

TRINITY 8

Sunday, July 22, 2018, 8:30 & 10:00 AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

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Pastors John J. Petersen & Luke Ulrich | Principal Silas Born | 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: *"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves" (Matt. 7:15-23). Deceit has its strength in masquerading as the truth. False prophets speak a vision of their own heart, not from the mouth of the Lord (Jer. 23:16-29). They deny the judgment of the Lord, speaking peace to the unrepentant, when in truth there is condemnation and wrath. "You will know them by their fruits." The "fruits" of a true prophet are not outward righteousness or success but faithfulness in proclaiming the Word of the Lord. This is the will of the Father in heaven, that pastors take heed to the flock, the Father's adopted ones (Rom. 8:12-17), warning them against the wolves and their lies, and shepherding the church of God which He purchased with His own blood (Acts 20:27-38). For indeed, the cross is that good tree bearing good fruit, namely the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.*

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)*

~**Opening Hymn 78** *The Radiant Sun Shines in the Skies*

*(Tune: Herr Jesu Christ, dich
—ELH #50)*

~**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, II; 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;

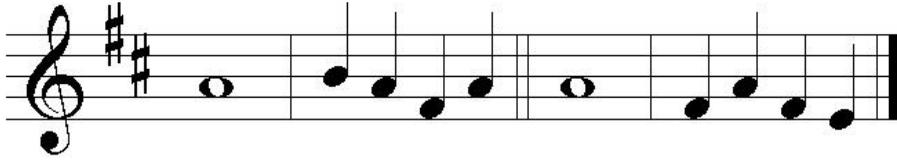
C: **✪ And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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.**



C: ♪ We have thought, O God, on Your `lovingkindness,
In the midst `of Your temple.
According to `Your name, O God,
So is Your praise to the `end of the earth.
Great `is the *Lord*,
And greatly `to be *prais'd*
In the city `of our *God*,
In the mountain of `His holiness.

Glory be to the Father` and to the Son
And to `the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the be`ginning, is now,
And ever shall be, forever`more. *A-men*.

~The 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.

~The 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. 160 #96)

P: Let us pray: Grant to us, Lord, we beseech You, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may by You be enabled to live according to Your will; 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.**

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

Jeremiah 23:16-29 Thus says the Lord of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They make you worthless; They speak a vision of their own heart, Not from the mouth of the Lord. They continually say to those who despise Me, "The Lord has said, "You shall have peace" "; And to everyone who walks according to the dictates of his own heart, they say, 'No evil shall come upon you.' " For who has stood in the counsel of the Lord, And has perceived and heard His word? Who has marked His word and heard it? Behold, a whirlwind of the Lord has gone forth in fury—A violent whirlwind! It will fall violently on the head of the wicked. The anger of the Lord will not turn back Until He has executed and performed the thoughts of His heart. In the latter days you will understand it perfectly. "I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran. I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied. But if they had stood in My counsel, And had caused My people to hear My words, Then they would have turned them from their evil way And from the evil of their doings. "Am I a God near at hand," says the Lord, "And not a God afar off? Can anyone hide himself in secret places, So I shall not see him?" says the Lord; "Do I not fill heaven and earth?" says the Lord. "I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in My name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long will this be in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies? Indeed they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart, who try to make My people forget My name by their dreams which everyone tells his neighbor, as their fathers forgot My name for Baal. "The prophet who has a dream, let him tell a dream; And he who has My word, let him speak My word faithfully. What is the chaff to

the wheat?” says the Lord. “Is not My word like a fire?” says the Lord, “And like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

~**Men’s Chorus: *Glory Be to God the Father*** – arr. M. N. Lundquist

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,

Glory be to God the Holy Spirit, Everlasting Three in One:

Him let heaven and earth adore, Now henceforth and evermore. Amen.

~**The Epistle Lesson**

Romans 8:12-17 So then, brothers, we do not owe it to the sinful flesh to live in harmony with it. For if you live in harmony with the sinful flesh, you are going to die. But if by the Spirit you put to death the actions of the body, you will live. Indeed, those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery so that you are afraid again, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we call out, “Abba, Father!” The Spirit himself joins our spirit in testifying that we are God’s children. Now if we are children, we are also heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, since we suffer with him, so that we may also be glorified with him.

~**Alleluia** — “*God Be Praised*”

(ELH p. 67)

C: ♪ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

~**Installation of Church Officers** (first service only)

~**Apostles’ Creed** — *Confession of faith*

(ELH p. 68-69)

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 477 *The Will of God Is Always Best***

~Holy Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text

Matthew 7:15-23 “Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. By their fruit you will recognize them. You do not gather grapes from thorn bushes or figs from thistles, do you? So then, every good tree produces good fruit, but a bad tree produces bad fruit. A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot produce good fruit. Every tree that does not produce good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. So then, by their fruit you will recognize them. Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and drive out demons in your name and perform many miracles in your name?’ Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Depart from me, you evildoers.’”

~Sermon Message

Beware of False Prophets & Their Fruit

~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 and Hymn 219 *Lord, as Thou Wilt, Deal Thou with Me*

(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.)

~Prayer of the Church

(ELH p. 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.

~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 pow'r and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

~Collect of Thanksgiving

(ELH p. 85, 1)

P: Let us give thanks and pray: We thank You, Lord God the Father, that You have given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. We thank You, Lord Jesus Christ, that You have borne in Your sacred body all our sins, and by Your blood have blotted out all our transgressions. We thank You, Lord, the Holy Spirit, that You have created in our hearts true faith, that we know of nothing to trust for our salvation, except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. O God, grant us Your grace, that we may perfectly believe that all our sins are forgiven for the sake of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ, and so enlighten us by Your Holy Spirit, that, in the power of our Redeemer's death, we may day by day put off sin, and never forsake the Lord Jesus Christ, until we see Him face to face in life eternal. We ask it all in Christ's name.

C: ♪ Amen.

~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.

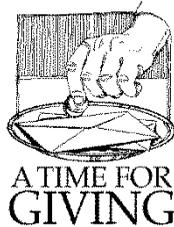
~Closing Hymn 383, vv. 4, 7, 9 Thy Will Be Done on Earth

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

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

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, 217/146; 10:00am, 228/149; Monday: 27/17
GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$12,945.84



NEEDED EACH WEEK TO MEET ANNUAL BUDGET: \$17,400

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: Robert & Ruth Heidenreich, Craig & Jane Zibrowski

Ushers: 1st Service: Juel Merseth (captain), Ron Bequette,
Greg Lieske, Ron Koth, Tim Merseth, Jordan Merseth

2nd Service: Dean Kluge (captain), Bill Bukowski,
Joe Madson, Jon Mueller, Jacob Mueller

Offering Counters: Beth Hoffman, Joni Bode

Altar Guild: Connie Meyer, Terri Westphal

WEEK AT A GLANCE: July 22, 2018—July 29, 2018

Sunday July 22	8:30AM 10AM 1:30PM 6PM 7:30PM	Divine Service w/ Installation of Church Officers Divine Service MoonDogs Game Tailgating Event Artemis Video Gaming Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
Monday July 23	10AM 6:15PM 6:30PM 7:30PM	Veterans, HyVee Softball, Caswell 3 Divine Service Board of Parish Ed & Youth
Tuesday July 24	8AM 7PM	Women's Bible Study - <i>Psalms</i> Men's Chorus Rehearsal
Wed. July 25	9AM-noon 9AM 9AM	M.O.M.s playdate, Sibley Park Bible Study - <i>Daniel</i> LYA Bus Departure
Thurs. July 26	7PM	M.O.M.s Bible Study
Fri. July 27	10:15AM 4-8PM	Pathstone Service (Pastor Ulrich) Rehearsal, Mord-Bitter Wedding Affirmation
Saturday July 28	Noon-3PM 9-4PM	Canvassing Mord-Bitter Wedding Affirmation
Sunday July 29	8:30AM 9:30AM 10AM 11AM 7:30PM	Divine Service Adult Choir Rehearsal (See note on next page) Divine Service Special Voters Meeting Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the altar today are given to God's glory by Ron & Mary Younge in memory of loved ones.

Special Voters' Meeting, Sunday, July 29 at 11 a.m.: On July 18, the Building Committee met with representatives from ISG Architects and WEB Construction and were informed of additional requirements by the city of Mankato, as well as some cost increases to various line items, which have resulted in our building project now being over budget. A special voters' meeting will be held after second service at 11 AM on Sunday, July 29, to review these items and determine next steps for our building project, which is currently slated to begin in late August/early September.

On the narthex table are copies of the *Building On Our Mission* packets and registration forms for a WELS Women's Retreat; **signup sheets** for volunteering at New 2 You, MoonDogs tickets, and the Women's Brunch; the **June edition of** *Thoughts of Faith*; **July editions of** the *ELS President's Newsletter*, *The Olive Press* newsletter & calendar, and *Mission News & Helping Hands*; the **June-September edition of** *Meditations Daily Devotions*; and **giving envelopes** for *MVL memorials*.

LYA Busing Information: The bus will leave Wednesday morning, **July 25**, at 9AM and return late Monday night, July 30. We will be stopping at Mt. Rushmore. Bring a pillow and blanket or sleeping bag for sleeping on the bus. Also, bring along only one suitcase to store under the bus and one carry-on bag. You will also need money for 9 meals on the trip. If you have any questions, please contact Don Moldstad at 387-5456.

Anthem Rehearsal/Singing: We are forming a group of young and older folks to sing an anthem for the Sunday, **August 26**, service. The first rehearsal/meeting will be between services on Sunday, **July 29**; subsequent rehearsal times will be determined by the group. Contact Carl Bloedel for more information (507-720-6593).

FYI: Waxing of the social hall and adjoining office hall will be done on **July 31**.

Save the date: School clean-up, Saturday, **August 11**, 8AM-noon (and 1-3PM if needed).

A hot lunch coordinator/supervisor is needed for the 2018-19 school year at Mt. Olive CDS. Contact Principal Born (507-345-7927 or school@mtolivelutheran.org) if you are interested.

Soccer & Volleyball Enthusiasts: Mt. Olive Lutheran School is looking for volunteer coaches for the soccer and volleyball programs this fall. Practices will be Monday and Thursday afternoons for the soccer teams and Tuesday and Friday afternoons for the volleyball teams. All practices are at Mt. Olive, with practice times to be determined by when coaches are available. Contact Craig Zibrowski by e-mail (mrz@mtolivelutheran.org) if you are interested or have questions.

Ushers Needed! Gentlemen: Mt. Olive is currently in need of usher volunteers (any confirmed male member) for first, and especially second, services for the 2018-2019 fiscal year (July 1-June 30). Contact David Reagles at david.reagles@blc.edu or (507)304-0941 if you are willing to serve.

M.O.M.s Study Group Summer Park Playdates: All are welcome to join us for our summer park playdates. Park playdates are come and go, from 9AM to noon on Wednesday mornings during the month of July at Sibley Park.

Summer Moms On a Mission (M.O.M.s) Bible Study meets each Thursday at 7PM for the month of July in the Fireside Room, with the study topic of “Families Under God.” Contact Shaylene Scheele (scheele.shaylene@yahoo.com) for more information.

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, contact Tiffany Riesgraf at triesgraf@yahoo.com.

At Bethany Lutheran College:

International Student Activity Coordinator Opening: This part-time position will develop, coordinate, and execute activities for international students to assist in their adjustment and engagement with the college. Application deadline is July 30. Find more information at <https://www.blc.edu/employment>.

Within Our Synod



During this anniversary year, the *Lutheran Sentinel* continues to be the voice of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Until 1982, the *Lutheran Sentinel* was published in a bi-weekly format. An early editor wrote, “We have tried to live up to both the name and the motto (It Is Written!) of the paper ... We have endeavored to be a faithful sentinel and make use of the weapons the motto indicates.”

At Our Sister Churches

You are invited to an ice cream and pie social, sponsored by the Ladies Guild at Trinity Lutheran Church, Nicollet, MN, on Wednesday, **July 25**, from 4:30-7:00PM. See the poster on the narthex bulletin board for more details.

WELS Coulee Women's Retreat: August 10-11, Tomah, Wisconsin. Registration forms are on the narthex table and are due by July 29.

Freedom in Christ

Women's Brunch

HANDBAGS WILL BE
DONATED TO
WELLCOME MANOR
FAMILY SERVICES!

Saturday August 4th
9 - 11:30 am

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church

Guest Speaker

Dr. Jenna Londgren

Bring a new or gently used handbag.

Bring a friend!

RSVP by calling

507 345 4966 Church office
Deadline July 28th