† THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER † 8:00AM, Sunday, May 1, 2022 DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE, LSB pg. 151

WELCOME TO MOUNT OLIVE!

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

In the Reading from Revelation, John reports that he saw God's throne, where the Lamb is the only One worthy to open the sealed scrolls. Not only is Jesus holy in Himself, He makes holy all those whose sins He forgives because of His own sacrifice. Saul is a prime example. He is called by Christ to take the Gospel to the Gentiles, even though he had been looking for Christians to arrest. In their fishing attempt in the Gospel, the disciples learn that even their physical wellbeing depends on trusting their Savior's guidance. For Peter, that would also mean feeding and teaching Jesus' flock. Made worthy because of our incorporation into the Body of Christ, what are we called to do?

HOLY COMMUNION

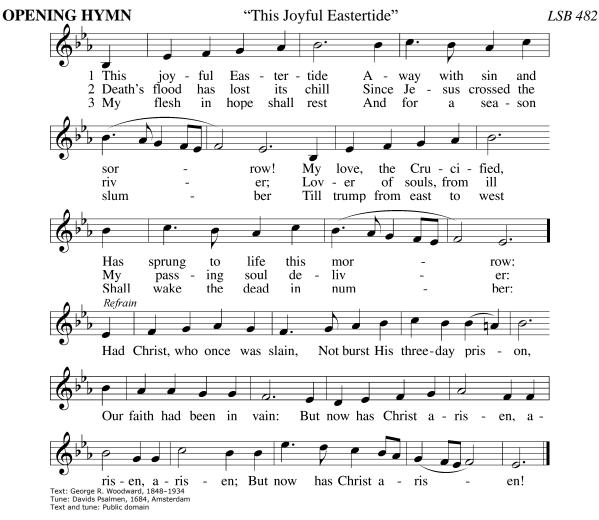
You are invited to commune with us by joining in confessing our faith in Christ and His real presence in the Sacrament. We affirm the presence in the Sacrament of Christ's true body and blood "through and in which we obtain the forgiveness of sins." During this time of precautions, we will utilize a communion practice called "continuous communion" in which no other human hands will be touching the wafer or the wine. Pastor Mark 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 Baldwin before communing.

PRELUDE

"Prelude and Fugue in a minor, BWV 559"

J.S. Bach

WELCOME



+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

INVOCATION

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

EXHORTATION P If we sa

- 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.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- **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.

ABSOLUTION P

INTROIT

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.

Amen. С

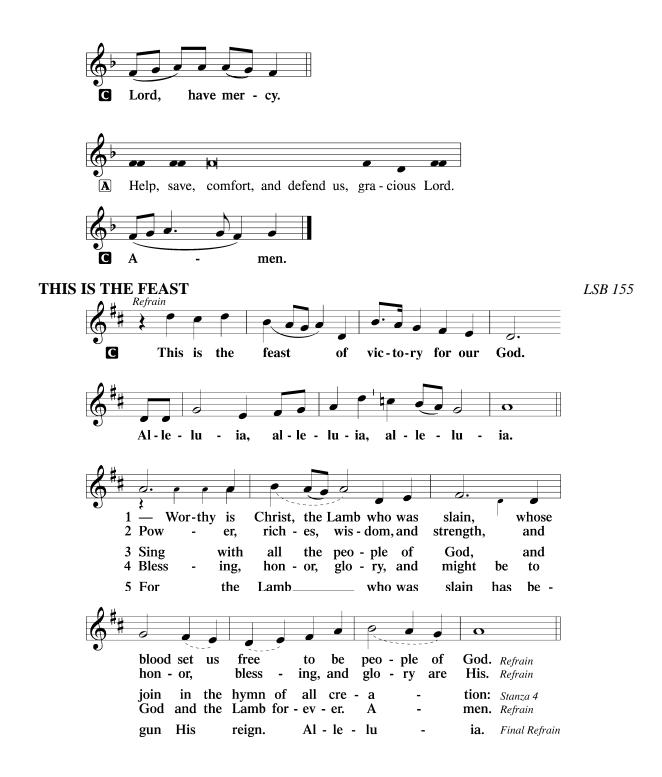
+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

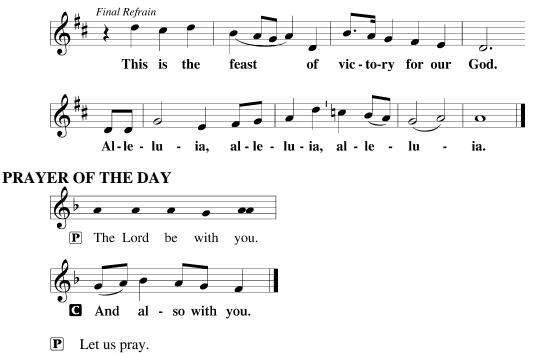
Psalm 145:4–7, 9; antiphon: v. 10

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,* and all your saints shall | bless you! One generation shall commend your works to an- | other,* and shall declare your | mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your | majesty,* and on your wondrous works, I will | meditate. They shall speak of the might of your | awesome deeds,* and I will declare your | greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant | goodness* and shall sing aloud of your | righteousness. The LORD is good to all,* and his mercy is over all that | he has made. 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. All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,* and all your saints shall | bless you!

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O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



FIRST READING

Acts 9:1-22

¹But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." 11And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Revelation 5:1–14

¹Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ²And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" ³And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ⁴and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. ⁵And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

⁶And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

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



HOLY GOSPEL

John 21:1–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.



¹After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." ¹⁹(This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





THE MESSAGE

Remaining Faithful!

Revelation 2:10

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Pastor will close each prayer with "Lord in Your mercy," the congregation will reply with "hear our prayer.")

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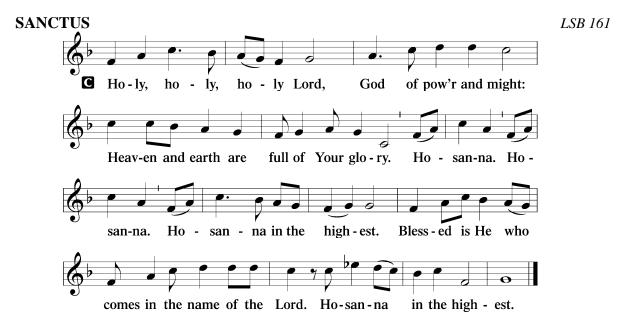
We accept offerings via Pushpay. Text "mountolive" to 77977. Offerings can also be placed in the offering plates by the doors.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +



 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. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary

Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, 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

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.

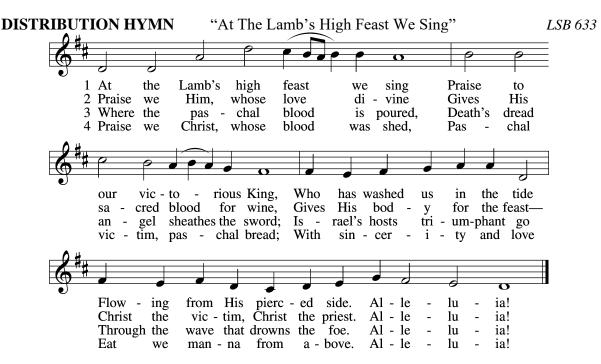
C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

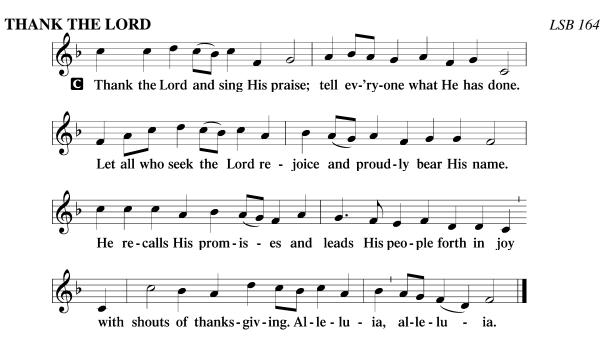
C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

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.





- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy; From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!
- ▲ 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

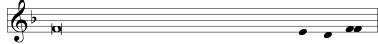


POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A 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.



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.



CLOSING HYMN "In Thee Is Gladness" LSB 818 Thee glad - ness A - mid all 1 In is sad - ness. Je sus. 2 Since He is ours,_____ We fear no pow - ers, Not of giv - en The gifts of shine of my heart. By Thee are sun earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es In worst dis -Re-deem heav-en, Thou the true art. Our souls Thou er tress - es: He can change them with breath. Where-fore the а wak-est, Our bonds Thou break - est; Who trusts Thee sure - ly Has built sesto - ry Tell of His glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n recure-ly; He stands for - ev er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are joic - es In Him for - ev er: Al - le - lu - ja! We shout for pin - ing То see Thy shin ing, Dy - ing liv - ing or glad - ness, Tri-umph o'er sad Love Him and praise Him ness, To Thee are cleav - ing; Naught can sev - er: Al-le-lu-ia! us Him Glad hymns for - ev - er: Al-le-lu-ia! And still shall raise Text: Johann Lindemann, 1549–1631; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, c. 1556-c. 1622 Text and tune: Public domain

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE "Fugue in g minor, from: Mass in g minor" Jean-Jacques Beauvarlet Charpetier

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Preacher	Rev. Mark Baldwin, Interim Pastor
Music	Ray Calderon, Music Director
Elder	Stuart Sliter
Lector	Jay Molter
Usher Team	Curt Casanova
Sound Booth	James Fenske
Altar Guild	Peggy Rainbow

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Sunday, May 1

Weekly Calendar May 2-6

Monday (5/2) 9am Quilters 6:30pm Men at Work

Wednesday (5/4) 10am Today's Light Bible Study 3pm MOLC Staff Meeting 5pm LOGOS

Saturday (5/7) 7am Early Risers Bible Study

Sunday (5/8) (Fourth Sunday of Easter / Mothers' Day) 8am Divine Worship* † 9am Coffee Hour 9:30am Education Hour 10:30am Divine Worship* †

+ Communion offered* Available on Facebook Live also

Prayer Requests

Barb Koehler prayer@molconline.org **We Pray for . . .** Karl Fels, Rich & Nancy Bartlett, Mary Kolberg, Jim Bosco, Anna Bohrer (granddaughter of Pastor Mark & Marci Baldwin), Arthur Lewis Baldwin (Pastor Mark and Marci's newest grandson), Mary Goers, Kay Cantwell, Mount Olive Lutheran School and Preschool, Mount Olive as we work through the Call process

<u>This Week's News</u>

Weekly Attendance: April 24- 57 /45

Today at the 10:30 service we welcome Jayden Douglas Jung into the family of Christ through the Waters of Holy Baptism!

Altar Flower Sponsors: Flowers this morning are in celebration of our 4 confirmands; Joseph Gilbert Bluhm, Jeremiah Jake Probasco, Adam Jeffrey Schleusner, and Wes Willenburg!

Coffee Hour Hosts: LOGOS in celebration of our confirmands

Congratulations to this year's confirmands!

Joseph Gilbert Bluhm (son of Jeremy & Heather Bluhm) confirmation verse: James 1:4 Jeremiah Jake Probasco (son of Jeremiah & Marina Probasco) confirmation verse: Colossians 3:23 Adam Jeffrey Schleusner (son of Jeff & Joy Schleusner) confirmation verse: Psalm 46:1 Wes Willenburg (son of Kilby Willenburg & Megan Willenburg) confirmation verse: Psalm 50:15

Women's Spring Fling: Looking forward to seeing women of all ages on Saturday morning for food, music, fellowship and art. Please bring a few pictures of family and friends for a fun project. Sign up is located in the narthex. Any questions, see Karen Stolen, Gretchen Cropp, Doris Smith or Kiley Weigt.

Pentecost Geraniums: Order forms for Pentecost Geraniums are available in the Narthex! Order forms are due **today!**

Call Committee Update: Good news! The Call Committee has received the slate of candidates from the South Wisconsin District office for consideration to extend a call. Copies of the Call List are located on the welcome desk and available for your review. We are excited to be at this point in our process and look forward to working to bring recommendations to the congregation in a call meeting. Date and time of that meeting will be determined in the near future, but we are hopeful to hold it prior to Memorial Day weekend. Please continue to pray for the Call Committee as we work through the review and interview process and pray for those candidates that have been submitted for consideration.

Serving Next Week:

Elder: Todd St. Martin Lectors: Steve Nelson / Brian LaRowe Usher Teams: Gene Cropp / Chuck Jaskowiak First Reading: Acts 20:17-35 Epistle: Revelation 7:9-17 Gospel Reading: John 10:22-30

International Pot Bless Lunch: Calvary Chapel will be hosting an International lunch Sunday May 8 at 12pm for anyone who would like to come. Bring a dish to share from your culture/country and we will all enjoy each others food heritage while we get to know some people.

Upcoming Altar Flower Sponsors:

May 8: Mother's Day May 15: Doris Smith May 22: Open May 29: Open June 5: Pentecost Geraniums June 12: Open June 19: Open June 26: Open

Upcoming Coffee Hour Hosts:

May 8: Open May 15: Doris Smith May 22: Open May 29: Open June 5: Open June 12: Open June 19: Open June 26: Open

Pledge Forms: Sanctuary Improvement Pledge Forms can be returned to the office, attention: Board of Stewardship. If you are dropping your form off in person, please put it in the Stewardship mailbox marked "Bill Skiera", on the right wall when you enter the Office Workroom.

VBS Registration: Spring is here and that means that VBS is right around the corner! Please join us Monday June 13th - Thursday June 16th from 9am-12pm for a Monumental adventure through the southwest to explore God's awesomeness and form a rock-solid faith for the road of life. Registration is now open! <u>vbspro.events/p/molc2022</u> We are also in need of volunteers! If you are available to help lead a group, prep crafts, decorations, or snacks in advance, or offer your time or talents in any other way, please click the registration link above, or reach out to Sarah Maleck, <u>sarah.maleck@gmail.com</u>. Thank you!

MOLS Giving Tree Items: Following the congregational vote last month to suspend school operations, many of you who provided dollars or actual items identified on the MOLS Giving Tree, may be wondering what the plans are for the items provided to the school. The items will either be used by the Mt. Olive Preschool if possible or retained for the time when or if we re-start the day school. Either way, they will be used in Mt. Olive Christian education endeavors, so thank you very much. If you have questions about your specific donation, please see a member of the Stewardship Board.

Stewardship Corner

"He said to them, 'Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish." (John 21:6)

Won't the disciples ever learn? Jesus did this once before – when the odds seemed completely against it, the Lord gave them a command to let down the nets, a command that seemed crazy. But they complied and He blessed their obedience. When will we learn this lesson, too?

Just a Note

Card Shop: Confirmation, Graduation, Mother's Day and Father's Day cards now available in the Card Shop, located in the Library. Also new everyday greeting cards have been restocked. Thank you for continuing your support with self-service. Cards are 75 cents each and all profits go to LWML.

Altar Flowers: If you are interested in providing flowers, please contact Denise Sliter at <u>altarflowers@molc.us</u> 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 **Tuesdays** 9:00am-2:00pm, Wednesdays 2:00-6:00pm. Contact the office at <u>office@molc.us</u> or (608) 238-5656, and the office will set you up with a 15minute time slot.

Our Staff

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