



Welcome to Worship at Mount Olive!

Mount Olive is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and a Reconciling in Christ congregation. It is a community in and of the city where all are welcome in every aspect of congregational life. We believe that the liturgy 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.

Following the Liturgy

- *Page*: Numbers marked “page ...” are in the front of the cranberry red hymnal in the lower outside corners of the pages.
- *HYMN*: Numbers marked “HYMN ...” are in the back of the cranberry red hymnal in the upper outside corners of the pages.
- *Psalms* are numbered as hymns 1–150.
- *Hymns numbered 901–1100*, marked “ACS HYMN ...,” are in the purple hymnal supplement, *All Creation Sings*.

Accessibility

- An *elevator* is located at the north entry. Turn right as you exit the nave.
- A large *unisex restroom* is located on the lower level (across the hall from the elevator).
- *Primary restrooms* are located on the main floor near the elevator.
- *Additional parking* is available on Sunday mornings behind the Career Force center at the corner of Chicago Ave. and Lake St.
- *Hearing Assistance*
 - *T-coil* is provided in our nave and other large gathering areas.
 - *Small headsets* are also available. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

Focus on the Season: The Baptism of Our Lord

In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus is revealed as God’s beloved Son. Through this great epiphany, Jesus fulfills all righteousness and becomes the servant of God who will bring forth justice and be a light to the nations. In the waters of baptism we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God’s beloved children to proclaim good news to all in need of God’s healing.

The Baptism of Our Lord

January 11, 2026 † 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

The Entrance Liturgy

PRELUDE: “O Holy Spirit, Enter In” (WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET DER MORGENSTERN) Jan Zwart

Stand and face the entrance at the sound of the bell.

KYRIE

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THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM with ASPERGES

¶ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

¶ Amen.

¶ Holy God . . . fountain of resurrection.

¶ Blessed be God now and forever.

¶ Praise to you . . . never be thirsty again.

¶ Blessed be God now and forever.

¶ At this font, Holy God . . . drown the evil around us.

¶ Blessed be God now and forever.

¶ Satisfy all our thirst . . . now and forever.

¶ Amen.

The congregation is sprinkled with water as a reminder of the gift and calling of baptism.

HYMN AT THE ASPERGES

“O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

HYMN 786

PRAYER OF THE DAY

¶ Let us pray. Holy God, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your children, and empower us all with

your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:1-9

(seated)

Response: **C Thanks be to God.** *A brief silence follows the reading.*

PSALMODY: Psalm 29

A brief silence follows the psalm.

(10:45) *The choir sings an antiphon at the beginning and after verses 4, 8, and 11:*
The voice of the LORD is upon the waters. (Ps. 29:3)

The verses are sung responsively using the following tone. The congregation sings the even-numbered verses.



SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-43

Response: **C Thanks be to God.** *A brief silence follows the reading.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (standing to face the cross as it is carried into the assembly)

The alleluia is sung twice each time.



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Verse: A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." (Matt. 3:17)

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13-17

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

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

Please remain standing until the invocation is pronounced.

SERMON

For the Living of These Days

Following the sermon, a brief silence is kept.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

(standing)

HYMN 705

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(kneeling)

Response: C hear our prayer.

PEACE

(standing)

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

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

AT THE OFFERING

(seated)

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Gifts may be placed in the offering plate or made online using the QR code on the back of this worship folder.

“Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized” (LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN), BWV 732

- J. S. Bach

OFFERTORY

“Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized”

HYMN 304

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Response: C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sursum Corda

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Sanctus

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Eucharistic Prayer

- ¶ Blessed are you . . . the Lord's death until he comes.
- ¶ **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**
- ¶ Remembering, therefore . . . your holy and life-giving light.
- ¶ **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- ¶ Send now, we pray . . . the brilliance of Christ.
- ¶ **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**
- ¶ To you, O God, . . . now and forever.
- ¶ **Amen**

Lord's Prayer *sung by all*

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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”

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(10:45) "Unverzagt in allem Leide!," TWV 1:14565 (1726) Georg Philipp Telemann
Cantata for the Third Day of Christmas translation on worship folder insert

“Wade in the Water”

HYMN 459

After all have communed:

(standing)

COMMUNION BLESSING

Response: **C** Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Response: **C** Amen.

The Sending Liturgy

SENDING OF COMMUNION

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 brothers and sisters 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.

SENDING HYMN

“I Bind unto Myself Today”

HYMN 450

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 4 – All, in harmony

Stanza 2 – Low voices

Stanza 5 – All

Stanza 3 – Treble voices

DISMISSAL

¶ Go in peace. Share the Good News!

¶ **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE: “I Bind unto Myself Today” (ST. PATRICK’S BREASTPLATE)

John Hebdon Schaffner

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Andrew & Sarah Stoebig,
in celebration of their third wedding anniversary.*

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Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
Organist	Cantor Daniel Schwandt
Sacristan	Brad Nelson
Assisting Minister	Vicar Erik Nelson
Crucifer	Wes Huisenga
Communion Minister	Andrew Andersen, Judy & Walt Hinck
Livestream / Audio Mix	Eric Manuel / David Molvik
(10:45) Choir	Mount Olive Cantorei
(10:45) Soloist	Emily Bird
(10:45) Instrumentalists	Elizabeth Spang, Flute; Charles Asch, 'Cello
<u>8:00</u>	
Acolytes	Al Bipes, Robin Rayfield
Lectors	Kandi Jo Nelson
Ushers	Melissa Stone, Lynn Ruff
Altar Guild	Lynn Ruff Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede
<u>10:45</u>	
	Consuelo Crosby, Nicholas Johnson
	John Meyer
	Carol Austermann, Allen Heggen,
	Mike Knudson
	Bonnie McLellan

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

* Presiding Minister	The Rev. Beth Gaede
Preacher	Vicar Erik Nelson
Organist	Cantor Daniel Schwandt
Sacristan	Andrew Stoebig
Assisting Minister	Paul Odlaug
Communion Minister	Larry Duncan, Brad & Linda Holt, Don Luther
Livestream / Audio Mix	Reid Peterson / Ken Schulz
(10:45) Choir	Mount Olive Cantorei
<u>8:00</u>	
Acolytes	Larry Duncan, Jan Harbaugh
Lectors	Brian Jacobs
Ushers	John Bjork, George Ferguson
Altar Guild	Cynthia Prosek Jan Harbaugh
Coffee Hosts	Hosts Needed!
<u>10:45</u>	
	Carol Austermann, Eric Zander
	Peggy Hoeft
	David Anderson, Jerry Duncan,
	Elena Molbert
	Candy Husemoller
	Hosts Needed!

* Pastor Crippen is on vacation until January 24.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

- **Please pray throughout the week for the following persons:** Keith Bartz; Dixie Berg; Krys Campbell-Bolz; Jan Gallagher; Marilyn Gebauer; Tom Graves; Beth & Neil Hering; Mary Rose Kaliher; Leanna Kloempken; Bob Lee; Tim Lindholm; Jude Mostek; Gary Nack; Kandi Jo Nelson; Rhoda Nelson; Gail Nielsen; Paul Nixdorf; Connie & Rod Olson; Jerry Ostlund; Russ Pearson; Robin Rayfield; Pariann Schenk; Rodney Schrank; Mark Spitzack; David & Shirley Tabis; John Wall; Grace Wiechman; Charlotte Erasmus, friend of Nancy Anderson; Joanne and Paul Solarski, mother and uncle of Emily Bird; Sheryl Greife, friend of Sabrina Bipes; Sara Brunette, daughter-in-law of CJ Brunette; Lela Frazier, Lawrence Walker, and Anne Walker, sister and friends of Irene Campbell; Theresa Ryser, relative of Kat & Gretchen Campbell-Johnson; David Gutierrez, father of Consuelo Crosby; Mary Bouska, friend of Mary Dodgson; Joe & Brenda Patnaude, friends of Tom Graves & Ginny Agresti; Jack Pogge and Joy McDonald Coltvet, friends of Jan Harbaugh; Mark Holtzen, Tom Cedal, Chuck Dull and Brian Johnson, cousin and friends of Carolyn & George Heider; the Klapushynski family (of Ukraine), friends of Jim & Judy Johnson; Bonnie Beisell, friend of Dave & Mary Rose Kaliher; Mike Ruchie, brother of Kathy Kruger; Ann Richards, friend of Carol Martinson; Harriet Marty, step-mother of John & Connie Marty; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Stan & Darlene Nelson, parents of Brad Nelson; Sandy Bryant, Daniel Nelson, and Martha Johnson, daughter, son, and sister of Rhoda Nelson and sister, brother, and aunt of Sherry Nelson; Chris McCune-Zierath, friend of Lisa Nordeen; Linda Penas, sister of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; Olive Oelfke, great-granddaughter of George & Marlys Oelfke, Jolie Melana Meshbesher and Kit Delfino, friends of Robin Rayfield; Aric Sorenson, former member of Mount Olive; Trish Ryan, mother in law of Erika Thurston Ryan; Miranda Alvis, niece of Tim Sneer; David Duran, friend of Kevin Vazquez; Eileen Weiss and Jim Weiss, mother-in-law and brother-in-law of John Wall; Wendell; Lynda, friend of Eric Zander; Elijah Pettis; Steve Horsfield, friends of Mount Olive.
- **For those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries this week:** Matthew Crosby, Samuel Melang, Julia Melang, and Eric Manuel
- **Of thanksgiving at the birth of a child:** Meredith Rose, child of Rachel and Josh Organist
- **In hospice care:** Jack Olson; Fred Johnson, great uncle of Andrew Stoebig; Robert Rimbo, former Mount Olive vicar and ELCA bishop; Christiane Reichel, friend from Leipzig.
- **At the death of:** Jo Ellen Kloehn
- **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, January 11 – Baptism of Our Lord, year A

8:00 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation
9:30 am Adult Forum / Youth Discussion / Godly Play
10:45 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation
12:30 pm Y1 Confirmation

Monday, January 12

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

Tuesday, January 13

Noon Bible Study

Wednesday, January 14

10:00 am Staff meeting
5:30 pm Children's Choir supper
6:00 pm Children's Choir rehearsals
7:00 pm Cantorei rehearsal
7:00 pm Y3 Confirmation

Thursday, January 15 – Martin Luther King Jr, renewer of society, martyr

9:30 am **Morning Prayer**
7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, January 16

7:00 pm Recovery Group

Saturday, January 17 – St. Antony of Egypt and St. Pachomius, renewers of the church

Sunday, January 18 – Second Sunday after Epiphany, year A

8:00 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation
9:30 am Adult Forum / Youth Discussion / Godly Play
10:45 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation
12:30 pm Y4 Confirmation
12:30 pm Justice Committee meeting

The Commemorations

January 15: *Martin Luther King Jr., renewer of society, martyr, died 1968* - An American prophet of justice among races and nations, King was an eloquent preacher, a leader of the nonviolent resistance to race-segregated society, and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. Born on this date, he was assassinated on April 4, 1968.

January 17: *St. Antony of Egypt, renewer of the church, died around 356* - One of the earliest of the Egyptian desert fathers, Antony gave away his sizeable inheritance and became a hermit. Later he became leader of a group of monks who devoted themselves to prayer, worship, and labor.

January 17: *St. Pachomius, renewer of the church, died 346* - Born in Egypt, Pachomius became a Christian while a soldier. He became a hermit (a solitary monk) and organized others into a religious community. His rule for monasteries influenced later ones in both the Eastern and Western churches.

Today's Adult Forum

The Leipzig Partnership, presented by Lora Dundek.

The Leipzig Partnership is over 30 years old, and both the Minneapolis Area Synod and the Lutheran Church in Leipzig are continuing to explore ways to partner together in ministry and build relationships with each other. Lora will discuss the background of the partnership and how our respective histories can help us build hope and resilience in a challenging world.

Next Week's Forum:

Greg Murphy and George Heider (perhaps others!) will provide additional background and information on their recent trip to Palestine.



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