



Accent on Worship

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What do you hunger for?

The people in the wilderness hunger for food, for nourishment to sustain them on their journey. Perhaps hunger is an understatement. The emotion behind their hunger suggest that they are likely starving. Yes, starving for physical nourishment, but also starving for emotion and spiritual nourishment, a sign that God has neither abandoned nor forsaken them.

SUNDAY READINGS

Sunday, August 1
10th Sunday after
Pentecost, Lect. 16 B

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15
Psalm 78:23-29
Ephesians 4:1-16
John 6:24-35

Sunday, August 8
11th Sunday after
Pentecost, Lect. 17 B

1 Kings 19:4-8
Psalm 34:1-8
Ephesians 4:25—5:2
John 6:35, 41-51

*In the
presence of God.
Being the –
presence of God.–*

Sunday Worship

9:00 am – Eucharist
11:00 am – Eucharist
(Livestreamed)

Hunger is something that we have all experienced. Hunger for physical nourishment. Hunger for community. Hunger for compassion, empathy, and love. Hunger for healing within ourselves and our loved ones. Hunger for social justice, equity, and healing of the brokenness that overwhelms us and our community.

We know the feeling of hunger. But the challenge is to not let our hunger distract us from the ways that God is providing nourishment in our lives and our community. Especially when the nourishment we find isn't necessarily what we know or something that will satisfy our particular craving.

The question that the Israelites ask at the end our first reading from Exodus this week is the question that we can ask: What is it?

What is the nourishment that will be living giving to you? What are the ways that the Triune God is stirring in our lives? What is the ordinary thing that is transforming into something extraordinary? What is going to feed the hunger of the world?

It is a question that we ask in community and a question that is answered in community. For today we can find an answer this in this week's psalmody as the psalmist writes:

*So God commanded the skies above,
and opened the doors of heaven;
²⁴ raining down manna upon them to eat,
and giving them grain from heaven.
²⁵ So mortals ate the bread of angels;
God provided for them food enough.
²⁶ The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens,
and powerfully let out the south wind;
²⁷ raining flesh upon them like dust,
flying birds like the sand of the seas;
²⁸ letting them fall in the midst of the camp,
and round about the dwellings.
²⁹ So the people ate and were well filled,
for God gave them what they craved.*

(Psalm 78:23-29)

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Wed., July 28

11 am – Staff meeting

Sat., July 31

9 am – Gardening Day

Sun., August 1***Pentecost 10***

9 & 11 am – Holy Eucharist, followed by coffee and fellowship

Tues., August 3Noon – Bible Study
7pm – Missions Committee**Wed., August 4**11 am – Staff meeting
6 pm – Vicar Committee**Thurs., August 5**

7 pm – Narcotics Anonymous

Sat., August 7

1-3 pm – Prayer Shawl Group

Sun., August 8***Pentecost 11***

9 & 11 am – Holy Eucharist, followed by coffee and fellowship

Mon., August 9

7 pm – Vestry meeting

Tues., August 10

Noon – Bible Study

Sunday Morning Schedule Until Fall

There are now **two worship services on Sunday morning, at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.** In addition, the Congregational Life committee will sponsor coffee hour following each service. In order to continue COVID-related safety measures, we ask the following:

During these weeks, we will continue to request R.S.V.P responses for each worship in order to allow for physical distancing in the sanctuary. We will continue to require that you wear a well-fitting mask that covers your nose and mouth. During the coffee hour, please keep your mask on as much as possible when you aren't drinking your coffee. This is especially important to protect those who are not vaccinated, including children. The link to RSVP for worship is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/mountolive>.

This link will be live each Wednesday for the following Sunday.

Angels Unawares: Cross American Tour

This powerful sculpture will be on display in front of The Basilica of Saint Mary August 1-30, 2021.

The work depicts migrants and refugees from all cultural and racial backgrounds and from all historic periods of time together—shoulder to shoulder on a raft or boat. Within this diverse crowd of people, angel wings are visible in the center, suggesting that within the migrant and refugee is the sacred.

The inspiration for the work arises from Hebrews 13:2, “Be welcoming to strangers, many have entertained angels unawares.”

The *Angels Unawares* sculpture by Canadian artist Timothy Schmalz depicts more than 140 refugees. The 3.5-ton, 20-foot-long sculpture, is a gift to The Catholic University of America and currently on a national tour. Through this pilgrimage, people across the country have the opportunity to share in its message of welcome and hope.

Angels Unawares is a second casting of a piece commissioned by Pope Francis and created by Canadian artist Timothy Schmalz, who has received broad attention for his Homeless Jesus sculpture. The original casting was installed in St. Peter's Square and unveiled by Pope Francis on Sept. 29, 2019, the 105th observance of the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. The unveiling and blessing at Catholic University was part of the 2020 observance.

For a schedule of tours, please visit: <https://www.mary.org/who-we-are/art/angels-unawares#.YP7AmOhKg2y>

Many thanks to all who assisted with the celebration event for Cantor Cherwien's 20th anniversary with Mount Olive. Special appreciation goes to the committee who planned this event: Brenda Bartz, Pr. Crippen, Larry Duncan, Lora Dundek, Peg Hoeft, Adam Krueger, Carol Peterson, Warren Peterson, and Mark Spitzack.

A round of thanks also to Andrew Anderson and his great kitchen, set-up and clean-up crew for the great food and beverages. It was a fun time!

Thanks to Louise Lystig Fritchie for these wonderful photos!





Upcoming Opportunity

There will be several gatherings over the next several weeks for you to learn more about **Boldly into the Future**, our upcoming capital campaign aimed at paying off the debt that we've incurred to upgrade our building. There will be both in-person and virtual events. Watch for more information in future *Olive Branch* issues.

Group or Committee Meetings at Mount Olive

The church building is open for groups or committees to meet in person. We have a limited number of areas that have the proper ventilation to accommodate groups safely, so it is important that you work with Cha in the church office to scheduling your meeting. Please remember that masks are still required while indoors at Mount Olive. In addition, we ask that groups reset all chairs and tables as you found them, at the end of your meeting.

We look forward to having groups and committees begin to meet in person again and we thank you for scheduling all meetings with Cha to ensure that we can welcome all who wish to meet.

Are You Moving? Have You Moved?

We know that lots of Olivites are moving or have recently moved!

Thanks to those who have given the church office their updated address and contact information!

If you are moving or have recently moved and have not dropped us a note with your updated information, please do that as soon as possible. It helps us and our members and friends to stay in touch with one another.

Volunteer Counters Needed!

Looking for a way to be engaged at Mount Olive but have limited time? Stewardship is looking for volunteers to assist with counting (only a couple hours a month). Now that we are back in person, we would like to re-adjust the counting schedule back to weekly but we are in need of assistance.

Volunteer Needs

- 2-4 counters to count checks and cash using calculating machine
- 2 data entry folks with basic Excel Spreadsheet skills

Time Commitment

- 2-2.5 hours/month - teams create a schedule that works for them

We currently have 2 teams of 3 and would like to increase that to 4 teams. Thank you to our Covid counting teams of Brian Jacobson, Carol Austermann, Kat Campbell-Johnson, Ted Thompson, and Matt Crosby!

Each team consists of a data entry person and two counters. We would like to rotate with each team counting once a month (doable with 4 teams). Training provided.

Please email stewardship@mountolivechurch.org or call the church office to let us know your interest.

Tuesday Noon Bible Study: New Link!

Since Tuesday, June 22, the Tuesday Noon Bible Study has been meeting in person again, in the West Lounge. For those who are unable to come in person, we will continue to hold the meeting over Zoom as well. Please note that we are no longer using GoToMeeting.

The link for the Tuesday noon Bible study will continue to be the same every week.

To join from your computer, tablet, or smartphone, [click here](#).

Attention Mount Olive Servants!

The Servant Schedule for the 4th quarter of 2021 (October-December) will be published at the beginning of September 2021. The deadline for submitting requests is August 14, 2021. Please email your requests to peggyrf70@gmail.com.

Heart Felt Gratitude

Dear family of Mount Olive:

I am so grateful for the wonderful series of events this past Sunday, celebrating my 20th anniversary here as your Cantor. The whole day filled my heart with gratitude, feeling so lucky to have the honor of serving for all these years. Those years have really flown by, yet upon thinking back, a lot happened and we did indeed go through a lot of challenges here and, in the world. For all the cards, notes, and greetings of congratulations and thanks, please know that I am very, very thankful to you, and most certainly to God.

- Cantor David Chernien

P.S. – the Post-Postlude by Chuck Lazarus and the Uptown Brass, with the commissioned “Mount Olive Fanfare” by Jack Stamp caught me completely by surprise! In a wonderful way! What a delightful honor. Had I known, I would have let my postlude be shorter!

Looking for an adventure?

We have a new car that needs to be delivered to Salt Lake City, UT and are looking for someone (couples encouraged!) to complete this mission. We will pay for 4 days of meals, 3 nights of hotels, and return airfare.

Interested parties please call Al Bipes at 952.944.8811, or Julie Erlandson Nerheim at 612.990.3566.

In Our Prayers

Please pray throughout the week for the following persons: Julia Adams; Joe & Elizabeth Beissel; Susan Cherwien; Nancy Flatgard; Leila Froehlich; Leanna Kloempken; Merwyn Larson; Mary Lee; Carla Manuel; Rhoda Nelson; Lisa Nordeen; Jerry Ostlund; Dwight Penas; Evelyn Royce; Pariann Schenk; Susan Snow; James Wilkes; *Adalyn Lerum*, relative of Nancy Anderson; *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; *Lela Frazier*, sister of Irene Campbell; *Klarrisa Ramirez*, friend of Gretchen Campbell-Johnson; *Greg Eklund, Willie and Ryan Snelling*, son and friends 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; *Roger Bradford*, friend of Mary Rose Kaliher; *Martha Boomgaarten*, sister of Jack Kruger; *Danielle Pitzzen*, friend of Ellen Kormanik; *Barbara Dahl*, sister of Carla Manuel; *Dani Olson, Harper Linguist, 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; *Kathleen Austad*, sister of Jerry Ostlund; *Sue Smith, Steve Swanson, and Mary Peterson* friends of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; *Vince DeLusia*, friend of Cynthia Prosek; *Rudd Rayfield, Jolie Meshbesher 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; *Kianna Crump*, niece of James Wilkes; *Patrick Clark, Sandra Dycus, Becky Groska, Annie Hose-Ryan, Diane Ristrom, Cathy Reid, Marcia Van Gorden*, friends of Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; *Anne-Marie Lundberg*, cousin of Eric Zander; *Karen Lange Dock, Tommie and Susie Hunter; Barbara C. Johnson*, friends of Mount Olive.

In hospice care: Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Charlotte Erlandson.

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 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. (*Italics indicates non-member friends of Mount Olive.*)

About our prayer list ...

If you have submitted a name or names to be published on our prayer list, please review the list regularly, to make sure those for whom we are praying are still in need of our prayers. Contact the church office with any updates.



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Volunteers Needed!

Mount Olive has been streaming worship live to our YouTube channel since resuming in-person worship in June. Even though we have computer-controlled cameras, we need someone to control the computer!

What you'll do: There are a few technical things to setup about ten minutes before the prelude begins. We have three cameras, which are all computer controlled and have configured presets for their positions. So, once streaming starts, you simply need to follow along with the service, and at each appropriate transition point, press a couple buttons.

For example, when music needs to be displayed alongside the video, there are preset buttons that advance the slideshow to that hymn slide and switch to the right scene in the streaming software. Another example, when the service begins, cameras are pointing to the organ and the entrance from the narthex for the prelude and entrance hymn respectively. Then, after the entrance hymn, they need to be directed to the lectern and pulpit before the first reading and sermon.

Training & written directions will be available. And, at least for the first service you run, an experienced operator will sit by you and assist you. Ideally, we have a team of five or six, so that each of us would be scheduled once per month or so.

How to get involved: Contact Dan at worship@mountolivechurch.org or 612-600-6982 with any questions and if you're interested.

Join us after the late service this Sunday, August 1, to see how it all works in the South Gallery.