



Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023 + 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Mount Olive Lutheran Church

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Welcome to Worship at Mount Olive!

Mount Olive is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. It is a community in and of the city where all are welcome in every aspect of congregational life. We believe that worship is central to our life together, that our weekly gathering around Word and Sacrament strengthens us for our work as people of God in this and in every place.

An elevator to the lower and street levels can be found at the northwest corner of the education wing. Restrooms are located on the main floor and lower level. Turn right as you exit the narthex, then turn left. Restrooms are at the end of the hall, next to the elevator. Please ask an usher if you need assistance!

Mount Olive is equipped with a hearing assist loop. If you use a hearing aid equipped with a T-Coil, switch your device to T-Coil to access. If your aid does not have that option, small headsets are available. Ask an usher for assistance.

Helps for following the liturgy: Numbers marked with the word “page...” in small case are in the front portion of the hymnal at the bottom left and right corners of the page. Numbers marked with the word “HYMN...” are in the back portion of the hymnal in the upper left and right corners of the page. Note that the psalms are numbered as hymns 1-150.

Hymns 901-1100 are found in the purple hymnal supplement, *All Creation Sings*, and are indicated as “ACS HYMN ...”

Focus on the Season: 25th Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 33 A

Zephaniah speaks today as Amos did last week and joins Paul urging us to stay awake. Jesus encourages us to use our God-given talents wisely while we still have time. We do not know the hour of Christ’s final coming among us. But we are Christ’s body of servants who are abundantly blessed, who live according to the light of faith, who are nourished by Word and Sacrament, who are eager to share the riches of God’s love with all in need.

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The Entrance Liturgy

PRELUDE Partita on *ST. ANNE* (movements 1-6) Paul O. Manz

AT THE PROCESSION *Standing to face the cross as it is carried into the nave*

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” HYMN 632

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 4 – All, in harmony

Stanza 2 – All, in harmony

Stanza 5 – Treble voices

Stanza 3 – Low voices

Stanza 6 – All

GREETING

☐ 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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

☐ Let us pray. Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

☑ **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

(seated)

Response: ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY: Psalm 90:1-8, 12

The verses are sung by all, using the following tone:



SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Response: **☩ Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia...”

(standing)
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HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

Response after the announcement: **☩ Glory to you, O Lord.**

Response after the conclusion: **☩ Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Acclamation is sung again.

Please remain standing until the invocation is pronounced.

SERMON

Fearless

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lord of Light”

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 2 – Treble voices; All in harmony at “by the victories ...”

Stanza 3 – Low voices; All in harmony at “lift the nations ...”

Stanza 4 – All

(standing)
HYMN 688

APOSTLES’ CREED

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response: **☩ hear our prayer.**

(kneeling)

PEACE

You are invited to share God’s peace with those around you.

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

OFFERING

All are invited to pledge what you will share with God and the community for our ministry together in 2024. Pledge cards can be placed in the offering plate. Extra pledge cards are available in the narthex if you left yours at home.

(10:45) AT THE OFFERING

“Thou Art God!”

(seated)

John Ness Beck

*Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth or ever thou hadst formed the earth,
From everlasting to everlasting, thou art God!
So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
Let thy works appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto thy children.
O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast and our eternal home.
Before the hills in order stood or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.* — Isaac Watts; Psalm 90

OFFERTORY

(standing)

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and
fill to the brim our cup of bless - ing.
Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the

hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, and
give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Response: **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Eucharistic Prayer

- Holy God, holy and mighty . . . until he comes.
- Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**
- Remembering, therefore, . . . our suffering world.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- Send your Holy Spirit . . . new in Christ.
- Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**
- With all your saints . . . now and forever.
- Amen**

Lord's Prayer

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"Our Father in heaven..."

AT THE COMMUNION

(seated)

Receive the bread, and then the wine by drinking from the first cup or dipping the bread in the second cup. The bread is gluten-free.

If you are unable to come forward, please alert an usher, and the ministers will bring the meal to you.

“Lamb of God”	page 112
“As Saints of Old”	HYMN 695
“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”	HYMN 674
<i>Stanza 1 – Choir; All at the refrain</i>	
<i>Stanzas 2, 3 - All</i>	
“If God, My Lord, Be for Me”	HYMN 788
<i>Stanza 3 may be sung in harmony.</i>	

TABLE BLESSING (standing)
Response: ☩ Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
Response: ☩ Amen.

The Liturgy of Sending

SENDING OF COMMUNION MINISTERS

The Sacrament of our Lord’s Body and Blood may be sent to those unable to be present at our celebration.

- ☩ We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that our sisters and brothers may also share in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.
- ☩ **We who are many are one body in Christ, sharing one bread, one cup.**

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

- ☩ Go in peace to love and serve as Christ.
- ☩ **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Fugue on *ST. ANNE*

Paul O. Manz

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by
George & Marlys Oelfke, in celebration of their 70th wedding anniversary.*

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
Organist	Cantor David Cherwien
Sacristan	Art Halbardier
Assisting Minister	Vicar Lauren Mildahl
Eucharistic Minister	Wes Huisinga
Communion Ministers	Andrew Andersen, Al Bipes, Rob Ruff
Livestream / Audio Mix	Reid Peterson / Ken Schulz
(10:45) Choir	Cantorei

	<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:45</u>
Acolytes	Jan Harbaugh, Tom Olsen	Consuelo Crosby, John Meyer
Lectors	Rob Ruff	Sue Browender
Ushers	Harrison & Rebekah Wold Defries	Irene Campbell, Carol Martinson, Elena Molbert
Altar Guild	Lynn Ruff Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede	Candy Husemoller
Coffee Hosts	Mary Dodgson	Paula Carlson & Tom Schattauer

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
Organist	Cantor David Cherwien
Sacristan	Brad Nelson
Assisting Minister	Mark Pipkorn
Crucifer	Eric Zander
Eucharistic Minister	Vicar Lauren Mildahl
Communion Ministers	Judy & Walt Hinck
Livestream / Audio Mix	Greg Murphy / David Molvik
(10:45) Choir	Cantorei

	<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:45</u>
Acolytes	Adam Krueger & Thomas Fenner	Nichaolas Johnson, Tim Pipkorn
Lectors	Brian Jacobs	Chuck Gjovig
Ushers	Alan & Kathy Wicks	Andrew Andersen, Carol Austermann, Allen Heggen
Altar Guild	Lynn Ruff Jan Harbaugh	Bonnie McLellan
Coffee Hosts	Hosts Needed!	Hosts Needed!

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

- **Please pray throughout the week for the following persons:** Julia Adams; Anne Bartz; Elizabeth Beissel; family of Joel Crandall & Angel Scott; Brad & Linda Holt; Leanna Kloempken; Kathy Kruger; Steve Lenius; Carla Manuel; Jude Mostek; Rhoda Nelson; Renee Ollikain; Jerry Ostlund; Russ Pearson; Robin Rayfield; Pariann Schenk; Rodney Schrank; David & Shirley Tabis; Grace Wiechman; James Wilkes; Rhonda Fish, friend of Andrew Andersen; Sheryl Greife, friend of Sabrina Bipes; Cassandra Thompson, friend of Al Bostelmann; Sara Brunette, daughter-in-law of CJ Brunette; Arthur Kaemmer, friend of David Bryce; Randy Caverly, nephew of Marcia & Dan Burow; Lela Frazier, sister of Irene Campbell; Mattisyn, friend of Kat Campbell Johnson; Marilyn Volker, sister of Allen Dundek; Greg Eklund, son of Harry & Jeanette Eklund; Jon Jrocki, friend of David Engen; Joyce Schoenfield, sister of Marilyn Gebauer; Bill Irwin and Dennis Fisher, brothers-in-law of John Gidmark; Joe & Brenda Patnaude, friends of Tom Graves & Ginny Agresti; Quentin Hamilton, friend of Judy Hinck; Ethan Holtmeier, grandson of Patsy & John Holtmeier; Tami Huisinga, relative of Wes Huisinga; the Klapushynski family (of Ukraine), friends of Jim & Judy Johnson; Cavin Horton, friend of Kathy Kruger; Ann Richards, friend of Carol Martinson; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Stan & Darlene Nelson, parents of Brad Nelson; Martha Johnson, sister of Rhoda Nelson and aunt of Sherry Nelson; Gordon Norheim, brother of JoAnn Norheim; Tim Gaudineer, brother-in-law of George & Marlys Oelfke; Jennie Kobylinski, niece of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; Olive Oelfke, infant great-granddaughter of George & Marlys Oelfke; Jolie Melana Meshbesh, friend of Robin Rayfield; John Seboldt, brother of Gayle Schulz; Miranda Alvis, niece of Tim Sneer; Pat McCabe, friend of Melissa Stone; Elaine Thurston, mother of Kathy Thurston; Keith Van Ee, father of Tricia Van Ee Molbert; David Duran, friend of Kevin Vazquez; Eileen Weiss, mother-in-law of John Wall; Andrew Wiechman, son of Grace Wiechman; Conrad Kunz, friend of Eric Zander (*and Dennis Bidwell*); Barbara C. Johnson, Steve Horsfield, friends of Mount Olive.
- **For our Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton** as she takes a leave of absence, and for Bishop Michael Burk, serving as interim presiding bishop.
- **For those celebrating their baptism anniversaries this week:** Mary Dodgson, Eric Zander, David Kaliher, Thomas Fenner, George Oelfke, and Carolyn Heider.
- **For those in hospice care:** Mary Lee.
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**
The commemorations are listed on page 11 of worship folder.

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE

Today, November 19 – 25th Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 33 A

8:00 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation
9:30 am Education for all ages (Adult Forum and Godly Play)
10:45 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation

Monday, November 20

Noon Bible Study
5:30 pm Family Music Time (online only)
7:00 pm Worship Committee meeting
7:00 pm Monday Night WAVE (N.A. group)

Tuesday, November 21

Noon Bible Study

Wednesday, November 22

10:00 am Staff meeting
No Choirs or Confirmation this week

Thursday, November 23 – *Thanksgiving Day*; St. Clement, Bishop of Rome; Miguel Agustín Pro,

10:00 am **Thanksgiving Day Eucharist** martyr
7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, November 24 – Justus Falckner, Jehu Jones, William Passavant, pastors in North America

7:00 pm Recovery Group

Saturday, November 25 – Isaac Watts, hymnwriter

Sunday, November 26 – Reign of Christ

8:00 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation
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The Commemorations

November 23: *St. Clement, Bishop of Rome, died around 100* - Clement was the third bishop of Rome. He is best remembered for a letter he wrote to the congregation in Corinth, still struggling with the same problems that led to Paul's letters to them. As did Paul, he focused on the need for love among Christians.

November 23: *Miguel Agustín Pro, martyr, died 1927* - Pro grew up in a time when the Mexican revolutionaries accused the church of siding with the wealthy. He became a Jesuit priest, and worked on behalf of the poor and homeless. Falsely accused of throwing a bomb at a government official, he was executed, but not before crying out "Long live Christ the King!"

November 24: *Justus Falckner, died 1723; Jehu Jones, died 1852; William Passavant, died 1894; pastors in North America* - Not only was Falckner the first Lutheran ordained in North America, but he published a catechism which was the first Lutheran book published on the continent. Jones was the Lutheran church's first African American pastor and carried out missionary work in Philadelphia which led to the formation there of the first African American Lutheran congregation (St. Paul's). William Passavant helped to establish hospitals and orphanages in a number of cities and was the first to introduce deaconesses to the work of hospitals in the United States.

November 25: *Isaac Watts, hymnwriter, died 1748* - Thought by many to be the greatest hymnwriter in the English language, Watts as a youth was critical of the quality of the metrical psalter of the time. He wrote about 600 hymns—many based on the psalms, but others that are not.

Today's Adult Forum: 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Lounge
“Medieval Woman Mystics,” presented by Vicar Lauren Mildahl.

Adult Forum: Next Sunday, November 26
“My favorite parts of the Bible that aren't in the Lectionary,”
presented by Vicar Lauren Mildahl

**Thanksgiving Day Eucharist
This Thursday, November 23
10:00 a.m.**

All are welcome.

The offering received at the Thanksgiving Eucharist will be
donated the Community Emergency Services
and Sabathani food shelves.

Offerings of food and other necessities are also welcome.



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