

The Seventh Sunday of Easter, year B

May 16, 2021 + Mount Olive Lutheran Church



Focus on the Season: The Seventh Sunday of Easter, year B

On the night before his death, Jesus prayed his longing for his followers, that they, and we, be protected in this world. Joining his own prayer that he taught us, Jesus prays today on our behalf, “Deliver them from evil.” The life in Christ that we celebrate this Easter season fills us and keeps us, no matter what happens. We are not kept out of the world, but in it we are never alone, always embraced in the love and strength of God.

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Centering and Gathering

Light your candle. [Start the video by clicking here](#); it will continue through the Postlude.

PRELUDE: Suite Gothique, no. III, Prière a Notre-Dame Léon Boëlmann (1862-1897)
Recorded at Mount Olive on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

HYMN: ELW 322, “Oh, Love, How Deep”
Sung at Mount Olive on the Seventh Sunday of Easter, year B, May 13, 2018.

EASTER GREETING

- ☞ Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- ☞ **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**
- ☞ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- ☞ **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: ELW page 196, “This is the feast...”
Sung at Mount Olive on the Seventh Sunday of Easter, year A, May 28, 2017.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Word

FIRST READING: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; reader – Rob Ruff, lector

PSALMODY: Psalm 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel ¹ of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats ¹ of the scornful!
²Their delight is in the law ¹ of the LORD, * and they meditate on God's teaching ¹ day and night.
³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that ¹ do not wither;
* everything they ¹ do shall prosper.
⁴It is not so ¹ with the wicked; * they are like chaff which the wind ¹ blows away.
⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when ¹ judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council ¹ of
the righteous.
⁶For the LORD knows the way ¹ of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked shall ¹ be destroyed.
Sung at Mount Olive on the Seventh Sunday of Easter, year B, May 13, 2018.

SECOND READING: I John 5:9-13; reader – Paul Odlaug, assisting minister

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW 388, “Be Not Afraid” – *sung before and after the Gospel*
Sung at Mount Olive on the Fourth Sunday of Easter, year C, April 17, 2016.

HOLY GOSPEL: John 17:6-19

SERMON **Sheltering Love** Pastor Joseph Crippen
Silence for reflection.

HYMN: “By Gracious Powers”
Sung at Mount Olive on the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 20 C, August 18, 2013.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

*Our Assisting Minister for today, Paul Odlaug, has prepared intercessory prayers for us to pray this morning. As our prayers rise up from all over the metro area and beyond, once more we are joined together in Christ. (Our weekly prayer list is on the last page.) Response: **Hear our prayer.***

LORD'S PRAYER *Pray the Lord's Prayer together.*

PEACE *Please greet one another with Christ's peace.*

OFFERING

There are ways to continue to give of your gifts to our shared work at Mount Olive during this time apart. The Olive Branch has suggested ways both electronic and by mail. See:
<https://www.mountolivechurch.org/resources/olive-branch-newsletter/>

Sending

BLESSING

*Response: **Amen***

SENDING HYMN: ELW 655, “Son of God, Eternal Savior”

Sung at Mount Olive on the Seventh Sunday of Easter, year B, May 13, 2018.

DISMISSAL *The assisting minister leads the dismissal.*

℣ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

☩ **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

℣ Go in peace. Share the Good News!

☩ **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE: *Suite Gothique*, no. I, Introduction-Choral; II: Minuet gothique Léon Boëlmann
Recorded at Mount Olive on Thursday, May 13, 2021.



In Our Prayers

- **Please pray throughout the week for the following persons:** Dwight Penas; Don Shifflet; Rhoda Nelson; Susan Cherwien; Julia Adams; Joe & Elizabeth Beissel, Charlotte Erlandson; Nancy Flatgard; Leila Froehlich; Leanna Kloempken; Mary Lee; Carla Manuel; Lisa Nordeen; Jerry Ostlund; Evelyn Royce; Pariann Schenk; James Wilkes; Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; *Jodi Royce*, daughter of Julia Adams and daughter-in-law of Evelyn Royce; *Kjell Thompson*, relative of Nancy Anderson; *Tommie and Susie Hunter, Danna Nelson, Jacques*, friends of Jim Bargmann; *Tom McCarr*, friend of Keith Bartz; *Sara Brunette*, daughter-in-law of CJ Brunette; *Arthur Kaemmer*, friend of David Bryce; *Randy Caverly and Nancy Stelling*, nephew and friend of Marcia & Dan Burow; *Lela Frazier*, sister of Irene Campbell; *Klarrisa Ramirez*, friend of Gretchen Campbell-Johnson; *Greg Eklund*, son of Harry & Jeanette Eklund; *Susan Bary*, friend of Judy Graves; *Dolores & David G. Gutierrez, Sr., Chris and David Gutierrez, Jr.*, parents and brothers of Consuelo Gutierrez-Crosby; *Carol Halter* (missionary in Hong Kong), friend of Eunice Hafemeister; *Lynn Kernkamp*, friend of Peggy Hoeft; *Tami Huisinga*, relative of Wes Huisinga; *Craig Cunningham*, brother-in-law of Brian Jacobs; *Bob Adamson*, relative of Jerry Jones & Robbie Ross; *Nicole Sanders, Ann Clark*, friends of Mary Rose Kaliher; *Martha Boomgaarten*, sister of Jack Kruger; *Danielle Pitzen*, friend of Ellen Kormanik; *Barbara Dahl*, sister of Carla Manuel; *Dani Olson, Harper Linqvist, Steve Camper*, relatives and friend of Julie Manuel; *Jan McCuen*, mother of Matt McCuen; *Martha Johnson*, sister of Rhoda Nelson and aunt of Sherry Nelson; *Janet Freeburg*, friend of Lisa Nordeen; *Michael Waechter*, friend of Rod & Connie Olson; *Kathleen Austad*, sister of Jerry Ostlund; *Jay Heffern*, friend of Gary Pagel; *Vince DeLusia*, friend of Cynthia Prosek; *Sue Smith and Steve Swanson*, friends of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; *Rudd Rayfield, Jolie Meshbesh Hassler, Katelyn Bowden, Cindy Williams*, father and friends of Robin Rayfield; *Leila Jeffers*, mother of Lynn and Lisa Ruff; *Miranda Alvis*, niece of Tim Sneer; *Carrie*, friend of Paul & Melissa Stone; *David Duran*, friend of Kevin Vazquez; *Andrew Wiechman*, son of Grace Wiechman; *BJ Wilkes, Joshua Wilkes, LaTrell Wilke, Julius Underwood, and Lonell Wilkes*, son, nephews, grandson and brother of James Wilkes; *Sandra Dycus, Becky Groska, Diane Ristrom, Cathy Reid, Karen Swanson, Patrick Clark, Annie Hose-Ryan, Marcia Van Gorden*, friends of Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; *Anne-Marie Lundberg*, cousin of Eric Zander, *Karen Lange Dock, Tommie & Susie Hunter; Barbara C. Johnson*, friends of Mount Olive.
- **For those celebrating their baptism anniversaries this week:** Corrine Wertzbaugher, Daniel Burow, Ashley (Samantha) Pipkorn, Grace Wiechman, Judith Hinck, Dietrich Jessen, Bjorn Gustafson, and Rachel Meurett.

- **Prayers** for all in the health care system here and around the world who put their lives at risk to care for those infected with COVID 19 and caring for all others who are ill as well.
- **Our continual prayers are offered for peace:** We pray for all of the world's governments, leaders and peoples, especially for those who work overseas toward peace: Solveig & Philip, daughter and son-in-law of Karen Johnson; and Tyson Crosby, relative of the Crosby family.
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**

May 18: *St. Erik, King of Sweden, martyr, died 1160* – Erik is considered the patron saint of Sweden. As king of that nation, he tried to bring peace in the region, and to spread Christianity in Scandinavia. He was also known for his attempts to make fair laws and to protect those who were poor or sick.

May 21: *St. Helena, mother of Constantine, died around 330* – Influenced by her son to become Christian, Helena (or Helen) lived an exemplary life of faith. She is also remembered for traveling through Palestine building churches on the sites she believed to be associated with Christ's life.