

ADVENT 2

Sunday, December 6, 2020, 8:30 & 10:45 AM

Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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Pastors John J. Petersen & Luke Ulrich | Principal Adam Pavelchik

Explanation of the Week: *Jesus wants us to prepare for the Day when He will return to earth with great power and glory. To the wicked and the proud, it will be a Day of Judgment that will "burn them up." The signs preceding this Day will bring fear and fainting. But to those who believe, who fear the name of the Lord, this Day is one to look forward to and rejoice in. "Look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near" (Luke 21:25-36). Christ our Redeemer is coming; the Sun of Righteousness is bringing healing in His wings. Let us, then, give attention to the words of the Lord, which do not pass away. Let us through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures (Romans 15:4-13) be strengthened in our hope by the Holy Spirit and watch diligently for Jesus' coming. Then, by God's grace, we shall escape all these things that will come to pass and stand before the Son of Man. We will join people of many nations going up to the mountain of the Lord, enjoying the peace that our Lord provides (Micah 4:1-7).*



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)*

~**Opening Hymn 543, vv. 1, 4 Rejoice, Rejoice Believers**

1. Rejoice, rejoice, believers,
And let your lights appear;
The evening is advancing,
And darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising
And soon is drawing nigh.
Up, pray and watch and wrestle;
At midnight comes the cry.

4. Our hope and expectation,
O Jesus now appear;
Arise, O Sun so longed for,
O'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted,
We plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption
That sets Your people free!

~**Invocation** — Calling upon the Triune God

(ELH p. 60; Matt 28:19)

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

C: **♫ Amen.**

~**Confession & Absolution** — Admitting our guilt & receiving God's forgiveness

(ELH p. 60-62, II; Ps 124:8, Ps 32:5)

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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

C: **♫ Who made heav'n and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord;

C: **♫ And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us; have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by**

Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved.

C: Grant this unto us, O Lord. Amen.

~Salutation — *The people's blessing for the pastor's work*

(ELH p. 66; 2 Tim 4:22)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~Collect — *The congregation's prayer of the day*

(ELH p. 66; p. 147 #3)

P: Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, so that by His coming we may worship You with pure minds; through the same, 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

Micah 4:1-7 In the last days, the mountain of the House of the Lord will be established as the highest among the mountains.

It will be raised above the hills,
and peoples will stream to it like a river.

Many nations will come and say,

“Come, let us go up to the Mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob.

He will teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths.”

The law will go out from Zion
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He will render judgment between many peoples.
He will settle disputes between mighty nations from far away.
They will pound their swords into plowshares
and their spears into blades for trimming vines.
Nation will not raise the sword against nation,
and they will not learn how to wage war any longer.
Each man will sit under his own vine
and under his own fig tree.
There will be no one to make them afraid,
for the mouth of the Lord of Armies has spoken.
For all the other peoples walk in the names of their gods,
but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.
On that day, says the Lord,
I will bring in the lame
and gather the scattered,
even those I have afflicted.
I will establish the lame as survivors
and the scattered as a powerful nation.
The Lord will rule over them on Mount Zion
from that time on and forever.

~**Alleluia** — *“God Be Praised”*

(ELH p. 67)

C: ♪ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

~**Holy Gospel Lesson**

P: The Holy Gospel for the 2nd Sunday in Advent is written in the 21st chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke, beginning at the 25th verse.

C: ♪ Glory be to You, O Lord!

Luke 21:25-36 “There will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars. And on the earth nations will be in anguish, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the surging waves, people fainting from fear and expectation of the things coming on the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these things begin to happen, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is near.”

He told them a parable. “Look at the fig tree and all the trees. As soon as they are sprouting leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is actually near. So also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near. Amen

I tell you: This generation will not pass away until all these things happen. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

“Watch yourselves or else your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and the worries of this life, and that day may come on you suddenly. For it will come like a trap on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. Stay alert all the time, praying that you may be able to escape all these things that are going to happen and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.”

P: This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

C: ♪ Praise be to You, O Christ!

~**Nicene Creed** — *Confession of faith*

(ELH p. 69)

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

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the Resurrection of the dead and the Life of the world to come. Amen.

~Chief Hymn 96 *Hark, A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding*

1. *Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding!
"Christ is nigh!" we hear it say.
"Cast away the works of darkness;
O ye children of the day!"*

2. *Wakened by the solemn warning,
Let the earthbound soul arise;
All the pow'rs of darkness vanish;
Christ, our Daystar, mounts the skies.*

3. *Lo, the Lamb, so long-expected,
Comes with pardon down from heav'n.
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
One and all, to be forgiv'n.*

4. *That, when next He comes with glory
And the world is wrapped in fear,
He may shield us with His mercy
And with words of love draw near.*

5. *Honor, glory, might, dominion
To the Father and the Son
With the everlasting Spirit
While eternal ages run!*

~Sermon Text

2 Peter 3:8-14 But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: For the Lord, one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow to do what he promised, as some consider slowness. Instead, he is patient for your sakes, not wanting anyone to perish, but all to come to repentance.

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. On that day the heavens will pass away with a roar, the elements will be dissolved as they burn with great heat, and the earth and what was done on it will be burned up. Therefore, since all these things will be destroyed, what kind of people ought you to be, living in holiness and godliness, as you look forward to and hasten the coming of the day of God? That day will cause the heavens to be set on fire and destroyed, and the elements to melt as they burn with great heat. But according to his promise we look forward to new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

Therefore, dear friends, as you look forward to these things, make every effort to be found in peace, spotless and blameless in his sight.

~Sermon Message

"Wait On The Lord"

1. *Wait with patience.*
2. *Wait with trust.*
3. *Wait with peace.*

~**Offertory** — *Prayer of renewal before offering*

(ELH p. 70-71; Ps 51:10-12)

C: ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your free Spirit. Amen.

~**Prayer of the Church**

(ELH p. 71-72)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

(Special petitions are included)

P: For..., let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

P: O Lord, heavenly Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit we faithfully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. We praise You for His victorious resurrection from the dead. We thank You for the strength of grace and majesty of faith which He bestows on the Church by virtue of His ascension to Your right hand, where He intercedes for us as our Advocate and High Priest. Grant that the Holy Spirit will gather us into the company of all the faithful from the ends of the earth, so that we may celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end.

In Your mercy receive our prayers. Deliver us and preserve us. To You alone we give all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.

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". 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 p. 72 ff.; 2 Tim 4:22, Col 3:1, Ps 136)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: ♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: ♪ It is good and right so to do.

~The Preface for Advent

(ELH p. 73- 75)

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; through Jesus Christ our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the Messiah, the very Lamb of God, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

~Sanctus — “Holy”

(ELH p. 76)

C: ♪ Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav’n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

~Lord’s Prayer

(ELH p. 77-78; 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.

~Words of Institution

(ELH p. 78; Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

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."

~**The Pax Domini** — *"The Peace of the Lord"*

(ELH p. 79; Jn 20:19)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

~**Agnus Dei** — *"Lamb of God"*

(ELH p. 79ff; Jn 1:29)

C: ♪ **O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. Amen.**

~**Distribution**

(Communicants come forward at the direction of the ushers. During the Distribution, the congregation sings the following hymns:)

~**Hymn 328, vv. 1,-4 *Soul, Adorn Thyself With Gladness***

*1. Soul, adorn thyself with gladness,
Leave behind all gloom and sadness.
Come into the daylight's splendor;
There with joy thy praises render
Unto Him whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous Supper founded.
High o'er all the heav'ns He reigneth,
Yet to dwell with thee He deigneth.*

*4. Ah, how hungers all my spirit
For the love I do not merit!
Oft have I, with sighs fast thronging,
Thought upon this food with longing,
In the battle well-nigh worsted,
For this cup of life have thirsted.
For the Friend who here invites us
And to God Himself unites us.*

~Hymn 94, vv. 1, 4, 5 O How Shall I Receive Thee?

*1. O how shall I receive Thee,
How welcome Thee aright!
All nations long to greet Thee,
My hope, my heart's delight!
O Jesus, Jesus, set Thee
Thy lamp within my breast,
And by its guidance let me
Know what doth please Thee best.*

*4. I lay in fetters groaning,
Thou com'st to set me free;
I stood, my shame bemoaning,
Thou com'st to honor me;
A glory Thou dost give me,
A treasure safe on high,
That will not fail or leave me
As earthly riches fly.*

*5. Naught, naught, dear Lord, could move Thee
To leave Thy rightful place
Save love, for which I love Thee;
A love that could embrace
A world where sorrow dwelleth,
Which sin and suff'ring fill,
More than the tongue e'er telleth;
Yet Thou couldst love it still!*

~Hymn 328, vv. 7, 8 Jesus, Sun of Life, My Splendor

*7. Jesus, Sun of Life, my Splendor,
Jesus, Thou my Friend most tender,
Jesus, Joy of my desiring,
Fount of life, my soul inspiring—
At Thy feet I cry, my Maker:
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven
For our good, Thy glory, given.*

*8. Lord, by love and mercy driven,
Thou hast left Thy throne in heaven
On the cross for me to languish
And to die in bitter anguish,
To forego all joy and gladness
And to shed Thy blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living,
Lord, I praise Thee with thanksgiving.*

~Hymn 94, vv. 6, 8 Rejoice, Then, Ye Sad-Hearted

*6. Rejoice, then, ye sad-hearted,
Who sit in deepest gloom,
Who mourn o'er joys departed,
And tremble at your doom;
Despair not, He is near you,
Yea, standing at the door,
Who best can help and cheer you,
And bid you weep no more.*

*8. Sin's debt, that fearful burden,
Let not your souls distress;
Your guilt the Lord will pardon
And cover with His grace.
He comes, He comes procuring
The peace of sin forgiv'n,
For all God's sons securing
Their heritage in heav'n.*

~**Dismissal** — *Assurance of blessing for those who have communed* (ELH p. 81)

P: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His precious blood strengthen and preserve you in the true faith to everlasting life. Depart in peace. Amen.

~**Nunc Dimittis** — *“Now I Depart”* (ELH p. 81-82; Lk 2:29-32)

C: ♪ Lord, now You let Your servant depart in peace according to Your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Your people Israel. 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.

~**Collect of Thanksgiving** (ELH p. 83, II)

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup;

C: ♪ We proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

P: Let us pray: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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.

~**Salutation** — *The people’s blessing for the Pastor’s work* (ELH p. 84)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

~**Benedicamus** — *Call for blessing* (ELH p. 84; 2 Cor. 13:14)

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God.

~**Benediction** — *Final blessing for God’s people* (ELH p. 84; 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.

~Closing Hymn 94, v. 10 *He Comes to Judge the Nations*

*10. He comes to judge the nations,
A terror to His foes,
A Light of consolations
And blessed Hope to those
Who love the Lord's appearing.
O glorious Sun, now come,
Send forth Thy beams so cheering,
And guide us safely home!*

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

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

*Liturgist/Preacher: Pastor John Petersen
Organist: 1st Service: Cassie Johnson
Organist: 2nd Service: Mark DeGarmeaux
Monday Service: Kristin Matzke*

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:

Wednesday, Thanksgiving Eve: 81; Thursday, Thanksgiving Day: 63

Sunday: 8:30am, 111; 10:45am, 87

Monday: 26

SERVING OUR LORD THIS WEEK:

Greeters: 1st Service: Ryan & Sheila Ruschmeyer and Joyce Petersen;

2nd Service: Paul & Mary Jane Tweit and John Bungum

Offering Counters: John Baumann; Jana Finken

Altar Guild: Heidi Graham; Sharon Madson

Weekly Financial Update:

Given Last Week: \$12,409.02 (includes text & on-line giving)

Fiscal Year To Date Deficit (as of 10/31/20): \$16,900

Philippians 4:19-20 And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

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OR

TV on local cable channels 181 (Spectrum) and 7 & 507 (Consolidated Communications) on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM and Thursdays at 11:30 AM.

To give your offering online, go to www.mtolivelutheran.org and click on the link "DONATE ONLINE".

Or TEXT 833-726-3742 along with the amount you wish to donate. Or Mail your offering to the church office.

Colossians 3:17 And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: *December 6, 2020 – December 13, 2020*

Sunday, December 6	8:30AM	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	9:40AM	SS/BIC/Bible Class/Sr. Youth
	10:45AM	Divine Service with Holy Communion
Mon., Dec. 7	6:30PM	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	7PM	Board of Education
	7PM	Board of Deacons
Tues., Dec. 8	6:30PM	PTF Executive Committee Meeting
Wed, Dec. 9	8:05AM	CDS Chapel
	9AM	Bible Study
	4PM	Confirmation Classes
	6:30PM	Advent Service
Thurs., Dec. 10		
Fri., Dec. 11		
Sat, Dec. 12		
Sunday, December 13	8:30AM	Divine Service
	9:40AM	SS/BIC/Bible Class/Sr. Youth
	10:45AM	Divine Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last day to order a poinsettia to help beautify our sanctuary during the upcoming Christmas season. On the sign-up sheet in the narthex, indicate how many plants you would like to purchase and if they are in honor or in memory of someone. Cost per plant is \$9.50. Checks made payable to Mt. Olive Lutheran Church may be left in the church office.

Attend Sunday School via GOOGLE MEET

A Google Meet has been created using the Sunday School's Google account. Join us for Sunday School at the Google Meet Link <https://meet.google.com/jgd-xrmn-bju>

SAVE your POP TABS! After School Care is collecting pop tabs and will donate them at the end of the school year to Ronald McDonald House Charities. RMHC , a childrens charity located near top children's hospitals, allows parents who are far from home to stay close to their child and benefit from the comforts of home without incurring any hotel or food costs.

Apartment for Rent: A newly-created 2nd floor efficiency apartment. It has the BEST VIEWS of Madison Lake -- only minutes to Mankato!! It's private with a full wall of windows overlooking 150" of lakeshore. It's perfect for 1 or 2 people. If you're a lake person who wants privacy, the most awe-inspiring sunrises, and to feel like you are on vacation a little each day, contact me. Available January 1 (possibly earlier); \$650 (includes utilities). Could be furnished or unfurnished. Please call Nancy Wiechmann @ 507-382-9212 **by Wednesday, Dec. 9 @ Noon.**

Singing for Christmas Eve and Day - We will be gathering a small ensemble of singers again for Christmas Eve (4/5:30) and Christmas Day (8:30/10). If you are interested in participating for one or both days, please come! Rehearsals will be Wednesday, Dec. 9 and 16 at 7:30 p.m., and Wednesday, Dec. 23 at 7 p.m. For more details, please contact Elisabeth at elisabeth.urteil@blc.edu or 612-272-2420.

Instrumentalists for Christmas Day - If you would like to be part of an instrumental ensemble with the choir for Christmas Day, we are looking for strings or C instruments. We will meet Wednesday, Dec. 23 to rehearse with the singers, and plan for another rehearsal before then. For more details, please contact Elisabeth at elisabeth.urteil@blc.edu or 612-272-2420.

Hy-Vee Kash4Kids

Do you shop at Hy-Vee? Save your receipts from Mankato Hilltop or Riverfront Hy-Vee. Receipts from either location earn cash for Mount Olive. Hy-Vee will donate \$1 to Mount Olive for every \$150 in receipts (dated September 1, 2020 or later) collected. Receipts can be dropped in the collection bin located in the Social Hall. Hy-Vee Wine & Spirits or gas station receipts are not eligible. Receipts dated prior to September 1, 2020 are also not eligible.

Box Tops For Education

Box Tops is now making it even easier to earn cash for Mount Olive. Older Box Tops that are made to be cut out can be dropped in the collection bin located in the Social Hall. Or, download the Box Tops for Education app on your phone. With just a few clicks, you can link to Mount Olive and scan your grocery receipts. The app automatically records Box Tops purchases from scanned receipts – no more clipping! Box Tops that say “scan” are not eligible to be cut out and must be scanned using the app. Expired Box Tops will not be accepted.

If you have questions about either program, email Erika Lemke at Erika.b.lemke@gmail.com

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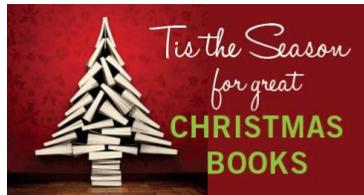
TODAY: Christmas at Bethany presents a new version of our beloved Christmas concert that you can enjoy, not just for one day, but for years to come. We will be **premiering a video concert on Sunday, December 6 at 1:30pm**. The video will remain available after the premier. Find the video and program at www.blc.edu/Christmas. We are grateful that we can still present the comforting Christmas Gospel message through song and share with you the musical talents of our students. Please tune in and enjoy the concert!

Job Opportunity: Bethany Lutheran College is taking applications for the Cashier/Accounts Receivable Clerk position. Please visit the Bethany Jobs page on our website for more information! www.blc.edu/jobs

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School

MVLHS Director of Mission Advancement Position Open

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School seeks a WELS or ELS male to serve as Director of Mission Advancement. Interested individuals should contact MVL Principal, Dr. Tim Plath, for more information at 507-354-6851 or tplath@mvlhs.org.



Barnes and Noble Book Fair

(located in the River Hills Mall)

Please use this book fair ID **#12603379** on **Monday, Dec. 7th**, when purchasing anything at

Barnes & Noble

or when purchasing anything online from **Dec. 7th through Dec. 12th**.

A percentage of the net sale will go to our school library.

😊 Thank you! 😊