



† THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST †

8:00AM, Sunday, June 28, 2020

WELCOME TO MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH!

We are honored to have you in worship with us today and pray God's blessings on your worship. If this is your first visit to Mount Olive, we hope your worship with us is a blessing and you find friendship and peace in this place. During this difficult time, we want to assure you that Mount Olive is taking all necessary precautions sanitizing our worship space, assuring social distancing, and safely preparing the sacrament. We hope to see you again and are happy to help in any way if you do not currently have a church home or are looking for one. Please ask an usher if you need assistance. We thank you for silencing your cell phones as you enter the sanctuary today.



AS WE GATHER

Paul is talking to himself in today's Epistle, for although he knows what's right, he finds it virtually impossible to do. That's because he (and all of us) have this sickness called sin, for which we ourselves have no antidote. Worse, it keeps producing evil symptoms in our thoughts, words, and deeds. As a result, we are both sick in spirit and tired from struggling. Zechariah foresaw the solution; we can see his prophecy fulfilled as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, there to die for us and rise victorious. In the Gospel, our Lord thanks our heavenly Father for revealing to us that He is indeed the One we need to overcome our sickness of sin. Indeed, thanks to our Savior, as David penned in the psalm, that when people call out to Him, God hears their cry and saves them.

HOLY COMMUNION

You are invited to commune with us by joining in confessing our faith in Christ and His real presence in the Sacrament. We affirm the presence in the Sacrament of Christ's true body and blood "through and in which we obtain the forgiveness of sins." During this time of precautions, we will utilize a communion practice called "continuous communion" in which no other human hands will be touching the wafer or the wine. Pastor Jason and the ushers will guide you through the process. If you have questions or are not a member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, please speak with Pastor Zobel before communing.

PRELUDE "Faith" ...Jim Brickman

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN "O Day of Rest and Gladness" LSB 906



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
2 This day at earth's cre - a - tion The light first had its birth;
3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, His Ho - ly Scrip - ture hear;
△ 4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, We walk the pil - grim way,



O balm of care and sad - ness, Most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
This day for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
His liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, Through bread and wine made near.
At length our rest at - tain - ing, Our end - less Sab - bath day.



This day the high and low - ly, Through a - ges joined to bless,
This day our Lord vic - to - rious The Spir - it sent from heav'n,
We jour - ney on, be - liev - ing, Re - newed with heav'n - ly might,
We sing to Thee our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," The tri - une God con - fess.
And thus this day most glo - rious A three - fold light was giv'n.
From grace more grace re - ceiv - ing, On this blest day of light.
The Church her voice up - rais - es To Thee, blest Three in One.

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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 *Zechariah 9:9*

- P Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
C **Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!**
P Behold, your king is coming to you;
C **righteous and having salvation is He.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Matthew 11:28; Romans 7:21, 24*

- P By ourselves, we are not righteous and cannot free ourselves; our only hope is to be given Christ's righteousness and thereby be saved. Let us therefore confess our sins to God, our heavenly Father.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and our sinful condition.

- P Merciful God,
C **I confess to You and in the presence of my brothers and sisters that I daily sin much and deserve nothing but punishment. Not only am I by nature sinful and unclean, but also with St. Paul, "I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?"**
P Jesus said, "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." He offers full and free pardon for all your sins and even your sinful condition. By His death and resurrection, He provides rest, not only from physical turmoil and emotional stress; in Him, we find rest for the soul! As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

KYRIE *LSB pg.152*

- P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
C **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Lord of Glory, You Have Brought Us” *LSB 851*



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your
 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,
 3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our
 4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your

life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the
 free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your
 hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious
 life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the

lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;
 good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone
 sen - tence, “You have done it all to Me.”
 lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.

And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings
 Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by
 Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You
 Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to

count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of

and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.
 poor and need - y, “Give as I have giv’n to you”?
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life’s end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Jeremiah 28:5-9*

⁵Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, ⁶and the prophet Jeremiah said, “Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. ⁷Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Romans 13:1-7

¹Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:34-42

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

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

³⁴[Jesus said:] "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. ³⁶And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. ³⁸And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

⁴⁰"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives Him who sent me. ⁴¹The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. ⁴²And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Come To Me"

The musical score for the hymn "Come To Me" is written on five staves. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the notes. The chords indicated above the notes are C, Am, Em, F, G7, and C. The lyrics are: "Come to me, all who la - bor and are heav - y bur - dened, and I shall give you rest. Take up my yoke and learn from me, for I am meek and hum - ble of heart. And you'll find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is ea - sy and my bur - den is light."

The musical score is written for four staves. The first staff is the Chorus, with notes and chords (F, C to Verse, Final C, F, C, Fine). The second staff is the Melody, with notes and chords (C, light. Am, C, Am). The third staff is the Harmony, with notes and chords (F, G7, D.S.). The fourth staff is the Verse 2, with notes and chords (F, G7, D.S.). The lyrics are: 'The Lord is my shep-herd, I shall nev-er be in need, Fresh and green are the mead-ows where he gives me rest. Come to'.

Verse 2 Pursue me, O God, with your fathomless love.
In your tent, let me dwell all the days of my life. (Refrain)

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SERMON *Is Church Worth My Time?*

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.

INSTALLATION OF BOARD MEMBERS/OFFICERS

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ and everyone in their circumstances. Zechariah promised that the coming One would "speak peace to the nations." Lord over all, move the leaders of the world's nations to seek and find common ground so that peace breaks out across borders and displaced persons are able to return to their homes. Protect and guide armed forces deployed abroad and all who keep the peace within their nations and communities. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

C and there find rest for our souls.

P The psalm proclaims that "Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom," O God, but we also give You thanks for this temporal nation and the blessings You have so graciously bestowed on us through it. Here we have found prosperity and peace; here we may respond to Your love and offer You our thanks and praise. In Your mercy, continue to use the powers that be in this world to give us the freedom we enjoy. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

C and there find rest for our souls.

P David looked for the day when "one generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts." Guide, protect, and direct the Church's leaders, heavenly Father, so that many people hear of Your ancient promises, the deliverance of Your people from Egypt, Your Son's entry into history as one of us, and His sacrifice for our sins and victorious resurrection, opening heaven to all who call on You in faith. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,

C and there find rest for our souls.

- P Paul confessed, “I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.” O Holy Spirit, hear the cries of those trapped in their various addictions, burdened with criminal records, and mired in societies of fear and terror. Surround them with faith-based organizations and compassionate counselors so that they find strength and opportunity to turn their lives around, praising You for gracious deliverance. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,
- C **and there find rest for our souls.**
- P Jesus invited, “Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” Listen to the prayers of those near and dear to us with problems of health or finances or mourning loved ones or failed relationships, including . . . Use medical professionals, trained advisers, and loving neighbors, so that they look forward to the blessings You have in mind for them in Your wisdom and mercy. We bring our petition to You, gracious Lord,
- C **and there find rest for our souls.**
- P Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C **Amen.**

OFFERING

We accept offerings via Pushpay. Text “mountolive” to 77977.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And also with you.**
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P Blesséd are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LORD’S PRAYER *(Matthew 6:9–13)*

- 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.**

DISTRIBUTION

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

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

“Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing” LSB 924

1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your Gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling
joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,
Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,
O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To Your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

POSTLUDE

“Trumpet Tune” ...H. Purcell

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BIBLE STUDY (9:30AM)

A Closer Look at the Readings, led by Pastor Jason in the Fireplace Room and also hosted on Zoom.

ALTAR FLOWERS

This morning, we thank outgoing board members and welcome new members. God’s blessings to all who are willing to serve our Lord and our congregation.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Preacher	Rev. Mark Baldwin, <i>Director of Family Life</i>
Liturgist	Rev. Jason Zobel, <i>Senior Pastor</i>
Music	Ray Calderon, <i>Director of Music</i>
Elder	Steve Nelson
Usher Team	Curt Casanova
Altar Guild (June)	Mary Strohm

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Weekly Calendar

Jun 29 - Jul 5

Wednesday (7/1)

10am Today's Light Bible Study

Thursday (7/2)

5pm Olive Branch Rehearsal

6:30pm Summer Worship †

Friday (7/3)

Office CLOSED

Saturday (7/4)

INDEPENDENCE DAY

7:30am Early Risers Bible Study

Sunday (7/5)

8am Divine Worship* †

10:30am Divine Worship* †

† Communion offered

* Available on Facebook Live also

Prayer Requests

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This Week's Prayers

We Pray for . . . Jackie Rosco, Dave Zemke, Megan Bugg, JoAnn.

We Pray for the family of Nancy Spaltholz (Chris Jaskowiak's mother), who passed away last Sunday.

This Week's News

Weekly Attendance: Thur, June 18 – 14 Sun, June 21 – 34/26

Bible Reading Challenge: Pastor Mark is challenging the congregation to a chronological reading of the Bible in One Year! It began on June 1, 2020 and ends on May 31, 2021. Here are the daily readings for this week: June 29 (Gen 50, Ex 1-2), June 30 (Ex 3-6), July 1 (Ex 7-9), July 2 (Ex 10-12), July 3 (Ex 13-16), July 4 (Ex 17-19), July 5 (Ex 20-22).

Book Club: The Book Club will resume meetings on **Mon, July 13 at 9:30am** with the book The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes. Set in Depression-era America, a story of five women and their journey through the mountains of Kentucky, Alice Wright marries American Bennett Van Cleve hoping to escape her stifling life in England. But small-town Kentucky quickly proves equally claustrophobic. So when a call goes out for a team of women to deliver books as part of a new traveling library, Alice signs on. The leader is Margery, a smart-talking, self-sufficient woman. They will be known as the Packhorse Librarians of Kentucky. Based on a true story rooted in America's past. The Mount Olive Book Club meets on the 2nd Monday monthly at 9:30am in the Fireplace Room.

MOLS Golf Outing: The 1st Annual Mount Olive Lutheran School Golf Outing is on **Sat, Aug 1st** with a **1pm** Shotgun Start at The Meadows of Six Mile Creek in Waunakee. Cost is \$100/person or \$400/foursome which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, dinner, sleeve of golf balls, prizes, and fellowship. Registration forms are available at the Welcome Center or molc.us and **must be in by Sun, July 19**. Not a golfer? Well, you can support in these other ways: 1) volunteer the day of the event, 2) sponsor a hole for \$100/hole, 3) share a monetary donation to "Mount Olive Lutheran School." If you have any questions, please contact the office.

App Under Construction: Our app is currently being updated. There's some outdated info and glitches, but you can still do things like: listen to sermons, devotions, and access the Bible. Stay tuned for our new and improved app!

Sunday Bulletins/Recordings: If you or someone you know is “shut in” and would like a bulletin and/or CD recording of the Sunday services, please let us know! Bulletins/CDs are sent out every Monday.

Portals of Prayer: As a new quarter of the year approaches, we receive a new shipment of the Portals of Prayer devotions. For those of you that are staying at home - if you would like a copy of Portals of Prayer, email or call us and let us know if we can send you one! Large print is available.

Holy Communion: If you would like to take communion at church during the week, there are three different days you can sign up to do so. **Sundays 11:30am-1:00pm, Tuesdays 9:00am-2:00pm, Wednesdays 2:00-6:00pm.** Just contact the office at office@molc.us or (608) 238-5656, and Derek will set you up with a 15-minute time slot.

Food Pantry Help: Would you consider helping us restock our food pantry for those that are in need of help during the pandemic? Current needs: diapers size 4-6, canned meat, flour, sugar, cooking oil, laundry detergent, toiletries. Thank you for your help!

COVID-19 Assistance: If you are considered “at risk” and would like assistance getting groceries or with other errands, please contact the office. Our food pantry is also available to you during office hours.

WEEKLY ONLINE MINISTRY	
MONDAY Midday Meditations LIKE & SUBSCRIBE to 'Music At Mount Olive' on Facebook and YouTube! 	TUE & THUR Walking In The Light Bi-weekly podcast available at molc.us/devotions , lead by Pastor Mark 
WEDNESDAY Wednesday Reflections Video reflections from Pastor Jason on Mount Olive Facebook page 	SUNDAY Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Worship on Facebook 

Stewardship Corner

“And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.” (Matt 10:42)

The tithes and offerings you give to the Lord’s work in His church go to supporting all manner of discipleship. They provide for a minister of the Gospel to preach, teach, and conduct the Sacraments; they provide for our missionaries and ministries of mercy here and abroad; and they make sure that the folks in your area have a place to go to worship the Lord. The Lord is pleased with this work, and He wants to bless you through supporting it.

Just a Note

Card Shop: While some of us continue to stay at home, for those of you who are coming to church and need a card or two, please feel free to continue to “self-serve” and visit the Card Shop. All cards are 75 cents each and all profits go to LWML. Watch for some new choices for birthday, get well, anniversary, and sympathy cards as a restocking order has been placed and will arrive soon.

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