



## *Reign of Christ*

*November 26, 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: Reign of Christ Sunday, Lect. 34 A

Christ Jesus was not wealthy or famous. He did not promise his followers that they would possess riches, power, or prestige. Jesus was named a king only in his death, and reigns from the cross. Today we gather at the table of Christ, our merciful and loving ruler. We wear the crown of baptism and trace Christ’s royal sign, the holy cross, over our brows and bodies as a reminder of the cross-shaped life we’re called to live. We leave here strengthened to serve those who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, naked, sick, and imprisoned, seeing our beloved Christ Jesus in all these.

# Reign of Christ, Lect. 34A

November 26, 2023 † 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

## The Entrance Liturgy

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PRELUDE Trumpet Voluntary John Stanley

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

“Jesus Shall Reign” HYMN 434

*Stanza 1 – All*

*Stanza 4 – Treble voices*

*Stanza 2 – Low voices*

*Stanza 5 – All*

*Stanza 3 – All, in harmony*

### 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.**

### HYMN OF PRAISE: The *Te Deum*

“We Praise You, O God”

HYMN 228

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

☐ Let us pray. O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☑ **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

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FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-24

(seated)

Response: ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY: Psalm 95:1-6

*The antiphon is sung by all at the beginning and after verse 6.*



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



SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23

Response: **☩ Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

*Stanzas 1-3 are sung before the reading.*

*Stanzas 4-6 are sung following the reading.*

*(standing)*

HYMN 502

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

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

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

*Please remain standing until the invocation is pronounced.*

SERMON

**Insight**

*A time of silence follows the sermon.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Come Now, You Blessed”

*(standing)*

ACS HYMN 1059

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*(kneeling)*

Response: **☩ hear our prayer.**

PEACE

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

# The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

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(10:45) AT THE OFFERING

(seated)

“Christus Paradox”

Alfred Fedak

*You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave.*

*You, peacemaker and sword-bringer of the way you took and gave.*

*You, the everlasting instant; you, whom we both scorn and crave.*

*Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross,*

*shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss,*

*you, the everlasting instant; you, who are both gift and cost.*

*You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side.*

*You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide.*

*You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our pilgrim guide.*

*Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ!*

*Worthy your defeat and vict'ry; worthy still your peace and strife.*

*You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our death and life. - Sylvia Dunstan*

OFFERTORY

(standing)

“As We Gather at Your Table”

HYMN 522

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Eucharistic Prayer

**P** Holy God, holy and mighty . . . until he comes.

**C** **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**P** Remembering, therefore, . . . our suffering world.

**C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** Send your Holy Spirit . . . new in Christ.

**C** **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

**P** With all your saints . . . now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

Lord's Prayer *sung by all on a single tone*

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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

“O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us” HYMN 431

*Stanza 1 – Treble voices      Stanza 3 – All, in harmony*  
*Stanza 2 – Low voices      Stanza 4 – All*

“Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing” HYMN 389

*Stanza 1 – All      Stanza 4 – Low voices*  
*Stanza 2 – Treble voices      Stanza 5 – All*  
*Stanza 3 – All, in harmony*

TABLE BLESSING (standing)

Response: **☞ Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Response: **☞ Amen.**

## *The Liturgy of Sending*

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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

Fantasia in g minor

J. S. Bach

# WORSHIP LEADERS

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

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

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## WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

	<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Pastor Joseph Crippen
	<b>Preacher</b>	Vicar Lauren Mildahl
	<b>Organist</b>	Cantor David Cherwien
	<b>Sacristan</b>	Lora Dundek
	<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Paul Odlaug
	<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Al Bipes, Rob Ruff
	<b>Livestream</b>	Jan Harbaugh /
	<b>(10:45) Choir</b>	Cantorei
	<b><u>8:00</u></b>	<b><u>10:45</u></b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	Robin Rayfield, Tim Sneer	Al Bipes, Eric Zander
<b>Lectors</b>	Louise Lystig Fritchie	Sherry Nelson
<b>Ushers</b>	Dale Kruse, Michael Lansing	Sue Browender, Jerry Duncan Carol Martinson
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Cynthia Prosek	Candy Husemoller
	Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede	
<b>Coffee Hosts</b>	<b>Hosts Needed!</b>	Bonnie & Donn McLellan

## 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; Gary Crippen, father of Pastor Joseph Crippen; Marilyn Volker, sister of Allen Dundek; Crystal Schippling, sister of Lora 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:** Paul Nixdorf, Adam Krueger, Bradley Holt, Arthur Halbardier, James Johnson, Paul Stone, Theodore Thompson, and John Marty.
- **For those in hospice care:** Mary Lee.
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**  
**November 30: St. Andrew, Apostle** - The first of the disciples to be called by Jesus, Andrew quickly began to bring others to the Savior, including Simon Peter. The Bible also shows him leading some Greeks to meet Jesus, and he brought forward the boy with five loaves and two fish, with which Jesus fed thousands.



# THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE

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## Today, November 26 – Reign of Christ

- 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 27

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

## Tuesday, November 28

- Noon          Bible Study  
1:00 pm      Library Committee

## Wednesday, November 29

- 10:00 am     Staff meeting  
5:30 pm      Children's Choirs supper  
6:00 pm      Children's Choir rehearsals  
7:00 pm      Y2 Confirmation  
7:00 pm      Cantorei rehearsal

## Thursday, November 30 – St. Andrew, Apostle

- 6:00 pm      Bible Study  
7:00 pm      Narcotics Anonymous

## Friday, December 1

- 7:00 pm      Recovery Group

## Sunday, December 3 – First Sunday of Advent

Global Missions Gifts that Give Sale

- 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  
**4:00 pm**      **MFA Event: Advent Procession**

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by  
Connie & John Marty, in celebration of their 43<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary,  
and by Eric Zander, in loving memory of his dear husband, Dennis Bidwell,  
with gratitude for 44 years of cherished love.*

**Today's Adult Forum: 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Lounge**  
“My favorite parts of the Bible that aren't in the Lectionary,”  
presented by Vicar Lauren Mildahl.

**Adult Forum: Next Sunday, December 3:**  
“Credo,” the first of a 3-part presentation,  
led by Pastor Crippen.

Mount Olive Music and Fine Arts  
presents

# *Advent Procession*

Next Sunday, December 3  
4:00 p.m.

*All are welcome.*



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