



# Mt. Olive Lutheran Church

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Last Sunday**

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Sunday,

November 8, 2015

8:30 & 10:45am



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Last Sunday

**Welcome!** In the name of our risen Savior we welcome you to Mt. Olive and thank you for worshiping with us this morning. If you are a guest please fill out a **Guest Card** (found in front of you in the hymnbook rack) or sign our guest book in the entry. We invite you to come and worship with us again soon. **Large Print** copies of the order of service from the ELS Hymnary are available from the usher stand in the back of the sanctuary. **For the Hearing Impaired:** Our facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for a receiver.

*Order of Service, Matins (p. 109)*

**~Hymn 534 vv. 1-3 *The World Is Very Evil***

**~Confession of Sin** (p. 109)

P: Dearly beloved! We have come together in the presence of God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at His hand, to set forth His most worthy praise, to hear His holy Word, and to ask for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and salvation. O come, let us worship Him! Let us kneel and bow down before Him. Let us confess our sins with penitent hearts, and obtain forgiveness by His infinite grace and mercy.

**C: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the devices and desires of our hearts. We have offended against Your holy law. We have done those things which we should not have done, and we have not done those things which we should have done. Have mercy on us, O Lord! Spare us and restore us, according to the promises You have declared to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord. For His sake grant that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name.**

P: The almighty and merciful Lord has granted us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins, grace for true repentance and amendment of life, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**~Men's Choir: Psalm 73 ~from Christian Worship**

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in Him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and He will be my Savior.

I am always with you, O Lord; You hold me by my right hand.

You guide me with Your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory.

Whom have I in heaven but You? And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in Him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and He will be my Savior.

~**Versicles** (pp. 109-110)

P: O Lord, open my lips.

**C: ♪ And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.**

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

**C: ♪ Make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; forevermore. Amen. Alleluia!**

~**Invitatory** (p. 110)

P: O come, let us worship the Lord.

**C: ♪ For He is our Maker.**

~**Venite exultemus** (p. 111)

**C: ♪ O come, let us sing to the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving and make a joyful noise to Him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods. In His hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is His also.**

**The sea is His, for He made it: and His hands formed the dry land. O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.**

**For He is our God: and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.**

**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.**

~**Hymn 75 vv. 1, 4, 5** *Come, Thou Bright and Morning Star*

### **~Old Testament Lesson**

**Isaiah 49:12-17** Surely these shall come from afar; look! Those from the north and the west, and these from the land of Sinim. Sing, O heavens! Be joyful, O earth! And break out in singing, O mountains! For the LORD has comforted His people, and will have mercy on His afflicted. But Zion said, “The LORD has forsaken me, and my Lord has forgotten me. Can a woman forget her nursing child, and not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, yet I will not forget you. See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; your walls are continually before Me. Your sons shall make haste; your destroyers and those who laid you waste shall go away from you.”

### **~Hymn 536 v. 1 *O Son of God, We Wait for Thee***

### **~Epistle Lesson**

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

### **~Hymn 532 vv. 4, 5, 7-9 *I Am Flesh and Must Return Unto Dust***

### **~Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text**

**Matthew 24:15-28** “Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (whoever reads, let him understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened. Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There!’ do

not believe it. For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. See, I have told you beforehand. Therefore if they say to you, 'Look, He is in the desert!' do not go out; or 'Look, He is in the inner rooms!' do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together."

**~Sermon Theme**

***"Our Lord's Directives for the End"***

1. Flee
2. Pray
3. Watch

**~Offering & Hymn 534 vv. 4, 5 *And Now We Fight the Battle***

**~Prayers**

**~Canticle and Confession of Faith: Te Deum Laudamus (pp. 114-116)**

**C: ♪ We praise You, O God: we acknowledge You to be the Lord. All the earth worships You, the Father everlasting. To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein; to You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry:**

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory. The glorious company of the Apostles praise You. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise You.**

**The noble army of martyrs praise You. The holy Church throughout all the world does acknowledge You: The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable true and only Son; also the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.**

**You are the King of Glory, O Christ. You are the everlasting Son of the Father.**

**When You took upon Yourself to deliver man. You humbled Yourself to be born of a Virgin. When You had overcome the sharpness of death, You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**

**You are seated at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that You will come to be our Judge.**

**We therefore pray You, help Your servants, whom You have redeemed with Your precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Your saints in glory everlasting.**

**O Lord, save Your people and bless Your heritage. Govern them and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify You. And we worship Your name now and evermore.**

**Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us. O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, for our trust is in You. O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be confounded.**

~Kyrie (pp. 116-117)

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

~Lord's Prayer (p. 117)

**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 (pp. 118-119, form II)

P: Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your boundless grace, for the sake of Your Son, You have given us the Holy Gospel, and have instituted the Holy Sacraments, that through them we may have comfort and forgiveness of sin; we beseech You, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we may believe Your Word; and through the holy Sacraments day by day establish our faith, until we at last obtain salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

**C: ♪ Amen.**

~Benedicamus (p. 119)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C: ♪ Thanks be to God.**

~**Benediction** (p. 119)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

~**Hymn 535 vv. 2, 3, 5 *By Thy Good Counsel Lead Me***

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*Preacher: Pastor John J. Petersen/ Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich  
Organists: 1<sup>st</sup>: Cassie Johnson/ 2<sup>nd</sup>: John Baumann  
Men's Choir*

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**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE**  
**Sunday: 8:30am; 300/220 10:45am; 181/121 Monday: 32/26**

**GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$26,160.22**

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

*Proverbs 3:9, 10 Honor the LORD with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; so your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.*

***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.*

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**SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK**

**Ushers: 1<sup>st</sup> Service:** Juel Merseth (captain), Ron Bequette, Greg Lieske,  
Ron Koth, Tim Merseth

**2<sup>nd</sup> Service:** Dean Kluge (captain), Bill Bukowski, Joe Madson,  
Jon Mueller, Jacob Mueller

**Greeters: 1<sup>st</sup> Service:** Mark & Michelle Graham, Eldon Sting, Hal Natvig

**2<sup>nd</sup> Service:** Steve & Lois Jaeger, Dan & Joanne Maas

**Offering Counters: Dan Gerdts, Joe Meyer**

**Altar Guild: Carol Petersen, Sherri Bukowski**

**WEEK AT A GLANCE: November 8, 2015 – November 15, 2015**

<p><b>Sunday</b> November 8</p>	<p>8:30AM 9:40AM <b>9:30AM-12:15PM</b> 10:45AM <b>2PM</b> 5-7PM 7:30PM</p>	<p>Divine Service Sunday School, Bible Information Class (BIC), Bible Class – <i>St. Paul’s Missionary Journeys</i> <b>Scholastic Book Fair</b> Divine Service <b>BLC Fall Play/Senior Youth Event</b> Lutheran Girl Pioneers Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball</p>
<p><b>Monday</b> November 9</p>	<p>9:30AM 5:30PM 6:30PM 6:30PM</p>	<p><b>No School</b> – Teacher In-service Area Pastors’ Conference Board of Stewardship Divine Service Church Council</p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b> November 10</p>	<p>8AM 9AM 7PM</p>	<p>Women’s Bible Study – <i>Book of Acts</i> MVL Veteran’s Recognition MVL Fall Band Concert</p>
<p><b>Wednesday</b> November 11</p>	<p>8AM 8:05AM 9AM 3:45PM 7PM</p>	<p>Mom’s On a Mission Bible Class &amp; Fellowship CDS Chapel Bible Study – <i>Augsburg Confession</i> Confirmation Class Senior Choir</p>
<p><b>Thursday</b> November 12</p>		
<p><b>Friday</b> November 13</p>	<p>2:30PM 7:30PM</p>	<p>Dr. Pfeifer’s Inauguration as BLC President in Trinity Chapel BLC Fall Play</p>
<p><b>Saturday</b> November 14</p>	<p>7:30PM</p>	<p>BLC Fall Play</p>
<p><b>Sunday</b> November 15</p>	<p>8:30AM 9:40AM  10:30AM-1PM 10:45AM 1PM 7:30PM</p>	<p><b>Sunday School Choir Sings</b> Divine Service w/Holy Communion Sunday School, Bible Information Class (BIC), Bible Class “Build Your Own Pasta Bar” at MVL Divine Service w/Holy Communion Encourage One Another Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball</p>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Flowers on the Altar:** The flowers beautifying our altar today are given to God's glory by Ron & Becky Bequette.

**Baptized:** Jaci Jade Gullixson, infant daughter of David & Brianna Gullixson, was born on October 15, 2015 at Mayo Health System, Mankato. She was baptized by Pastor Petersen on November 1, 2015 in a private ceremony. Her sponsors are Eric Gullixson, Lucas Bode, and Greg Holzheuter. We rejoice that through this washing of regeneration this child is received into God's Kingdom of Grace. May she ever grow in Christ and be blessed through this Sacrament.

**Baptized:** Derek Robert James Nielsen, infant son of Dustin & Alysha Nielsen was born on June 10, 2014 and was baptized on Nov. 7, 2015 by Pastor Ulrich in a private ceremony. His sponsors are Kelsey Nielsen and Chris Hall. The Lord's blessings to Derek and his family!

**The Mt. Olive Senior Youth group** will be attending the matinee performance of the Bethany Lutheran College fall play "Leveling Up" TODAY, **November 8** at 2PM. Any high school student wanting to go with the group should put their name on the "sign-up sheet" in the narthex, or email Peter Bloedel at [heypete@blc.edu](mailto:heypete@blc.edu). The tickets will be complimentary for all students. The group will meet in Bethany's Ylisaker Fine Arts Center at **1:35 sharp** (try to be on time). After the play, the group will come back to Mt. Olive for some pizza and soft drinks. We will finish up around 5PM-ish.

**NEW PIANO:** Please note the new grand piano in our sanctuary, purchased from the estate of the late Naomi Petersen. A ceremony dedicating the piano is scheduled for the first service on Sunday, **November 29**. In between services that day, a brief concert featuring Mount Olive's own pianists will be held. Any gifts to offset the cost of this new addition to our church's worship will be appreciated.

**Sunday School Staff and Youth Leaders:** Please stop in the office to fill out a background check form. We need to have one filed for everyone who volunteers/works at our church/school. Thank you!

**Volunteer Coaches Needed:** We are in need of a head basketball coach for the Girls A Team and for the Boys B Team. The Girls A team will have practice from 2:30 to 4:15 on Tuesdays and Fridays, and the Boys B team will practice from 4:15 to 5:30 on

Mondays and Thursdays. We are also in need of assistant coaches for the Girls A, Boys B and Boys A teams. If you are interested, please see or contact Mr. Z by calling him at school ([507-345-7927](tel:507-345-7927)) or emailing him at [mrz@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:mrz@mtolivelutheran.org). Thank you.

**Advent Meals:** We have two dates available to any group who would like to serve a meal before our Wednesday Advent services coming up in December. Those dates are: Dec. 9 and Dec. 16. Meals are served from 5-6:15PM. Please call the church office if your group is interested in serving a meal.

**BE A MON-STAR READER AT OUR SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!** Come and devour all of the great books at our Scholastic Book Fair. Today is the final day! Hours are: 9:30a.m.-12:15 p.m. Please stop by and support our book fair. All profits are used to purchase more books for our school library. Our goal is to reach \$2,000 in sales, which would allow us to receive \$500 in cash.

**Leftover Halloween Candy** The PTF is seeking donations of leftover Halloween candy. The candy will be used for the students' Christmas treat bags. Please bring to the office with a note as a donation for the PTF. Thanks!

**Changes to Mt. Olive's Constitution-Bylaws:** At a Voters' meeting on Oct. 25, changes were made to the Constitution-Bylaws of Mt. Olive. We will now have only two regularly scheduled Voters' meetings per year (January and June), and in April and October we will have Informational Meetings for the entire congregation. Elections of officers and board members will take place at the June meeting of the Voters. Please note that if you are currently serving as an officer or on a board your term is now extended by six months.

**Holiday Lights Display in Sibley Park** Mt. Olive is once again participating in Sibley Park's Holiday Lights display for this Christmas season. Our church will have a decorated tree on display at the park, and we need volunteers to work during the open hours of the light display on Thursday, **December 17** from 4:30-9PM. Please sign up on the narthex table. Also, if any groups are interested in helping the City set up before it opens, please let us know in the office.

**New 2 You 3rd quarter disbursements have been made.** Each member church has received \$575.70. As a result of donations and volunteer time, this year in 2015, MVL has received **\$32,044.75** and each of the 5 supporting churches has

received **\$2,136.31** for Christian Education totaling **\$42,726.30**. THANK YOU! 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.*

**Blood Drive:** Friday, **November 27** from 12 – 5PM. To schedule an appointment to donate: call [1-800-733-2767](tel:1-800-733-2767) or go online to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code MTOLIVEKATO.

**Gym Use:** Church members desiring to use our gym should first call the church office to reserve it.

**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.)

**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 5% 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.

## **Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School**

**Schedule Changes to Note:** The Veterans' Recognition Program is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 10**, beginning at **9AM**. The Fall Band Concert also will be held Tuesday evening at **7PM**. We are looking forward to hosting our veterans again this year and hearing our Band, Jazz Ensemble and Chargaliers perform in the Fall Band Concert!

**MVL's Booster Club Pasta Brunch** will be held Sunday, **November 15**, from 10:30 to 1PM at MVL. Come and create your pasta meal from various pastas, meats, sauces and vegetables. Enjoy fellowship with friends and acquaintances.

**Spirit of MVL Events:** The Spirit of MVL Recognition Reception will be held Saturday, **November 21** at the Best Western Conference Center, New Ulm from 4-5PM. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spirit of MVL Fundraising Gala follows from 5-8:30PM. Delicious food, beverages, entertainment, and a glimpse of a MVLHS project that will be the focus of this year's "appeal to the heart" on the list of live auction items. Tickets for this event are \$50/person or \$300 for a table of 8. An invitation for both Spirit of MVL events is included in your bulletin. For planning purposes, please RSVP for either or both events at (507)233-8662, [mtacke@mvlhs.org](mailto:mtacke@mvlhs.org), or online at [mvl.org/News & Events/Spirit of MVL](http://mvl.org/News%20&%20Events/Spirit%20of%20MVL). Payment for the purchase of tickets or table(s) can be by cash, check or credit card.

**Christmas Wreath Sale:** MVL students will be taking orders for Christmas wreaths and other holiday decorations on the Sundays throughout the month of November, beginning November 1. Orders will be delivered to MVL on **November 24** for student pick-up and delivery. Check with your MVL student(s) for an order form.

### **Bethany Lutheran College**

**The Mankato chapter of the Bethany Auxiliary** will meet on Tuesday, **November 10** at 7PM in Meyer Hall 130 on the Bethany campus. The featured speaker for the evening will be Kurt Paulsen talking about the Speechless Film Festival. EVERYONE is invited to attend the presentation. The business meeting for the group will follow. The Bethany Auxiliary exists to raise awareness of current activities and advancements at Bethany Lutheran College and to raise funds for projects that directly benefit the Bethany student community.

**The Inauguration of Gene R. Pfeifer, Ph.D.:** The Board of Regents of Bethany Lutheran College requests the honor of your presence at the Inauguration of Gene R. Pfeifer, Ph. D. as the tenth President of Bethany Lutheran College this Friday, **November 13, 2015** at 2:30PM in Trinity Chapel. A reception with Hors-d'oeuvre will follow at 4PM in Honsey Hall.

**The ELS Ottesen Museum invites you to its 5th annual Christmas Open House.** This year's theme is "Christmas Across the ELS: Traditions Old and New". Displays will

highlight the various ways Christmas is celebrated in congregations all across our Synod. The ELS Ottesen Museum's Christmas Open House is Tuesday, December 8, 2015, from 2:30 - 5:30 pm at 4 Browns Court, Mankato.

### **Fine Arts Events:**

Three performances remain for ***Leveling Up***, Bethany's fall play. Showing today/Sunday at 2:00 p.m., and Nov. 13-14 at 7:30 p.m. Box office hours are weekdays, 1-5 p.m. at [507-344-7374](tel:507-344-7374) or online anytime at [blc.edu/theater](http://blc.edu/theater). (Tickets = \$10 adults, \$6 students/seniors 60+)

**Saturday, November 14 at 2:00 p.m.** in Trinity Chapel: Bethany voice student **Adam Tecken** presents a tenor voice recital. The program will include works by Rossini, Handel, Donizetti, Parry, Schubert and C.M. von Weber. Free and open to the public.

**International Evening** - The Bethany World Club welcomes you to learn about the home countries of BLC's international students on Monday, **November 9** at 6:30 p.m. Students from each nation will be stationed in the Honsey Hall lobby, discussing life in their country and answering your questions. Light refreshments will be provided.

**Tuesday, Nov. 17** - The **Fall Semester Honors Recital** will be presented at 7 p.m. in Trinity Chapel. Bethany students enrolled in private music lessons audition for the honor of performing at this recital. The recital is free and the public is cordially invited to attend.

**Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 7:00 pm** - A **free Guest Artist concert** in the YFAC Gallery - Finnish-American folk fiddler **Sara Pajunen** presents *Laatikko* / Box. In this concert, Pajunen combines the words of immigrant archival material, recorded audio interviews with recent immigrants, live violin, voice, and electronics to create a poignant sound experience.

**The Bethany Music Department presents the annual Christmas at Bethany** concerts in Trinity Chapel at 4 p.m. daily December 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. The concert will include participation by the Concert Band, Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, Mary Martha Singers, and the Handbell Choir. Seating is general admission. Christmas at Bethany tickets are free, with a free-will offering received during the concert. Reserve online or by calling the Fine Arts office at [507-344-7365](tel:507-344-7365).



## **THANKSGIVING**

Overflowing with gratitude for all the Lord has done for you?! Join Mt. Olive's Evangelism Committee to help host our **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving Dinner**, serving both members of area churches and the unchurched in the community who may not have family around with which to celebrate. Here are several ways YOU can help:

- If you would like to attend, please sign-up in the church office, or call Mt. Olive's office at 345- 4966 by Sunday, Nov. 22. Consider volunteering with set-up, serving, or clean-up.
- If you cannot join us, consider volunteering to prepare food in advance. A list of needed items are listed in Mt. Olive's narthex, or ask by calling Mt. Olive at 345-4966.
- Let your friends and neighbors know about this opportunity!

"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." Galatians 6:10

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Jesus Cares Ministries

*Where the Care of the Soul is the Soul of Care®*

### **What is the “Jesus Cares Ministry”?**

A ministry that brings the Gospel message to developmentally delayed people in our congregation and the community.

### **When and where does Jesus Cares meet?**

The Jesus Cares group meets on the first and third Tuesday of every month in the Social Hall at Mt. Olive from 6:30 to 7:30 PM.

### **Would you care to become involved in the Jesus Cares Ministry at Mt. Olive in any of the following ways?**

- Do birthday mailings
- Help drive participants to church on Sunday
- Give a monetary gift
- Assist with the craft projects during class
- Be a substitute for a staff person
- Be willing to make class reminder calls
- Help with our July “Freedom Party”
- Be a door greeter for class sessions

If you would be interested in helping with any of these, please contact Mary Born – [mborn@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:mborn@mtolivelutheran.org)