

~Trinity 1~
Sunday, June 14, 2020

~Hymn 80 vv. 1, 4, 5 *O Blessed Holy Trinity*

1. *O blessed Holy Trinity,
Divine, eternal Unity,
God Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Be Thou this day my Guide and Host.*

4. *My Maker, strengthen Thou my heart;
O my Redeemer, help impart;
Blest Comforter, keep at my side
That faith and love in me abide.*

5. *Lord, bless and keep Thou me as Thine;
Lord, make Thy face upon me shine;
Lord, lift Thy countenance on me
And give me peace, sweet peace, from Thee.*

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

(Matt 28:19)

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

C: ♪ **Amen.**

~**Prayer of Confession**

(p. 158 Collect #81)

P: O Lord God, heavenly Father: We poor sinners confess that in our flesh dwells no good thing, and that, left to ourselves, we die and perish in sin, since that which is born of flesh is flesh and cannot see the kingdom of God. But we pray that You would grant us Your grace and mercy, and for the sake of Your Son, Jesus, Christ, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that being regenerate we may firmly believe the forgiveness of sins according to Your promise in baptism, and that we may daily increase in Christian love and in other good works, until we at last obtain eternal salvation; through the same Your beloved Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

~**Absolution** — *God's declaration of forgiveness*

(ELH p. 43, II; Matt 11:28, Jn 3:16)

P: Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord: Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~**Old Testament Lesson**

Jeremiah 9:23-24 This is what the Lord says. The wise man should not boast in his wisdom. The strong man should not boast in his strength, nor the rich man in his riches. Instead, let those who boast boast about this: that they have understanding, and that they know me. They know that I am the Lord, who shows mercy, justice, and righteousness on earth, for I delight in these things, declares the 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.’”

~Apostles’ Creed — Confession of faith

(ELH p. 46)

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.

~Hymn 409, vv. 1-3 *Thee Will I Love*

*1. Thee will I love, my Strength, my Tower;
Thee will I love, my Hope, my Joy.
Thee will I love with all my power,
With ardor time shall ne’er destroy.
Thee will I love, O Light Divine,
So long as life is mine.*

*2. Thee will I love, my Life, my Savior,
Who art my best and truest Friend.
Thee will I love and praise forever,
For never shall Thy kindness end.
Thee will I love with all my heart—
Thou my Redeemer art!*

*3. I thank Thee, Jesus, Sun from heaven,
Whose radiance hath brought light to me.
I thank Thee, who hast richly given
All that could make me glad and free.
I thank Thee that my soul is healed
By what Thy lips revealed.*

~Sermon Text

Ephesians 1:3-14 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

He did this when he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world, so that we would be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ. He did this in accordance with the good purpose of his will, and for the praise of his glorious grace, which he has graciously given us in the one he loves.

In him we also have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in keeping with the riches of his grace, which he lavished on us in all wisdom and insight. He made known to us the mystery of his will in keeping with his good purpose, which he planned in Christ. This was to be carried out when the time had fully come, in order to bring all things together in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth.

In him we have also obtained an inheritance, because we were predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in keeping with the purpose of his will. He did this so that his glory would be praised as a result of us, who were the first to hope in Christ.

In him, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and in him, when you also believed, you were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit. He is the down payment of our inheritance until the redemption of God's own possession, so that his glory would be praised.

~Sermon Message

"We're Rich!"

- 1. Because we're the chosen children of God.*
- 2. Because we bask in God's constant grace.*
- 3. Because we possess all things.*

~Hymn 484, vv. 1, 2 *Christ Alone is Our Salvation*

*1. Christ alone is our salvation,
Christ the rock on which we stand;
Other than this sure foundation
Will be found but sinking sand.
Christ, His cross and resurrection,
Is alone the sinners' plea;
At the throne of God's perfection
Nothing else can set him free.*

*2. We have all things, Christ possessing:
Life eternal, second birth,
Present pardon, peace, and blessing
While we tarry here on earth;
And by faith's anticipation,
Foretaste of the joy above
Freely giv'n us with salvation
By the Father in His love.*

~Special Prayers & Petitions

~Collect — *The congregation's prayer of the day*

(ELH p. 45; p. 157 #80)

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

C: Amen.

~Lord's Prayer

(ELH p. 49; 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.

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

(ELH p. 59; 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.

~Hymn 484, v. 3 *When We Perfect Joy Shall Enter*

*3. When we perfect joy shall enter,
'Tis in Him our bless will rise;
He's the essence, soul, and center
Of the glory in the skies.
In redemption's wondrous story
Planned before our parents' fall,
From the cross unto the glory
Jesus Christ is all in all.*

*Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor John Petersen
Organist: Elisabeth Urtel*

Weekly Financial Update:

Given Last Week: \$24,317.53 (includes text & on-line giving)

Fiscal Year To Date Deficit (as of 5/31/20): \$69,640.

Romans 8:31-32 What then will we say about these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 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?

Dear Mt. Olive Family & Friends: Due to the concerns for public health during this COVID-19 pandemic, and respecting the advisement of our governmental agencies, we have moved to providing DIGITAL WORSHIP SERVICES. You can find these on our website and on our local TV station, KTV.

Please know that our church leadership is continuing to look for the best possible ways to serve you with Word and Sacrament. Please bear with us in this process. If you are in need of Pastoral Care or would like to receive the Lord's Supper we are here to minister to you and desire to do so.

You may contact our office at (507) 345-4966.

Catch Mt. Olive Worship Services Online at www.mtolivelutheran.org

OR

TV on local cable channels 181 (Spectrum) and 7 & 507 (Consolidated Communications) on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM and Thursdays at 11:30 AM.

To give your offering online, go to www.mtolivelutheran.org and click on the link "**DONATE ONLINE**". Or **TEXT 833-726-3742 along with the amount you wish to donate.** Or **Mail** your offering to the church office.

Colossians 3:17 And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

The flowers on the altar are given to God's glory by Silas & Mary Born.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Worship Service Time Change

Starting Sunday, June 21st worship service times will be 8:30am and 10am.

Annual Voter's Meeting Sunday, June 28 at 11am.

Food/Necessity Drive

Mt. Olive will be gathering food and other necessity items to benefit the people affected by the riots and looting in the Minneapolis area. Our donations will be taken to Pilgrim Lutheran Church (WELS) in Minneapolis and distributed from there. This food/supply drive will run until Friday, June 26. Please place your donated items in the boxes available under the band room window.

Supplies needed: toilet paper, paper towels, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, towels (new), t-shirt (new), socks (new), razors, feminine hygiene products, shaving cream, diapers/pull-ups, underwear, formula, mouthwash, lotion, Neosporin, bandaids, gauze, gloves, alcohol wipes, hydrogen peroxide, aspirin, tylenol (infant, children, adult)

Hebrews 13:16 And do not forget to do good and share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.



Synod Sunday Live Stream – This year, we cannot gather in person for a synod Sunday Service in Mankato, Minnesota. President Moldstad will preach for a special Synod Sunday Service on **Sunday, June 21st, at 7:00 pm (CDT)**. The live-streamed service can be accessed at www.els.org/convention. The Order of Service also can be downloaded at the same site. President Moldstad also will give an update following this Service. Plan to join your fellow Christians throughout the synod for this special event.

Request from President Moldstad If anyone would like to attend the Synod Sunday service in person, in order to help give a congregational presence to the service, please feel free to

come. We request that you be at **Trinity Chapel at Bethany Lutheran College by 6:50 PM** to be seated so the service may start at 7:00 PM.

MVL Open House

New MVL students and their families are invited to an Open House on Wednesday, June 17. Last names A-M can come to campus between 4:30-6:00 PM, and last names N-Z between 6:00-7:30 PM. Applications, course registration, tours, and more will be available. For more information, call the school office at 507.354.6851.

MVL Summer Camp Changes

Changes have been made to the dates of MVL's summer camps. A full list can be found at mvl.org/athletics/summer-camps. If you have already registered and wish to cancel, please contact the MVL office at 507-354-6851 or sallee@mvlhs.org.

Jesus' Lambs at Peace Preschool is continuing to give tours and will accept registration from families who desire preschool for their child, for the 2020-2021 school year. We are eager to serve your family. We prepare children for Kindergarten with a Christ-centered curriculum. The Bible story is at the center of our day and from there we teach children about God's wonderful world and His great love for all people. If you would like to hear more about our preschool, please contact Joslyn at joslynmoldstad@gmail.com for more information.

M.O.M.S Park Playdates



Now that the parks have opened up, the M.O.M.s study group will begin its summer park playdates. **All** are welcome to join us **Thursday mornings** at a park beginning **Thursday, June 11**. Park playdates are come and go from 9-noon. You are welcome to pack a lunch and picnic if you like. Thursday mornings in June, we will be at Fallenstein Park in North Mankato. Thursdays in July, we will be at Sibley Park. Park playdates are a chance to get the kids out to play, and the parents to connect with other Christian parents. If raining, the playdate is cancelled. We hope to see you there! Questions? Email Kristen Lukasek at mattlukasek@yahoo.com

Summer Moms On a Mission (M.O.M.s) Bible Study Opportunity Continues! The M.O.M.s summer evening study will continue through the summer months starting **Tuesday, June 16th**. They meet Tuesday evenings at 7pm in the library at Mt. Olive. They will be studying the book of Galatians. Study materials will be provided, just bring a Bible and writing utensil. If you would like more information please contact Thalia Londgren at thalia.pollard@blc.edu. All moms welcome at any time!