

## TRINITY 17

Sunday, October 9, 2022, 8:30 & 10:45 AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

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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 (found in front of you in the hymnbook rack). 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.

**Explanation of the Week:** *God desires His people to be humble and to show love. We see this kind of godly attitude demonstrated in Hannah, who comes before the Lord in humble thanks for giving her a son, Samuel. She acknowledges God's greatness and glorifies Him (1 Samuel 2:1-10). Similarly, Paul encourages his hearers to humble themselves before God. God's people should conduct themselves with all lowliness and gentleness, bearing with one another in love (Ephesians 4:1-6). This attitude is also shown by Jesus as He heals the man with dropsy while eating a Sabbath meal with the Pharisees (Luke 14:1-6). The Lord uses this opportunity to teach that showing mercy and love is of the greatest importance before God.*

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)*

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First Service Only:

~**Mt. Olive CDS Choir** *From Age to Age* by Sarah Siegler

1. Come, let us sing to the Lord!  
Sing a new song of praise.  
Lord, you have been our dwelling place.  
Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord!  
From age to age,  
Lord, you have been our dwelling place.  
Our dwelling place.

2. God’s Word is our great heritage  
And shall be ours forever;  
To spread its light from age to age,  
Shall be our chief endeavor.  
Throughout all generations.

3. Come, let us sing to the Lord!  
Sing a new song of praise.  
Lord, you have been our dwelling place.  
Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord!  
From age to age,  
Lord, you have been our dwelling place.  
Our dwelling place.

4. Through life God’s Word guides our way;  
In death it is our stay.  
Oh, Lord, grant while worlds endure.  
We keep its teachings pure  
Throughout all generations.

5. Come, let us sing to the Lord!  
Sing a new song of praise.  
Lord, you have been our dwelling place.  
Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord!  
Sing a new song of praise,  
Lord, you have been our dwelling place.

6. Come, let us sing to the Lord!  
Sing a new song of praise.  
Lord, you have been our dwelling place.  
Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord!  
Sing a new song of praise,  
Lord, you have been our dwelling place.  
Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord!  
From age to age,  
Lord you have been our dwelling place.  
From age to age.

~Hymn 65 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (Choir, v. 1; Congregation, vv. 3, 5)

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Second Service Only:

~Hymn 65, vv. 1, 3, 5 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

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~**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!**

~**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**

*(EHV)*

**1 Samuel 2:1-10** Hannah prayed and said: My heart rejoices in the LORD! In the LORD, my horn is raised high. My mouth is opened wide against my enemies, because I find joy in your salvation. There is no one holy like the LORD. Yes, there is no one but you, and there is no rock like our God. Do not talk so high and mighty. Do not let proud words come out of your mouth, because the LORD is a God who knows. By him actions are weighed. The bows of powerful warriors are broken. Those who were staggering are now armed with strength. Those who once were full now hire themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are satisfied. Yes, the childless woman has given birth to seven children, but she who had many children is weak with sorrow. The LORD puts to death, and he makes alive. He brings down to the grave, and he raises up. The LORD makes some people poor, and he makes others wealthy. He brings some low. He raises others up. He raises the poor out of the dust. He lifts up the needy from the garbage pile. He makes them sit with nobles. He gives them a glorious throne as a possession. The pillars of the earth belong to the LORD. He has set the world upon them. He will guard the feet of his favored ones, but the wicked will be put to silence in darkness, because a person does not prevail by his own strength. Those who oppose the LORD will be broken to pieces. He will thunder against them in the heavens. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth. He will give strength to his king. He will raise up the horn of his anointed one.

**~Epistle Lesson**

(EHV)

**Ephesians 4:1-6** As a prisoner in the Lord, therefore, I urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called. Live with all humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in the one hope of your calling. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in us all.

**~Responsory** — *Response to hearing God's Word*

(ELH p. 112)

P: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

C: ♪ **Thanks be to You, O Lord!**

**~Hymn 484 *Christ Alone Is Our Salvation***

**~Holy Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text**

(EHV)

**Luke 14:1-11** One Sabbath day, when Jesus went into the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat bread, they were watching him closely. Right in front of him was a man who was suffering from swelling of his body. Jesus addressed the legal experts and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?" But they were silent. So he took hold of the man, healed him, and let him go. He said to them, "Which of you, if your son or an ox would fall into a well on a Sabbath day, would not immediately pull him out?" And they could not reply to these things. When he noticed how they were selecting the places of honor, he told the invited guests a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline in the place of honor, or perhaps someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him. The one who invited both of you may come and tell you, 'Give this man your place.' Then you will begin, with shame, to take the lowest place. "But when you are invited, go and recline in the lowest place, so that when the one who invited you comes, he will tell you, 'Friend, move up to a higher place.' Then you will have honor in the presence of all who are reclining at the table with you. "Yes, everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

**~Sermon Theme**

*The Unusual Seating Order at God's Table of Grace*

**~Offering Hymn 105, vv. 2, 3 *Arise, Ye Drooping Mourners***

## ~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](http://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).*

## ~Prayers

~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.**

~Collect — *The congregation’s prayer*

(ELH p. 118, 1)

P: Let us pray: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, having safely brought us to the beginning of this day, defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doing, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; 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.**

~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 595 *Peace to Soothe Our Bitter Woes*

~Announcements

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

(See “Prayers for Worship”  
—ELH p. 40)

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*Preacher: Chaplain Don Moldstad  
Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich  
Organists: 1<sup>st</sup>: Cassie Johnson /2<sup>nd</sup>: John Baumann  
CDS Choir Director: Miranda Dittmer/Accompanist: Kari Sehloff*

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**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
**Sunday: 8:30am, 226/173; 10:45am, 125/113; Monday: 31/22**  
**Sunday Live (8:30am) Online Viewing: 15**

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**WE THANK THOSE SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK:**

**Greeters:** 1<sup>st</sup> Service—Mark & Michelle Graham  
2<sup>nd</sup> Service—Bob & Donna Fosburgh

**Offering Counters:** Ron Younge, Jeff Younge

**Altar Guild:** Joni Bode, Elli Fisher

**Media Center:** Dave Norris

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**Weekly Financial Update**

**Given Last Week:** \$21,624.43

**Fiscal Year-to-Date Surplus (Deficit)** as of 9/30/22: (\$39,047.84)

*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](http://www.mtolivelutheran.org) and click on the link "donate online".

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**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 10:00am and Thursdays at 11:30am.

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**WEEK AT A GLANCE: *October 9, 2022 — October 16, 2022***

<b>Sunday,</b> October 9	8:30AM	CDS Choir (1 <sup>st</sup> Service only)
	9:40AM	Divine Worship
	10:45AM	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	6-9PM	Divine Worship
	7:30PM	Artemis event at YFAC Volleyball (coed recreational)
<b>Monday,</b> October 10	5:30PM	Parish Ed & Youth
	6:30PM	Divine Worship
	6:30PM	Church Council
<b>Tuesday,</b> October 11	9AM	Ladies' Bible Study
	1PM	MOMs Bible Study at Mt. Olive
	7PM	Bethany Auxiliary at BLC
<b>Wednesday,</b> October 12	8:10AM	CDS Chapel Service
	9AM	Adult Bible Study
	7PM	Adult choir practice
<b>Thursday, Oct. 13</b>		<b>No</b> MOMs Bible Study at Peace
<b>Friday, Oct. 14</b>		CDS Picture Retake Day
<b>Saturday, Oct. 15</b>		
<b>Sunday,</b> October 16	8:30AM	Sunday School Choir
	9:40AM	Divine Worship w/Holy Communion
	10:45AM	Sunday School/BIC/Adult Bible Class
	4-7PM	Divine Worship w/Holy Communion
	7:30PM	Youth Hayride/Bonfire/Food at Olsen Farm Volleyball (coed recreational)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS—Mt. Olive Lutheran Church & School**

**Flowers on the altar today** are given to God's glory by Carl Bloedel.

**How did the concept of Purgatory ever get started?** In October we will celebrate the Reformation. Why did Purgatory become such an important teaching in the Church before Luther's time? Why did so many embrace it? We will trace its history, how the Crusades enhanced it, how the Reformation challenged it, and its current use in modern Catholicism. Chaplain Don Moldstad will discuss the concept of Purgatory during the adult Bible Study class **today** between services.

**Mt. Olive** donated 57 pounds of food to the ECHO Food Shelf during the month of September. Thank you for your generosity!

**Artemis Updates:** Artemis youth will meet at BLC YFAC building for a jazz concert, pizza, and games **today** from 6-9pm. We will not meet on Sunday, October 23. Instead, our next meeting is a special costume party and event on Saturday, **October 29**, from 6-9pm, at Mt. Olive.

**You are invited** to the next Bethany auxiliary meeting on Tuesday, **October 11**, at 7pm, in Room 104 in the Ylvisaker building. Emily Kimball, the costume designer extraordinaire, will be our speaker. Following the program, we will have an important business meeting. If you have any questions about our organization, please call Lois Johnson at 278-3369.

### **Thank You!**

Dear Friends: In the October edition of the *Olive Press*, I asked for help from congregation members who could provide rides to individuals who want to attend our worship services. I provided a link containing a sign-up sheet in that request. I was overwhelmed by the generous response from you all! THANK YOU for answering my plea for help! Our sign-up sheet is full for the next few months. I will probably send out another email plea with the link once we work our way through this one. Thanks again!

--Pastor Ulrich

**Could you host a few high school choir students on November 4 and 5?** Students from 10 area Lutheran high schools will be in Mankato from **November 4-6** for the WELS West Regional Choral Fest. They'll be performing in concert at Bethany Lutheran; students from the Kettle Moraine and Lakeside Lutheran High Schools will be singing at Mt. Olive's church services on Sunday, **November 6**. Please sign up to host a couple of students at <https://bit.ly/BLCCFH2022>. Questions can be directed to Marylou Norrick at [school@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:school@mtolivelutheran.org).

### **Upcoming Events at Bethany Lutheran College:**

- **Today**, at 6:30pm: The Bethany Jazz Band will be performing on the campus green, featuring vocalists and a wide range of music.
- Monday, **October 10**, at 7pm in Trinity Chapel: The Chamber Orchestra will be playing selections by Beethoven, Mozart, and Bach.
- Sunday, **October 23**, at 3pm in Trinity Chapel: a piano trio performance by Susie Park, Bethel Balge, and Silver Ainomäe. The program includes music by Saint-Saëns and Boulanger along with Astor Piazzolla. This event is free and open to the public, so don't miss out on this opportunity to hear some amazing music!

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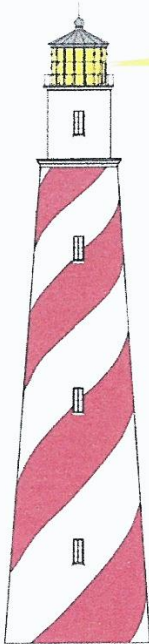
# YOUTH HAYRIDE!

HAYRIDE | BONFIRE | FOOD  
LAWN GAMES | DEVOTION

HOSTED BY OREN & JULIE OLSEN  
@ THE OLSEN FARM!



SUNDAY  
OCTOBER 16TH  
4-7PM  
(CARPOOL FROM  
PEACE PARKING  
LOT, 3:30PM)



"The Lord is my

**LIGHT**

and my salvation –whom shall I fear?" –Psalm 27:1

**Join us at the Circuit 9 Mission Rally**

**October 22 – 9am-3pm**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Belview, MN**

**Featuring:**

World and Home Mission Updates – *Pr. Heyn & Pr. Kerkow*

Synod Greetings – *ELS Pres. Glenn Obenberger*

Video Update: The Gift of Life – Ukraine – *Nick & Kerry Laper*

Keynote Speaker – *Carol Webber* – "**Raising a Family on the Mission Field**" *The mother's perspective on raising a family while serving in Ukraine from 1998-2005*

**Service Project Opportunity:** We will be collecting travel-sized toiletry items (toothpaste, soap, shampoo, bottles, etc), travel-sized baby items (powder, baby wash), and baby carriers (new or used!) which will be sent to the Gift of Life centers in Ukraine, who are assisting families displaced by the Russia-Ukraine War. Please bring your donations if you are able and we will ship them after the rally.

**For more information, visit [www.belviewlutherans.org/rally](http://www.belviewlutherans.org/rally)**

**RSVP at the link above, or call the parsonage at 507-938-4350 and leave a message -- RSVP Requested by 10/8**

*Childcare will be available!*

*Breakfast, Lunch, and Afternoon Coffee will be served.*

*Checks for Donations for the Mission Rally should be made out to Our Savior's Ladies Aid*

# A Big Charger Challenge THANK-YOU!



**Praise God for a very successful 2022 Charger Challenge! We exceeded our goal of \$35,000 by raising over \$48,000! These funds will be used to purchase new lockers, Christian curriculum, outdoor classroom seating, and fund special school programs and events for the coming school year! What**

**a tremendous blessing! The PTF wishes to acknowledge the many people that made this fundraiser possible:**

## **A HUGE Thanks to:**

- all of the school families that asked for sponsors and participated in the day's events! Over 300 students, teachers, and family members hiked the 4 mile trek, and even more joined us for the picnic lunch.
- the Mt. Olive and Peace congregation members that generously donated to this fundraiser! Your support of Christian education is invaluable!
- all of the volunteers that helped before and during the Challenge! A special thank you to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents and members of the school board for their assistance with the day!
- Culver's of North Mankato for hosting our large group outside their restaurant and donating all the ice cream!
- Jimmy John's in Mankato for donating 450 box lunches for our picnic!
- the North Mankato Police Reserves for directing traffic during the walk!
- Denice and Bridger Woller for photographing the day's events!
- Thrivent Financial for providing seed money to help with different aspects of the event!
- Matt and Carol Wiechmann for use of sound equipment and helping us create our Charger Challenge informational video!
- **\*And most importantly, THANK YOU to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave us a beautiful day (with only a few sprinkles), blessing our school through this fundraiser!**

**TO GOD BE THE GLORY!**

**Mark your calendars for:**



**MT. OLIVE'S FALL  
BONFIRE**

Saturday, October 22nd,  
Mt. Olive Parking Lot  
6-9pm

*(Hot Dogs, Chips, Water, & S'mores  
Provided! BYOLawnchairs)*

**New2You 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Distribution:** New2You's Board of Directors recently authorized the disbursement of \$26,250 to MVL and \$1750.00 to each of the association churches, including Mt. Olive. Thank you for supporting New2You by volunteering at the store and through your donations and purchases.

**For all other announcements,** please pick up your copy of the October edition of the *Olive Press* today from the narthex table.

**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.