



Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 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!

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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: Fifth Sunday in Lent, year B

Today Jesus speaks of grain dying in the earth as an image of his death and resurrection. Christ is the seed fallen to earth that yields the harvest of life, health, and salvation. Christ is the one who accompanies us in our baptismal death and raises us to life with him. Christ’s Spirit strengthens us in lives of fruitful service to those who hunger and thirst for life.

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March 17, 2024 † 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

The assembly gathers in silent preparation.

The Entrance Liturgy

AT THE PROCESSION

(stand at the sound of the bell)

The Great Litany

HYMN 238

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, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live 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.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

(seated)

Response: ☞ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY: Psalm 51:1-12

At 10:45, an antiphon is sung by the choir in a setting by Johannes Brahms at the beginning and after verse 12.

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



SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5-10

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: Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains a single grain; but if it dies it bears much fruit. (John 12:24)

HOLY GOSPEL: John 12:20-32

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

Unless a seed dies ...

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“To Christ Belong, in Christ Behold”

(standing)

ACS HYMN 958

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

OFFERING *(seated)*

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

P Holy God, holy and mighty . . . we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

P Remembering, therefore . . . at the end of all things.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Pour out your Spirit . . . by the love of Christ.

C 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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“Seed That in Earth Is Dying”

HYMN 330

“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”

HYMN 340

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 3 – Treble voices

Stanza 2 – Low voices

Stanza 4 – All

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: Improvisation

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by
Marge Shifflet, in memory of her mother, Elsie Berger*

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

“Life, Legacy, Love, Death”

Culminating our series on death and dying, this forum will be an opportunity to enter into dialogue on matters of theological and spiritual significance related to death -- our own and those we love.

There will be no Adult Forum on March 24 or 31.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
Organist	Cantor David Cherwien
Sacristan	Art Halbardier
Assisting Ministers	Beth Gaede, Lora Dundek
Eucharistic Minister	Vicar Lauren Mildahl
Communion Ministers	Al Bipes, Judy & Walt Hinck, Don Luther
Livestream / Audio Mix	Reid Peterson / 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	Larry Duncan, Jan Harbaugh	Consuelo Crosby, John Meyer
Lectors	John Gidmark	George Heider
Ushers	John Bjork, Stephanie Obadiaru	Carol Austermann, Irene Campbell, Chuck Reyer
Altar Guild	Lynn Ruff	TBD
	Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede	
Coffee Hosts	Adam Krueger	Bonnie & Donn McLellan

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 24

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Ushers	George Ferguson, Michael Lansing	Sue Browender, Jerry Duncan, Robin Rayfield
Altar Guild	Lynn Ruff Paula Carlson	Mary Crippen
Coffee Hosts	Hosts Needed!	Hosts 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; Carla Manuel; Jude Mostek; Rhoda Nelson; Renee Ollikain; Jerry Ostlund; Russ Pearson; Naomi Peterson; 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; 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; 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 Sutherlund, 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:** Steven Manuel, Janet Gallagher, and Kandi Jo Nelson.
- **For those in hospice care:** Mary Lee; Anne Bartz.
- **At the death of:** Larry Crosby.
- **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, March 17 – *Fifth Sunday in Lent, year B; St. Patrick, bishop, missionary to Ireland*

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

12:30 pm YI Confirmation

Monday, March 18

5:30 pm Family Music Time (online only)

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

Tuesday, March 19 – *St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus*

Noon Bible Study

6:00 pm Neighborhood Ministries Committee meeting

7:00 pm Area Housing meeting

Wednesday, March 20

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, March 21 – *Thomas Cranmer, Bishop of Canterbury, martyr*

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, March 22 – *Jonathan Edwards, teacher, missionary to American Indians*

7:00 pm Recovery Group

Saturday, March 23

10:00 am Funeral Visitation: Larry Crosby

11:00 am **Funeral Eucharist**, followed by luncheon

Sunday, March 24 – *Sunday of the Passion / Palm Sunday*

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

9:30 am Godly Play/No Adult Forum this day

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

The Commemorations

March 17: *St. Patrick, bishop, missionary to Ireland, died 461* - A native of Britain, Patrick was kidnapped by pirates at age sixteen and sold into slavery in Ireland. After a few years, he escaped, returned home, and entered the ministry. Returning to Ireland, he successfully served as a bishop and missionary there.

March 19: *St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus* - Though the Bible tells us little about the husband of Jesus' mother Mary, we know that he was a carpenter or builder by trade. He is also shown as being devoted both to God and to Mary and Jesus. It is assumed that he died before Jesus became an adult.

March 21: *Thomas Cranmer, Bishop of Canterbury, martyr, died 1556* - Cranmer's lasting achievement is contributing to and overseeing the creation of the Book of Common Prayer, which remains (in revised form) the worship book of the Anglican Communion. He was burned at the stake under Queen Mary for his support of the Protestant Reformation.

March 22: *Jonathan Edwards, teacher, missionary to American Indians, died 1758* - A Puritan minister in Connecticut, Edwards is remembered as being a great preacher. Though his most famous sermon talks at length about hell, he was more concerned with God's love. He served both as missionary to the Housatonic people in Massachusetts, and as president of the future Princeton University.

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.

Holy Week, Triduum, and Easter at Mount Olive

Monday-Wednesday, March 25-27: Monday-Wednesday in Holy Week

+ Daily Prayer at Noon, in the side chapel of the nave, near the columbarium

Thursday, March 28: Maundy Thursday

+ Holy Eucharist, Noon

+ Holy Eucharist, with Washing of Feet, 7:00 pm

Friday, March 29: Good Friday

+ Stations of the Cross, Noon

+ Adoration of the Cross, 7 pm

Saturday, March 30: Holy Saturday

+ The Easter Vigil, 8:30 pm, followed by a festive reception

Sunday, March 31: The Resurrection of Our Lord/Easter Day

+ **ONE** Festival Holy Eucharist at 10 am (note schedule!)

Carry-in Brunch before the liturgy at 9:00 am

(bring a dish to share!)



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