the Narthex table so we know how much pizza to order.

Mission Support Bake Sale Last year we had a VERY successful "Mission Support Bake Sale." Would you consider bringing something again this year? We have been accepted as a Thrivent "Action Team" event. As such, we will be able to buy **all/any** supplies that you might need. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet in the

~Canticle (p. 108)

P: Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

C: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven. Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

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

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: Let us bless the Lord:

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord Almighty order this day and all our doings in His peace.

C: Amen.

~Hymn 597 vv. 1, 4 *Savior, Again, to Thy Dear Name We Raise*

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

Organists: 1st: Dennis Marzolf/2nd: Mark DeGarmeaux

Men's Choir: "4 or More"/ Accompanists: 1st: Joni Bode; 2nd: Lois Johnson

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 8:30am; 192/144 10:00am; 207/154 Monday: 26/16

GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$20,394.67

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

Matthew 3:31, 33 - Do not worry, saying "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear"... Seek His kingdom and His Righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK

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

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

Offering Counters: Mark Graham, Andy Overn

Altar Guild: Krista Petzel, Lynette Merseth

**Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
2015-2016 Sunday School Staff**

Preschool

Ashley Rand & Keri Langhorst

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Morgan Weyrauch & Tiffany Riesgraf

Grade 1

Cathy Kluge & Jenny Petersen

Grade 2

Mary Born & Sally Sorensen

Grade 3 & 4

Ann Kom & Annette Handevitd

Grade 5 & 6

Tim Pietsch & Peter Bockoven

Grades 7 & 8

Lance Johnson & Samuel Johnson

Substitutes

Krista Petzel, Jacob & Emily Birkholz

Superintendent

Kent Waletski

WEEK AT A GLANCE: *September 13, 2015 – September 20, 2015*

Sunday September 13 Rally Day	8:30AM 9:40AM 10:45AM 5-7PM 7:30PM	Divine Service w/Sunday School Teachers' Installation Fellowship Coffee Hour & Sunday School Registration and Sunday School Divine Service Lutheran Girl Pioneers Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball
Monday September 14	9:30AM 5:30PM 6:30PM 6:30PM	Area Pastors' Conference Board of Stewardship Divine Worship Service Church Council
Tuesday September 15	8AM 6:30PM	Women's Bible Study – <i>Book of Acts</i> Jesus Cares Ministry
Wednesday September 16	8:05AM 8-10AM 9AM 2-7PM 3:45PM 7PM	CDS Chapel Mom's on a Mission Bible Study Group Bible Study – <i>Augsburg Confession</i> Red Cross Blood Drive Confirmation Class Senior Choir
Thursday September 17		
Friday September 18	6:30-8:30PM 7 & 9PM	BLC Fall Festival Jr. Youth Group Theatre Physics at BLC
Saturday September 19	6:40PM 7 & 9PM	BLC Fall Festival Sr. Youth to Theatre Physics Theatre Physics at BLC
Sunday September 20	8:30AM 9:40AM 10:45AM 1PM 2PM 2-4PM 7:30PM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion Bible Class, Sunday School and Bible Instruction Class (BIC) Divine Service w/Holy Communion Encourage One Another Theatre Physics at BLC Fall Festival at McGowan's Farm Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball