



TRINITY 6

Sunday, July 23, 2017, 8:30 & 10:00am

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School, ELS

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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:

"Unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt 5:17-26). God demands nothing less than perfection and holiness from you in regard to His commandments (Ex 20:1-17). Your only hope, then, is not in your own goodness but in the goodness of Christ, who did not come to destroy the Law and the Prophets, but to fulfill them for you. In Christ your righteousness does indeed exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees. For you have been baptized into Christ's death and your sinful nature crucified. Therefore, he who has died has been freed from sin (Rom 6:1-11). You are now raised with Christ to walk in newness of life and to share in His resurrection on the Last Day. Christ has brought you through the baptismal sea "out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage." Therefore, "reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

~Hymn 84 vv. 1, 3 *Jesus, Sun of Righteousness*

~The Invocation and Versicles (p. 130)

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

C: Amen.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: Make haste to help me, O Lord.

P: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit.

C: A broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise. 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

P: Let us pray: Lord, God, heavenly Father, we confess that we are poor, wretched sinners, and that there is no good in us; our hearts, flesh and blood being so corrupted by sin that we are never in this life without sinful lusts and desires. Therefore we beseech You, dear Father, forgive us these sins, and let Your Holy Spirit so cleanse our hearts that we may desire and love Your Word, abide by it, and thus by Your grace be forever saved; through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

~The Confession of Sin (form I, p. 130)

P: Let us make confession of 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.

~The Absolution (form I, p. 131)

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!

~Hymn 429 v. 2 *O the Height of Jesus' Love*

~Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 20:1-17 And God spoke all these words, saying: "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it. Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's."

~Epistle Lesson

Romans 6:3-11 Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the

body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. For he who has died has been freed from sin. Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

~The Creed, with Explanation (p. 32)

P: What is the First Article of the Creed?

C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

P: What does this mean?

C: I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still preserves them;/ that He richly and daily provides me with food and clothing, home and family, property and goods, and all that I need to support this body and life; that He protects me from all danger, guards and keeps me from all evil;/ and all this purely out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me; for all which I am in duty bound to thank and praise, to serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

P: What is the Second Article of the Creed?

C: I believe 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.

P: What does this mean?

C: I believe that Jesus Christ is true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary; and that He is my Lord, Who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood, and with His innocent suffering and death; in order that I might be His own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness; even as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

P: What is the Third Article of the Creed?

C: 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.

P: What does this mean?

C: I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Ghost has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith; just as He calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives me and all believers all our sins; and at the last day He will raise up me and all the dead, and will grant me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

~Installation of Council Members (1st service only)

~Affirmation of Baptism of Tovah Ann Johnson (2nd service only)

~Hymn 430 vv. 1-4 *By Adam's Fall Is All Forlorn*

~Sermon Text

Matthew 5:20 For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.

~Sermon Theme: *The Righteousness that We Need*

1. Not of our own making...
2. Provided completely & fully by Christ.

~Prayers

~Offering and Hymn 433 *Not What These Hands Have Done*

(Visitors: Please place guest cards in offering plate)

~The Collect (form II, p. 132)

P: Lord Jesus Christ, You have given apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to Your Church, for the perfecting of the saints and the edification of Your

faithful people: We thank You for Your great mercy, and we bless Your holy name, that You have not dealt with us as we have deserved by our sins or faithlessness, but that You have preserved for us even to this day Your holy Word and Your precious Sacraments. We pray that You will continue to have mercy upon us. May your Holy Spirit enlighten and direct us, comfort and strengthen us to the joy of the angels and the increase of Your kingdom. May Your blessing abide on our pastors, whom you have appointed to be Shepherds of our souls, and may we all be built up in the true faith upon the Rock of our salvation, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit is worthy of all praise and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

~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.

~Benediction (p. 106)

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.

~Hymn 430 vv. 7-9 *Who Hopes in God and Trusts in Him*

Preacher: Pastor Luke Ulrich / Liturgist: Pastor John Petersen
Organists: 1st: Cassie Johnson / 2nd: Mark DeGarmeaux

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 8:30am; 181/155 10:45am; 189/128 Monday: 35/25

GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$10,384.63

NEEDED EACH WEEK TO MEET ANNUAL BUDGET: \$16,790

2 Corinthians 8:9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.

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: Ron Younge, Brian Strom, James Strom, Silas Born

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

Greeters: 1st Service: Dean & Cathy Kluge, Mark & Vivian Smith

2nd Service: Dean & Cathy Kluge, Mark & Vivian Smith

Offering Counters: Beth Hoffman, Joni Bode

Altar Guild: Connie Meyer, Terri Westphal

WEEK AT A GLANCE: July 23, 2017—July 30, 2017

Sunday July 23	8:30AM 9:30AM 10AM 11AM 7:30PM	Divine Service w/install. of Council members Chinese Mission Work Presentation Divine Service Chinese Mission Work Presentation Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
Monday July 24	10AM 6:30PM 7:30PM	Veterans' Bible Study, 710 Raintree Road Divine Service w/Holy Communion Evangelism Committee
Tuesday July 25	8AM	Women's Bible Study
Wednesday July 26	9AM 9:30AM 5:30PM	Bible Study MOMs Playdate & Picnic, Spring Lake Park LYA bus leaves our parking lot
Thursday July 27		
Friday July 28	10:15AM	Service at Pathstone
Saturday July 29		
Sunday July 30	8:30AM 10AM 7:30PM	Divine Service Divine Service Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the Altar: The flowers beautifying the altar today are given to God's glory by Ron & Mary Younge.

FREE: Would you like to read some good, Bible-centered books from Northwestern Publishing? Check out the volumes available on the table in the social hall **today**. Help yourself!

Needed: Ice cream buckets or similarly sized plastic containers for leftovers following funeral meals or other events when there is food that can be donated to local homeless shelters. To donate, text or call Lois Jaeger 507.351.5488.

Road Sealing in the neighborhood begins the **3rd week of July**. When approaching the church, McConnell St. may have *No Parking* signs posted. Violators may be towed.

Playdate & Picnic at **Spring Lake park** with Moms On a Mission (M.O.M.s) Wednesdays in July from 9:30AM-NOON. Bring your own picnic lunch if you'd like to stay.

Floor sealing: On Friday, **July 28**, the front entrance will be inaccessible while the custodians seal the floor. Please use an alternate door during that process.

Mt. Olive Youth Choir: We are starting a Youth Choir for ANY of our members who are going into grades 3 to 9 (or so). Practice times run from 3 to 4PM Wednesdays through the school year. Commitment involves coming to practice and singing three or four Sundays. If interested, contact Katie Sulzle 469.4719 or ksulzle@hotmail.com.

Join us after both services in the social hall **today** as Jacob & Hillary Beilke speak about their work at Rising Eagle School in Beijing, China.

Mt. Olive School Scrip Program offers gift cards for purchase for a wide variety of retailers. A percentage of gift card purchases go toward 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 Tiffany Riesgraf triesgraf@yahoo.com.

Job Openings

Food Service Director: Mount Olive Lutheran School is accepting applications for the position of food service director for our hot lunch program. If you are interested in applying for this position, call the school office at 507.345.7927.

After School Care is looking for someone who loves working with school age kids, who is available 1:50-5:30PM school days. Interested? Contact Michelle Graham. 507 720 7258

Volleyball Coaches Needed: Mt. Olive Lutheran School is in need of volleyball coaches for the Girls B and A teams. Practices are Tuesdays and Fridays between 2:30 and 5:30PM depending on coach availability. We are in need of two volleyball

coaches for our girl's B teams and a coach for the girl's A team. If interested contact Craig Zibrowski by email mrz@mtolivelutheran.org

ELS

Jesus' Lambs at Peace Preschool invites you to register for our 2016-17 school year. Continue the gentle environment your child feels at home. The student experiences daily Bible stories, songs, Kindergarten readiness with reading, math, science, geography, and fun with toys and games. Call 385-7752 to register. Back-To-School Picnic is 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23. Food is provided!

MVL

MVL Food Service Assistant is open until filled with an orientation the week of August 21 & an August 58 start date. Tasks include food preparation and service, washing dishes, and clean up & takes 6-6½ hrs/school day. To apply, contact Principal Tim Plath at 507-354-6851 or tplath@mvlhs.org.

Bethany Lutheran College

Maintenance Tech Carpenter has an application deadline of July 31 and an August 21 start date. A description & instructions are at <https://www.blc.edu/employment>.

WELS

No-prep auditions for the musical, *The Rock Slinger's Greatest Hit* are **today** beginning at 4PM & **tomorrow** beginning at 7PM in the basement of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in North Mankato. Rehearsals begin August 14. Performances are October 20, 21, 28 and 29. **For ages 10 and up**, 15 parts are available. Watch Facebook @ThreeTreesTheater for more information. If you're interested in auditioning but can't attend, email ThreeTreesTheater@gmail.com

Annual Ice Cream Social: Trinity Lutheran Church of Nicollet, Ladies Guild hosts the social on Wednesday, **July 26**, 2017, from 4:30PM – 7PM, at the church (604 Main St., Nicollet). Menu includes BBQs, Ham & Egg Salad Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Pie, Ice Cream, Assorted Desserts, Root Beer Floats, Coffee and Pop. They hope you join them for an evening of good food and great conversation.

Jesus Loves Me Learning Center, North Mankato, **is looking for staff** to cover a half day (afternoons) in the toddler room but could possibly be a full time position. We will also need an afterschool staff person the end of August to work with those children. Teacher aides are vital and always appreciated. Think about a position for yourself or someone you might know who would be qualified! Our wages are competitive and what a great way to serve your Lord. Call (507 508 2041) or email lingjlm@hickorytech.net with questions.



As we prepare to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation, we will be including in our weekly bulletins a brief section taken from the Lutheran Confessions. The Lutheran Confessions, found in the Book of Concord, identified and summarized the Biblical beliefs of the Lutheran church and distinguished it from other churches. Since these writings are drawn from the source and norm of our beliefs, that is, they are drawn from God's unchanging Word found in Holy Scripture, we continue to profess these teachings as our own. We encourage you read and prayerfully consider these important teachings of our church.

To “honor” authorities—especially parents—is to do more than simply “love” them. Honoring someone means placing yourself beneath them. In giving the proper authorities such honor, God attaches His promise of blessings to us.

LARGE CATECHISM, I. [THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT]

“You shall honor your father and mother.” To fatherhood and motherhood God has given the special distinction, above all estates that are beneath it, that he commands us not simply to love our parents but also to honor them. With respect to brothers, sisters, and neighbors in general he commands nothing higher than that we love them. Thus he distinguishes father and mother above all other persons on earth, and places them next to himself. For it is a much greater thing to honor than to love. Honor includes not only love but also deference, humility, and modesty, directed (so to speak) toward a majesty hidden within them...Over and above all this, another strong incentive for us to keep this commandment is that God has attached to it a lovely promise, “That you may have long life in the land where you dwell.” Here you see how important God considers this commandment. He declares that it is not only an object of pleasure and delight to himself, but also an instrument intended for our greatest welfare, to lead us to a quiet, pleasant, and blessed life.