

**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](http://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](mailto:scrip@mtolivelutheran.org) or Krista Petzel [krista.petzel@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:tplath@mvlhs.org).

### **Bethany Lutheran College**

**Fine Arts Events:**

**Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 7:00PM** in Trinity Chapel: Folk musician **Peter Ostroushko** performs in a Guest Artist Series concert with the Bethany String Band. Tickets are available at the door an hour before the performance, **\$10 adults, \$6 students/seniors.**

**Sunday, Oct. 11 at 2:00 pm** - Soprano **Brittany Boyum** presents her senior voice recital, accompanied by pianist Bethel Balge. Free and open to the public.



## **Mt. Olive Lutheran Church**

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**Trinity 18**

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Sunday,  
October 4, 2015  
8:30 & 10:45am

 Evangelical  
Lutheran  
Synod



## Trinity 18

**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.

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

~**Hymn 49 vv. 1, 3, 4 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name**

~**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. 60-61, form I)

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: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

C: **O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: I ask each of you, in the presence of God who searches the heart: Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins?

C: **I do.**

P: Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in His name?

C: **I do.**

**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.

**Sr. Youth Group: TODAY,** we'll be joining the Youth from Norseland Lutheran and Peace Lutheran for a hay ride and bonfire at Oren Olsen's farm by Norseland. Let's meet in the parking lot of Mt. Olive at 4PM. We'll caravan out to the farm together (please let us know if you're able to help drive). Hot apple cider, snacks and hot dogs will be provided. We'll end the night with a devotion and should be done @ 8-8:30PM to caravan back to Mt. Olive for pick up. Sign up on the sheet in the narthex!

**Women's Mission Rally (Southern Minnesota Chapter)** This year's Mission Rally will be held on **Saturday, October 24** at King of Grace, Golden Valley, MN. The theme is, "I Am the Vine, You Are the Branches". PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY on the narthex table.

**Save Your Milk Jugs!** The kindergarten class would like your empty plastic milk (or juice) gallon jugs. They are needed for an upcoming (winter) building project. Please bring your **rinsed out jugs and their caps** to the kindergarten room. Thanks! (The caps will be donated to Trash for Cash afterwards.)

**Save the Date!** Mt. Olive will be hosting a Grandparents' Day on Wednesday, **November 4**. More details to come!

**PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Five parent volunteers are needed to assist with our CDS Vision & Hearing Screening on Thursday, **October 8**. Approximate start time is 8AM. Please call the school office or email Patti at: [school@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:school@mtolivelutheran.org) if you are able to help.

**Home Purchase Project:** Mount Olive is looking at ways we could purchase certain homes around the church when they become available, which could help us accommodate for the future growth of our congregation. Once again a generous donor has offered a gift of \$10,000 for this purpose, based on a matching amount from the members. Would you consider a special donation which would help us direct \$20,000 for the growth of our church and school? Please note "Home Purchase Project" on your donation. Thank you!

**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.

**WEEK AT A GLANCE: October 4, 2015 – October 11, 2015**

<b>Sunday</b> October 4	8:30AM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	9:40AM	Bible Class, Sunday School and Bible Information Class (BIC)
	10:45AM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	1PM	Encourage One Another
	4PM	Sr. Youth Hayride and Bonfire in Norseland
	7:30PM	Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball
<b>Monday</b> October 5	6:30PM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
	6:30PM	Board of Education
	6:45PM	Board of Deacons
<b>Tuesday</b> October 6	8AM	Women's Bible Study – <i>Book of Acts</i>
	6:30PM	Jesus Cares Ministry
<b>Wednesday</b> October 7	8-10AM	Mom's on a Mission Bible Study Group
	8:05AM	CDS Chapel
	9AM	Bible Study
	7PM	Senior Choir
<b>Thursday</b> October 8	8AM	CDS Vision/Hearing Screening
<b>Friday</b> October 9		
<b>Saturday</b> October 10		
<b>Sunday</b> October 11		<b>Boys' &amp; Girls' Choirs Sing</b>
	8:30AM	Divine Service
	9:40AM	Bible Class, Sunday School and Bible Information Class (BIC)
	10:45AM	Divine Service
	5-7PM	Lutheran Girl Pioneers
	7:30PM	Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Flowers on the Altar:** The flowers beautifying our altar today are given to God's glory by Ron and Kathy Koth, in memory of Kathy's father.

**Baptized:** Jacob Louis Tettam, infant son of Troy and Katie Tettam, was baptized by Pastor Petersen here at Mt. Olive on Sunday, September 27, 2015 in a private ceremony. We rejoice that through this washing of regeneration he is received into God's Kingdom of Grace. May he ever grow and be blessed therein.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. May He comfort your heart by His holy Absolution, and strengthen you by His Sacraments, that your joy may be full. Peace be with You!

**C: Amen**

~Introit (p. 145) *all read together*

**C: Reward them who wait for You, O Lord, and let Your prophets be found faithful. Hear the prayer of Your servants and of Your people Israel. I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord."**

~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 are poor, miserable sinners; we know Your will, but cannot fulfill it because of the weakness of our flesh and blood, and because our enemy, the devil, will not leave us in peace. Therefore we beseech You, pour Your Holy Spirit in our hearts, that in steadfast faith we may cling to Your Son Jesus Christ, find comfort in His Passion and death, believe the forgiveness of sins

through Him, and in willing obedience to Your will lead holy lives on earth, until by Your grace, through a blessed death, we depart from this world of sorrow, and obtain eternal life; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. **C: ♪ Amen.**

**~Old Testament Lesson**

**Deuteronomy 10:12-21** “And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments of the LORD and His statutes which I command you today for your good? Indeed heaven and the highest heavens belong to the LORD your God, also the earth with all that is in it. The LORD delighted only in your fathers, to love them; and He chose their descendants after them, you above all peoples, as it is this day. Therefore circumcise the foreskin of your heart, and be stiff-necked no longer. For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality nor takes a bribe. He administers justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the stranger, giving him food and clothing. Therefore love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the LORD your God; you shall serve Him, and to Him you shall hold fast, and take oaths in His name. He is your praise, and He is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things which your eyes have seen.”

**~Choir: “Praise the Lord, All Ye People”** by Michael Haydn

Praise the Lord all ye people, sing praise to our God and King; sing praises all ye people. Tell of his righteousness, his wonder and majesty.

**~Epistle Lesson**

**1 Corinthians 1:4-9** I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus, that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will also confirm you to the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**~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.**

**~Hymn 313 v. 13 *Who Can Condemn Me Now?***

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Preacher: Pastor Luke Ulrich / Liturgist: Pastor John J. Petersen  
Organists: 1<sup>st</sup>: Dennis Marzolf / 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mark DeGarmeaux  
Choir director: Sarah Leyrer / Accompanist: Elisabeth Urtel  
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**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE**

**Sunday: 8:30am; 259 10:45am; 232 Monday: 41**

**GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$15,055.64**

**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.*

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**SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK**

**Ushers: 1<sup>st</sup> Service:** Dave Sulzle (captain), John Bungum, Rich Hultgren,  
Rich Andreasen, Craig Zibrowski

**2<sup>nd</sup> Service:** Steve Jaeger (captain), Joe Meyer, Herman Harstad,  
Jeremy Jacob, Sam Barbosa

**Offering Counters: Ron Younge, Jeff Younge**

**Altar Guild: Carol Leiferman, Ellie Fisher**  
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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 229 *By Faith We Are Divinely Sure*

Hymn 227 vv. 3, 5, 7 *False Dreams Deluded Minds Did Fill*

Hymn 233 *The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace*

~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 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.

~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 489 *The Law Commands and Makes Us Know*

~Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text

*Matthew 22:34-46* But when the Pharisees heard that He had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. Then one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying, "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets." While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?" They said to Him, "The Son of David." He said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying: 'The LORD said to my Lord, 'Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool'?" If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his Son?" And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore.

**~Sermon Theme**

***“The Greatest Commandment – Kept Only by the Greatest LORD!”***

1. The Greatest Commandment: Purpose & Emphasis of the Law
2. The Greatest Lord: What We Are to Expect from Christ

**~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**

**~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.

**~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,**