

# † REFORMATION SUNDAY † 8:00AM, Sunday, October 31, 2021 DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING TWO, LSB pg. 167

## 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

Reformation Sunday is not just a special day to celebrate our history by remembering the story of Martin Luther; it is a perfect opportunity to rejoice in the freedom we have been given from sin and death through Jesus Christ alone. By gathering to receive His Word and to share in His Supper, we come to know yet again the eternal Gospel that is being proclaimed to all who dwell on earth. This good news not only sets us free from our captivity to sin and death, but it also enables us to live a life of freedom in Christ and boldly share with others how they, too, may be set free. The same Savior who speaks His Word to us says to all who will listen: "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" (John 8:36).

#### 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 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** 

"Trumpet Voluntary" Stanley

Mount Olive Brass Ensemble

WELCOME



## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, 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



Psalm 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46

- P I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\* and shall not be | put to shame.
- C I will bless the LORD at | all times;\* his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.
- P My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;\* let the humble hear | and be glad.
- C Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;\* I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.
- P The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;\* none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.
- C Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\* and shall not be | put to shame.

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.





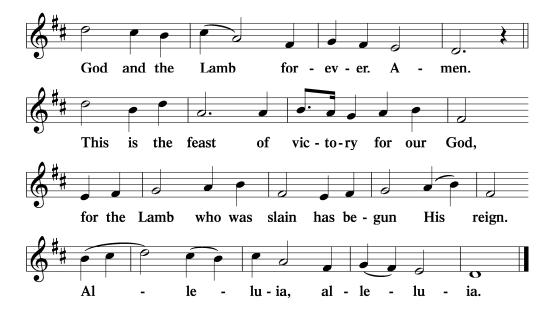


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### SALUTATION/ PRAYER OF THE DAY



**P** The Lord be with you.



- C And al so with you.
- P Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen

#### FIRST READING

#### Revelation 14:6-7

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup>And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

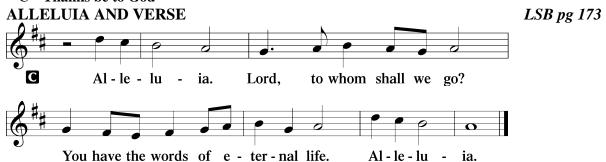
- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

### **EPISTLE**

#### Romans 3:19-28

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. <sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup>It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. <sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

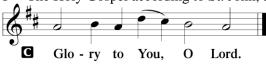
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#### **HOLY GOSPEL**

John 8:31-36

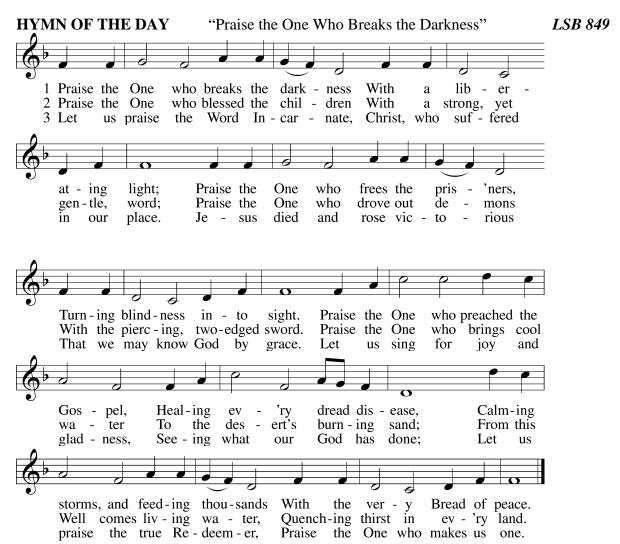
P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.



<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





SERMON Red Letter Challenge Week 2: Being

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C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And on the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. 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. Lord Jesus, You have freed us from the captivity to sin and death, from the delusion of trying to earn and maintain our own righteousness, and from the chains of condemnation and fear. That is why we rejoice in Your Word: If the Son sets you free,
- C you will be free indeed!
- P Lord Jesus, only Your mercy and grace enable us to know, find, and live in the freedom of Your eternal Gospel. Send Your Spirit upon Your Church that we continue in the truths of the Reformation, and that, to all the peoples of the world, we proclaim this truth: If the Son sets you free,
- C you will be free indeed!
- P Lord Jesus, free us from self-centeredness and pride. Turn our focus toward You first in faith and then toward others in love. Bless all who serve You and others in their homes, in the church, in the workplace, and in our community to rejoice in knowing that if the Son sets you free.
- C you will be free indeed!
- P Lord Jesus, You proclaim freedom for the captives and recovery for those with infirmities. Grant Your healing, in both soul and body, to those we name before You, especially . . . Rejoicing in Your healing touch, grant that all who receive Your Good News boldly say: If the Son sets you free,
- C you will be free indeed!
- P Lord Jesus, for these and all other concerns we have, please hear and answer our prayers according to Your gracious will
- C that we live each day in the freedom we have come to know. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING

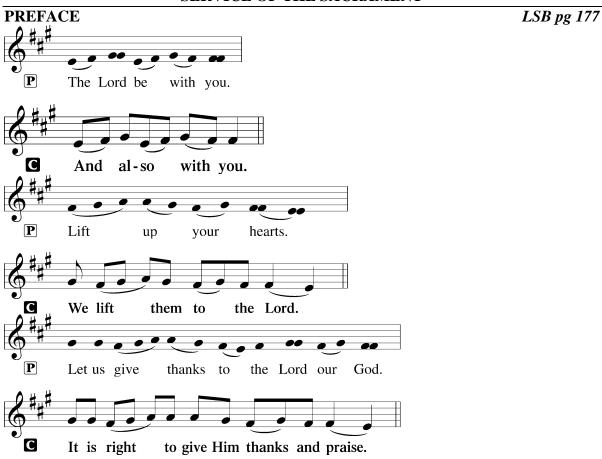
"Thy Word"

Exultation Choir

## **OFFERING**

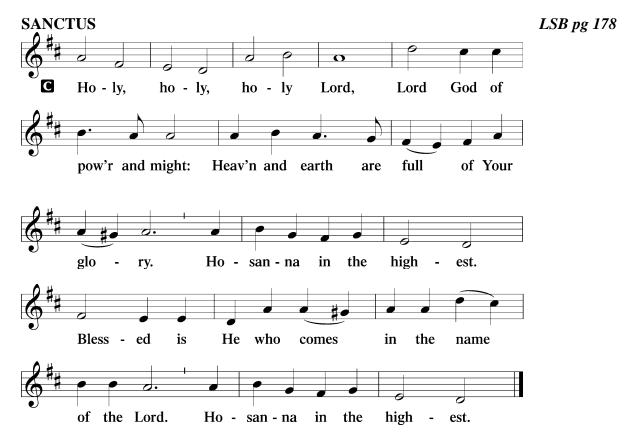
We accept offerings via Pushpay. Text "mountolive" to 77977. Offerings can also be placed in the offering plates by the doors.

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT



P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of

everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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P Blessed 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.

## 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.

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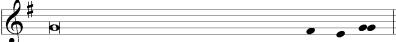
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## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

- 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.



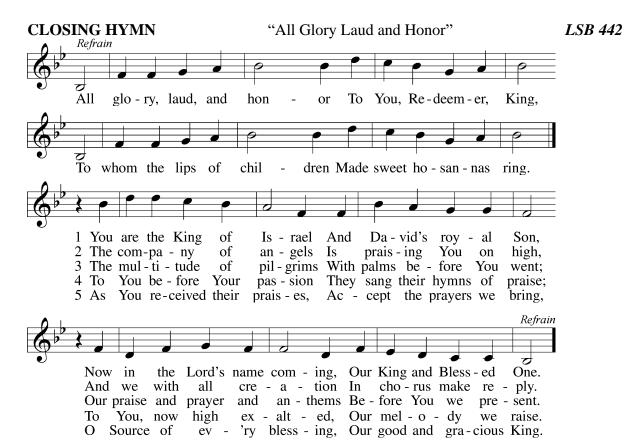


P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\pm$  give you peace.





#### **POSTLUDE**

"Toccata in D Minor (BWV 565)"

J.S. Bach

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## SERVING IN WORSHIP

Preacher Rev. Mark Baldwin, Family Life Director

Liturgist Rev. Jason Zobel. Senior Pastor

Music Christus Choir, Mount Olive Brass Ensemble, Campanis Oliva,

Exultation Choir, Ray Calderon, Director of Music

Elder Stuart Sliter Marge Bils Lector Usher Team Matt Dierks Sound Booth James Fenske

Mike & Karen Stolen Greeters

Altar Guild (October) Marge Bils

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# Sunday, October 31

Office Hours: 9am-3pm (M-F)

office@molc.us (608) 238-5656 Emergencies: (608) 228-4134 (Pastor)

# Weekly Calendar

November 1-6

Monday (11/1) 9am Ouilters

6pm Men at Work

**Tuesday** (11/2)

1pm Red Letter Challenge Tuesday Small Group 5pm Olive Branch Rehearsal 6pm Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday (11/3)

10am Today's Light Bible Study 3pm MOLC Staff Meeting 5pm LOGOS 6pm Campanis Oliva Rehearsal 7pm Christus Choir Rehearsal 8pm Brass Ensemble Rehearsal

Thursday (11/4)

6:30pm Red Letter Challenge Thursday Night Small Group

**Saturday** (11/6) 7:30am Early Risers Bible Study

**Sunday** (11/7)

(All Saints' Day) 8am Divine Worship\* † 9am Fellowship Hour 9:30am Education Hour 10:30am Divine Worship\* †

- † Communion offered
- \* Available on Facebook Live also

### **Prayer Requests**

Barb Koehler <u>koehlbs@gmail.com</u> or (608) 335-6589 Laurel Zobel <u>lzobel@molc.us</u>

## **This Week's Prayers**

**We Pray for . . .** Karl Fels, Rich & Nancy Bartlett, Lois Caraway, Mary Kolberg, Lois Polzin (Eunice Gibson's sister), Jim Bosco, Kathryn Hanson, Marci Baldwin, Lisa Hammerly, Tim & Jennie Koehler (celebrating the birth of their daughter Lily), Ryan & Michelle Strohm (celebrating the birth of their daughter Sophie Joan), Mount Olive Lutheran School and Preschool, Pastor Jason & Laurel Zobel

## This Week's News

Weekly Attendance: Sun. October 24-91/37

**Alter Flowers Sponsors:** Flowers this morning are given by Belinda Jordan in honor of Martin Luther.

Coffee Hour Hosts: Mike & Karen Stolen

**Pillowcase Dresses:** if you would like to help with this project, contact Connie LaRowe (836-1635 or <a href="mailto:connielarowe@gmail.com">connielarowe@gmail.com</a>). If you would like to donate pillowcases (or just left over fabric you have), help us cut or sew or help in any other way, please let me know! This is a very simple project and we welcome any help. When finished, the dresses will be sent to girls in need. If curious, just look this up online and you'll see lots of examples.

Altar Guild Volunteers Needed: The Altar Guild needs volunteers to help prepare and clear communion each Sunday. The commitment is for one month out of the year; time commitment for each weekend is about 1.5 hours. Learning the tasks involved is quite easy. Preparation is usually done either Friday afternoon or Saturday. The clean-up time can be flexible. If you're interested, please let Curt Casanova (curtcasanova@gmail.com) or another Elder know.

**Order your Christmas Poinsettias:** Yes, it seems early, but it's time to order Christmas poinsettias for our altar. Please have order forms returned with payment by November 14th. There are order forms available at church or you may email <a href="mailto:altarflowers@molc.us">altarflowers@molc.us</a> to request an order form. Thank you in advance for your order!

Mount Olive H2H (Homeless to Hopeful) Collection: The Mount Olive H2H (Homeless to Hopeful) Community Impact Team 1s collecting donations of travel-sized toiletries for Porchlight, a non-profit organization for homeless folks in Dane County. Hygiene Supplies in need are: toothbrushes, tavel-size shampoo, conditioner, 2-in-1, lotion & soap/body wash, disposable razors & shaving cream, deodorant, Band-Aids. Donations will now be accepted yearround in the bin located on the floor inside the MOLC Food Pantry Closet.

**Board of Christian Outreach Love Packages Collection**: The collection deadline for **LOVE PACKAGES** has been extended until November 7<sup>th</sup>.

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**Red Letter Challenge:** The Red Letter Challenge is here! Please see the TW@MOLC email for more info. If you're interested in participating in the group study, please contact Pastor Mark, <a href="mailto:mbaldwin@molc.us">mbaldwin@molc.us</a>. There are copies of the book available to look through as well!

**MOLS After School Care Help:** Mount Olive Lutheran School provides after-school care on Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 3:00-4:30. We currently have only 1 student who needs supervision, he loves trains and playing in the gym. We are looking for someone 16 or older to supervise 1 or 2 days per week or all 3 days each week. The compensation is \$20/session. Even if you are only able to help out a few times a month that would be appreciated, too! Please contact Jess Koch at <a href="mailto:ikoch@molconline.org">ikoch@molconline.org</a> Thank you for your consideration!

Youth Room Update: The high school youth room has had a makeover with new carpet and paint. The old carpet was old and had experienced multiple events of water damage. We hope this will make the room nicer for the youth and can be scheduled for use by other congregational groups for many types of events. We are looking for dark solid colored gently used couches and easy chairs to help furnish the room. If you know of anyone that may have some furniture, please contact the church office.

**Lectors Needed:** If you're interested in serving as a Lector on Sunday mornings, please contact Connie LaRowe, <a href="mailto:connielarowe@gmail.com">connielarowe@gmail.com</a> for more info!

SCRIP Cards: - It's not too early to start thinking about gift cards you might want to for the upcoming holiday season. SCRIP gift cards are a great way to get the gift cards you want and benefit Mt. Olive at the same time. Orders are placed on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Check out <a href="mailto:glscrip.com">glscrip.com</a> to see rebate amounts and gift cards available. Cards can be ordered online or at the welcome center. See Connie LaRowe with questions.

### **Upcoming Altar Flower Sponsors:**

November 7: Open November 14: Open November 21: Open November 28: Open

## **Upcoming Coffee Hour Hosts:**

November 7: Open

November 14: Brian & Connie LaRowe

November 21: Doris Smith

November 28: Open

# Serving Next Week:

Elder: Todd St Martin

Lectors: Eunice Gibson / Mary Goers

Usher Teams: Chuck Jaskowiak / Chuck Jaskowiak

## **Stewardship Corner**

"For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin." (Romans 3:20)

The Law of God is good – it's just that we sinners cannot save ourselves by the Law. Salvation is a free gift of God because that is the only way we could ever be saved. The Law shows us God's holiness and thus our own sin. And now in Christ we can look at the Law and see it in a new light – as a guide for how to live a godly life in thanksgiving to God for His gracious forgiveness in Christ.

#### **Just a Note**

Card Shop: Keep in touch with friends and family near and far with a Thanksgiving or Christmas card. We also have a nice selection of all occasion cards for wedding, anniversary, birthday, get well, sympathy, and more. Continue to self-serve when you visit the Card Shop located in the Library. Individual cards are 75 cents each, no tax. Thank you for supporting the missions at LWML with your purchases.

Altar Flowers: If you are interested in providing flowers, please contact Denise Sliter at altarflowers@molc.us or at (608) 354-7244. Payment of \$35 can be made via check or pay online molc.us/connect. Please make sure to email or call, or your order may be missed!

**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.

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

#### Our Staff

Rev. Jason Zobel, Senior Pastor Rev. Mark Baldwin, Family Life Director Ray Calderon, Director of Music Laurel Zobel, Preschool Director Jess Koch, MOLS Principal Luke Frauenhoff, Office Manager