



TRINITY 19

Sunday, October 23, 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 (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: *"The Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins" (Matt 9:1-8). The Lord was present in the flesh to absolve the penitent paralytic. Jesus also healed and restored this man's body. "For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation" (Small Catechism). The Lord still has power on earth to forgive sins. He works repentance in people still today, just as he did in Nineveh. Through the preaching of His Word, God brings people to be sorry for their sins, and to trust in His mercy and forgiveness. Thanks be to Him! For "God has given such power to men." In holy absolution, which we proclaim in the Gospel message to one another, He raises up the new man (Eph 4:22-28) and bestows the healing medicine which will bring about our resurrection on the Last Day.*

Order of Worship: Office of Prime

(Taken from page 108 in the black hymnal—
the Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary (ELH))



(This morning's liturgy is based on the "Office of Prime." This order of service was first developed and used around 400 AD, as a time of prayer, devotion, and scriptural encouragement during "prime"—the Latin term for "the first hour of the day." Though short & simple, it continues to serve as an excellent way to start our day and week. Found on page 108 in the front of our Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary (ELH), it would serve as a fitting order for you to use in any of your personal or family devotions.)

~**Preservice Music** — Bethany Chamber Orchestra

~**Hymn 11 Come, Holy Ghost, in Love**

~**Opening Prayer**

(ELH p. 167)

P. O God, Father of light, You let this world's natural light shine on us. Send this day and always the true light, Jesus Christ, into my heart! May He shine therein and drive out all darkness, that I may know You, O Eternal God, in Your Son, and be filled with love and longing for You. See, how I lie bound in the darkness of vanity on account of my sin and am blinded. O teach me by Your Holy Spirit through Your Word to turn to You and obey You in faith. Then shall I rightly draw near to You with praise and thanksgiving, and serve You in Your light and be well-pleasing to You. O Lord Jesus, Sun of righteousness, arise in my heart as the bright and morning Star. Grant me the blessedness which is in Your light that all the days of my life may be days of Sabbath rest and peace. Teach me to awake from the slumber of sin and to arise from the works of the flesh, and to depart from the communion of darkness, so that You, Lord Jesus, may enlighten me. Reign over the enemies of my salvation whom You have overcome by Your resurrection. O blessed Holy Spirit, prepare our hearts this day that they may be Your temple in which You may speak and teach the whole day through. Sanctify all our thoughts, our minds and senses that we may receive and keep Your Word and obey You without guile and insincerity, and go forward this week, yes, all our life, in daily repentance. Keep, O Lord, Your own Sabbath in us, and so work in our hearts that we may be pleasing to You in time and eternity. Amen.

~**Versicles and Gloria Patri**

(ELH p. 108)

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.

~**Confession & Absolution** — *Admitting guilt & receiving forgiveness* (ELH pp. 108-109)

C: Almighty God, heavenly Father: I have sinned against You through my own fault, in thought, word, and deed. For the sake of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, forgive me all my sin, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

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.

~**Responsive Psalm**

(Psalm 17:6-8; NKJV)

P: I have called upon You, for You will hear me, O God;

C: Incline Your ear to me, and hear my speech.

P: Show Your marvelous lovingkindness by Your right hand,

C: O You who save those who trust in You

P: From those who rise up against them.

C: Keep me as the apple of Your eye;

P: Hide me under the shadow of your wings.

C. 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.

~**Epistle Lesson**

(EHV)

Ephesians 4:22-28 As far as your former way of life is concerned, you were taught to take off the old self, which is corrupted by its deceitful desires, and to be renewed continually in the spirit of your mind, and to put on the new self, which has been created to be like God in righteousness and true holiness. Therefore, after you put away lying, let each of you speak truthfully with your neighbor, because we are all members of one body. "Be angry, yet do not sin." Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry. Do not give the Devil an opportunity. Let the one who has been stealing steal no longer. Instead, let him work hard doing what is good with his own hands, so that he has something to share with a person who is in need.

~**Holy Gospel Lesson**

(EHV)

Matthew 9:1-8 Jesus got into a boat, crossed over, and came to his own town. There people brought to him a man who was paralyzed, lying on a stretcher. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, "Take heart, son! Your sins are forgiven." Then some of the experts in the law said among themselves, "This fellow is blaspheming!" Since Jesus knew their thoughts, he said, "Why are you thinking evil in your hearts? Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to

say, ‘Get up and walk’? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins,” he then said to the paralyzed man, “Get up, take your stretcher, and go home.” The man got up and went home. When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe and glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

~**Apostles’ Creed** — *Confession of faith*

(ELH p. 68)

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Apostles’ Creed:

C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting. Amen.

~**Hymn 197 *My Hope Is Built***

~**Old Testament Lesson & Sermon Text**

(EHV)

Zechariah 3:1-5 Then he showed me Joshua, the high priest, standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan was standing at his right hand to accuse him. The Lord said to Satan, “The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD, who has chosen Jerusalem, rebuke you! Isn’t this man a burning stick plucked from a fire?” Now Joshua was clothed in filthy clothing and was standing in front of the Angel. Then the Angel of the LORD spoke to those who were standing in front of him: “Remove his filthy clothing.” Then he said to Joshua, “See, I have taken your guilt away from you, so that I may clothe you in a special robe.” I said, “Let them place a clean turban on his head.” So they placed a clean turban on his head and got him dressed, while the Angel of the LORD was standing by.

~**Sermon**

“In the Courtroom of the Holy God”

1. *The charges against us are damning.*
2. *The verdict pronounced is a beautiful surprise.*

~**Offering Hymn 182, vv. 6, 8, 9 *I Have Naught, My God, to Offer***

~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).

~Responsory

(ELH p.108)

P: O Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy upon us.

C: O Lord Jesus, seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

C: O Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy upon us.

P: Arise, O Christ, and help us.

C: And deliver us for Your name's sake.

~Prayers

~Lord's Prayer

(ELH p. 85; 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 — *Prayer for the start of a day*

(ELH p. 108)

P: O Lord Jesus Christ, bright Sun of the world: shine upon my spirit and drive away the night of sin, that I may walk in Your holy light all my life and even forevermore.

C: Amen.

~Canticle — *"Little Song" of scriptural encouragement*

(ELH p. 108; Mt 5:3-12)

P: Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

C: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and

thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven. Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

~Closing Versicle & Blessing

(ELH p. 108)

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord:

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: Let us bless the Lord:

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord Almighty order this day and all our doings in His peace.

C: Amen.

~Hymn 483, vv. 1, 6-10 *Who Knows When Death May Overtake Me*

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

(ELH, p. 40)

Postservice music by Chamber Orchestra (1st service only)

Officiant: Pastor John Petersen

Organists: 1st: John Baumann /2nd: Mark DeGarmeaux

Bethany Chamber Orchestra Director: Benjamin Faugstad

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE/THE LORD'S SUPPER

Sunday: 8:30am, 239/178; 10:45am, 145/101; Monday: 21/21

Sunday Live (8:30am) Online Viewing: 22

WE THANK THOSE SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK:

Greeters: 1st Service—Ron & Mary Younge

2nd Service—Bob & Donna Fosburgh

Offering Counters: Ron Younge, Jeff Younge

Altar Guild: Joni Bode, Elli Fisher

Media Center: Dave Norris

Weekly Financial Update

Given Last Week: \$17,219.04

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

WEEK AT A GLANCE: *October 23, 2022 — October 30, 2022*

Sunday, October 23	8:30AM 9:40AM 10:45AM 7:30PM	Divine Worship Sunday School/BIC/Adult Bible Class Divine Worship No Artemis Gaming Volleyball (coed recreational)
Monday, October 24	6:30PM 7PM 7:30PM	Divine Worship Board for Stewardship Evangelism Committee
Tuesday, October 25	9AM 1PM 6:30PM	Ladies' Bible Study MOMs Bible Study at Mt. Olive Jesus Cares Ministry
Wednesday, October 26	8:10AM 9AM 7PM	CDS Chapel Service Adult Bible Study Adult choir practice
Thursday, October 27	8:30AM 10:30AM- 3:30PM	MOMs Bible Study at Peace Teigen Reformation Lectures at BLC
Friday, October 28	10:30AM- 3:30PM	Teigen Reformation Lectures at BLC
Saturday, Oct. 29	6-9PM	Artemis Event
Sunday, October 30 Reformation Day (Observed)	8:30AM 9:40AM 10:45AM 7:30PM	Adult Choir Divine Worship Sunday School, Quarterly Open Forum Informational Meeting Divine Worship Volleyball (coed recreational)

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Mt. Olive Lutheran Church & School

Flowers on the altar today are given to God's glory by Megan & Derek Wehrwein, in honor of their 1st wedding anniversary (they were married on October 23, 2021).

MVL wreath sales are happening once again! A variety of different wreaths are available to order. Visit our table in the narthex **today** where an MVL student will assist you with your order. Wreaths will be sold until **November 13**. Contact Ellie Sorensen at ellies1520@gmail.com with any questions you may have. Thank you for supporting MVL!

PROCLAIM THE WONDERS!

WELS West Regional Choral Fest 2022



Pops Concert

Friday, November 4
7:00 P.M.



Sacred Concert

Sunday, November 6
2:00 P.M.

Held at Bethany Lutheran College
Mankato, MN | blc.edu/ChoralFest22

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. 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>.

Copies of the schedule of events for the Choral Fest are available in the church office or can be emailed to you. Questions can be directed to Marylou Norrick at school@mtolivelutheran.org.

In addition...host churches have been asked to provide a noon meal for the students on November 6 prior to their concert at Trinity Chapel at 2pm. To defray some of the cost for that meal, we will place offering baskets in the Narthex next Sunday, October 30. Thank you for your assistance!

School lunch volunteers are needed from 10:30am to 12:45pm each day to help plate food, clean dishes, and lift the occasional 30 lb. container. Friend, Roman, and Countryman: sign up at: <https://signup.com/go/qBwTHGP>.

Artemis Updates: Artemis youth will not meet today. Instead, our next meeting is a special costume party and event on Saturday, **October 29**, from 6-9pm, at Mt. Olive.

Parents and Grandparents: The Scholastic Book Fair opens Wednesday, **November 2**, at 2:45pm. It will run Thursday and Friday, **November 3 and 4**, during parent-teacher conference times and on Sunday, **November 6**, from 9:30am-12:15pm. Please come and check out the fall selection of new books. Giving the “gift of the love of books” is one of the best presents a child can get. (Get your Christmas shopping done early. 😊)



New 2 You Family Thrift – Volunteers Needed: Saturday, **November 5**. Mt. Olive provides volunteers at New 2 You Family Thrift Store on the first Saturday of each month to run the cash register and check out customers. This is a great opportunity to work with fellow church members and meet new people. Take some time to shop while you are there! The store has expanded hours on Friday and Saturday from now until Christmas. Please sign-up on the sheet on the narthex table, or call New 2 You at 507-385-1455 if you can help. Your time and support is much appreciated!

Upcoming Events at Bethany Lutheran College:

Today, 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!

Thursday, **October 27**, and Friday, **October 28**, from 10:30am-3:30pm at the YFAC: the Teigen Reformation Lectures. Register online at blc.edu/reformation-lectures. For more information, contact Elsa Ferkenstad at elsa.ferkenstad@blc.edu.

Thursday, **October 27**, at 4:30pm in Trinity Chapel: performances by the Bethany Lutheran College Concert Choir, Mary Martha Singers, and Handbell Choir for our Reformation Vespers. Please join us for music and worship!

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.