



THANKSGIVING

Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2022, 6:30PM & Thursday, Nov. 24, 2022, 10AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

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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 sanctuary. For the **Hearing Impaired:** Our facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for a receiver.

Thanksgiving Prayer: *Heavenly Father, we thank you for the kindness and mercy you have showered upon us, your beloved children in Christ. You continually feed, clothe, guard, and protect us. In countless ways you provide for our physical well-being. The bounties of land and ocean, of forest, mine, and factory, which we receive from your hand, fill our hearts with gladness. We thank you, kind and gracious God, for your many blessings upon our Christian families; for the protection that you grant us; for the shelter you place over our heads; for the jobs and incomes; and for the health and strength to carry on in life. Hear your people who come before you in humble gratitude. Continue to be our refuge and strength. Help us to reflect our thanks to you in how we live and love as your people. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.*

Order of Service for Thanksgiving—

~Opening Hymn 461 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

~Invocation—*Calling upon the Triune God*

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

C: Amen.

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: And His mercy endures forever.

~Collect—*Prayer of the Day*

(ELH p. 166, #144)

P: Almighty God, most merciful Father, You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing; We give You most humble and hearty thanks that You have crowned the fields with Your blessing, and have permitted us once more to gather in the fruits of the earth; and we beseech You to bless and protect the living seed of Your Word sown in our hearts, that in the abundant fruits of righteousness we may always present to You an acceptable thank-offering; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

~Men's Choir: *Psalm 100*

(CW p. 104)

Refrain: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord a new song.

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;

Come before Him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God.

It is He who made us, and we are His;

We are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

Refrain: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord a new song.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving

And His courts with praise;

Give thanks to Him and praise His name.

For the Lord is good and His love endures forever;

His faithfulness continues through all generations.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord a new song.

~Old Testament Lesson -

(EHV)

Deuteronomy 8:15-18 Do not forget the Lord, who led you in the great and terrifying wilderness, where there were venomous snakes and scorpions, where the thirsty ground had no water, but the Lord made water come out of a flint rock for you. Do not forget the Lord, who in the wilderness fed you manna, which your fathers had not known before, to humble you and to test you so that it would be good for you later on. You might say in your heart, "My ability and the power of my hand have earned this wealth for me." But then you are to remember that the Lord your God is the one who gives you the ability to produce wealth, to confirm his covenant that he promised to your fathers with an oath, as he does to this day.

~Men's Choir "Give Thanks"

(Arr. By Tom Fettke)

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

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And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; Let the poor say, "I am rich,"

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

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Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks. Give thanks.

~Holy Gospel Lesson -

(EHV)

Matthew 6:25-34 (Jesus said,) "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

~Hymn 466 We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer

~Homily Text

Philippians 4:4-7 Rejoice in the Lord always! I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

~Homily Theme

"Rejoicing and Giving Thanks ALWAYS!"

~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 pow'r and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

(ELH p. 87; Num. 6:24-26)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: ♪ Amen, amen, amen.

~Hymn 63 *Now Thank We All Our God*

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Luke Ulrich

Organists: 6:30 PM: Cassie Johnson / 10 AM: Mark DeGarmeaux

Men's Choir Director: Carl Bloedel

*Please note that this Sunday, November 27th, we have **NO Sunday School classes or Bible Studies.** Divine services are at the usual times of 8:30 AM and 10:45 AM*

*A **CALL MEETING** for a 4th Grade Teacher to begin in January, will be held this Sunday, November 27th, at 9:40AM in the Social Hall. We request Voting Members to join us.*

Join us for our upcoming Midweek Advent Suppers & Services!
Wednesdays – November 30th, December 7th, & December 14th
Meal from 5-6:15pm | Service: 6:30pm