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Sunday, February 20, 2022, 8:30AM & 10:45AM

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 Welcome table and in front of you in the pew). We invite you to come and worship with us again soon.

Explanation of the Week: The Sower sows the Seed of His Word. (Lk 8:4-15) This Word is living and powerful (Heb 4:9-13) to conceive new life in those who hear it. But the planting of Christ is attacked by the devil, the world, and the flesh. Satan snatches the Word away from hard hearts. The riches and pleasures of this life choke off faith. Shallow and emotional belief withers in time of temptation and trouble. But see how Christ bears this attack for us! Christ's cross was planted in the hard and rocky soil of Golgotha. A crown of thorns was placed upon His head. Satan and His demons hellishly hounded and devoured Him. Yet, through His dying and rising again, He destroyed these enemies of ours. Jesus is Himself the Seed which fell to the ground and died in order that it might sprout forth to new life and produce much grain. In Him the weak are strong. (2 Cor 11:19 - 12:9) He is the Word of the Father which does not return void (Is 55:10-13) but yields a hundredfold.

Order of Service, Rite Three (p. 88) – Created by former Bethany Lutheran College choir director, Alfred Fremder, specifically for inclusion in the Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary (1996), this order is meant to “present an old text in new music.” Designed for the modern singing congregation, this liturgy is challenging but approachable. This order of service has been beloved by many in our congregation and has been regularly used for the past 25 years. We invite those who are unfamiliar with it, to learn and use this beautiful order.

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.)

~Hymn 257 vv. 1-4 *When In the Hour of Utmost Need*

~**Invocation and Confession of Sins** — *Calling on God for forgiveness* (ELH p. 88)

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

C: Amen.

P: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

C: His mercy endures forever.

P: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins;

C: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of the world: We confess that we have sinned against Your divine majesty by thought, word and deed, provoking Your wrath against us. We earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for our sins. We grieve to think of them. Their burden is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, gracious Father! Forgive us our sins for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that we may serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

~**Kyrie Eleison** — “*Lord Have Mercy*” (ELH p. 89)



us. Chris - te e - le i - son. Lord, have
mer - cy on us. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

~**Absolution** — *Receiving God's forgiveness*

(ELH p. 89)

P: Lift up your hearts. The Lord God, according to His promise, is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. By the command of Christ and the authority of my holy office I forgive your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~**Collect** — *The Congregation's Prayer of the Day*

(ELH p. 66; #34)

P: O God, You see that we do not put our trust in anything we do: Mercifully grant, that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; 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.

II. The Service of the Word



(After receiving the forgiveness of sins, we thanked God by singing His praises and praying to Him. He now increases our faith through His holy Word which we hear through the Lessons and especially through the Sermon where God's Word is applied to our lives today.)

~**Old Testament Lesson**

(EHV)

Isaiah 55:10-13 Just as the rain and the snow come down from the sky and do not return there unless they first water the earth, make it give birth, and cause it to sprout, so that it gives seed to the sower and bread to the eater, in the same way my word that goes out from my mouth will not return to me empty. Rather, it will accomplish whatever I please, and it will succeed in the purpose for which I sent it. Yes, you will go out with joy, and in peace you will be carried along. The mountains and the hills will break out in shouts of joy before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands. Instead of thorns, a fir tree will grow up. Instead of briars, a myrtle tree will grow up. This will make a name for the Lord. It will serve as an everlasting sign that will not be cut off.

~Gradual — Response to hearing God's Word

(ELH p. 92)

C: The Word of our God stands for - ev - er.

Bless - ed be God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly

Spir - it. The Word of our God stands for - ev - er.

~The Holy Gospel Lesson

(EHV)

Luke 8:4-15 As a large crowd was gathering and people from one town after another were making their way to him, he spoke using a parable. “A sower went out to sow his seed. As he sowed, some fell along the path. It was trampled, and the birds of the sky devoured it. Other seed fell on rocky ground. As soon as it grew, it withered away, because it had no moisture. Other seed fell among thorns. The thorns grew up with it and choked it. Other seed fell into good soil. It grew and produced fruit—one hundred times as much as was sown.” As he said these things, he called out, “Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear!” His disciples asked him, “What does this parable mean?” He said, “To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest I speak in parables so that ‘even though they see, they may not see, and even though they hear, they may not understand.’ This is the meaning of the parable: The seed is the word of God. Those along the path are the ones who hear it, but then the Devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts to keep them from believing and being saved. Those on the rocky ground are the ones who, when they hear, receive the word with joy, but they have no root. So they believe for a while, but then fall away in a time of testing. The seeds that fell into the thorns are the ones who hear the word, but as they go on their way they are choked by the worries, riches, and pleasures of life, so they do not mature. And the seeds in the good ground are the ones who hear the word with an honest and good heart, hold on to it tightly, and produce fruit as they patiently endure.

~ Lenten Verse

(ELH p. 93)



C:Lord, by Your cross and res - ur - rec - tion You have



set us free. You are the Sav - ior of the world.

~Apostles' Creed –Confession of faith

(ELH pp. 94-95)

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.

~Chief Hymn 256 vv. 1, 2 *When Afflictions Sore Oppress You*

~Epistle Lesson & Sermon Text

(NKJV)

2 Corinthians 12:1-9 It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me *to be* or hears from me.

And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is

made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

~Sermon

The Value of Affliction

1. How was the apostle Paul afflicted?
2. How did he benefit from it?

~Offering Hymn 256 v. 3 *Call on God, Knock, Seek Implore Him*

~Offering Prayer

(We take this time to acknowledge and thank God for moving the hearts of His people to continue to support the mission and work of our church. Our ushers will bring the offering plates forward to the altar and the pastor will offer a prayer of thanks. Please Note: You may place any offerings into the plates on the stands at the main aisle entrance to the Sanctuary either before or after the service. Online giving is also available through mtolivelutheran.org or by text message through your smartphone 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.)

~Prayer of the Church

(pp. 96-97)

P: Let us pray for the Church and for all people according to their need.

P: Almighty God and Father, we thank You for all Your goodness and tender mercies, especially for the gift of Your dear Son, through whom You have revealed Your grace. We pray that You would plant Your Word in our hearts that we may cling to it in faith and bear much fruit in well doing.

C: O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, hear us in the truth of Your salvation.

P: Strengthen and defend Your Church, that by Your Word and Sacraments faith may grow and love toward all increase. Guide and protect all who spread abroad the light of Your truth throughout the world. Bless the schools, colleges, and seminaries of the Church that they may send forth laborers to serve You in the ministry of Your Word, in the ministry of mercy, and in all godly walks of life. Let the light of Your Word shine continually in our homes. Keep the children of the Church in the grace of their Baptism, and grant that all entrusted with their care may bring them up in true faith and obedience to Your will.

C: Let all rejoice who trust in You, let them shout for joy because You defend them.

P: Guide and bless all lawful authority, especially our President, the Congress, and the Governor and legislators of this state. Give them wisdom and sound judgment, that justice may prevail and wickedness be hindered and punished.

C: Hear, O Lord, and have mercy! Lord be our Helper!

P: We commend to Your care all who are in trouble, want, sickness or any other adversity, especially those who are suffering for Your name and Your truth. Comfort them, O God, with Your Holy Spirit, that in all their afflictions they may acknowledge Your fatherly will and rejoice in Your gracious and speedy deliverance.

C: O Lord, be with all in trouble. Hear their prayers to the honor of Your name.

P: Let Your blessing rest on seed time and harvest, on commerce and industry, on medicine and science; sanctify the arts and culture, the rest and leisure of Your people. Protect all who travel, and care for all whose labor is difficult or dangerous. Bless all who in their daily calling endeavor to do Your will, and give them the assurance that their work is pleasing in Your sight.

C: Blessed are You, O Lord, for You have not turned away from our prayer!

(Special intercessions may be added.)

P: Protect our bodies and souls from all harm and danger; support us in our last hour with Your mercy; and finally admit us into Your eternal joy, to love and serve You in the blessed company of Your saints and angels forevermore; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

C: The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit. The righteous cry out and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles.

III. The Service of Holy Communion



(Following Christ's command, we receive His grace to us in the special meal He instituted for the forgiveness of our sins. Here, He feeds with His true body and His true blood in, with, and under the bread and wine. This is the same body which was born of the Virgin Mary, and the same blood which dripped down the wooden cross. This part of the liturgy is one of the oldest parts, dating back to at least the third century AD.)

Questions and prayers to assist in preparing for the Lord's Supper are found in the black hymnal pp. 38-40.)

- **Guests & Visitors:** *We practice “Close” or “Closed Communion” (or “Membership Communion”). We do this out of love and concern for you. We want to make sure that those who take this holy meal receive it as a blessing and not to their harm as Scripture warns. We also understand that those who come forward to take communion are professing a unity of faith with our congregation and are in full agreement with the teachings and doctrines of Mount Olive Lutheran Church and of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Therefore, we ask those who have not taken Holy Communion with us before to speak with a pastor before communing. Thank you.*



~Preface

(ELH pp. 98-99)

P: The Lord be with you!

C: ♪ And also with you!

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: ♪ We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: ♪ It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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: You bid Your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

~Sanctus

(ELH pp. 100-101)



C: Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and might



Hea-ven and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho -



san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est, ho san - na, ho -

san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed, bless-ed,
 bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est, ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

~Lord's Prayer

(ELH pp. 101-102)

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.

~Words of Institution

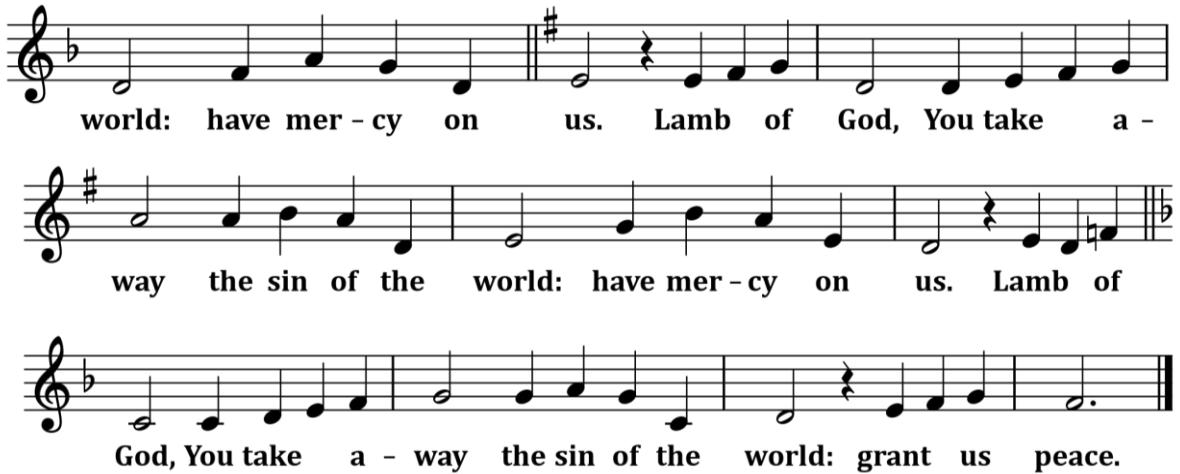
(ELH pp. 102-103)

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."

~Canticle: Agnus Dei — "Lamb of God"

(ELH p. 103; Jn 1:29)

C:Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a -
 way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
 God, You take a - way the sin of the world: grant us peace.

~Distribution

- Hymn 316-317 *Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior***
- Hymn 256 vv. 4, 5 *Learn To Mark God's Wonderous Dealings***
- Hymn 257 vv. 5, 6, 7 *And Thus We Come, O God, Today***
- Hymn 228 *Almighty God, Thy Word is Cast***
- Hymn 325 *O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee***

~Collect of Thanksgiving

(p. 104)

P: Let us give thanks and pray. Almighty God and Father, we thank You for feeding us with the most precious body and blood of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Your Son, and heirs of Your eternal kingdom. Send us out to do the work You have given us to do, to love and serve You as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



C:A - - - men.

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

(ELH p. 106)

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:A - men, a - men, a - men.

~**Hymn 594** *On What Has Now Been Sown*

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

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

Officiant: Pastor John Petersen

Organists: 1st: Cassie Johnson /2nd: Elisabeth Urtel

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Sunday: 8:30am, 244; 10:45am, 150; Monday:27

Sunday Live (8:30am) Online Viewing: 32

WE THANK THOSE SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK:

Greeters: 1st service: Keith Anderson, and Dan & Jane Birkholtz

2nd Service: Lois Johnson, and Joyce Petersen

Media Center: John Baumann

Offering Counters: Andy Overn, Chris Kind

Altar Guild: Jane Zibrowski, Elli Fisher

Weekly Financial Update

Given Last Week: \$15,074.27(includes text & on-line giving)

2 Corinthians 8:9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.

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

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 11:30AM.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: *February 20, 2022 — February 27, 2022*

Sunday, February 20	8:30AM	Divine Worship w/Holy Communion
	9:45AM	Sunday School and Bible Study Update on BLC with President Pfeifer
	10:45AM	Divine Worship w/Holy Communion Library Book Sale
	7:30PM	Volleyball
Monday, February 21	10:00AM	Veteran's Bible Study
	5:30PM	Board of Parish Education and Youth
	6:30PM	Divine Worship w/Holy Communion
	6:30PM	Board for Stewardship
Tuesday February 22	9AM	Ladies' Bible Study
Wednesday February 23	9AM	Adult Bible Study No Confirmation Class
	7PM	Choir
Thursday February 24		
Friday February 25		
Sat, February 26		
Sunday, February 27	8:30AM	Divine Worship
	9:45AM	Sunday School and Bible Study
	10:45AM	Divine Worship
	7:30PM	Volleyball

 **Sign Up for Coffee & Treats!** If you would like to provide coffee and treats during our Sunday morning Bible Study, visit our website mtolivelutheran.org

On the Narthex tables February's Olive Press, Connect group sign up, new meditations, volunteer signup sheets.

Flowers today: The flowers on the altar are given to God's glory by Hal & Marsha Natvig in loving memory of the 92nd birthday of Marilyn Natvig Thomas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Mt. Olive Lutheran Church & School

Dear members of Mt Olive, I personally want to thank you for all the loving cards, prayers, wishes and other things you have done for my husband Jerry Hansen. They are much appreciated! ~Sandy Hansen

The Evangelism Committee needs medium sized, plastic, Easter eggs. Please bring your donations to the boxes below the band room window. Our goal is 1800 eggs!

Kindergarten Round Up is Tuesday, **March 1st** at **6:30pm** beginning in the sanctuary. This is an informational meeting designed to inform you of the Christ-centered education your child will receive at Mt. Olive.



Volunteers Needed! Mt. Olive is the chair church for the **March 6th** MVL Pork Chop Dinner. As the chair church, we are responsible for providing all table centerpieces as well as volunteers for this event. Please call or email the church office if you are available to volunteer.

Mt. Olive Crafters: The Evangelism Committee will be collecting chemo hats for the Andreas Cancer Center and the Oncology department at the Mankato Clinic. Please drop off your finished work in the church office. Thank you!



Please continue to save your pop tabs! After School Care is collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. Drop off your collected tabs in the office or in After School Care. Thank you!

Senior Choir-On **April 12th**, the Senior Choir will be performing John Stainer's "Crucifixion", and we would love for you to join us! There will be one rehearsal to prepare on April 6th, and the dress rehearsal on April 11th. Please bring a friend, and have your part learned! For the score and/or further details, please email Kayelynn Lawson at klawson@blc.edu.

TODAY! **Books-for-the-library SALE**, We have copies of books from the Bethany Lutheran College bookstore available to purchase for the library and a list of other books we would like for the library. You may also purchase one for yourself! If you order a book for yourself, it will be available for pick up next Sunday. Our church library, in the Fireside Room, is ready for you to check out a book! The library will also be hosting an open house on **February 27th**.

Furniture Available: Household furniture items from a neighboring house are available for anyone who could use it. If you would like these used furniture items, or have further questions, please contact **Greg Lieske** or contact the church office.

Join us for the Lenten Meal, Wednesday, **March 2nd**, 5:00 – 6:15 P.M. Pulled Pork Dinner. Pulled pork sandwich, (hotdogs), baked beans, coleslaw, fruit, and assorted desserts Help support the projects of the **Bethany Women's Auxiliary**

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School

Come and get it! The MVL Booster Club is putting on their annual pork chop dinner on Sunday, **March 6th** from 10:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The event will be held at the high school and is open to the public. Free will donations will be accepted. The Winter Band Concert will immediately follow at 1:30p.m. Come out and enjoy a delicious meal and stay for the concert to be entertained by our talented musicians!"

Bethany Lutheran College

The Bethany Lutheran College Chamber Orchestra presents their winter concert! With selections from Bach, Grieg, Mozart, and Mahler, this enchanting concert will make for a luxurious evening. The concert will take place in Bethany's Trinity Chapel on Wednesday, **February 23, at 7:30**. Admission is free and no reservation is required.

The Bethany Lutheran College Concert Band presents a World Music Tour! This concert will take you on a journey with songs such as "Appalachian Morning", "The Great Wall", and even an interplanetary turn with "The Mandalorian." Join us in Bethany's Trinity Chapel on Tuesday, **March 1, at 7:30pm**. The concert is free and no reservation is required.

Bethany Lutheran College is taking applications for the following positions, please see our website for additional information. Maintenance Technician , Production Studio Specialist, Visual Communication and Social Media Specialist, Assistant/Associate Professor - Media Arts, Faculty - Clinical Mental Health Counseling, Adjunct Faculty-Clinical Mental Health Counseling

There will be an open reception at the Bethany YFAC on **Thursday, February 24 at 7:00 pm**. Jason Jaspersen will describe the process of making the bronze sculptures for the ELS military monument. He will also have clay available for attendees to add to the clay figure which will be used to form the molds for the bronze casting of one of the warriors for the ELS military monument. People can participate in its creation! For more information, you may call Rev. Ken Mellon at 262-675-4144.

In Depth: The Great Flood On Tuesday, Feb. 22nd at 7PM on at the campus of Bethany Lutheran College, in Meyer Hall room 101, Prof. Greg Diersen (MLC) will give a presentation on The Great Flood. He will share what is new and what was recycled from long ago from the field of science. Everyone is welcome to attend. Part of the In Depth series.

Community Opportunities

Lance and Cassie Johnson are seeking an individual to assist their cognitively disabled teenage daughter with independent living skills. These services are provided in the person's home and in the community. Individual will assist with community activities/recreation development and implementation of goals. Current "duties" include, but aren't limited to: - someone to spend time with after school and/or the weekend. - get out in the community to help learn social skills. - help learn how to count money and pay for things with cash - fun activities (i.e. shoot hoops, play tennis, go to a BLC game, go to the theater, children's museum) - help us with transportation to various appointments/activities. Qualifications for Direct Support Professional: - Previous experience working with adults with developmental disabilities or Mental Illness preferred. - Have a valid driver's license and clean driving record -18 years or older -Valid insurance -Pass DHS background check -Organized and Detail Oriented Rate: \$14 starting Please contact Lance (507-720-2130) or Cassie (507-276-7131) Johnson for more information.



New 2 You Family Thrift – Volunteers Needed! Mt. Olive is scheduled to provide volunteers at New 2 You on **Saturday, March 5**. Both morning and afternoon shifts are available. Duties include running the cash register, bagging customer purchases, and helping display merchandise. Check out the new displays and shop while you are there! The sign-up sheet is on the narthex table. Please call New 2 You at 507-345-1455 if you have any questions. Thank you!

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in North Mankato is looking to hire a facility supervisor who will be in charge of maintaining the facility and keeping its appearance looking good. If you or someone you know has a flexible schedule and the maintenance knowledge necessary to fulfill this job, please refer them to St. Paul's. We would love to add them to our amazing team. Please call or email Staff Minister Nathan Voss for more details. (507) 345-7049 Staffminister@stpaulsnorthmankato.com

USHERS: Please see the schedule for the next five months. We will begin rotations in August of this year. Ushers that served in September will be bumped up to August and so on. This is due to COVID craziness and our ushering scheduling getting a bit out of sync. A new complete ushering schedule for Fall 2022-2023 will be published later this year. If you are looking to serve as an usher, which we still need, please contact Matthias Leyrer. - Deacon in charge of ushers.

MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY
EARLY	EARLY	EARLY	EARLY	EARLY
Mark Johnson	Sam Barbosa	Nate Graham	Bill Bukowski	Tom Bode
Lance Johnson	Samuel Barbosa	Chad Feistner	Don Westphal	Greg Lieske
Kevin Sorenson	Jeremy Espeland	Mark Graham	Dean Shoop	Juel Merseth
LATE	LATE	LATE	LATE	LATE
Doug Gunderson	Paul Tweit	Antonio Guerroro	Andy Overn	Brian Strom
Jeff Haugen	Ben Tweit	Jeremy Merseth	Pete Bloedel	James Strom
Phil Haugen	Seth Tweit	Landen Merseth	Gabe Smith	Matthew Strom

Our church is exploring participation in an LCMS revitalization program called Re:Vitality. Our participation in Re:Vitality will provide opportunities to strengthen our congregation for years to come. In order to make the most of this program, we need your input to know where to start. *We want your opinion.*

We are asking everyone to go online and fill out a simple survey about our church. We want input from every one of you. It makes no difference if you have been a churchgoer all your life, or whether you just started coming this week; whether you are a member, guest, or regular attendee – We want to hear from each one of you.

Your responses to the survey will be completely anonymous. No one will know your name. And no one here will be seeing any of the individual responses. It is important that you are honest so that we can have an accurate assessment of where our church is and answer the question, “Where are we...really?”



To access the survey, simply scan the QR code with your phone.

Mount Olive Lutheran Church Mission Statement

The mission of Mount Olive Lutheran Church is to proclaim the Gospel of Christ through God’s Word, so that souls are called into and kept in the Christian faith unto eternal life.