



EASTER 7 – EXAUDI

Sunday, June 2, 2019, 8:30 & 10 AM

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. If you are a guest, please fill out a **“Get Connected!”** card (found in front of you in the hymnbook rack). 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.

Explanation of the Week: *This week, we prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost by considering the promises that God has given concerning His coming Spirit. The Holy Spirit is promised as one who gives God's people the ability to confess Jesus before others, even when standing in the midst of danger because of their confession of faith. What a comfort and blessing this is for us! "The Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you should say." (Luke 12:4-12) As we stand in the midst of hostility we can trust in God's Holy Spirit to preserve us and keep us strong. This also gives us a reason to stand strong even though we share in Christ's sufferings, because we are assured that we also share in His resurrection glory. (1 Pet 4:7-14) Through the ministry of the Spirit of truth, we are cleansed from the deceit of our idols and given a new heart and a new spirit, the heart and Spirit of Christ. (Ezek 36:22-28) What a blessing to know He is at work in us!*



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 55, vv. 1, 3, 5** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

~**Invocation & Collect** — *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. 60-61, 1; 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: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

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

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

C: I do.

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

C: I do.

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

C: Amen

~**Introit** — *Entrance Psalm*

(ELH p. 62; p. 144)

P: Hear, O God, when I cry with my voice. Alleluia! The Lord is my Light and my Salvation; whom shall I fear? When You said, “Seek My face,” my heart said to You: “Your face, Lord, I will seek.” Do not hide Your face from me.

~**The Gloria Patri** — *“Glory 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.

~**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. 157, #76)

P: Almighty, everlasting God, grant us always to have a devout will towards You, and the desire to serve Your majesty with a pure heart; 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.)

~Old Testament Lesson

Ezekiel 36:25-27 Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

~Alleluia Verse — Hymn 389, v. 7 *O Risen Christ, Ascended Lord*

~Epistle Lesson

1 Peter 4:7-11 The end of all things is near. So have sound judgment and be self-controlled for the sake of your prayers. Above all, love each other constantly, because love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Serve one another, each according to the gift he has received, as good stewards of the many forms of God's grace. If anyone speaks, let him do it as one speaking the messages of God. If anyone serves, let him do it as one serving with the strength God supplies so that God may be glorified in every way through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

~Nicene Creed — *Confession of faith*

(ELH p. 69)

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from

heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the Resurrection of the dead and the Life of the world to come. Amen.

~Chief Hymn 352, vv. 2, 3 *Hymns of Praise Then Let Us Sing*

~Holy Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text

Luke 12:4-12 “I tell you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that are not able to do any more. But I will show you the one you should fear. Fear him who, after he has killed the body, has authority to throw it into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him! “Are not five sparrows sold for two small coins? And not one of them is forgotten in God’s sight. Why, even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So stop being afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows. “I tell you, whoever confesses me before other people, the Son of Man will also confess him before the angels of God. But whoever denies me in the presence of other people will be denied in the presence of the angels of God. Everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven. But anyone who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. When they bring you before synagogues, rulers, and authorities, do not worry about how you will defend yourself, or what you will say, for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you should say.”

~Sermon Message

“The Promised Holy Spirit Leads Us to Fear and Trust God”

~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 & Organ Voluntary

*(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 "Get Connected!" 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.



III. The Service of Holy Communion



(Following Christ's command, we receive His grace to us in the special meal He instituted for the forgiveness of our sins. Here, He feeds with His true body and His true blood in, with, and under the bread and wine. This is the same body which was born of the Virgin Mary, and the same blood which dripped down the wooden cross. This part of the liturgy is one of the oldest parts, dating back to at least the third century AD.)

Questions and prayers to assist in preparing for the Lord's Supper are found in the black hymnal pp. 38-40.)

Guests & Visitors: *We practice "Close" or "Closed Communion" (or "Membership Communion"). We do this out of love and concern for you. We want to make sure that those who take this holy meal receive it as a blessing and not to their harm as Scripture*

warns. We also understand that those who come forward to take communion are professing a unity of faith with our congregation and are in full agreement with the teachings and doctrines of Mount Olive Lutheran Church and of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Therefore, we ask those who have not taken Holy Communion with us before to speak with a pastor before communing. Thank you.

~Preface

(ELH p. 72ff.; 2 Tim 4:22, Col 3:1, Ps 136)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: ♪ It is good and right so to do.

~Ascension Preface

(ELH p. 73, p. 75)

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up to heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine nature. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

~Sanctus — “Holy, Holy, Holy”

(ELH p. 76)

C: ♪ Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav’n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

~Lord’s Prayer

(ELH p. 77-78; 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.

~Words of Institution

(ELH p. 78; Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same

way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: “Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

~**The Pax Domini** — *“The Peace of the Lord”*

(ELH p. 79; Jn 20:19)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

~**Agnus Dei** — *“Lamb of God”*

(ELH p. 79ff; Jn 1:29)

C: ♪ **O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. Amen.**

~**Distribution**

(Communicants come forward at the direction of the ushers. During the Distribution, the congregation sings the following hymns:)

Hymn 320, vv. 1-4 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Bestowed

Hymn 310, vv. 1-5 At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing

Hymn 359, vv. 4, 5 This Is the Feast/Blessing, Honor, Glory, and Might

Hymn 310, vv. 6-8 Now No More Can Death Appall

~**Dismissal** — *Assurance of blessing for those who have communed*

(ELH p. 81)

P: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His precious blood strengthen and preserve you in the true faith to everlasting life. Depart in peace. Amen.

~**Nunc Dimittis** — *“Now I Depart”*

(ELH p. 81-82; Lk 2:29-32)

C: ♪ **Lord, now You let Your servant depart in peace according to Your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.**

~**Collect of Thanksgiving**

(ELH p. 83, II)

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink the cup;

C: ♪ **We proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.**

P: Let us pray: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that

we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

~**Salutation** — *The people's blessing for the Pastor's work*

(ELH p. 84)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~**Benedicimus** — *Call for blessing*

(ELH p. 84; 2 Cor. 13:14)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God.

~**Benediction** — *Final blessing for God's people*

(ELH p. 84; 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 354, v. 9** *Grant Me Grace, O Blessed Savior*

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

(See "Prayers for Worship"

—ELH p. 40)

Preacher: Pastor John Petersen / Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich

Organists: 1st: Cassie Johnson / 2nd: Elisabeth Urtel

On the narthex table are sign-up sheets for New2You volunteers; registration forms for the 2019 WELS Women's Ministry Conference; the April edition of *Thoughts of Faith*; the May edition of *Mission News & Helping Hands*; June editions of the *Olive Press* and the *ELS President's Newsletter*; and the-June 2 to August 31 issue of *Meditations Daily Devotional*.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:

Sunday: 8:30am, 205; 10:45am, 293

Ascension Day: 82

Monthly Giving Update:



Given to the General Fund (Apr. 1-30)	\$88,987.29
Given to the Building Fund (Apr. 1-30)	<u>\$26,366.05</u>
Total Given (Apr. 1-30)	<u>\$115,353.34</u>
General Fund Budgeted (July 1-Apr. 30) (\$75,425/month x 10 months)	\$754,250.00
General Fund YTD (July 1-Apr. 30)	<u>\$709,783.29</u>
<u>Difference (Shortfall)</u>	<u>(\$44,466.71)</u>

Romans 8:32 Indeed, he who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also graciously give us all things along with him?

*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 & 2nd Service: Eldon & LuAnn Sting
Ross & Betsy Hermanson**

**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: John Schauer, Jim Gullixson

Altar Guild: Elyse Haugen, Carol Leiferman

WEEK AT A GLANCE: *June 2, 2019—June 9, 2019*

Sunday, June 2	8:30AM 10AM 1PM 7:30PM	VBS & Cross Train Registration Deadlines Divine Service w/Holy Communion Divine Service w/Holy Communion Encourage One Another Co-ed Recreational Volleyball
Monday, June 3	6:30PM 6:30PM 7:15PM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion Board of Education Softball, Caswell 5
Tuesday, June 4	8AM 1PM 6:30PM 7PM	Women's Bible Study, Psalms Mt. Olive Crafters Jesus Cares Ministry M.O.M.s Bible Study
Wednesday, June 5	1-6PM 6:30PM	No Bible Study Red Cross Blood Drive Men's Choral Group
Thurs., June 6	9AM	Playdate, Alexander Park
Fri., June 7		
Sat., June 8	9AM	Men's Breakfast
Sunday, June 9	8:30AM 10AM 6PM 7:30PM	Pentecost Divine Service Divine Service Artemis Video Gaming Co-ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers: The flowers on the altar today are given to God's glory by Jacie Lieske.

Today is the last day to register for Camp VBS and the CrossTrain Conference. Volunteers are still needed to help with these events. Go to www.mtolivelutheran.org to register or to volunteer.

Parents: Your child's report card can be picked up after church services **today**.

Note: The Wednesday morning Bible Study is on hiatus until July 10.

Donors Needed: Our next Red Cross blood drive is Wednesday, **June 5**, from 1 - 6PM. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767, or visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter MTOLIVEKATO.

Junior Recital: All are invited to a junior recital highlighting Madeline Halvorson on the violin and Lexi Fosburgh on the piano. Join these young musicians at the BLC chapel on Wednesday, **June 5**, at 7PM. This is a free event with a reception to follow.

Men's Breakfast, June 8, 9AM. RSVP for this free meal at mtolivelutheran.org/mens-breakfast. Come and meet Ben Olson, who has a passion for ministry to the deaf and hard of hearing. More details can be found in the June issue of the *Olive Press*.

Men: If you enjoy singing, join the Men's Group that will be singing on Trinity Sunday, **June 16** (Father's Day). Contact Carl Bloedel if you have questions, or just come for practices on Wednesday evenings (June 5 and June 12) at church, beginning at 6:30PM.

Camp Indianhead Campers: Be sure to get your bus payment to Lance Johnson soon to secure your seat. Checks can be made out to Lance Johnson and mailed to 116 Glenview Ave, Mankato, MN 56001. You may also drop off your check in an envelope at the Mt. Olive office.

Lutheran Singles Cookout: All area ELS/WELS Lutheran Singles, age 21+, are invited to meet at Peace Lutheran in North Mankato on **June 21** at 6PM for a cookout and outdoor fun. Check the June edition of the *Olive Press* for more details and to RSVP.

Wanted: pop tabs! With summer events approaching, save your beverage tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. A container is available in the youth room.

Mt. Olive Lutheran School needs a hot lunch program director for the 2019-20 school year. If you are interested in this position, please contact Principal Born at 507-345-7927 or principal@mtolivelutheran.org. Thank you.

Interested in providing flowers for worship services? Sunday, June 30, and all Sundays in July are available. Sign up on the flower calendar in the narthex.

Planned Giving Update: At Mount Olive, we are blessed to have information, tools, an endowment fund, a trust fund, and also knowledgeable individuals connected to our church and school that can help you with the process of setting up a planned gift. To learn more, go to the Mount Olive webpage and look under the "Serving" tab.

For all other new announcements (including Bethany Lutheran College and Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School updates), pick up your copy of the June issue of the *Olive Press* from the ushers today.