



Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024 + 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!

Additional parking on Sunday mornings is available behind the Career Force center, on the southwest corner of Chicago Ave. and Lake St.

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. **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: Second Sunday in Lent, year B

The readiness of Abraham and Sarah, and the eagerness of Jesus to do God’s will are models for contemporary disciples in the church. Baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection, we are called to live a distinctive style of life shaped by faith in God’s mercy. Our Lenten journey always takes us to the cross, the heart of God’s love for the world. As followers of Christ, we now take up our cross and stand with all those who suffer in our midst.

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The assembly gathers in silent preparation.

The Entrance Liturgy

AT THE PROCESSION

(stand at the sound of the bell)

Kyrie

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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. O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☞ **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

(seated)

Response: ☞ **Thanks be to God.**

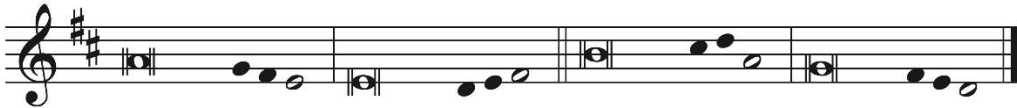
PSALMODY: Psalm 22:23-31

The antiphon is sung by all at the beginning and after verses 26 and 31.



All the ends of the earth shall re-mem-ber and turn to the LORD.

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



SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

Response: **☩ Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(standing)

(8:00) Sung by all: “Glory and praise...”

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(10:45) *Sung by the choir*

Choir: May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. (Gal. 6:14)

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 8:31-38

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

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

Please remain standing until the invocation has been pronounced.

SERMON

Gladly Fail

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

(standing)

“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

HYMN 802

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 2 – Treble voices; All at “Though today we sow...”

Stanza 3 – Low voices; All at “Let us mortify...”

Stanza 4 – All

SELF-EXAMINATION AND CONFESSION

As our Lenten journey calls us back to our baptismal waters for nourishment and cleansing, we examine our lives, confess our sins and turn to the Triune God for grace, mercy, and life.

All may kneel for a time of self-examination and prayer following the invitation.

P Holy God,

C **we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, O God.**

P Merciful and most high God, . . . through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P The holy and Triune God, . . . fullness of life in Christ.

C **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(remain kneeling)

Response: **C** **hear our prayer.**

PEACE *You are invited to share God's peace with those around you.* *(standing)*

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

AT THE OFFERING

(seated)

(10:45) "God So Loved the World"

Katherine Davis

*God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son,
that who so believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. – John 3:16*

OFFERTORY

(standing as the gifts are brought forward)

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

HYMN 188

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Response: **C** **Amen**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Eucharistic Prayer

- ☐ Holy God, holy and mighty . . . we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.
- ☑ **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**
- ☐ Remembering, therefore . . . at the end of all things.
- ☑ **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- ☐ Pour out your Spirit . . . by the love of Christ.
- ☑ **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**
- ☐ All-Gracious One, . . . are yours, now and forever.
- ☑ **Amen.**

Lord’s Prayer *chanted by all*

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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”

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(10:45) “The God of Abraham Praise”

HYMN 831

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 5 – Treble voices

Stanza 2 – All, in harmony

Stanzas 6, 7 – Organ

Stanza 3 – Low voices

Stanza 8 – All

Stanza 4 – All, in harmony

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

HYMN 767

COMMUNION BLESSING

(standing)

Response: ☑ Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Response: ☑ Amen.

The Liturgy of Sending

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 they 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

Response: ☑ **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE: Prelude and Fugue in g minor ("The Little") J. S. Bach

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Ann Bruggeman, in thanksgiving for the livestreamed services and the far-reaching blessing they are to so many.

Adult Forum: 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Lounge

"White and Delightful: Christian Missionaries and Cultural Chaos in Dakota Indigenous Communities, 1833-1863," part 2 of a 2-part series.

This series will provide an overview of the ways in which Christian missionaries likely hastened the cultural destruction of Dakota peoples in Minnesota and contributed to the tragic U.S. Dakota War of 1862. Discussion of how Mount Olive members might respond to the call for justice for our Indigenous neighbors will be part of the presentation.

Next Sunday's Forum

March 3: "Mount Olive Death Cafe," facilitated by the Rev. Cody J. Sanders. The "Death Cafe" is an international movement that brings people together for intentional conversation about death-related topics in an invitational and accessible way.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
Organist	Cantor David Cherwien
Sacristan	Vicar Lauren Mildahl
Assisting Minister	Al Bipes
Eucharistic Minister	Kandi Jo Nelson
Communion Ministers	Brad & Linda Holt
Livestream / Audio Mix	Donn McLellan / Ken Schulz
(10:45) Choirs	Cantorei; Mount Olive Children's Choirs; Mari Espeland and Rebekah Schulz, directors

	<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:45</u>
Acolytes	Jan Harbaugh, Adam Krueger	Nicholas Johnson, Amy Thompson
Lectors	Louise Lystig Fritchie	Amy Thompson
Ushers	Harrison & Rebekah Wold Defries	Carol Austermann, Irene Campbell, Allen Heggen
Altar Guild	Cynthia Prosek Jan Harbaugh	
Coffee Hosts		Judy & Walt Hinck

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Sacristan	Gretchen Campbell-Johnson
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Lectors	Dale Kruse	Peggy Hoelt
Ushers	Lynn & Rob Ruff	David Anderson, Jerry Duncan, Elena Molbert
Altar Guild	Lynn Ruff	Mary Crippen
Coffee Hosts	Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede	Mary Crippen, Marge Shifflet
	Host Needed!	

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

- **Please pray throughout the week for the following persons:** Julia Adams; Elizabeth Beissel; Irene Campbell; family of Joel Crandall & Angel Scott; Mary Rose Kaliher; 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; John Wall; 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; Shalom Kropfl, friend of Mary Dodgson; Marilyn Volker, sister of Allen Dundek; Francis Wergen, known to David Engen; Dennis Fisher, brother-in-law of John Gidmark; Joe & Brenda Patnaude, friends of Tom Graves & Ginny Agresti; Susan Varpness, mother of former vicar Mollie Hamre; 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; 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 and Richard Sutherland, friend and cousin of Eric Zander; 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:** Emily Dyson, Diana Hallerman, and Amy Thompson
- **For those in hospice care:** Mary Lee; Anne Bartz.
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**
The commemorations are listed on page 11 of worship folder.

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE

Sunday, February 25 – Second Sunday in Lent, year B; Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess

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

9:30 am Adult Forum and Godly Play

10:45 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation

Monday, February 26

5:30 pm Family Music Time (online only)

7:00 pm Lutheran Volunteer Corps gathering

7:00 pm Monday Night WAVE [N.A. meeting]

Tuesday, February 27

Noon Bible Study

Wednesday, February 28

9:00 am Staff meeting

Noon **Midweek Lenten Eucharist**, followed by soup & bread luncheon

5:30 pm Children's Choirs supper

6:00 pm Children's Choir rehearsals

6:00 pm Soup & bread supper

7:00 pm **Midweek Lenten Vespers**

7:30 pm Cantorei rehearsal

Thursday, February 29

5:30 pm Feminine Divine Study group

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, March 1 – George Herbert, hymnwriter

7:00 pm Recovery Group

Saturday, March 2 – John Wesley and Charles Wesley, renewers of the church

Sunday, March 3 – Third Sunday in Lent, year B

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

9:30 am Adult Forum and Godly Play

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The Commemorations

February 25: *Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess, died 1921* - Born in Norway and trained there as a deaconess, Fedde was asked to come and minister to the poor and to seamen in New York City. She established the Deaconess House in Brooklyn as well as Deaconess Hospital in Minneapolis.

March 1: *George Herbert, hymnwriter, died 1633* - An excellent scholar, Herbert served briefly in the English parliament, then became a parish priest. He was known for devoted care of his parishioners, as well as for writing poetry and hymns, including "Come, my way, my truth, my life." He died at age 40.

March 2: *John Wesley, died 1791; Charles Wesley, died 1788; renewers of the church* - These brothers led a revival originally intended to remain within the Church of England, one that involved frequent communion and advocacy for the poor. Except for a brief time in America, they worked in England. Charles was also a prolific hymn writer. After their deaths, their work led to the formation of the Methodist Church.

Midweek Lenten Worship *Wednesdays in Lent*

12:00 Noon

Holy Eucharist, followed by Soup Luncheon

7:00 pm

Vespers, preceded by Soup Supper at 6:00 pm

All are welcome.



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