



Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 18, 2026 + 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 (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: Second Sunday after Epiphany, year A

Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. Christ Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in Word and Meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One, and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 18, 2026 † 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

The Entrance Liturgy

PRELUDE: Aria Andrew Carter (*In memoriam*)

ENTRANCE HYMN (standing to face the cross as it is carried into the nave)
“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” HYMN 311

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.**

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE page 195
“Glory to God”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ¶ Let us pray. Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
¶ **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:1-7 (seated)

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

PSALMODY: Psalm 40:1-11

A brief silence follows the psalm.

(10:45) *The choir sings an antiphon at the beginning and end: I love to do your will, O my God.*

The verses are sung responsively between soloist/choir and congregation.



SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

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.



Verse: In the Word was life, and the life was the light of all people. – John 1:4

HOLY GOSPEL: John 1:29-42

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

Following the sermon, a brief silence is kept.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Come, Beloved of the Maker”

(standing)

HYMN 306

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 4 – Low voices

Stanza 2 – Treble voices

Stanza 5 – All

Stanza 3 – All

APOSTLES' CREED

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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.

(8:00) "Now the Silence" (Now)

Alec Wyton

(10:45) "We Believe That This Is Jesus"

Spiritual, arr. Mark Sedio

*We believe that this is Jesus. Come and see.
The light of God lights up his face. Come and see.
He offers us redeeming grace. Come and see.
The love of God shines in his eyes. Come and see.
It tells of glory in the skies. Come and see.
Did you ever see such love before? Come and see.
Go in peace and sin no more. Come and see.*

OFFERTORY

"Now the Silence"

HYMN 460

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Response: C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sursum Corda

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Sanctus

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Eucharistic Prayer

P Blessed are you . . . the Lord's death until he comes.

C 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 spoken by all
"Our Father in heaven..."

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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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“Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior”

ACS HYMN 963

“In This Feast of Love”

ACS HYMN 962

“Abide, O Dearest Jesus”

HYMN 539

After all have communed:

(standing)

COMMUNION BLESSING

Response: **C** Amen.

NUNC DIMMITTIS

“Now, Lord”

HYMN 201

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.**

DISMISSAL

- ¶ Go in peace. Share the Good News!
- ¶ **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE:

Toccata in d minor, BWV 538

J. S. Bach

Today's Adult Forum

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

Next Week's Forum:

Justice Ministry Director Candy Husemoller will lead a discussion about the work of her committee.

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WORSHIP LEADERS

* Presiding Minister	The Rev. Beth Gaede
Preacher	Vicar Erik Nelson
Organist	Cantor Daniel Schwandt
Sacristan	Andrew Stoebig
Assisting Minister	Paul Odlaug
Communion Ministers	Larry Duncan, Brad & Linda Holt, Don Luther, Alan Wicks
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
<u>10:45</u>	
	Carol Austermann, Eric Zander
	Peggy Hoeft
	David Anderson, Jerry Duncan, Elena Molbert
	Candy Husemoller

* Pastor Crippen is on vacation until January 24.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
Organist	Cantor Daniel Schwandt
Sacristan	Tom Olsen
Assisting Minister	Consuelo Crosby
Eucharistic Minister	Vicar Erik Nelson
Communion Ministers	Allen Dundek, Rob Ruff
Livestream / Audio Mix	Greg Murphy / David Molvik
(10:45) Choirs	Mount Olive Cantorei Youth Choir, Rebekah Schulz, director Children's Choir, Mari Espeland, director
<u>8:00</u>	
Acolytes	Thomas Fenner & Adam Krueger
Lectors	Rob Ruff
Ushers	Joy Obadiaru, Stephanie Obadiaru
Altar Guild	Lynn Ruff Joy Obadiaru
Coffee Hosts	Hosts Needed!
<u>10:45</u>	
	Eleanor Crippen, John Crippen
	David Hauschild
	Irene Campbell, Carol Martinson, Chuck Reyer
	Bonnie McLellan
	Hosts Needed!

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; Neil Hering; Mary Rose Kalisher; 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; George Murphy, friend of Sue Browender; 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 Colvtet, 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 Kalisher; 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:** Janice Harbaugh, Bruce Burnside, and David Olson.
- **In hospice care:** Steve Sherer; Beth Hering; Jack Olson; Fred Johnson, great uncle of Andrew Stoebig; Robert Rimbo, former Mount Olive vicar and ELCA bishop; Christiane Reichel, friend from Leipzig.
- **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 18 – Second Sunday after Epiphany, year A; Confession of St. Peter

- 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

Monday, January 19 – St. Henry, Bishop of Uppsala, martyr

- 5:30 pm Family Music Time (online only)
6:30 pm Recorder Group
7:00 pm Monday Night WAVE (N.A. group)

Tuesday, January 20

- Noon Bible Study
5:00 pm Neighborhood Ministry Committee meeting
6:30 pm Feminine Divine group

Wednesday, January 21 – St. Agnes, martyr

- 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 22

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

Friday, January 23

- 7:00 pm Recovery Group

Saturday, January 24

- 3:00 pm Early Music Minnesota Concert: Conversations in Counterpoint

Sunday, January 25 – Third 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
3:00 pm MFA event: Singing the Art of Aaron Silver

The Commemorations

January 18: *Confession of Peter* - Today the church remembers the apostle Peter's great acknowledgement of Jesus as "the Christ, the Son of the living God." This festival serves as a fitting beginning to the week in which we particularly pray that all Christians might be united in faith and witness.

January 19: *St. Henry, Bishop of Uppsala, martyr, died 1156* - When Erik, King of Sweden, determined to invade Finland for the purpose of converting the people there to Christianity, Henry went with him. Henry is recognized as the patron saint of Finland.

January 21: *St. Agnes, martyr, died around 304* - Agnes was a girl of about thirteen living in Rome. The details of her martyrdom are not clear, but she gave witness to her faith and was put to death as a result, most likely by the sword. The church has honored her as one of the chief martyrs of her time.

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