



TRINITY 4

Sunday, June 27, 2021, 8:30 & 10:00 AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

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Pastors John J. Petersen & Luke Ulrich | Principal Adam Pavelchik | 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 (on the tables at the back of worship area). 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 worship area.

Explanation of the Week: *“Be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful” (Luke 6:36-42). The old Adam in us, however, wants to condemn and seek vengeance. But the Lord says, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay” (Rom 12:14-21). To condemn, to avenge yourself, is to put yourself in the place of God. It is to fail to trust that He is just. Ultimately, it is to disbelieve that Jesus suffered the full vengeance for all wrongs. Only Christ is merciful as the Father is merciful. He is the one who overcame all evil with the good of His cross, forgiving even His executioners. Jesus is our Joseph, who comforts us with words of pardon and reconciliation (Gen 50:15-21). He is the One who does not condemn but gives life that runs over. Only through faith in Christ are we sons of the Father—being merciful, forgiving, doing good to our enemies. For in Christ we know that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us (Rom 8:8-13).*

Order of Service, Matins (p. 109)

“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. In this early morning hour, we rejoice to hear God’s Word proclaim to us the Good News that “He Is Risen!”



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)*

~**Hymn 421 We Are Called by One Vocation**

~**Confession of Sin** — Admitting our sinfulness to God

(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. 109-110; 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. 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! (*Alleluia omitted during Lent*)

~**Invitatory** — *Invitation to worship*

(*ELH p. 110; Ps. 95:6*)

P: O come, let us worship the Lord.

C: ♪ For He is our Maker.

~**Venite Exultemus** — *“Come! Let us exalt”*

(*ELH p. 111; Ps. 95:1-7*)

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.

~**Old Testament Lesson**

Genesis 50:15-21 When Joseph’s brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back for all the wrongs we did to him?” So they sent word to Joseph, saying, “Your father left these instructions before he died: ‘This is what you are to say to Joseph: I ask you to forgive your brothers the sins and the wrongs they committed in treating you so badly.’ Now please forgive the sins of the servants of the God of your father.” When their message came to him, Joseph wept. His brothers then came and threw themselves down before him. “We are your slaves,” they said. But Joseph said to them, “Don’t be afraid. Am I in the place of God? You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. So then, don’t be afraid. I will provide for you and your children.” And he reassured them and spoke kindly to them.

~**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 6:36-42 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. “Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be poured into your lap. In fact, the measure with which you measure will be measured back to you.” He also told them a parable: “A blind man cannot guide a blind man, can he? Won’t they both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like his teacher. Why do you look at the speck in your brother’s eye, but fail to notice the beam in your own eye? Or how can you tell your brother, ‘Brother, let me remove the speck in your eye,’ when you do not see the beam in your own eye? Hypocrite! First remove the beam from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck in your brother’s eye.

~Hymn 418 vv. 1-5 *How Fair the Church of Christ Shall Stand*

~Epistle Lesson & Sermon Text

Romans 14:10-12 But you, why do you pass judgment on your brother? And you, why do you look down on your brother? For we will all stand before God’s judgment seat. Indeed, it is written: As I live, says the Lord, every knee will bow to me, and every tongue will acknowledge God. So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God.

~Sermon Theme

How Are We to Deal with Sinful People?

~Offering Hymn 459, v. 5 *Lord of Glory, Who Hast Bought Us*

~Offering & Offering Prayers

(We acknowledge and thank God for moving the hearts of His people to continue to support the mission and work of our church. Ushers bring the offering plates forward to the altar and the pastor offers a prayer of thanks. Please Note: Offering plates are found at the main aisle entrance to the Sanctuary before and after the service. Online giving is also available through mtolivelutheran.org or by text message by texting the amount you would like to give to 833-726-3742 (a link will be provided for first-time users to register an account).)

~Te Deum Laudamus — “We praise You, O God”

(ELH pp. 114-116)

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"

(ELH p. 116-117)

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 & Special Petitions

~**Collect** — *The congregation's prayer*

(ELH p. 118-119, 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)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: ♪ **Thanks be to God.**

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

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

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.**

~**Hymn 418 vv. 6, 7** *My Soul, Be Therefore of Good Cheer*

~**Announcements**

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

(See "Prayers for Worship"
—ELH p. 40)

Officiant: Pastor Luke Ulrich

Organists: 1st: John Baumann /2nd: Elisabeth Urtel

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/LORD'S SUPPER ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 8:30am, 167/132; 10:00am, 144/95; Monday: 49/42

Sunday Live (8:30am) Online Viewing: 28

WE THANK THOSE SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK:

Greeters: Steve & Lois Jaeger, **Media Center:** David Norris

Offering Counters: John Schauer & Jim Gullixson

Altar Guild: Elyse Haugen, Carol Leiferman

Weekly Financial Update

Given Last Week: \$13,535.76 (includes text & on-line giving)

Fiscal Year-to-Date Surplus (as of 3/31/21): \$29,370

*Philippians 4:19 **And my God will fully supply your every need, according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus.***

*Did you know you can give your offering online? Just go to www.mtolivelutheran.org and click on the link, "donate online." 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.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: June 27, 2021 — July 5, 2021

Sunday, June 27	8:30AM 10AM 11AM 6PM-8PM	Divine Worship Divine Worship Voters' Meeting Artemis Board Gaming
Monday, June 28	9AM 6:30PM 7:30PM	MOMs park playdate at Fallenstein Park Divine Worship Evangelism Committee Meeting
Tues., June 29	9AM	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday, June 30	10AM	Bethany Lutheran College Summer Chapel, Trinity Chapel
Thur., July 1		Deadline: MVL (golf) Classic registration
Fri., July 2		
Sat., July 3		New 2 You Thrift Store is closed for the day.
Sunday, July 4	8:30AM 10AM	Last <u>Sunday</u> to donate cake mixes for VBS service project. Divine Worship w/Holy Communion Divine Worship w/Holy Communion
Monday, July 5	9AM 6PM 6:30PM 7:30PM	Office Closed MOMs park playdate at Sibley Park Deacons Meeting Divine Worship VBS Planning Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Mt. Olive Lutheran Church & School

Flowers: Flowers on the altar today are given to God's glory by Sandy Johnson in memory of Orville & Mary Sampson.

New on the Narthex table: *July's Olive Press* and *Worship While Away*. Pick up your copies today.

Looking for a trailer and driver for luggage to Camp Indianhead. We have about 51 campers riding the bus. The cost will be about \$30 to \$35 per camper. If anyone is interested in donating or matching a donation to help the families with multiple campers, contact James Merseeth 507-720-1277 or jt.merseeth@gmail.com

SAVE THE Parade DATES! Mount Olive participates in the North Mankato **Fun Days parade Saturday, July 10**, and the Eagle Lake **Tator Days parade Saturday, July 17**. We would love to have you join us in sharing the Gospel as well as promoting Mount Olive Lutheran Church and School! We will share line up information when we receive it.

Parsonage Painting! The trustees are looking to get the parsonage exterior painted this summer. We are looking for someone willing to supervise a volunteer painting crew. Dan Weichmann will prepare the exterior and get the supplies. After we have the supervisor, we'll set the dates and call for volunteers. The target dates are July 5 – 30. Contact Juel Merseeth at 507-381-3975.

Donations needed! During Vacation Bible School this year, the children make birthday bags for the children that visit ECHO food shelf. Each bag includes cake mix and other items to help make their birthday special. If you would like to **donate a box of cake mix**, bring it to the church office. Thank you! (*VBS runs Tuesday to Thursday, July 6-8.*)

Mount Olive Lutheran School is currently hiring for full and part-time school aide positions. Candidates must possess a desire to share God's Word, a love of children, a high school diploma, and live a moral and Christian lifestyle representative of the teachings of the church. A teaching background is preferred, but not required. Hourly compensation is based on experience and education. Responsibilities include:

- Assisting classroom teachers in planning and maintaining a safe, clean learning environment
- Becoming familiar with teacher lesson plans, schedules, and daily duties
- Develop working relationships with teachers and staff
- Perform other mutually agreeable tasks deemed necessary by classroom teachers and/or school administrator

For more information or to apply, contact Principal Adam Pavelchik at principal@mtolivelutheran.org or call the school office at 507-345-7927.

Continue to save pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. All donations can be brought to the After-School Care room or to Mrs. Feistner. Thank you!

Vacation Bible School planning meeting is scheduled for the evening of July 5 at 7:30.

Jesus' Lambs at Peace Preschool

Jesus' Lambs at Peace Preschool announces its Back-To-School Picnic, **Tuesday, August 23**, 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Jesus' Lambs at Peace Preschool is located at Peace Lutheran Church, 2090 Commerce Drive, North Mankato. If you would like to enroll your 3-, 4-, or 5-year-old, contact Joslyn at 507-594-8929 or by email joslynmoldstad@gmail.com

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School

MVL Student Saturday! New 2 You resale store provides 75% of its quarterly profits to Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School to help defray tuition costs. Mount Olive has been asked to provide 4 MVL students and 2 adult volunteers for the morning and afternoon shifts on **Saturday, August 7**, 9:30-12:30, and 12:30-3:00. (This is a great volunteer opportunity for college resumes and for needed National Honor Society member hours!) Any available MVL students should sign up on the table in the Narthex, or call New 2 You at 507-385-1455. Thanks!

MVL Classic on July 12: The 2021 MVL Classic is July 12 at the New Ulm Country Club. This annual outing supports our Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) for a Christ-centered education at MVL. Each year - through sponsorships, golf fees, and outright donations - thousands of dollars are raised for MVL families in the coming school year. Sponsorship opportunities are currently open for both businesses and individuals. Golfer registration is NOW OPEN at mvlclassic.givesmart.com! Contact Kristin Matzke at kmatzke@mvlhs.org for more information. Let's tap-in for tuition assistance!

MVL Routes with Palmer Bus Service: Palmer Bus Service provides safe and reliable transportation for students. We are now hiring school bus drivers for MVL routes, especially for Redwood Falls and Mankato. We are also looking for "activities" drivers for competitions and events. Full-time and part-time positions available with paid training! Contact Site Manager Ray Vulcan today at rayv@palmerbusservice.com to learn more.

Bethany Lutheran College

Open Positions: BLC is currently taking applications for these positions:

- Dean of Students
- International Student Activity Coordinator
- Coordinator of Admissions Media

More information on these jobs can be found at <http://www.blc.edu/jobs>

Track Clinic at BLC! Bethany Lutheran College Track Camps are available for children and teens ages 2 years old (yes, 2) to 18 years old—a camp for everyone! **Tuesday, July 27, is the deadline** to register. All registrations are completed online at <https://track.blcvikingscamps.com/clinics.cfm>

Community Opportunities

New 2 You Mount Olive Board Member Needed! Mount Olive is one of five association churches that benefit from the profits at New 2 You on a quarterly basis. There are board members from each church, plus two at-large board members from any of the five churches. The store has a general manager and assistant manager that take care of day-to-day operations. Board members have input on executive decisions that impact the store at a higher level. Terms are three years long and can be extended to a second term if the board member agrees. There are quarterly board meetings that typically meet at Peace Lutheran Church (which is near the store). It's a great opportunity to learn a little more about the store and give back to the store that has given so much to Mount Olive. It's easy and has a low level of time commitment. If you are interested, speak with someone in the office.

Annual Meeting of New 2 You Family Thrift Store is **Monday, July 19, 6:30 PM** at Peace Lutheran Church in North Mankato. Members of all association churches are welcome to attend the meeting.

Options|Mankato is seeking ultrasound models for the training and competency of our Nurse Sonographer. Ultrasound Models **receive a free ultrasound**. Models must be in their **first trimester of pregnancy**. Call 507-625-2229 for details.

Part-time church office secretary at Saint Peter Lutheran: Saint Peter Lutheran Church (Saint Peter, MN) is looking for an area WELS/ELS member to serve as a part-time church office secretary. The position involves various administrative duties that include the use of computer technologies such as Microsoft Office and Shepherd's Staff church software. Compensation is \$15 an hour. During the school year the position involves about 30 hours per week; fewer hours during summer. To request an

application and job description, contact Pastor Jack Kelly at 224.430.3925 or email him at jkelly@saintpeterlutheran.org.

Part-time teacher at Saint Peter Lutheran: Saint Peter Lutheran School (Saint Peter, MN) is looking to hire a part-time teacher for 2 or 3 afternoons per week during the 2021-2022 school year. The individual supervises and teaches grades 7-8 from noon until 3:00 PM to provide our school principal with administrative time away from the classroom. Responsibilities would include helping to supervise lunch and recess time, leading a devotion, and teaching a couple of afternoon classes. The specific weekdays would be negotiable. The subjects taught would also be negotiable based on the individual's interests, skills, and comfort levels with particular school subjects. Applicants should be a WELS or ELS member and have prior teaching experience or training. An education degree or teaching license is preferred but not necessary. Compensation is \$5000 per school year for 2 weekdays or \$7500 per school year for 3 weekdays. Contact Principal Brad Gurgel at 407-274-7899 or bradgurgel@gmail.com for more information or to apply.

Dear members of Mt. Olive Lutheran Church –

Thank you so very much for your generous donations toward Gavin's medical expenses. When we learned that the Mt. Olive Evangelism Committee was coordinating a fundraiser meal for Gavin, we were so touched by how the Mt. Olive congregation stood behind a school family – even one that belongs to a different congregation! We have always loved and appreciated the Christian education Mt. Olive has provided for our children, and to now experience the Christian love extended by the Mt. Olive congregation, makes us feel even more privileged to be a part of such a loving Christian family.

Our family continues to feel your support, love, and most importantly your prayers. Thank you! Please continue to pray for our family as Gavin continues his ongoing treatment over the summer and into the fall. Gavin plans to return to Mt. Olive for his 8th grade year, even if his participation is virtual for a period of time.

Thank you,

The Schuch Family