

What: Kingdom Workers Presentation
Where: Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
When: Sunday, April 3rd at 9:40 a.m.



Laura Harstad, Director of Volunteer Management at Kingdom Workers, will share inspiring stories from locations around the world where Lutherans like you have partnered with Kingdom Workers to share the Gospel. She will be joined by Ben and Joe Lundsten who will tell you about their upcoming mission project in SE Asia. Join us for this special presentation.

How can you serve? Kingdom Workers has opportunities for people of all ages. Volunteers have helped congregations with building projects, serving people with disabilities, clean water projects, teaching English, health education, music camps, vacation Bible school, Bible sports camps, and more. Learn more!

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EASTER SUNDAY
MARCH 27, 2016 10:00AM

~Pre-Service Piano & Organ Duet

“Thine Is the Glory” – G. F. Handel, arr. Ron & Linda Sprunger
“I Know That My Redeemer Liveth” – G. F. Handel, arr. Lani Smith

~Hymn 352 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

(vv. 1, 2 All; v. 3 Choir; v. 4 All stand to sing)

~Confession of Sin (p.41, form I)

P: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins. Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us a true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

information about the resident hall coordinator positions, contact Dr. Ted Manthe, Vice President of Student Affairs (tmanthe@blc.edu; 507-344-7745). Send a cover letter, résumé, academic transcripts (may be unofficial), and contact information for three current professional references to: Human Resources Office Bethany Lutheran College 700 Luther Drive Mankato, MN 56001 Application deadline: March 31, 2016 Interviews will be held the week of April 4, 2016.

Saturday, April 2 at 2:00 pm in Trinity Chapel - Senior music majors Anna Schroeder and Jacob Finke present their senior recital. Free and open to the public with refreshments to follow.

Sunday, April 3 at 3:00 pm in Trinity Chapel - The Minnesota River Valley Wind Ensemble, directed by Dr. Amy Roisum-Foley, performs a spring concert. Free and open to the public.

Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 pm in the YFAC Gallery - Bethany art majors Anna Heimbigner, Cammy Schultze, Ivy Heintz, Sarah Rehbein, and Triah Meyer present their senior show titled *Perceptions of Humanity*. The gallery talk and reception will take place in the gallery of the Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center, free and open to the public. This senior art exhibition will be on display from April 1-12.

Saturday, April 9 at 3:00 pm in Trinity Chapel - Soprano Emily F. Dworak performs her senior voice recital. Free and open to the public, with refreshments to follow.

Community Events

Please join the Minnesota Valley Chorale for their “Minnesota Moments” concert. “Minnesota Moments” will feature pieces by composers with Minnesota connections at our Spring Concert on Friday, **April 15** at 7:30 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Mankato, and on Saturday, **April 16** at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity Chapel, Bethany Lutheran College. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$10 per person.

MVL Booster Club Auction: The MVL Booster Club Annual Auction is scheduled for next **Sunday, April 3**. Hundreds of items will once again be available. 11AM starts off with lunch and viewing; 1PM is the live auction.

Bethany Lutheran College

Gospel Outreach with Media: “Gospel Outreach with Media,” a conference exploring how technology can be used in evangelism world-wide, will open on Monday, March 28. Since it is entirely online, you can participate from home by going to <http://gowm.org>, experience the sessions that interest you, and join the discussion by posting questions and comments. The conference, hosted by the Christ in Media Institute at Bethany Lutheran College, will remain open to comments for three weeks.

Bethany Lutheran College has an opening for a Director of Accounting and Audit:

The Director of Accounting and Audit oversees day-to-day accounts payable/receivable and payroll activities as well as year-end audit and financial statement preparation. This responsibility includes working collaboratively with the Finance team to maintain the books and records of the organization and assist in the monthly close process and financial reports. Specific responsibilities include processing accounting transactions, reconciling general ledger accounts, preparing financial reports, performing various accounting functions, preparing monthly payroll, and preparing audit documentation. The Director of Accounting and Audit supervises the staff assigned to perform the payroll and accounts payable activities of the department. Interested candidates may request a more detailed job description at hr@blc.edu. More information is also available in the church office.

Bethany Lutheran College invites applications for two Resident Hall Coordinator positions with a start date of July 1, 2016. Possible responsibilities and job duties are outlined in the position description available in the church office; assigned duties and responsibilities will be finalized upon hire. For additional

~Kyrie, Senior Choir “Christ is Arisen” – J. S. Bach

Christ is arisen from the pangs, the prison.

So let our joy rise full and free, for Christ our comfort true will be.

Kyrieleis.

Were Christ not arisen, then death were still our prison.

He lives indeed! We are restored; sing praise to Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Kyrieleis.

Hallelujah! So let our joy rise full and free, for Christ our comfort true will be.

Kyrieleis.

~Absolution (p. 43, form II)

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.

~Canticle, Hymn 359 vv. 1, 2, 4 *This Is the Feast*

~Salutation (p. 45)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~Collect (p. 45)

P: Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech You, that, as You put in our minds good desires, so by Your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. **C: ♪ Amen.**

~Choir Anthem “He’s Risen, He’s Risen” – Jacob B. Weber

He’s risen, He’s risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord;

He opened death’s prison, the incarnate, true Word.

Break forth, hosts of heav’n, in jubilant song

And earth, sea, and mountain their praises prolong.

*The foe was triumphant when on Calvary
The Lord of creation was nailed to the tree.
In Satan's domain did the hosts shout and jeer,
For Jesus was slain, whom the evil ones fear.*

*But short was their triumph; the Savior arose,
And death, hell, and Satan He vanquished, His foes.
The conquering Lord lifts His banner on high;
He lives, yes, He lives, and will nevermore die.*

*O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
Christ rose, and now open is fair Eden's door.
For all our transgressions His blood does atone;
Redeemed and forgiven, we now are His own.*

*Then sing your hosannas and raise your glad voice;
Proclaim the blest tidings that all may rejoice.
Laud, honor, and praise, to the Lamb that was slain:
With Father and Spirit He ever shall reign.
Alleluia!*

~**Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 52:13-15** Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high. Just as many were astonished at you, so His visage was marred more than any man, and His form more than the sons of men; so shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; for what had not been told them they shall see, and what they had not heard they shall consider.

~**Hymn 343 Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands**
(v. 1 Choir; v. 4 All; v. 5 Choir; vv. 6, 7 All)

~**Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 5:6-8** Your glorying is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

~**Nicene Creed** (p. 47)

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.

els.org/lya2016 to register. The cost is \$250 before May 1st, or \$300 after. More info to come regarding the bus to get us there, cost, fundraisers, etc. Any questions? Contact Peter or Sarah Bloedel.

New 2 You: Please continue to support New 2 You by volunteering, making donations, shopping our store, or praying for continued blessings on their efforts. If you would like to become a volunteer please call New2You at [507-385-1455](tel:507-385-1455). ~**Mt. Olive provides volunteers on the first Saturday of every month. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex.**

Thrivent Members: To designate Thrivent Choice Dollars go to www.Thrivent.com, or call [1-800-847-4836](tel:1-800-847-4836). Options for designating funds include Mount Olive, Bethany College and Seminary, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, Thoughts of Faith, and others.

Mt. Olive School 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 to view the 400+ participating retailers. If you have questions or need help getting started email Tanya Norris scrip@mtolivelutheran.org or Krista Petzel krista.petzel@gmail.com.

Kwik Trip Cards: Mt. Olive youth (grades 5-12) are selling Kwik Trip Cards as a fund-raiser 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

Sacred Concert: Due to a school closure for weather, the MVL Sacred concert scheduled for Wednesday, March 23, has been rescheduled for **Wednesday, March 30, 7:00 P.M.**

An Open Forum Meeting is scheduled for **April 10** in between services to which everyone is invited. (This takes the place of a quarterly Voters' meeting.) Is there something at Mt. Olive you'd like to know more about? Is there a topic you'd like addressed? If you have input on topics we should cover at this inaugural Open Forum, please contact Mike Smith at mksmith@blc.edu or [507-351-4630](tel:507-351-4630).

An admissions representative from Bethany Lutheran College will be at Mankato East High School on Tuesday, March 29th at 9AM and Mankato West High School on Tuesday, March 29th at 10AM. Please stop by to talk about your goals and plans for your future.

Camp Indianhead is scheduled for July 10-15 at Luther Island Camp, and is open to youth ages 11-16. The cost per camper is \$275. Register online at: islandcamp.org (scroll down and click on our logo, then click "create new parent") or ask the church office for registration and health forms. ***Families are encouraged to reserve bus seats early for their camper(s).*** Reservations made by **May 8, 2016** cost \$30 per camper, and \$45 per camper after. The bus holds 35 passengers, so please email or call Lance Johnson with the names of your camper(s) at: lgustavj77@gmail.com or [507-720-2130](tel:507-720-2130). We appreciate and thank Lance for serving our campers and families in this way!

ECHO Food Shelf: In 2015 ECHO served 55,000 individuals, roughly 20,000 of them children. So far in 2016 Mt. Olive has donated 30 pounds of food items. March is one of the best times to make a donation because the Minnesota Food Share has a matching program. Thank you to the people who support ECHO either financially or with donation of food.

Monday Night Services: Our Monday night services will resume on April 4th.

Sr. Youth Group: Start gearing up for this year's trip to Dallas, TX with the Lutheran Youth Association (LYA) on **July 28-31, 2016**. The convention's theme this year is, "Two Kingdoms". Go to:

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.

~Hymn 340 vv. 1, 3, 4 *Alleluia! Jesus Lives*

~Exordium

~Hymn 348 *He Is Arisen, Glorious Word!*

~**Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text** *Luke 24:1-8* Now on the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they, and certain other women with them, came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. But they found the stone rolled away from the tomb. Then they went in and did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. And it happened, as they were greatly perplexed about this, that behold, two men stood by them in shining garments. Then, as they were afraid and bowed their faces to the earth, they said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen! Remember how He spoke to you

when He was still in Galilee, saying, "The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again." And they remembered His words.

~Sermon Theme

"Why Do You Look for the Living Among the Dead?"

1. We look for life in the wrong places.
2. We find it where Jesus promised – in His Gospel.

~Easter Prayer

~Offering and Hymn 347 *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

**Holy Communion* Today the confirmed, communicant members of our fellowship come to receive the true body and blood of Christ in the Holy Supper. Here Christ gives us this treasure for the remission of our sins. As we commune together we also outwardly demonstrate the unity of faith which we confess. If you are a guest and wish to commune with us, please speak to one of our pastors. Thank you.

Service of Holy Communion

~Preface (p. 50)

- P: The Lord be with you.
C: ♪ And with your spirit.
P: Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.
C: ♪ We lift up our hearts unto the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
C: ♪ It is good and right so to do.

~General Preface (p. 51)

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, but chiefly are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world. By His death He has destroyed death, and by His rising to life again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

WEEK AT A GLANCE: *March 27, 2016—April 3, 2016*

Sunday March 27	7:30AM 8:30-9:30AM 10AM	Sunrise Service Easter Breakfast served by the Sr. Youth Divine Service w/Holy Communion No Co-Ed Volleyball
Monday March 28		No School – Easter Break
Tuesday March 29	8AM	Women’s Bible Study – Book of Acts
Wednesday March 30	8:05AM 8AM 3:45PM	CDS Chapel M.O.M.’s Bible Study No Bible Study Confirmation
Thursday March 31		
Friday April 1		
Saturday April 2	11AM-5PM	Social Hall Reserved
Sunday April 3	8:30AM 9:40AM 10:45AM 1PM 7:30PM	Divine Service w/Holy Communion Kingdom Workers Presentation/Sunday School/BIC Divine Service w/Holy Communion Encourage One Another Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Flowers: Many thanks to those who purchased flowers to beautify our altar today! If you have not yet paid for them, please stop in the office and Patti or Sarah will be happy to help you. You are welcome to take your flowers home today after the 10AM service to enjoy with your families.

Easter Breakfast: Join us this morning for our Easter Breakfast at 8:30AM, sponsored by our Sr. Youth. Proceeds from the breakfast will go towards the Youths’ fees for LYA which will be held in Dallas, TX this July. ***Thank you to all who donated food for the breakfast!***

Flowers adorning our sanctuary today are given in celebration of the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!



Hal & Marsha Natvig in honor of family
Allan & Ellen Mueller in honor of parents
Bill & Suzanne Bohning in honor of loved ones
Linda Loge in honor of loved ones
Mark & Sandy Johnson in honor of Mary & Orville and Wayne Sampson
Paul & Mary Jane Tweit in honor of parents
Becky Anton in honor of parents
Mark & Michelle, Katelyn and Alyssa Graham in honor of loved ones
Rev. Ted & Diane, Mark and Paul Gullixson in honor of loved ones
Bruno & Marian Wilinski in honor of Gig, Agnes and Vivian Solli
Phil & Jean Jurgenson in honor of Luella Jurgenson
Greg & Janet Costello in honor of fathers
Andy & Laurie Kuster-Overn in honor of loved ones
Ron & Elli and Joe Fisher in honor of Richard Fisher and Karl Jaster
Dennis & Pamela Davis in honor of parents
Phyllis Kenning in honor of Bud and Joe Kenning
The Reichwald Family in honor of Glenn Reichwald
and Mary Reichwald Sargent
Tom & Joni Bode in honor of loved ones
Dave & Melodie, Taylor, Shayla, and Lexi Karge in honor of Lyle Fox
Myrna and Jennifer Hopp in honor of Elroy A. Hopp
Bob & Diann Brooks in honor of LuAnn Hollerich and Al Brooks
Peggy Harstad in honor of Mark O. Harstad
Janet Wassman in honor of parents

~Sanctus (pp. 51-52)

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

~Lord's Prayer (p. 53)

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 (p. 54)

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."

~Agnus Dei (p. 55)

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

**Hymn 341 vv. 1-3 *Awake, My Heart, With Gladness*
Hymn 351 vv. 1-5 *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*
Hymn 341 vv. 7-8 *To Halls of Heav'nly Splendor*
Hymn 351 vv. 7-8 *He Lives and Grants me Daily Breath***

~Dismissal (p. 56)

P: Our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ, who has now bestowed upon you His holy body and blood, whereby He has made full satisfaction for all your sins, strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto everlasting life. Peace be with you. Amen.

~Hymn of Thanksgiving 354 vv. 2, 10

Thanks to Thee, O Christ Victorious!

~Collect of Thanksgiving (p. 56)

P: Let us give thanks and pray: We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with these Your salutary gifts; and we beseech You of Your mercy, to strengthen us through the same in faith toward You, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C: ♪ Amen.

~Benediction (pp. 56-57)

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 356 *The Day of Resurrection*

Preacher: Pastor John J. Petersen / Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich

Organist: Dennis Marzolf / Choir Director: Sarah Leyrer

Accompanist: Elisabeth Urtel / String bass: John Halvorson

Pre-service music: Cassie Johnson & Kristin Matzke

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 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.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 8:30am; 331/207 10:45am; 219/158

GIVEN LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD'S WORK: \$13,881.02

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

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.

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.

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK

Ushers: 1st Service: Tom Bode (captain), Eli Bode, John Schauer, Alex Schauer, John Pfeffer

2nd Service: Chris Kind (captain), Larry Rude, Dale Schaffer, John Foede, Luke Buelow

Greeters: 1st Service: Ron & Mary Younge, Eldon Sting

2nd Service: Mike & Anita Smith, Dan & Joanne Maas

Offering Counters: Lisa Holt, Brenda Garbers, Connie Meyer

Altar Guild: Carol Leiferman, Elyse Haugen

