

~Trinity 7~  
Sunday, July 26, 2020

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~Hymn 266, vv. 1, 2 *O Bread of Life*

1. *O Bread of life from heaven,  
To weary pilgrims given,  
O Manna from above:  
The souls that hunger feed Thou,  
The hearts that seek Thee lead Thou,  
With Thy most sweet and tender love.*

2. *O Fount of grace redeeming,  
O River ever streaming,  
From Jesus' holy side:  
Come Thou, Thyself bestowing  
On thirsting souls, and flowing  
Till all their wants are satisfied.*

~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 31:23-25** This is what the Lord of Armies, the God of Israel, says.

When I bring them back from captivity,  
they will once again say in the land of Judah and in its cities:

“The Lord bless you, you righteous dwelling place,  
you holy mountain.”

Judah and all its cities will live there together,  
the farmers and those who follow their flocks.

I will satisfy the thirsty,  
and I will give rest to everyone who is weary.

## ~Epistle Lesson

**Romans 6:19-23** (I am speaking in a human way because of the weakness of your flesh.) Indeed, just as you offered your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, resulting in more lawlessness, so now offer your members in the same way as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.

For when you were slaves of sin, you were free from righteousness. So what kind of fruit did you have then? They were things of which you are now ashamed. Yes, the final result of those things is death. But now, since you were set free from sin and have become slaves to God, you have your fruit resulting in sanctification—and the final result is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the undeserved gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## ~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 465, vv. 1, 4 *From God Shall Naught Divide Me*

*1. From God shall naught divide me,  
For He is true for aye,  
And on my path will guide me,  
Who else should often stray;  
His ever bounteous hand  
By night and day is heedful,  
And gives me what is needful,  
Where e'er I go or stand.*

*4. Whate'er shall be His pleasure  
Is surely best for me;  
He gave His dearest treasure,  
That our weak hearts might see  
How good His will toward us;  
And in His Son He gave us  
Whate'er could bless and save us;  
Praise Him who loveth thus!*

## ~Gospel & Sermon Text

**Matthew 16:5-12** When his disciples came to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread along. Jesus said to them, "Watch out and be on guard against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees."

They were discussing this among themselves and said, "It is because we did not bring any bread."

Since Jesus knew what they were saying, he said, "You of little faith! Why are you discussing among yourselves the fact that you brought no bread? Do you still not understand? Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand and how many basketfuls you picked up? Or the seven loaves for the four thousand and how many basketfuls you picked up? How is it that you do not understand that I was not talking to you about bread? But be on guard against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees."

Then they understood that he was not warning them about the yeast in bread, but about the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

~Sermon Message

*What We Should and Should Not Worry About*

~Hymn 465, vv. 3, 5 *If Sorrow Comes*

3. *If sorrow comes, I'll bear it  
In patience and in trust;  
My Lord Himself doth share it,  
For He is true and just,  
And loves to bless us still;  
My life and soul—I owe them  
To Him who doth bestow them,  
Let Him do as He will.*

5. *O praise Him, for He never  
Forgets our daily need;  
O blest the hour whenever  
To Him our thoughts can speed;  
Yea, all the time we spend  
Without Him is but wasted,  
Till we His joy have tasted,  
The joy that hath no end.*

~Special Prayers & Petitions

~Collect — *The congregation's prayer of the day* (ELH p. 45; p. 159 #94)

P: O God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and earth: We humbly beseech You to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which are profitable for us; 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.

~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 262, vv. 1, 2 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

1. *Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;  
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more,  
Feed me till I want no more.*

2. *Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield,  
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield,*

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Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor Luke Ulrich  
Organist: John Baumann  
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**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE:**

**Sunday: 8:30am, 75/58; 10am, 100/70;**

**Monday: 34/28**  
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**Weekly Financial Update:**

**Given Last Week: \$15,124.76 (includes text & on-line giving)**

**Fiscal Year To Date Deficit (as of 6/30/20): \$68,110.**

*Philippians 4:19-20 And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.*

*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 also offer our **WORSHIP SERVICES** 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](http://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](http://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.*

**WEEK AT A GLANCE: July 26, 2020 - August 2, 2020**

<b>Sunday,</b> July 26	8:30AM 10AM	Divine Service Divine Service
<b>Mon.,</b> July 27	6:30PM 7:30PM	Divine Service Evangelism Committee
<b>Tues.,</b> July 28	7PM	M.O.M.s Bible Study
<b>Wed,</b> July 29		
<b>Thurs.,</b> July 30	9AM-12PM	M.O.M.s Bible Study Park Playdate, Sibley Park
<b>Fri.,</b> July 31		
<b>Sat,</b> August 1		
<b>Sunday,</b> August 2	8:30AM 10AM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion Divine Service w/Holy Communion

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Blood Drive** Mount Olive hosts a blood drive on **Friday, August 7 from 1:00-6:00 PM.**



To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767 or visit their website at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code MTOLIVEKATO.  
1 pint can save 3 lives!

**We are still selling Kwik Trip Cards!** If you are in the market for KwikTrip Cards, send Rebecca Strom an email at MNstroms@gmail.com or text at 507-720-8051 and let her know your name, how many cards you want and what increments. You can then leave your check with the secretaries in the office. Rebecca will stop by the office once a week to organize the cards. You can then pick up your cards at your convenience the following week, during Mt. Olive open office hours. We currently have \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, and \$100 values. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to Rebecca. Thank you for your continued support!

**WELS & ELS Singles Facebook Group**

If you're single (unmarried, divorced, widowed) and looking to socialize, make friends, or enjoy fellowship with other singles who share your faith, we encourage you to join our Facebook group! Our group consists of over 260 members with ages ranging from 18-65+. We're an active group who loves sharing Biblical encouragement, prayers, Lutheran memes, personal victories, and tacos. Our page is full of discussion posts and we typically have a weekly video hangout on Sunday evenings. We'd love to have you join us.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/wels.els.singles>

**MVLHS Director of Mission Advancement**

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School seeks a WELS or ELS male to serve as Director of Mission Advancement. Interested individuals should contact MVL Principal, Dr. Tim Plath, for more information at 507-354-6851 or [tplath@mvlhs.org](mailto:tplath@mvlhs.org).

### **Open Positions at MVL**

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School is looking to fill two positions: 1. A **part-time custodian(s)** to work 25 hours per week. For more information contact Ken Opitz at MVL at 507-354-6851 or [kopitz@mvlhs.org](mailto:kopitz@mvlhs.org). 2. A **part-time food service worker** for approximately three hours each school day. Tasks include food preparation and service, washing dishes and clean up. Individuals interested in this position should contact Elizabeth Fluegge at MVL at 507-354-6851, 507-993-5195, or [foodservice@mvlhs.org](mailto:foodservice@mvlhs.org).



**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. Park playdates are come and go from **9-12pm on Thursdays**. You are welcome to pack a lunch and picnic if you like. 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](mailto:mattlukasek@yahoo.com)

**Summer Moms On a Mission (M.O.M.s) Bible Study Opportunity Continues!** 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](mailto:thalia.pollard@blc.edu). All moms welcome at any time!



**Annual Meeting of New 2 You Family Thrift Store is Monday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm** and will be held at Peace Lutheran Church in North Mankato. Members of all association churches are welcome to attend the meeting.

**Two positions are now available at New 2 You Family Thrift Store in North Mankato.** We have an opportunity for a **Store Manager** at 32-40 hours a week, and an **Assistant Manager** at 25 hours a week, under the direction of the general manager. Both positions are perfect for someone who enjoys the challenges and opportunities of working with a small staff, and a large group of volunteers. Responsibilities include, but not limited to, accepting and prioritizing donations, merchandising items on the sales floor, pricing and sorting items, store maintenance, sales desk, and more. Profits from the store support Christian education in our community including MVL and all the schools and preschools of the 5-member association. We are searching for someone with a servant heart to help us support Christian education. If you would like an application, please contact Donna Prah [pdprahl@hickorytech.net](mailto:pdprahl@hickorytech.net) or 507-382-1317. If you have any questions about this position, please contact your church board members Emily Goetzke 507-345-8344 or Beth Westphal 507-382-4315.