



TRINITY SUNDAY/CDS GRADUATION

May 27, 2018, 8:30 & 10:00 AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

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Pastors John J. Petersen & Luke Ulrich | Principal Larry Rude | Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Welcome! In the name of our risen Savior we welcome you to Mt. Olive and thank you for worshipping with us. 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 Isaiah beheld the glory of the Lord, he cried out "Woe is me!" For the sinner cannot stand in the presence of a holy God and live (Is 6:1-7). But God the Father lifted up His Son Jesus for us on the cross, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:1-15). This eternal life of Christ is given us according to the Holy Spirit's good pleasure in Baptism. "Unless one is born (again) of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God." To sinners in fear of death, the messengers of God place on our lips the living body and blood of Christ and speak His words of absolution, "Your iniquity is taken away, and your sin purged." Having received forgiveness and life from the Father through the Son by the Holy Spirit, we join with the angels in praising the blessed Trinity, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts!" "For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen" (Rom 11:33-36).*

Order of Worship: Rite Two



I. The Service of Preparation

(We prepare ourselves for worshiping God by acknowledging our unworthiness to stand before Him, and by receiving His forgiveness through absolution (forgiveness). We respond with thanks and joy.)

~**Prelude** — *Preservice music & opportunity for prayer*

*(See "Prayers for Worship"
—ELH p. 40)*

~**K-7 School Choir:** Hymn 236 *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus (2nd Service)*

~**Opening Hymn 15** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

~**Invocation** — *Calling upon the Triune God*

(ELH p. 60; Matt. 28:19)

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

C: ♪ Amen.

~**Confession & Absolution** — *Admitting Our Guilt & Receiving God's Forgiveness*

(ELH p. 60 #2; Ps 124:8, Ps 32:5)

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** — *Entrance Psalm*

(*ELH p. 62; p. 144*)

P: Alleluia! O Lord, deal with Your servant according to Your mercy and teach me Your statutes. I am Your servant, give me understanding: that I may know Your testimonies. Alleluia! Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity; let us give glory to Him because He has shown mercy to us. O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth!

~**Gloria Patri**— *“Glory be to the Father”*

(*ELH p. 62*)

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**— *“Lord, have mercy”*

(*ELH p. 63, 1; Mk 10:47*)

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

~**Gloria in Excelsis Deo**— *“Glory to God in the Highest”*

(*ELH p. 64-66; Lk 2:14; Jn 1:29*)

P: Glory be to God on high:

C: ♪ And on earth peace, goodwill 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** — *The People’s Blessing for the Pastor’s Work*

(*ELH p. 66; 2 Tim 4:22*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~**Collect** — *The Congregation's Prayer of the Day*

(ELH p. 66; p. 157 #80)

P: Let us pray: Almighty God, by Your grace alone we are called into Your kingdom, to confess the true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the true Unity: We beseech You, that You would keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

II. The Service of the Word



(After receiving the forgiveness of sins, we thanked God by singing His praises and praying to Him. He now increases our faith through His holy Word which we hear through the Lessons and especially through the Sermon where God's Word is applied to our lives today.)

~The Old Testament Lesson

Ezekiel 18:30-32 “Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways,” says the Lord God. “Repent, and turn from all your transgressions, so that iniquity will not be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions which you have committed, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit. For why should you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies,” says the Lord God. “Therefore turn and live!”

~The Epistle Lesson

Romans 11:33-36 Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how untraceable his ways! “For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his adviser? Or who has first given to God that he will be repaid?” For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.

~Alleluia

(ELH p. 67)

C: ♪ **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

~The Holy Gospel

(ELH p. 68)

P: The Holy Gospel for Trinity Sunday is written in the third chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, beginning at the first verse.

C: ♪ **Glory be to You, O Lord!**

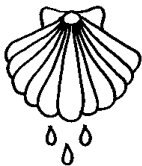
John 3:1-15 There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these miraculous signs

you are doing unless God is with him.” Jesus replied, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: Unless someone is born from above, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born, can he?” Jesus answered, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: Unless someone is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God! Whatever is born of the flesh is flesh. Whatever is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be surprised when I tell you that you must be born from above. The wind blows where it pleases. You hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” “How can these things be?” asked Nicodemus. “You are the teacher of Israel,” Jesus answered, “and you do not know these things? Amen, Amen, I tell you: We speak what we know, and we testify about what we have seen. But you people do not accept our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven, except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man, who is in heaven. “Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

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

C: ♪ Praise be to You, O Christ!

The Order of Holy Baptism (1st Service)



(Holy Baptism has the power to work the new life of faith in the hearts of sinners. This regenerative washing “with water through the Word” is intended for all people, since all — including infants and children — are members of a sinful human race and are in need of God’s grace and forgiveness. Jesus has also commanded that “all nations” be baptized. Confession of sins and Absolution are a return to, and a renewal of, one’s Baptism. Matt. 28:19, John 3:5, Eph. 5:26, Titus 3:5, Acts 2:38-39)

~**Baptismal Hymn 241** *He That Believes and Is Baptized*

~**Baptism of Miles, Maxwell, and Malin Fischer**

(ELH p. 133ff)

~**Apostles’ Creed** — *Confession of faith (2nd Service)*

(ELH p. 68)

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.

~Chief Hymn 65 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

~Sermon Text

Jeremiah 9:23-24 Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, let not the mighty man glory in his might, nor let the rich man glory in his riches; but let him who glories glory in this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight," says the Lord.

~Sermon Message

"Consider It an Honor to Know the Lord"

~Offertory — *Prayer of Renewal before Offering*

(ELH p. 70-71; Ps 51:10-12)

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 Hymn 353, vv. 1, 2, 4 *Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won* (1st Service)

Mt. Olive CDS Band (2nd Service)

*The members of Mt. Olive give offerings as a joyful response to what God has given them. These offerings support the work of Gospel ministry in our community and around the world. **Visitors:** Please do not feel obligated to participate in this offering. We ask you to fill out a Welcome Card and place that in the offering plate.*

~Prayers & Special Petitions

~Lord's Prayer

(ELH p. 85; Mt. 6:9-13)

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

(ELH p. 86-87, #III)

P: Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God, unto Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom which comes down from above, that Your Word, as becomes it, may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and in the confession of Your name abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

Ending of 1st Service

~Benediction — *Final Blessing for God's People*

(ELH p. 87; Num. 6:24-26)

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 376, vv. 1-3 *Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

~Postlude — *Opportunity for prayer & to greet one another!*

*(See "Prayers for Worship"
—ELH p. 40)*

Ending of 2nd Service: 8th Grade Graduation

~Class Speaker *Rylee Woller*

~Awarding of Diplomas *Craig Brown, Chair of the Board of Education*

~Presentation of the Graduating Class of 2018 *Larry Rude, Principal*

~8th Grade Choir *Speak, O Lord* (CW Supplement, #735)

~Prayer

P: God of time and eternity, as time flows by we are faced with changes and new horizons. But our times are in your hands. You have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet unwalked, through trials unknown. Give us faith to go forth with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that

your hand is leading us and your love supporting us all the days of our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

~Hymn *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* (CW #332)

Go, My children, with My blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are My own.
In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.
Go, My children, with My blessing – you are My own.

Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard My dear Son's story; here you touched Him, saw His glory.
Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

Go, My children, fed and nourished, closer to Me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here My Spirit's power filled you; here His tender comfort stilled you.
Go, My children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

I, the Lord will bless and keep you and give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you and give you peace;
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you and give you peace.

~Official Closing of the School Year—

P: We close this school year in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

~Postlude — *Opportunity for prayer and to greet one another*

*(See "Prayers for Worship"
--ELH p. 40")*

~Please join us for a reception for the 8th graders in the Social Hall~

2017-2018 School Theme: Ephesians 2:8 - "For it is by grace you have been saved through faith, and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God"

Class Verse: Deuteronomy 31:8- -"The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

Mt. Olive Lutheran School Class of 2018

Samuel Andrew James Barbosa

Ingrid Ann Bloedel

Ayden Joshua Brandel

Bryn Elizabeth Brown

Caleb John DeWitt

Christian Allan Edwards

Samuel Truman Halvorson

Simon Edward Kovaciny

Carter James McCabe

Cassandra Grace Mueller

Joseph Louis Mueller

Montian James Natrakul

Daniel John Norris

Morgan Marie Paulsen

Jordan Scott Richtsmeier

Anna Grace Schwartz

Caleb Roger Tomhave

Rylee Madison Woller

Thomas Arthur Wosmek

Annika Katherine Younge

Preacher: Pastor John Petersen / Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich

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

Choir Director: Donna Fosburgh / Band Director: Jim Siewert

Choir accompanists: Miranda Dittmer & Montian Natrakul

ELS

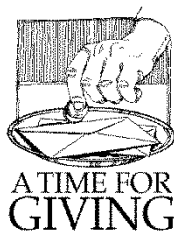
The ELS has always had a commitment to Lutheran elementary education. It has been questioned if our present synod would ever have been organized if it had not been for the support of those who had been educated in Christian day schools. We may properly say that we owe our present existence as a Biblical-teaching synod in large part to the Christian day school. Today eighteen ELS congregations operate Lutheran elementary schools or preschools for 1,329 students.



LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 8:30am, 246/160; 10:45am, 134/87; Monday: 16/12

GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$18,616.93



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

Romans 12: 1 Therefore I urge you, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice—holy and pleasing to God—which is your appropriate worship.

*Did you know you can give your offering online? Just go to www.mtolivelutheran.org and click on the link, "donate on line." If you would like to continue using your assigned envelope, just **write the word "online" on the envelope and drop it in the plate** during the offering.*

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 10:00 AM and Thursdays at 11:30 AM.

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK

Greeters: 1st Service: Ernie & Marge Lillo, Steve & Lois Jaeger

2nd Service: Mark & Vivian Smith, John & Nada Foede

Ushers: 1st Service: Nathan Graham, Chad Sorensen,

Darrell Iverson, Ray Iverson, Art Westphal

2nd Service: Paul Tweit (captain), Blake Fosburgh,

Lance Johnson, Bob Fosburgh

Offering Counters: Bruce Gratz, Craig Christensen

Altar Guild: Joni Bode, Lynette Merseth

WEEK AT A GLANCE: May 27, 2018—June 3, 2018

Sunday May 27	8:30AM 10AM 11AM 7:30PM	All-School Choir Divine Service Divine Service w/ 8th Grade Graduation Graduation Reception No Artemis Video Gaming Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
Mon. May 28		Memorial Day; Office Closed No Evening Service
Tues. May 29	8AM 10AM	Women's Bible Study – <i>Colossians</i> Board of Deacons
Wednesday May 30	9AM 5PM 7PM	Bible Study Youth Groups, WOW Zone Men's Chorus
Thurs. May 31		
Fri. June 1		"Still Under the Oaks" Registrations Due
Sat. June 2	9:45AM to 3:15 PM	New 2 You Volunteers
Sunday June 3	8:30AM 10AM 1PM 7:30PM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion Divine Service w/Holy Communion Encourage One Another Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the altar are given to God's glory in honor of the 8th grade graduates.

On the narthex table are copies of the *Building On Our Mission* packets and the *Mt. Olive Herald*; **forms** for LYA registration; **signup sheets** for Camp Indianhead busing and volunteering at New 2 You; **April editions of** *The Cross-stitch Corner and Thoughts of Faith*; **May editions of** the *ELS President's Newsletter*, *The Olive Press* newsletter & calendar, and *MVL's Memo*; and **giving envelopes** for *MVL memorials*.

Thank you! "I want to thank the members of Mt. Olive and the Pastors for your prayers, visits, & cards. God is good."—Jim Tessien

Congregational Update

Members of Mount Olive,
Fundraising has begun for the Building on Our Mission expansion project! For all those who have made 'pledges of intent' towards the Building on Our Mission campaign or wish to support the project, **NOW** is the time to begin making your gifts!

Through April 30, \$130,000 in gifts have been received out of a total of \$473,000 in total pledges, which is a great start. Half of our members who made pledges have submitted their first gift, and we encourage all members to begin making contributions as we get closer to groundbreaking this Fall. Also, watch the B.O.O.M. thermometer heat-up in the Narthex as our fundraising grows!

Here are the ways to fulfill your expressed commitment towards the successful completion of our building project:

1. Offering Envelope

- Indicate your gift to the 'Building Campaign' on the line 'Special Gift For' with a dollar figure in addition to your regular offerings.

2. Online Automatic Payment

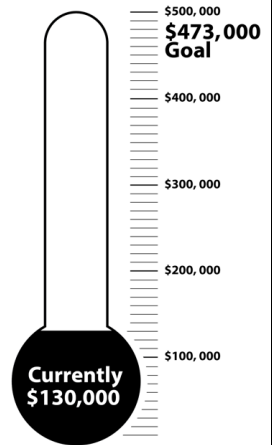
- Debit or credit cards are accepted to set-up weekly or monthly payments at www.mtolivelutheran.org. Click 'Donate Online' at the bottom of the page. Create your profile; indicate 'Building Campaign' in the Special Funds – Other box. Please call the church office if you require assistance in setting up your recurring gift.

If you are a new member of Mount Olive and would like to learn more about supporting the Building On Our Mission campaign, please contact any member of the Building Committee: <http://www.mtolivelutheran.org/publications/building-projects/building-committee/>. Gift intent forms are available in the church office and in the Narthex.

*"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops;
Then your barns will be filled to overflowing,
and your vats will brim over with new wine." – Proverbs 3:9-10*

Sincerely,

Members of the Building Committee



Building Committee Update

The Building Committee met on Tuesday, May 15. The interior designer from ISG brought samples of many of the finishes and colors that had been selected by the user groups for various areas of new construction. The committee discussed and provided input on the various choices and approved the items that have been decided upon at this time. As noted in the May 6 Update, various items regarding the project were identified at the May 1 meeting with ISG and WEB as needing "additional research and analysis by ISG and WEB." The committee spent time discussing the responses from ISG and WEB and their impact on the final plans. All decisions by the committee will now be shared with ISG to be incorporated into the schematic design and the cost estimates. Refining of the schematic design will continue until all necessary decisions have been made resulting in a final cost estimate for the project. The committee also discussed a variety of items regarding various additional aspects of the project and will continue to keep the congregation as well informed as possible on continued progress. The committee requests the ongoing prayers of the congregation that decisions and plans may all be in accord with God's good and gracious will for His church here at Mt. Olive.

Save the Date! Please make plans to join us for a retirement reception honoring Mr. Larry Rude on **Sunday, June 10, at 11:00 AM** in the social hall. In lieu of flowers or gifts, please consider a cash donation towards a special trip to Norway in October being planned by the family.



WORLD CUP SOCCER VBS!
Jesus... For The Whole World!
1 John 2:2

Camp VBS Craft Planner Needed NOW: Preparations are underway in planning Mt Olive's Camp VBS 2018, and one person is needed as soon as possible to help with the planning the craft project (and possibly lead it the week of VBS if you're available). Please contact Sally Sorensen (sallyksorensen@gmail.com) or at (507)382-0239 if you are interested in learning more about serving in this way.

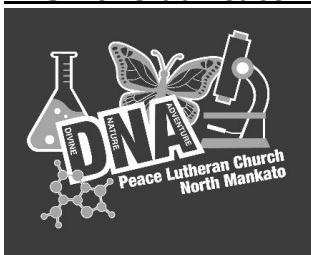
Thank you, teachers, for a great Sunday School year! "I, the Pastors and the Congregation really appreciate all the time and effort the teachers have put into the year. Also, thanks to Katie for leading our pre-6th graders in song every Sunday."-- Kent Waleski

Artemis Tonight! "Artemis" is a spaceship bridge simulator video game. Crews of six or more players (ages 11 and up) work together to fly, navigate, and defend the universe. We will have some iPads provided for gaming, but feel free to bring your PC

or tablets. We start at 6 PM and the latest we go is 9 PM. Pizza is provided once we get a head count. Hope to see you there and bring a friend!

Junior Youth Group will meet Wednesday, **May 30**, from 5 to 8PM at the WOW Zone for unlimited bowling, laser tag, and mini golf! Bring money for snacks & arcade games. Parents: please drop off and pick up your kids at the WOW Zone. All youth going into 7th grade, along with all current 7th and 8th graders, are invited to attend.

VBS 2018 at Peace Lutheran Church, North Mankato, will be Monday-Wednesday, **June 11-13**, from 9AM to 2PM. Our theme will be “**Divine Nature Adventure-DNA.**” Daily adventures and science experiments will focus on how God creates, changes, and sustains us. Children ages 4 through going into 6th grade are welcome to attend. The cost is \$5/child. **Registration is required.** Forms are available at peacemankato.com and must be turned in to the church office at Peace **today**.



Attention Youth: We are looking for helpers with our summer parades! On Saturday, July 7, 2018, Mt. Olive will be participating in the North Mankato Fun Days parade. Family Fun Shows will be giving each Mt. Olive youth that participates in the Fun Days parade 5 **free** ride tickets and one **free** game at the Duck Pond at the end of the Parade Route. Sign up by contacting Michelle Graham (507-720-7258).

Mount Olive would like to have a float with music for the Fun Days Parade on July 7 and the Tater Days Parade on July 21. We are looking at easy hymns: *God Bless Our Native Land*, *A Mighty Fortress*, and the like. Grade school, high school & college students, and adults are hereby encouraged to find their horns and get ready for some parade fun! Contact Dan Neubauer at 507-514-2035 if you are interested.

Teens and Parents: Check the table in the narthex for registration packets for LYA 2018 in Tacoma, WA, July 26-29. Confirmed youth through college age are encouraged to attend. For more information, or to register online, go to els.org/lya18. Buses will be leaving Wednesday morning, July 25 and probably returning late Monday, July 30; cost is estimated to be \$300-325/rider. If you would like to use the busing, please contact Chaplain Moldstad at donm@blc.edu or Angela Merseth at ammerseth@gmail.com. **Update:** the deadline for the busing sign-up is June 15; you will still need to register for the conference itself.

Camp Indianhead is **July 8-13**. Parents who wish to receive information for camp and bus transportation can provide their email on the sheet available on the Narthex table. Contact Lance Johnson at lgustavj77@gmail.com or cell phone (507-720-2130) if you have questions.

Bethany Lutheran College

Sunday, June 3, at 7PM in Trinity Chapel: Pianist Bethel Balge and the Bekesh Trio will present a recital that includes both piano solo and trio repertoire by Brahms, Debussy, and Mendelssohn. In addition, soprano Jennifer Haugen will perform a song by Rachmaninoff, accompanied by Bethel Balge and Kenneth Freed. All are welcome.

Summer Music Camp, June 16-21: Vocal and instrumental music study, performance, and recreation for current 9-12 graders, directed by Bethany music professors Dennis Marzolf, Mark DeGarmeaux, and Benjamin Faugstad. Cost: \$275 or \$175. Visit .blc.edu for more info and for the application.

ELS

The ELS Historical Society will revisit the convention of one hundred years ago at Albert Lea and Lime Creek on Saturday, **June 16**. The theme of the day will be "Still Under the Oaks". The program will begin at 3:00PM at Our Savior's Lutheran Church (Albert Lea, MN). Following the program and a catered lunch, a brief commemorative service will be held at Lime Creek Lutheran Church (Lake Mills, IA). Anyone interested is welcome to partake in this special event. **Registrations are due by June 1** in order to make reservations for the catered meal; registration forms are on the narthex table.

MVL

Bus Driver and Manager Openings: Palmer Bus Service is looking for a full-time bus driver and a manager for the 2018-19 school year. Randy Gieseke is retiring after serving twelve years as MVL's bus manager. A knowledge of diesel engines is helpful for the applicants for the manager position. Interested individuals should contact Shane Johnson at 507-327-6764.

In The Olive Press are all other new announcements. Please pick up your copy from the ushers.



WORLD CUP SOCCER VBS!

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1 John 2:2

Advance Registration Required

Deadline: Sunday, June 10th

FREE Soccer Camp & FREE T-Shirt

Soccer Camp plus ALL the other great stuff that goes along with VBS...
Bible Lessons, Crafts,
Music & More

June 25th – 29th
8:15am - Noon

Camp VBS is for students entering
Preschool (age 4 by September 1st)
through 5th Grade (Fall 2018).

Sign-up Online:

www.mtolivelutheran.org

CAMP VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Interested in sharing the Gospel with 150 kids? Spend a fun, high-energy week helping with Camp VBS.

People 7th grade and older are encouraged to volunteer.
(If you are in 6th grade you may volunteer to help alongside your parent.)

If you would like to volunteer, but have children that are too young to attend Camp VBS -- we do provide babysitting for those little ones.

Sign up online: <http://signup.com/go/xvuRPZm>

Please contact Sally Sorensen (507) 382-0239 or sallyksorensen@gmail.com with any questions.