



## TRINITY 1

Sunday, June 23, 2019, 8:30 & 10 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 **“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:** *When the beggar Lazarus died, he was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom, for he was truly Abraham’s seed. He believed in the Lord, and so by faith understood and knew God’s lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness that saves us (Jer 9:24). The name Lazarus means “God is my help.” The unnamed rich man, on the other hand, did not love and trust in God. He showed off the riches God gave him in life, and trusted in them to save him from death. He evidently cared little for the beggar at his gate; and, “he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?” (1 John 4:16-21). He who loved and trusted in possessions and prestige died and was in torment in Hades (Luke 16:19-31). Repentance and faith are worked only through Moses and the prophets, (that is, the Word of God), for it points us to Christ. Through His death and resurrection, we are brought to the comfort of life everlasting.*

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*(Today we follow the order of worship known as “Matins.” “Matins”—from the Latin word for “morning”—is one of the main services the monks would sing together each day during the middle ages. The Lutheran church kept the Matins liturgy because its focus is on the reading and hearing of God’s Word.)*

~**Special Music/Prelude** — *Music & opportunity for prayer*

*(See “Prayers for Worship,”  
ELH p. 40)*

~**Opening Hymn 29** *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

~**Confession of Sin** — *Admitting our guilt & receiving God’s forgiveness*

*(ELH 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.

~**Versicles** — *Opening sentences*

*(ELH p. 109ff; Ps 51:15, Ps 70:1)*

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.**

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

(ELH p. 110)

**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. Alleluia!**

~**Invitatory** — *Psalm of invitation*

(ELH p. 110)

P: O come, let us worship the Lord.

**C: ♪ For He is our Maker.**

~**Venite Exultemus** — “*O Come!*”

(ELH p. 111; Psalm 95)

**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.**

~**Epistle Lesson**

**1 John 4:16-21** We also have come to know and trust the love that God has for us. God is love. Whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him. In this way his love has been brought to its goal among us, so that we may have confidence on the day of judgment, because in this world we are just like Jesus. There is no fear in love, but complete love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who continues to be afraid has not been brought to the goal in love. We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, “I love God,” but hates his brother, he is a liar. For how can anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, love God, whom he has not seen? This then is the command we have from him: The one who loves God should also love his brother.

~**Responsory** — *Response to hearing God’s Word*

(ELH p. 112)

P: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C: ♪ Thanks be to You, O Lord!**

## ~Gospel Lesson

**Luke 16:19-31** “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen, living in luxury every day. A beggar named Lazarus had been laid at his gate. Lazarus was covered with sores and longed to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Besides this, the dogs also came and licked his sores. Eventually the beggar died, and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. In hell, where he was in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away and Lazarus at his side. He called out and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me! Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in misery in this flame.’ “But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus received bad things. But now he is comforted here, and you are in misery. Besides all this, a great chasm has been set in place between us and you, so that those who want to cross from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.’ “He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, send him to my father’s home, because I have five brothers—to warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.’ “Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets. Let them listen to them.’ ““No, father Abraham,’ he said, ‘but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ “Abraham replied to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

~Vicar Installation (2<sup>nd</sup> service only)

~Chief Hymn 409, vv. 1-3 *Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower*

## ~Old Testament Lesson & 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

*“Boasting in the Work of Our Lord Jesus Christ”*

- 1. How difficult it is to overcome our pride!*
- 2. Our boasting is in Christ alone.*

## **~Offering and 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.)*

**~Te Deum Laudamus** — *"We Praise You, O God"*

*(ELH p. 114)*

**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** — *“Lord, Have Mercy”*

(ELH p. 116)

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

~**Lord’s Prayer**

(ELH p. 117; 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.**

~**Prayers & Petitions**

~**Collect** — *In appreciation of God’s gifts*

(ELH p. 118, 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** — *Call for blessing*

(ELH p. 119; 2 Cor. 13:14)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C:** ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

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

(ELH p. 119; Num. 6:24-26)

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.**

~**Closing Hymn 523** *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

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

(See “Prayers for Worship”

—ELH p. 40)

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*Preacher: Vicar Jacob Kempfert / Liturgist: Pastor John Petersen*

*Organists: 1<sup>st</sup>: Cassie Johnson / 2<sup>nd</sup>: Elisabeth Urtel*

*Pianist: Kristin Matzke*

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE:**

**Sunday: 8:30am**, 264/186; **10:45am**, 132/103

**Monday: 12/10**

**Monthly Giving Update:**



Given to the <b>General Fund</b> (May 1-31)	\$55,195.33
Given to the <b>Building Fund</b> (May 1-31)	\$8,795.05
<b><u>Total Given (May 1-31)</u></b>	<b><u>\$63,990.38</u></b>
General Fund Budgeted (July 1-May 31) (\$75,425/month x 11 months)	\$829,675.00
General Fund YTD (July 1-May 31)	\$764,978.62
<b><u>Difference (Shortfall)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$64,696.38)</u></b>

*Psalm 37:25 I have been young, and now am old; Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, Nor his descendants begging bread.*

*Did you know you can give your offering online? Just go to [www.mtolivelutheran.org](http://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.*

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**SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK:**

**Greeters: 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Service:** Eldon & LuAnn Sting  
Ross & Betsy Hermanson

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

**2<sup>nd</sup> 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 23, 2019—June 30, 2019***

<p><b>Sunday,</b> June 23</p>	<p>8:30AM 10AM 4PM 6PM 7:30PM</p>	<p><b>Synod Sunday/Vicar Installation</b> Divine Service Divine Service, Installation Synod Sunday Service, Trinity Chapel Artemis Video Gaming Co-ed Recreational Volleyball</p>
<p><b>Monday,</b> June 24</p>	<p>8AM 5-9PM 6:15PM 6:30PM 7PM</p>	<p><b>ELS Annual Convention</b> Cross Train Set-Up Camp Indianhead Fund Raiser at Pizza Ranch Softball, Caswell 2 Divine Service Cross Stitch Presentation, YFAC <b>No</b> Evangelism Committee</p>
<p><b>Tuesday,</b> June 25</p>	<p><b>7:45AM</b> 1PM 4:30PM 6PM 7PM</p>	<p><b>ELS Annual Convention</b> <b>Cross Train Tweens Conference</b> Mt. Olive Crafters Communion Service, Trinity Chapel Building Project Volunteers M.O.M.s Bible Study</p>
<p><b>Wednesday,</b> June 26</p>	<p>6PM 7PM</p>	<p><b>ELS Annual Convention</b> Building Project Volunteers Heritage of Hymns Festival, Trinity Chapel</p>
<p><b>Thursday,</b> June 27</p>	<p>9AM Noon 2PM 6PM</p>	<p><b>ELS Annual Convention</b> Playdate, Alexander Park Summer Honor Choir Camp Recital, Trinity Chapel Apologetics Conference, Trinity Chapel Building Project Volunteers</p>
<p><b>Fri.,</b> June 28</p>	<p>10:15AM 6PM</p>	<p>Service at Pathstone Building Project Volunteers</p>
<p><b>Sat.,</b> June 29</p>	<p>8AM-5PM</p>	<p>Building Project Volunteers</p>
<p><b>Sunday,</b> June 30</p>	<p>8:30AM 10AM <b>11AM</b></p>	<p><b>Services in Gym</b> Divine Service Divine Service <b>Annual Voters Meeting</b> <b>No</b> Co-ed Recreational Volleyball</p>



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Flowers:** The flowers on the altar today are given to God's glory by Mark & Sharon Madson.

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### **Building Project Update**

**Your help is needed this week.** Around 25-30 volunteers for each of the evenings listed below (and during the day on Saturday) would be appreciated:

#### **Tuesday, June 25, 6 PM:**

##### ***Mt. Olive Volunteers:***

*Move items in Social Hall to accommodate pews*

*Begin moving out Pews into the Social Hall*

*Begin setting up Gym for services (Deacons, Pastors to decide layout for raised platform, altar, pulpit, cross, backdrop (?) sound system)*

##### **Remodelers:**

Begin removing windows in Sanctuary and mothers' room, remove door into mothers' room

Remove Sacristy (Altar Guild room) door and wall

Remove trim work and ceiling grid and tiles

#### **Wednesday-Friday, 6-26 thru 6-28, 6 PM:**

##### ***Mt. Olive Volunteers:***

*Keep moving pews and setting up Gym for services*

##### **Remodelers:**

Fill in framing in windows and doorway

Frame walls in old narthex--(Joe Hinrichsen from Pietsch Construction will be in charge of the metal framing).

#### **Saturday, June 29, 8 AM – 5 PM:**

##### ***Mt. Olive Volunteers:***

*Finish set-up for services, entries, exits, usher requirements, etc.*

##### **Remodelers:**

Finish framing and anything else needed

After the week of June 25, we will have the electricians in for the wiring. When that's inspected, we will sheetrock and finish walls and ceilings. During this time, the sprinkler system will be completed in the Sanctuary. We will refinish the floor and begin moving the pews back in. Our hope is to be back in by July 21 (July 28 at the latest), depending on a smooth construction schedule.

**Bible Study Notes:** The Tuesday morning Bible Study will not be meeting on June 25. The Wednesday morning Bible Study is on hiatus until July 10. Also, the Veterans Bible Study is postponed for the summer and will resume on September 9.

**Join the M.O.M.s study group** on **Thursday mornings** for our summer park playdates, from 9 AM – noon. We will be at Alexander Park on Thursday mornings in June, and in Sibley Park on Thursday mornings in July (please note that there will be no playdate on Thursday, July 4). If it's raining, the playdate is cancelled. Email Heidi Graham at heidijennifergraham@gmail.com if you have questions.

**Please keep bringing to church any 2018-2019 Hy-Vee receipts** that you've been saving; the last acceptable receipt date is June 1. The deadline for submitting the receipts to church is June 26. The PTF appreciates your support of the "Trash for Cash" program; Mount Olive usually earns about \$700 from Hy-Vee each year.

## **YOU ARE INVITED!! PIZZA RANCH!!**

Come and be waited on by the Jr. Youth Group  
of Mt. Olive Lutheran Church

Come and be served by Mt. Olive's Jr. Youth Group as they work for an evening as bussers & wait staff. Your tips, as well as a percentage of the evening's sales, will go toward travel expenses to Camp Indianhead!

**Monday, June 24th**

**@ 5:00- 9:00 PM**

**PIZZA RANCH**

1551 Tullamore Street

Mankato, MN

(Just East of the Madison Ave. &  
Victory Dr. Intersection)



### **Buffet Options:**

- Pizzas -
- Chicken -
- Salad -
- Country Sides -
- Desserts -
- ALL YOU CARE TO EAT!

# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Mt. Olive Golf Tournament!



Date: Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Tee Times starting @ 2:30pm  
at the Minneopa Golf Club

Cost: \$17 for Golf (*Additional fee for golf cart*)

~Awards Banquet with Food and Prizes to follow  
at the Minneopa Club House.

*All are invited and welcome to come—we will divide into groups and play a Texas Scramble format to make it a fun outing for golfers of all skill levels!*

*(Any questions or comments can be directed to Pr. Luke Ulrich)*

**Sign Up by calling the Church Office OR see sheet on Narthex Table.**

**A Freewill Donation will be gathered to support our Building Project!**

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**Parade Updates:** The North Mankato Fun Days parade is Saturday, **July 13**. Parade starts at 11AM; line up information TBD. FIVE FREE Fun Days amusement ride tickets are available for each youth (even the "Littles") that participate with Mt. Olive in the Fun Days parade.

The Eagle Lake Tator Days parade is Saturday, **July 20**. Parade starts at 1PM; line up information TBD.

Sign up for the parades at [www.mtolivelutheran.org/evangelism](http://www.mtolivelutheran.org/evangelism); deadline for sign-up is July 5. We welcome all ages to walk or ride with us. Wear your blue Mt. Olive shirt. Contact Michelle Graham (507-720-7258) if you need more information.

**Save the date: Mt. Olive Groups Fair**, Sunday, **July 21**, at 11AM. We will have a picnic and fair showcasing all of the social, study, and service groups available at Mt. Olive. The July issue of the *Olive Press* will have more details.

**Registration is now open for Mt. Olive Music Camp, August 12-16!** Details and registration information are available at [www.mtolivelutheran.org/events](http://www.mtolivelutheran.org/events). Music

Camp is geared toward 9-14+ year olds. Cost is \$15 per camper. Please register by July 28th. Questions? Contact Marie MacPherson at [mmacpher@blc.edu](mailto:mmacpher@blc.edu).

**Interested in helping record our church services?** We are looking for volunteers to run the camera for the live streaming and recording of our 8:30AM church services and other special services. Many shut-ins, those who are travelling, together with other people in our community and friends from all over the world, have tuned into our services via Internet and the cable TV channel. Contact Pastor Ulrich or John Sehloff if you are interested; training will be provided.

**Wanted: pop tabs!** With summer events now in gear, 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](mailto:principal@mtolivelutheran.org). Thank you.

**Would you like to provide flowers** for worship services? Sunday, June 30, and all Sundays in July are available. Sign up on the flower calendar in the narthex.

**Jesus' Lambs at Peace Preschool** is currently accepting registrations for next year's preschool. Two spots are left in their T/Th morning session and 11 spots in the M/W/F afternoon session. Call Joslyn at 385-7752 for more information.

**Note from your Pastors:** The Chaplain's Office at the Hospital has informed us that, due to new Mayo policies (common everywhere), they have become more strict in divulging patient lists/names of people who do not list a church affiliation when they are admitted to the hospital. Now, unless you clearly indicate that you are a member of Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, we will not know if you are in the hospital--so **please include your church affiliation—or call us.**

#### **Notes from Bethany Lutheran College/Seminary:**

**The ELS Annual Convention** begins **today** with the Synod Sunday service at Trinity Chapel at 4PM. The Communion Service is Tuesday, **June 25**, at Trinity Chapel at 4:30PM. The Heritage of Hymns Service is Wednesday, **June 26** at Trinity Chapel at 7PM. For more detailed information about the convention, pick up a copy of the convention program from the narthex table or go to the May/June issue of the *Lutheran Sentinel*.

**Synod Sunday, June 23, at 7PM at YFAC:** Attend a meeting of the ELS Historical Society. The program will revisit the second annual convention of the ELS in 1919 at which the synod was officially constituted. It will highlight the constitution, the opening sermon by G. A. Gullixson, and other important actions taken by the convention. The event is free.

**Monday, June 24, at 7PM at YFAC:** Cross-Stitch Mission Presentation. The program for the evening includes Kerry & Nick Laper - "Gift of Life – Hope to People in Need" and the Rev. Brad Kerkow - "Adventures in India: 17 Days of ~~Curry~~ Courage." The devotion will be by Seminarian Adam Brasich. Refreshments will follow. We hope that you will be able to join us.

**Bethany Lutheran Seminary Fundraising Update:** "The Seminary set a goal of raising \$20,000 in 40 days to help cover its costs for vicarages this year. With 7 days remaining in our fiscal year (as of June 19), we are short of our goal by \$5,880. Thank you for helping us train our future pastors and missionaries like Vicar Jacob Kempfert, serving here at Mt. Olive. If you would like to help, send your gift to Bethany Lutheran Seminary, 6 Browns Court, Mankato, MN 56001 or go online at blts.edu and click on the link under "Support..." on the right. Thank you."

Pastor Daniel A. Basel  
Bethany Lutheran Theological Seminary

### **At Minnesota Valley Lutheran:**

**Host Parents Needed:** MVL is looking for families who would be willing to host international students for the 2019-20 school year. See the June issue of the *Olive Press* for more information.

**Sign up for the MVL Golf Classic** at the New Ulm Country Club on Monday, **July 8** and support tuition assistance for a Christ-centered education at MVL! Cost: \$125, which includes lunch, 18 holes with a shotgun start at noon, a cart, and dinner. A new tasting & live music evening event starts at 6PM, which includes a wide sampling of beverages, hors d'oeuvres, live music by MVL alumni Greta Bloedel and Mizha Overn, and a take-home wine glass (cost: \$25). Visit [mvl.org/golf-classic](http://mvl.org/golf-classic) or contact Kristin at [kmatzke@mvlhs.org](mailto:kmatzke@mvlhs.org) to register today!

### **Within Our Sister Synod:**

**Christian Concert: July 2,** at 7PM at Peace Lutheran Church, North Mankato, featuring WELS musician Chris Driesbach. Chris' music is intended for kids and adults alike. Throughout the concert, Chris will be sharing his story of how he came out of atheism

and was brought to faith in Jesus Christ. There will be a potluck at 6PM before the concert; please bring a dinner dish to share.

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**Thrivent Disaster Response Opportunity:**

Thrivent has expanded and extended its response to the continued severe weather and flooding in the US this year by establishing a Midwest & Central US Severe Weather Disaster Response Campaign. During this campaign, for every \$2 donated to specific organizations through Thrivent.com, Thrivent will add \$1 up to \$250,000. This matching opportunity will run until the \$250,000 match is met or until August 1, whichever comes first. Thrivent pays the processing fees so that 100% of your donations go toward helping affected individuals. Thrivent also offers expedited Thrivent Action Team kits that can be applied for online at Thrivent.com (use promo code "Severe Weather 2019"). Also, Thrivent members can direct their Choice Dollars to specific disaster response organizations helping with recovery efforts. Let's join together to make a \$750,000 impact for those in need.

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**News from Mt. Olive Lutheran Christian Day School:**

**Help welcome the Pavelchik family** (Adam, Mandy, Caleb and Cooper) with a pantry shower! Adam and Mandy Pavelchik are joining the Mount Olive faculty and moving to Mankato on June 28. Boxes will be available in the narthex on June 16 and June 23 for your contributions. Ideas for the pantry shower are paper products (plates, napkins, paper towels), plastic spoons and forks, toilet paper, food to stock their cupboards, or gift cards. The boxes will be delivered to their new home before their June 28 arrival.

**Volunteers are needed** to help the Pavelchik's unload their moving truck on Saturday, **June 29**, beginning at 8AM at 116 Pebble Creek Drive. In addition, they will also need some help unloading their teaching materials at Mt. Olive after the household items are unloaded. Thank you!

**Save the date: on Sunday, August 25**, there will be a school potluck picnic after the second service.

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**On the narthex table are sign-up sheets** for New2You volunteers, the Mt. Olive Golf Tournament, and Moon Dogs baseball; the **May edition of Mission News & Helping Hands**; **June editions of the Olive Press** and the *ELS President's Newsletter*; and the **June 2-August 31 issue of Meditations Daily Devotional.**

