

## WORSHIP

**8:00am**

Traditional  
Communion on 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
& 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

**10:30am**

Contemporary  
Communion on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>  
& 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

**9:00am** Coffee Hour

**9:20am** Sunday School

**9:30am** Bible Studies

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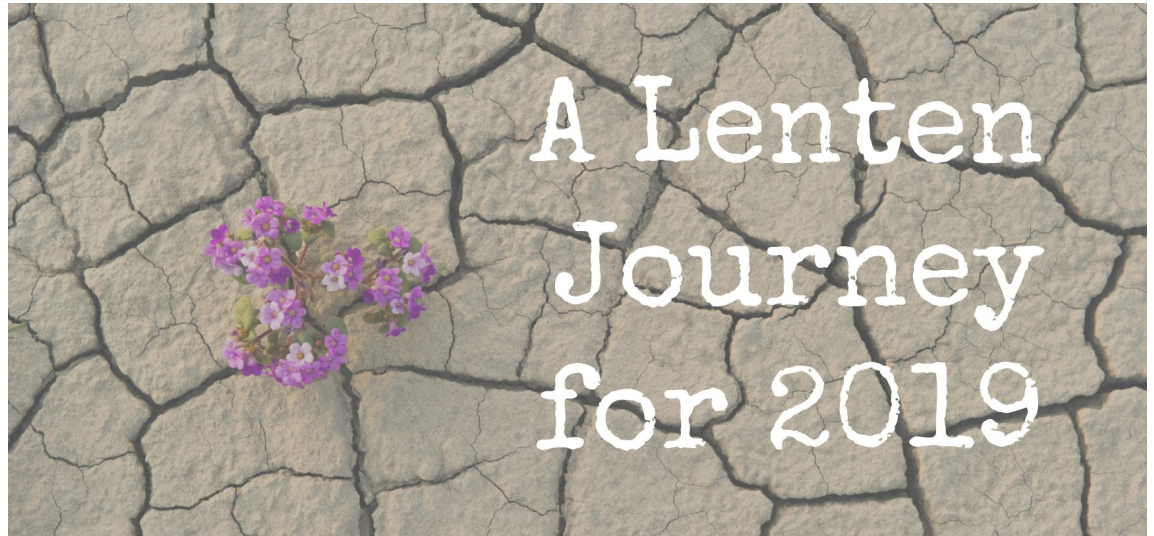
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Our Lenten theme for this year is titled, “The Book of Exodus: Let My People Go!”

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and so does our emphasis on Moses’s book called Exodus. In it, Moses asks Pharaoh to let God’s people go seven times (Ex 5:1; 7:16; 8:1, 20; 9:1, 13; 10:3) and Pharaoh finally does it! When he does, God’s salvation is so amazing that the event becomes the Gospel of the Old Testament. Israel’s Scriptures mention the exodus 125 times! Throughout the book of Exodus God reveals who he is through his absence and his presence, through his silence and his speech, through his wrath and his mercy, and through his judgment and his amazing grace. In doing so, the book paints a beautiful portrait of Jesus. Along with these Wednesday themes, our Sunday morning Bible Study will be focused on the Book of Exodus as well. This will give us many opportunities to grow in the knowledge of God’s Word as written in Exodus!

Weekly themes for us in our journey this year:

**Ash Wednesday** “Big Things with Small Stuff” (Ex 2:1–10)

**March 13** “How God Changes Us” (Ex 3:1–14)

**March 20** “Stop Trying and Start Trusting” (Ex 14:1–29)

**March 27** “Strike the Rock!” (Ex 17:1–7)

**April 3** “Mine!” (Ex 20:1–17)

**April 10** “Digging Ourselves into a Hole” (Ex 32:1–14)

**Palm Sunday** “A New Beginning!” (Ex 34:1–8)

**Maundy Thursday** “Access!” (Ex 24:1–11)

**Good Friday** “Agnus Dei” (Ex 12:1–13)

**Easter Sunday** “Against all Odds!” (Ex 15:1–18)

As we embark on another Lenten season which will lead us with Jesus to the cross and to the empty tomb, may we recommit ourselves to the mission He has given to each of us. He has called us to be the mouths, hands, and feet of His loving message which has now become our message. May we have every confidence, knowing that Jesus has covered our sins on the cross and has granted us new life in His name. Blessed be the name of the Lord!

In His Service,  
Pastor Jason

## OFFICE

### Hours

9:00am-3:00pm Mon-Fri

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*For emergencies, call 228-4134 (Pastor's cell).*

## APRIL VIEW DEADLINE

**Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**

E-mail articles to Derek Handley at [office@molc.us](mailto:office@molc.us).

If you have some spare time, come help stuff inserts and stick on mailing labels!

**Wed, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm**

## SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

The Sunday Bulletin deadline for Announcements is always **Wednesday at NOON** for the following Sunday.

Email announcements to Derek at [office@molc.us](mailto:office@molc.us).

## MARCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

**March 3:** (open)

**March 10:** (open)

**March 17:** (open)

**March 24:** (open)

**March 31:** (open)

*Sign up at the Coffee Bar!*

### ALTAR FLOWERS

**March 3:** Eunice Gibson, in honor of daughter Nancy

**March 10:** Cindy Woodford, in memory of father Dick Rose

**March 17:** Fred Buelow, in honor of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday!

**March 24:** (open)

**March 31:** (open)

*Sign up in the office!*

### SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES

Small Groups meet all around the Madison area! If you would like to be placed in a group, contact our Director of Family Life Rev. Mark Baldwin at [mbaldwin@molc.us](mailto:mbaldwin@molc.us) or (608) 238-5656.

### SPRING BLOOD DRIVE

Mount Olive will be hosting its American Red Cross Spring Blood Drive on **Wednesday, March 27 from 1-6pm**. Please plan now to participate and experience first-hand the power of giving! Walk-ins are welcome, but the Red Cross appreciates you making appointments. Do so IN PERSON at church, BY PHONE by calling 1-800-RED CROSS, or online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code 'MtOliveMadison'.

### CARD SHOP NEWS

New cards have arrived - come see what's new in the birthday and sympathy sections. And we will soon be featuring our Easter cards during March and April. We're in the Library, next to the Nursery and all our profits go to Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML).

### BOWL WITH US!

We are heading out to bowl at Schwoegler's (444 Grand Canyon Dr) **Sunday, March 10 from 1-3pm**. Sign up at the Welcome Center if you're interested! It'll be \$10 per person which includes shoes.

### DENNY'S MEET-UP

You're invited to join Mount Olive members and friends at Denny's (433 S Gammon Rd) **Wednesday, March 6 at 1pm** for good food and fellowship!

### MOTHER DAUGHTER BANQUET

The Fellowship Board is looking for volunteers that would like to help us with this new event! The date of the event is **Saturday, May 11**. If you are interested, please see Cindi Troia, Karen Stolen, Gretchen Cropp or Marina Probasco on Sundays, or contact the office!

### DOWNLOAD OUR FREE APP!

Connect, Give, Listen, and more! Search for "Mount Olive LC" in the Apple Store or Google Play store.



### LET US KNOW IF YOU'RE IN HOSPITAL!

Just a friendly reminder to let us know if you are hospitalized. The hospitals no longer let us know on their own accord like they used to.

### THANK YOU FROM MABEL HUMMEL

*I would like to express my thanks to the carolers under the direction of Linda Krueger that filled my home with song and Christmas tidings on Sunday afternoon December 23rd. It made the season even more meaningful for me. Thank you so very much. -Mabel Hummel*

## TODAY'S LIGHT BIBLE STUDY

*Let your roots sink deeper into the Word of God so you can draw from His living water.*

March	Lament	Psalms	Proverbs
1	1	88:1-18	10:20-21
2	2	108:1-13	10:22-23
4	3	123:1-4	10:24-25
5	4-5	131:1-3	10:26
6	Ezekiel 1	146:1-10	10:27-28
7	2-3	119:169-76	10:29-30
8	4-5	110:1-7	10:31-32
9	6-7	144:1-15	11:1-3
11	8-10	134:1-3	11:4
12	11-12	94:1-23	11:5-6
13	13-15	109:1-31	11:7-8
14	16-17	114:1-8	11:9-11
15	18-19	142:1-7	11:12-13
16	20-21	140:1-13	11:14-15
18	22-23	133:1-3	11:16-17
19	24	147:1-20	11:18-19
20	25-28	143:1-12	11:20-21
21	29-32	149:1-9	11:22
22	33-34	148:1-14	11:23
23	35-36	120:1-7	11:24-26
25	37	150:1-6	11:27
26	38-39	132:1-18	11:28
27	40-42	84:1-12	11:29-31
28	43	29:1-11	12:1
29	44-45	72:1-20	12:2-3
30	46-47	1:1-6	12:4-7
31	48	139:1-24	12:8-9

Today's Light Bible Class meets on **Wednesdays at 10am** in the Fireplace Room. Come and join our conversation!

## BOOK CLUB

On **Monday, March 11**, the book to discuss is Next Year in Havana by Chanel Cleeton. For our **April 8** meeting, we'll discuss A Fall of Marigolds by Susan Meissner. The Book Club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon monthly. If you have questions, contact Diane Stumpf at (608) 833-0625 or [stumpfcb@aol.com](mailto:stumpfcb@aol.com).

## USHER SHORTAGE

The usher teams are at what seems to be an all-time low currently. Would you consider joining an usher team? Contact Chuck Jaskowiak ([ccjaskowiak@tds.net](mailto:ccjaskowiak@tds.net)) or Curt Casanova ([curtcasanova@gmail.com](mailto:curtcasanova@gmail.com)) to find out all that is involved and if you are interested in serving in this way.

## LUTHERAN SCHOOLS NIGHT

The LCMS South Wisconsin District Lutheran Schools Night is coming up on **Saturday, March 30** at Miller Park. The Brewers will host the Cardinals, and first pitch is **6:10pm**. A great opportunity to spend time in fellowship and watch good baseball with your fellow Lutherans in the Loge Outfield Box! If you are interested, contact Laurel Zobel at [lzobel@molc.us](mailto:lzobel@molc.us). Tickets will be \$20 each. Be sure to let Laurel know **by Friday, March 15** if you will be attending.

## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Take a look at the 2018 Annual Report enclosed in this version of The View. If you have any specific questions about financials, assets, liabilities/equity, or membership changes, feel free to contact the office at 238-5656 or [office@molc.us](mailto:office@molc.us), or Greg Rademacher (Treasurer) at [treasurer@molc.us](mailto:treasurer@molc.us). Thank you!

# Join Us for LENT & EASTER!



Ash Wednesday Services:  
March 6, NOON & 7:00pm

Lenten Midweek Services:  
Wednesdays, Mar 13 - Apr 10, NOON & 7:00pm

Maundy (Holy) Thursday Service:  
Thur, Apr 18, 7:00pm

Good Friday Services:  
Fri, Apr 19, NOON & 7:00pm

Easter Egg Hunt:

Sat, Apr 20, 10:30am

Easter Sunday (Sun, Apr 21)

Sunrise Service: 6:30am

Pancake Breakfast: 7:30am

Traditional Worship: 9:00am

Contemporary Worship: 10:45am

There are flier versions of this schedule available at the Welcome Center at church. Feel free to grab some to take to your neighbors and friends!

***My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world. -1 John 2:1-2***

Imagine you come upon two people who are gossiping about their mutual friend. Another person comes upon the scene and questions the activity and ultimately stops the gossiping. That person could be considered an advocate for the person who was being talked about by their “so-called friends.”

An advocate by definition *is someone who publicly supports, defends, and recommends a particular cause or policy.* It can be defined further as *someone who pleads for or on behalf of another especially when it is in the court of law.*

You just imagined the first scene about the gossiping. Now imagine another...only this time, you are the person involved. The devil and his forces are making accusations against you because you have broken the commandments. Perhaps you lied, or cheated hours from your boss because you weren't using good time management. Maybe you “flew off the handle” and instead of remaining calm in a situation, you got angry or maybe even. Or perhaps you were in church, but instead of concentrating on the sermon or bible reading, your mind was wandering and you were thinking about lunch plans or that nap you were going to invest in during the afternoon. Unfortunately, for you, all of the accusations hurled at you are indeed TRUE. You and I are guilty as charged.

As these accusations are being brought to your attention, you may become frightened. You know that you deserve to be punished. And now, you are waiting because you know that with sin comes consequences. What exactly will that look like? What opportunities will you miss out on because of your bad choices?

But enter....JESUS. He steps into the drama of your everyday life. He Himself faces your accusers and says to the Heavenly Father, *“Yes, this person is guilty of everything that has been stated. However, when I went to the cross, I took all of those sins with Me. My blood that was shed covered those sins and washed them clean. I declare that this person is NOT GUILTY. I, Jesus have paid your punishment and have come to your defense!”*

Jesus does more than just free you from the guilt and shame of sin. He has marked you as His own. His response to the devil continues...*“Because this is my child, I will protect and keep him as Mine forever.”*

Jesus is the perfect Advocate. As His beloved children, we can speak as His Advocates. May we be empowered by His Word to speak on behalf of those who need a voice. From the unborn to the dying, from the needy to the homeless, for those

bullied and put down. Let us be assured of Christ's forgiveness as we seek to be advocates for those who need mercy and our help. May this Lenten season be a time for you to make this a priority and habit as we remember how Christ has interceded on our behalf.

(Taken from 2018-2019 Chapel Talks for Lutheran Schools, It's Still All About Jesus by Rev. Bob Riggert)

- Registration for the fall is now open to the public. If you know of someone interested, please have them call Laurel at 238-5656. We have openings on all 5 days yet and would love to fill our classes so that we can share the love of Jesus with more children and their families.
- Our compassion project from January (we had to postpone because of the weather) was making fleece scarves for the homeless. We will deliver these to Pastor Dan at Calvary so that he can share with those who are cold and in need of some warm clothing. This coming month we will encourage each child to bring in 100 pennies. After we have counted and done some fun activities, we will be donating the pennies to a local charity. Stay tuned to see which one will be voted upon by the preschoolers and their parents.
- Thank you for your continued support of the preschool. We so appreciate the extras that are donated (toilet paper tubes, buttons, paper towels, etc). We also appreciate the financial donations made through Thrivent Choice dollars. What a blessing to have so many caring members from Mount Olive who pray for, support, and encourage us each year!

May you be reminded of how wonderful it is to have Jesus, as our ADVOCATE. No longer do we stand accused before our Heavenly Father, but we are free to love and serve Him instead!

In His love and service,  
Laurel



## A VIEW FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR Linda Krueger

### ***Attention Members and Friends!***

Thinking about how you can enrich your Lenten journey with more prayer, fellowship and music? Looking for a short term experience like no other? We have just the opportunity!

Mount Olive Chorus, Mount Olive Bells and Mount Olive Brass Ensemble invite you to join them as they practice music for Holy Week and Easter worship services. During Lent, the groups will rehearse on **Saturday mornings** instead of Wednesday evenings. Bells at 9:45AM....Chorus at 10:45AM....Brass TBA. Saturday rehearsal dates are **March 16, March 23, March 30, April 6, April 13**. Palm Sunday is **April 14**, Maundy Thursday is **April 18**, Good Friday is **April 19** and Easter Sunday is **April 21**. See the Lent/Easter schedule in this View for service times and more details.

We welcome all voices and ages. Give it a try! Contact Linda Krueger at 238-5656 x214 or [krueger@molconline.org](mailto:krueger@molconline.org). Or show up any Saturday. When you ring/sing, you pray twice.

## A VIEW FROM THE MOUNT OLIVE FOUNDATION

### ***Mount Olive Foundation Announces Request for 2019 Grant & Christian College Scholarship Applications***

The Mount Olive Lutheran Church Foundation is now accepting applications for its grant and Christian college scholarship programs. The purpose of the Foundation is to provide a permanent and growing capital fund which by prudent investment and management will provide investment income to support purposes with which the Mount Olive Lutheran Church is associated including those with a religious, educational, or charitable focus.

Information about grant and scholarship eligibility is available at the Foundation's link on the Mount Olive website [molc.us/foundation](http://molc.us/foundation). **Please note that two different application forms are posted—one for grants and one for Christian college scholarships.**

Completed application forms are due to Foundation Board President, Chuck Jaskowiak, **no later than March 31, 2019.**

Funds, other than donor directed contributions, are not able to be used for the maintenance, repair, construction, and purchase of property or for the reduction of Mount Olive Lutheran Church indebtedness.

The Mount Olive Lutheran Church Foundation is your opportunity to make a permanent investment in Christian service. All contributions are fully deductible in accordance with the IRS code and US Treasury regulations. Opportunities for giving include birthday and anniversary remembrances, graduations, memorials honoring loved ones, special church related events and estate bequests.

For your convenience, there is a Mount Olive Lutheran Church Foundation envelope in the packet of church offering envelopes sent to you monthly. Contributions are also accepted electronically via Mount Olive's online giving app.

Thank you,  
Foundation Board of Directors  
Chuck Jaskowiak, Paul Skidmore, Cheryl Austin, Kelsey Greiber, Sharon Klawitter

## A VIEW FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION Peggy Rainbow, Director

It might seem early to be thinking about Vacation Bible School while we're still in the midst of a snowy winter, but it's never too soon to begin planning. VBS will take place **June 17-21**, and the theme this year will be "Roar." Our program not only serves children who are members, but we also have a big turnout from non-members throughout our community. What a fantastic outreach, bringing the news of Jesus to children!

Of course many helpers are needed to maintain the quality of our week of VBS. We ask all members to prayerfully consider what role you can play in making our Vacation Bible School a success. Whatever your gift, be it teaching, crafting, preparing snacks, shepherding children, there is a spot available for you to contribute to this ministry. We are also looking for someone to assist Kristie Kasbohm as Director this year and take over the role of Director in 2020.

Please pray for our Vacation Bible School program in the coming months, and for all involved in making it possible.

### **Marriage Enrichment Workshop**

We are excited to announce that we are hosting a Marriage Enrichment Workshop on **Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm(ish)** and hope you can join us! This workshop will be led by Pastor Jason and Sarah Maleck, and will help you find ways to increase effective communication, conflict resolution skills, and feelings of connectedness with your partner. This workshop will be a very low-pressure environment with no obligation to share any personal information with the group. There will be time set aside for personal reflection with your partner in private along with an opportunity to ask questions or share ideas if you would like. Our main goal is to provide tools to use to strengthen your relationship with your partner and with God.

Below is an excerpt from [spirituallyhungry.com](http://spirituallyhungry.com) regarding the reasons for participating in marriage enrichment and it's importance:

*Everyone's marriage needs work. The reason for this is because we are all capable of sin. We hurt people; not because we want to, but because we live in a broken world, and the only thing that can cleanse us is God. We often lose our way, and forget what we learned and let our emotions get the best of us. We ALL do this from time to time. But, this isn't a time for pointing the finger at one another, but rather an invitation. Put the guilt aside and simply recognize a call to awareness and to lean on God more deeply.*

*We're called to a life that is remarkable and reminiscent of the life of Jesus Christ. This is the life we are all invited to, but it takes an enormous amount of work and dependency on God. It cannot, and should not, be done without the love, power and grace of God. This life is not just for you individually, but also for your marriage, because you are both in a sacred union between you, your spouse and God. And God wants your marriage to reflect His love and perfect union in the Trinity.*

*So no matter where you are at on the marriage road right now, there's always room for God's growth in it. Perhaps you feel like your marriage is going well right now, or maybe you're in a rougher spot in your marriage than you would like. Maybe things are "just ok," or maybe it's been a long time since you've really thought about how your marriage is doing. All of these positions, and the many in-between, all need the same thing, and that is God's love, power and direction.*

*-Spirituallyhungry.com*

We are looking forward to a day of growth and learning and hope you will all come and join us! If you would like to sign up or have any questions please email [sarah.maleck@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.maleck@gmail.com) or sign up at the Welcome Center.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Members whose names are listed in **BOLD** are celebrating a birthday of 80 years or more.

### March 2

Val Jackson

### March 5

Pat Kalscheur

### March 6

Graham Ballweg

### March 7

Heidi Notbohm

### March 8

Mike Jackson

### March 10

Stuart Sliter

### March 11

Carol Woltmann

### March 13

**Fred Buelow**

### March 14

Jay Walczak

### March 15

Peter DeGraff

Don Postler

### March 18

Tim Adrianson

### March 19

Holly Anderson

Joseph Bluhm

### March 26

Jesus Covarrubias

Henry Pascaly

### March 27

Gene Cropp

### March 28

Cindy Boyle

Marly Reynolds

### March 29

Luke Duley

Laurie Sand

Hope Scott

### March 30

Mark Kasbohm

### March 31

**Marguerite Bulgrin**

**Bob Rabehl**

Ila Willenburg

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

**Brant & Kristie Kasbohm** - March 6, 2005

**Clint & Megan Morgan** - March 18, 2006

## IN THE COMMUNITY

### LIFE MINISTRY WORKSHOP

You're Invited to an (Introduction To) Life Ministry Workshop at St. John's Lutheran Church in Portage **on Saturday, March 2, 1:00-4:00pm** (registration starts at 12:30). Registration forms are at the Welcome Center if you are interested!

### EVERY ONE HIS WITNESS WORKSHOP

The Witness Workshop will be taking place **on Saturday, March 16** at Grace Lutheran Church (8537 S Pennsylvania Ave, Oak Creek, WI). Registration deadline is **Friday, March 8**. Any questions? Contact Rev. Jonah Burakowski at (414) 464-8101 or [bu-rakowski@swd.lcms.org](mailto:burakowski@swd.lcms.org).

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**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

*At Mount Olive, we come to know Jesus Christ in God's Word and Sacraments;  
praising God, strengthening our individual lives, supporting fellow Christians,  
and sharing God's love wherever we go.*