



† **THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER** †
9:00AM, Sunday, April 19, 2020

AS WE GATHER

Sometimes the simplest of words carry the greatest of importance. As Jesus speaks with the doubting disciple Thomas gathered in a special room with the disciples a few days after the resurrection, He says simply, “See.” But that is all He needs to say. It confirms the powerful truth that He is indeed arisen from the dead. Today we are faithful people gathered in a different room—but also with those who are disciples of the Lord. And He has promised to be with us and among us in the upper room. As we worship, we will see signs of His abiding presence.

PRELUDE Prelude No. 1 in C major (Well-Tempered Clavier BMV 846) ...J.S. Bach

WELCOME

OPENING SONG “Forever (We Sing Hallelujah)

Verse 1

The moon and stars they wept
The morning sun was dead
The Savior of the world was fallen
His body on the cross
His blood poured out for us
The weight of every curse upon Him

Verse 2

One final breath He gave
As heaven looked away
The Son of God was laid in darkness
A battle in the grave
The war on death was waged
The power of hell forever broken

Pre-Chorus

The ground began to shake
The stone was rolled away
His (perfect) (reckless) love could not be overcome
Now death where is your sting
Our resurrected King has rendered you defeated

Chorus

Now forever He is glorified
Forever He is lifted high
And forever He is risen
He is alive and He is alive
(REPEAT)

Bridge

We sing hallelujah we sing hallelujah
We sing hallelujah the Lamb has overcome
(REPEAT)
We sing hallelujah we sing hallelujah
We sing hallelujah

Ending

And now death where is your sting
Our resurrected King has overcome
He's overcome oh

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES *Romans 6:9; John 20:29b*

P Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
C **death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.**
P Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.
C **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalms 85:1–2, 7*

P Lord, You were favorable to Your land;
C **You restored the fortunes of Jacob.**
P You forgave the iniquity of Your people;
C **You covered all their sin.**
P Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord,
C **and grant us Your salvation.**
P Let us then confess our sins unto our gracious Lord.
C **Almighty God, in humility and with repentant hearts we come before You. With shame and regret we admit and confess our sinfulness. We have not lived up to our calling as Your peaceable people. We have not done the good You demand and have not been the people You would have us be. We do repent and are truly sorry for our sins in thought, word, and deed. Have mercy on us, merciful Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son. Forgive us all that needs Your forgiving grace, and with the power of the Holy Spirit, direct us to serve You faithfully all our days through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**
P God has promised His merciful forgiveness to those who repent of their sins and turn to Him in confession. He will revive them and speak peace to His people. In His stead and by His command, therefore, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**
P God keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit, lead you in ways of peace and joy, and finally bring you to live with Him forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C **Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

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P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

- P For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P For those who labor, those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P For these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**


HYMN OF PRAISE

“Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia”


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1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
 2 For three long days the grave did its worst
 3 The an - gel said to them, “Do not fear!
 4 “Go spread the news: He’s not in the grave;
 5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
 Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
 You look for Je - sus who is not here.
 He has a - ris - en this world to save.
 Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
 He who gives life did death un - der - go;
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
 Je - sus’ re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
 Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;




E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 And in its con - quest His might did show.
 On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there.”
 E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won.”
 He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

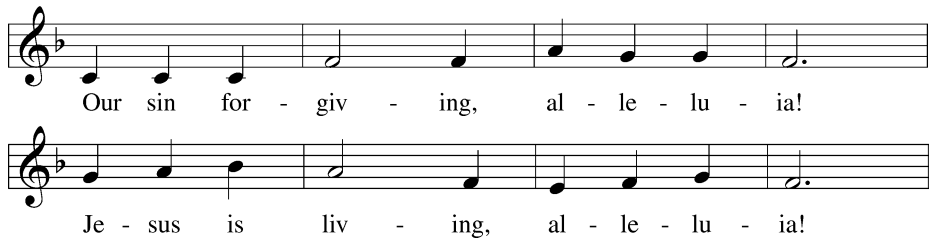
Refrain



Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;



Death’s fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.



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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 5:29-42

²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

³³When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. ³⁴But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. ³⁵And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. ³⁶For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. ³⁷After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. ³⁸So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; ³⁹but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, ⁴⁰and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. ⁴¹Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. ⁴²And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalms 148

P Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights!

C **Praise Him all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars! Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!**

P Let them praise the name of the Lord! For He commanded and they were created. And He established them forever and ever; He gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

C **Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling His word!**

P Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!

C **Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children!**

P Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints, for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the Lord!

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

EPISTLE

1 Peter 1:3-9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by

various trials,⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory,⁹ obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.”²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came.²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.”²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!”²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book;³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SONG OF THE DAY “Glorious Day”

Verse 1

I was buried beneath my shame
Who could carry that kind of weight
It was my tomb 'til I met You

Verse 2

I was breathing but not alive
All my failures I tried to hide
It was my tomb 'til I met You

Chorus

('Cause when) You called my name (and)
I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day
You called my name (and) I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day

Verse 3

Now Your mercy has saved my soul
Now Your freedom is all that I know
The old made new Jesus when I met You

Bridge

I needed rescue my sin was heavy
But chains break at the weight of Your glory
I needed shelter I was an orphan

Now You call me a citizen of Heaven
When I was broken You were my healing
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing
I have a future my eyes are open
(CHORUS)

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SERMON *We Still Have Peace*

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. We pray for the whole Christian Church, that the peace of God dwell upon it and that the Spirit of God work through it. Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer and grant us Your peace.
P We pray for the nations of the world and for the men and women entrusted with their leadership, that true and lasting tranquility be known around the globe. Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer and grant us Your peace.
P We pray for this congregation, that all of its members dwell together in unity. Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer and grant us Your peace.
P We pray for those who actively keep the peace both locally and around the world, including the armed forces of our nation and our local policemen and women. Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer and grant us Your peace.
P We pray for those whose lives are in need of a special measure of peace and comfort: the sick and the hospitalized, including . . . and those who are experiencing changes and challenges, including the unemployed, those who are relocating to new situations, and the elderly, as they face each new day. Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer and grant us Your peace.
P For all the saints called now to Your eternal presence, Lord, we give You thanks. Grant that we be blessed by the heritage of faith they have left to us in our time. Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer and grant us Your peace. Amen.

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY HYMN

"O Sons and Daughters of the King"

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1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly
2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful
3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and
4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!
 wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.
 speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."
 came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5 When Thomas first the tidings heard
 That they had seen the risen Lord,
 He doubted the disciples' word.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,
 And look upon My hands, My feet;
 Not faithless but believing be."
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

7 No longer Thomas then denied;
 He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 "You are my Lord and God!" he cried.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

8 How blest are they who have not seen
 And yet whose faith has constant been,
 For they eternal life shall win.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days
 Be laud and jubilee and praise:
 To God your hearts and voices raise.
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“The Day of Resurrection”

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1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil That we may see a - right
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, Let earth its song be - gin,
△ 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, All praise to God the Son,



The pass - o - ver of glad - ness, The pass - o - ver of God.
The Lord in rays e - ter - nal Of res - ur - rec - tion light
Let all the world keep tri - umph And all that is there - in.
All praise to God the Spir - it, E - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, From sin's do - min - ion free,
And, lis - t'ning to His ac - cents, May hear, so calm and plain,
Let all things, seen and un - seen, Their notes of glad - ness blend;
Let all the ran - somed num - ber Fall down be - fore the throne



Our Christ has brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry.
His own “All hail!” and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor strain.
For Christ the Lord has ris - en, Our joy that has no end!
And hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry As - cribe to God a - lone!

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POSTLUDE

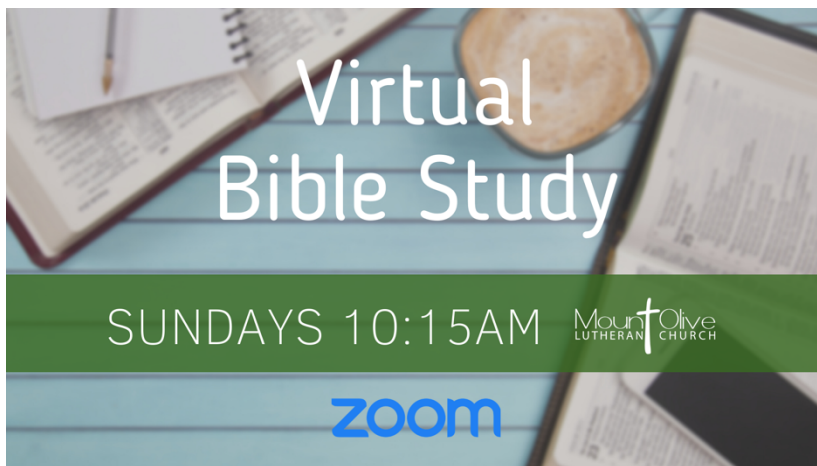
“Lo He Comes With Clouds Descending”

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Announcements for April 19, 2020

We Pray for. . . Joe Aamot, Dick Mulcahey. Char Ford, Linda Krueger.

WEEKLY MOUNT OLIVE MINISTRY

MONDAY - Midday Meditations From Mount Olive

Enjoy weekly musical meditations by Mount Olive members **every Monday** on Music At Mount Olive Facebook page and YouTube channel. Search for "Music At Mount Olive" on Facebook and YouTube. LIKE on Facebook and SUBSCRIBE on YouTube to be the first to know when there is a new meditation!

TUESDAY & THURSDAY - Walking in the Light Podcast

Check out Pastor Mark's bi-weekly devotional podcast "Walking in the Light" on our website at www.molc.us/devotions. A new episode will be posted **on Tuesday and Thursday** each week!

WEDNESDAY - Wednesday Reflections

Be sure that you have "LIKED" Mount Olive (@mountolivemadison) on Facebook to stay connected (especially during COVID-19). Pastor Jason posts video reflections on Facebook **every Wednesday night**, which have helped set the tone for the week.

Virtual Sunday Bible Study

Good news! **Beginning Sun, Apr 19**, we will resume Sunday Bible Studies – virtually via Zoom. Every **Sunday at 10:15am** (following 9am livestream worship), follow the link provided in a weekly Friday email. You will need to download the FREE Zoom app on your computer, tablet, or smartphone. Once you have the app, the link we provide will take you right to the Bible Study.

Leadership Spots Still Open!

The Nominating Committee is still in search of willing Mount Olive members who would be interested in serving as a director/member on a Mount Olive board for the 2020-22 term. If you are interested in serving at this capacity, contact Bill Skiera at bskierawis@gmail.com.

Mount Olive Foundation Donates to Youth!

The MOLC Foundation is pleased to announce that a Grant for \$1000 has been awarded to the Youth Ministry Board for the 2020 mission trip. Due to the COVID-19 shut down, the youth were unable to host the annual Easter morning breakfast, which is a significant fundraiser for their mission work. We are hopeful that conditions improve so that this important mission work goes forward in July.

Pick Up Your Easter Flowers!

For those of you that were Easter flower sponsors (thank you!): If you would like to pick up your flowers this week, contact the office at (608) 238-5656 or office@molc.us to set up a time to come in and pick them up. Thank you for helping us adorn the altar in celebration of our Risen Lord despite not being able to gather in person.

Assistance During COVID-19

If anyone you know at Mount Olive is in a situation where they would prefer or need to have someone run errands, shop, etc.. (so as not to risk their own health), please contact the church office at (608) 238-5656 or office@molc.us and let us know how we can help. According to the CDC, older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions might be at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

Food Pantry

During COVID-19 with our closed doors, our food pantry is not as accessible as it was before. If you or anyone you know needs non-perishable items from our pantry, please contact the office to set up a time to come in to utilize our food pantry. A schedule may be set in the coming weeks.

Bible Verse Signs

What can I do while social distancing? Mark 16:15 - Jesus said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation." Mark 16:20 - Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it. SIGNS!!! That is our answer!

The Board of Outreach would like to encourage and challenge you to be creative! Post a sign in the back window of your vehicle or front window of your house. Pick a quote(s), put it on paper/cardboard so that it's big enough for people to read, and display it. Get your kids, grab your chalk and start writing on your driveway or sidewalk. Let's spread the good news of our Lord to our neighbors, co-workers, friends and family! Ideas: TRUST IN THE LORD & STAY HEALTHY FRIENDS or PEACE BE WITH YOU or come up with your own special quote! You can even #mountolivemadison or #mountolivelive, take a picture of your sign and post it to Facebook or Instagram tagging @mountolivemadison! Let's go spread the good news!

An Appreciation Message from the American Red Cross

We are so very grateful to all those who donated (including 12 Mount Olive members) and for those volunteers that helped to make this drive possible given the challenges the Coronavirus has brought with it. The drive had 49 donors and 50 total units were collected. What an absolutely phenomenal presentation of donors—**217% to goal!** That is simply amazing. Thank you to everyone for their generosity and patience during uncertain times to help patients in need!! As many as **150** lives will have been helped by the Mount Olive Blood Drive!

Free Online Resources Available – Concordia Publishing House

Concordia Publishing House has made a bunch of online resources available for FREE during COVID-19, including Portals of Prayer and Today's Light Bible Study. For our members that pick up the Portals of Prayer and participate in the Today's Light Bible Study, this may be of interest during this quarantine period. Visit www.cph.org.