

# THE

# Messenger

August 2018

MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH · ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA · 507-288-1580 · MOLIVE.ORG

*A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

## Bringing Hope

There is an old saying (author unknown) that provides us some simple wisdom: "To the world you might be just one person, but to one person, you might just be the world." We learned the truth of this when on June 30<sup>th</sup> many members of Mount Olive signed the following letter:

"Dearly Beloved People of God,

We, the members of Mount Olive Lutheran Church, extend our support and prayers to you as you live in the wake of the desecration of the Masjid AbuBakr Al-Seddiq Islamic Center one week ago. Hate crimes against one faith community are hate crimes against all faith communities; we stand in solidarity with you, and grieve that such acts of violence and intolerance continue in our community today. Please know that we regard you as fellow children of God and we understand that in all things the words of Jesus guide us: "In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets." (Matthew 7:12)."

This letter was sent to the Islamic Center on July 1 and we understand that it meant the world to them. If you were a signee, thank you.

What is becoming more and more apparent to me is that we, the followers of Jesus, are called to be a voice of hope in the world. Increasingly it seems, immigrants, refugees, the poor, and the marginalized groups in our nation find themselves under attack. When this happens, hope amongst these peoples wavers. And when people become hopeless, not only they, but the entire nation is at risk.

Jesus calls us to be lights in the world, the salt of the earth, a city on a hill. All of these metaphors speak of giving hope and life and sustenance to people. As a congregation we will continue to be alert to ways we can be agents of hope. I encourage you to seek out ways in your own neighborhood that you can be the same.

Peace and Blessings,  
Pastor Glenn

Dear People of Mount Olive,  
We made it to Ohio safely, and are so thankful for all that you have done. Your many kind words, encouragements, gifts, and send-off can hardly be covered by a simple "Thank you", yet we endeavor to do just that. Thank you for everything. Thank you for being you! And continue the good work of Christ in the world.  
-Pastor Paul and Katie



### Inside This Edition:

Congregational Life  
page 2

Worship  
page 3

Service  
pages 4-5

Education  
pages 6-7

Fellowship  
pages 8-9

## Miriam Hanson, Seminarian, to Preach

On August 4-5 we will welcome our seminarian, Miriam Hanson, daughter of Keith and Cathy Hanson, to the pulpit at Mount Olive. Miriam is beginning her second year at Trinity Seminary in Columbus, Ohio this fall and is very excited to connect with her home congregation once again before heading off to school. Mount Olive has committed to giving \$5000 each academic year towards Miriam's education, matched with another \$5000 from the Keith and Mary Beaver Seminary Scholarship Fund. We encourage you to support Miriam in this way with a check to Mount Olive, memo: "Hanson Scholarship" or by going to the website and clicking the "Donate Now" button at the bottom of the home page.



## Earth Sing! A Special Concert Event at Mount Olive

### EARTH SING!

*A sing-along event for ecology and social justice*



Bret Hesla & Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

Many may remember Richard Bruxvoort Colligan's music from our summer outdoor service on a chilly June day in 2017. Richard is the son of Mount Olive member, Eva Colligan, and the late Bob Colligan, and a Rochester native. Richard returns to Mount Olive with Austin native, Bret Hesla, on Wednesday, **August 15** at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary to inspire and entertain us as we sing together about God's desire that we take good care of our world and one another. The program will include stories, laughter, and lots of music that is fun and easy-to-sing for all ages. The entire Rochester community is invited, so come and bring a friend! A free-will offering will be taken and an ice cream social will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

## Call Committee Elected and Installed

Moving forward with gusto, the Church Council has elected a Call Committee to begin work on filling the vacancy left by Pastor Paul. Those who were elected are Terry Krieger, Grace Freed, Andy Hamann, Nicole Pierson, Jake Johnson, Brandi Smith, and Heather Klavetter. They were installed during worship on July 29 and will be getting to work immediately. Be praying that a pastor with a passion for Youth and Family Ministry will emerge and will be excited to join the Mount Olive family in the near future.



## Thank You Tina!

As the Assistant Nursery Coordinator, Tina Coil has been staffing the nursery for the education hour and other various times for the past two years. Tina has decided to step down from that position. She will still be serving as a volunteer when she is able. Please join us in thanking Tina for her years of service and dedication to the families that have used the nursery.

## Assistant Nursery Coordinator Needed

The nursery is in need of an Assistant Nursery Coordinator. The Assistant Coordinator's main responsibility is staffing the nursery for the education hour from September through May and helping to staff the nursery at other times. This is a paid position and allows you to form relationships with the youngest disciples and their families. If you are interested in this position or have any questions, please contact Carrie Fletcher at [carrie@molive.org](mailto:carrie@molive.org) or Bill Hollander at [bill@molive.org](mailto:bill@molive.org).

## Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge Choir Coming August 26

On Sunday, August 26 at both morning services, the rafters of Mount Olive will be ringing as the Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge (MnTC) Choir brings their music and testimony to our worship. Their inspiring testimonials and singing tell the story of God's love and power as they have traveled the difficult journey from addiction to sobriety. A love offering will be taken that day to support the work of MnTC. Don't miss this inspiring event and bring a friend.

## Pastor Deborah Lyanga and Emmanuel Kaghondi to Visit

Just in time to give us a good idea of what we can expect in our visit to Tanzania in September, Pastor Deborah Lyanga and her husband, musician Emmanuel Kaghondi, will preach and lead music on **Sept. 1-2**. They both hail from the Central Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania, our companion synod, and are in the U.S. to further their studies. All worshippers will have a great chance to connect with these inspirational leaders. Even though it is the Labor Day weekend, please make time to be present in worship that weekend.



## Music at Mount Olive

*"God does not demand great sacrifices or precious treasures of great price for his blessings. No, he asks for the easiest work of all, namely to sing and praise."* ~Martin Luther

For Lutherans, music is one of the most important expressions of worship, and the main responsibility for making music in worship falls on the congregation. To help the congregation in its music-making, Mount Olive seeks to provide opportunities for musicians of all ages and abilities to share their gifts of music in worship. Several musical ensembles have been set apart for this:

- **Adult Choir**, for singers who are high school age and older. Rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 5, 7:30-9:00pm.
- **Junior Choir**, for singers in 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades. Rehearsals begin Sunday, September 23, 9:20-9:40am.
- **Wee-Ones**, for singers in Pre-K through 1<sup>st</sup> grade. Rehearsals begin Sunday, September 23, 9:20-9:40am.
- **Brass Ensemble** and **Handbell Choir**, which accompany hymns and provide musical offerings throughout the year. Bell choir rehearsals start Thursday, September 6, 7:30-8:30pm. Brass rehearsals start Thursday, September 6, 8:30-9:30pm.

Beyond these ensembles, other musical expressions are always welcome, including vocal and instrumental solos, duets, trios, or other small ensembles. If you or someone you know may be interested in providing vocal or instrumental music in worship, or if you are interested in joining one of our music ensembles, please contact Travis Beck for more information at [travis@molive.org](mailto:travis@molive.org) or by phone through the church office, 288-1580 x203.

## Worship and Fellowship Volunteers Needed

Summer is a busy season with lots of opportunities to travel, visit family, and attend events. Many volunteers are still needed for all of our worship services and fellowship time, however, so those that can serve are needed and appreciated! Please sign up to serve via the Sign Up Genius website. The links are available via invitation and are also accessible from the Mount Olive website, [molive.org](http://molive.org) on the Service tab. You may also contact Nancy Britson, Director of Congregational Life, with your availability, 288-1580 ext. 202.





## Next Chapter Ministries Annual BBQ and Pie Social

On **Saturday, August 11**, 3pm-6pm, the campus of Next Chapter Ministries at 720 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. SE will be filled with BBQ stands, all competing for your votes as best BBQ of the weekend. For a modest fee, which will go to support Next Chapter, you can enjoy trying the different BBQ recipes. Also not to be missed, is the Homemade Pie Competition. Again, you can buy tickets and sample the pies, then cast your vote for the best pie of the event. There is also a bean bag tournament, tours of the homes, and more. All of this wonderful food and fun, while you support Next Chapter Ministries as they continue to help change the culture of crime in Olmsted County through restored relationships with God, family, and community.

## Sermon Video Recording

Mount Olive tries to record the Pastor's sermon every week and post it on the Mount Olive Website so shut-ins or people on vacation may still hear it. We are looking for more volunteers to take on this effort. It is fairly simple and is done from an iPad from anywhere in the church. If you have an interest in helping out with this, please contact Bill Hollander in the church office or email him at [bill@molive.org](mailto:bill@molive.org).

## Dorothy Day House Meal Coordinator

A new Dorothy Day House Meal Coordinator is needed beginning September 1. Tasks include coordinating sign up for meals to be brought to the Dorothy Day House on the first Friday of each month and sending reminders to volunteers. We currently have volunteers signed up through December. If you are willing to serve in this capacity, contact Sherry Will at [sherry@molive.org](mailto:sherry@molive.org).

Thanks to Anna Strand for coordinating this ministry for the last few years. Your work has been greatly appreciated!



## Mount Olive Quilters

The quilters meet at 9 am each Thursday in the Fellowship Hall.

Although we have recently received a very generous donation of fabric, we can always use more cotton fabrics for making the colorful quilt tops. When talking with friends or relatives, ask if they have any fabric which they no longer need. It would be greatly appreciated! Donations may be left in the Gathering Area cabinet. Eighteen packages of large quilt squares have been assembled and now need to be sewn together. Pick up a package or two to sew from the bin in the Gathering Area cabinet; directions are included. If you have any questions, call Elaine Monson at 272-6404.

## Monthly Service Opportunities

Regularly scheduled opportunities that Mount Olive members participate in include:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| • Serving Meals at the Dorothy Day Hospitality House       | 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of the month           |
| • Construction on the current Habitat for Humanity Project | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month         |
| • Distributing food for Community Food Response (CFR)      | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday afternoon of the month |

See the sign up schedules for the above ministries on the Gathering Area cabinet.  
Are you a first time volunteer? If so, put an asterisk \* by your name when you sign up, and the project coordinator will pair you with an experienced volunteer.

## School Supply Drive

Please take advantage of the back to school sales and buy now to help Mount Olive collect school supplies for the Lutheran Social Services LINK program! The LINK program serves youth, ages 16-24, and their children teaching life skills and helping them live independently. You may pick up a list of the supplies needed from the table in the entry and return them to the



marked wooden box by August 12. In addition to school supplies, we are also collecting a variety of items that are in constant need. Thank you for supporting these youth!



Mount Olive will be hosting homeless families the week of **August 12-19**. The Family Promise sign-up sheet is available at the table in the entry and the link is also available on the Mount Olive website, [molive.org](http://molive.org). Many trained volunteers are needed; set up and tear down volunteers do not need training. **Current volunteers who need to recertify may do so on-line from the [Family Promise website](http://familypromise.org), [familypromise.org](http://familypromise.org).**



## God's work. Our hands.

### Service Highlight- *God's work. Our hands.*

"God's work. Our hands." Sunday will be September 9, 2018, 9:00 am-11:00 am. This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one

church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. On this day, ELCA churches around the USA will be participating in service activities.

On God's work. Our hands. Sunday, there will be a variety of ways to serve. The majority of projects will be done at Mount Olive. Members from age 2 years on up can help. This will be Mount Olive's third year participating in this special service day, and plans are well underway. Last year 200+ volunteers were able to complete 16 different service projects including tying blankets for the homeless in Rochester, rolling band-aids for health care workers in war torn countries and knitting hats for children in the mountains of Colombia, South America. It is fun to watch volunteers as they laugh and share while working together. The stories of gratitude that come from the individuals we help are humbling and heartwarming. It is the hope of the Mount Olive staff that we will again have 200+ volunteers.

How can you help? Set aside Sunday, September 9, 9 am-11 am and bring your entire family to serve. If you are willing to volunteer as a project leader or have new project ideas to submit, contact Sherry Will at [sherry@molive.org](mailto:sherry@molive.org). Watch for the full list of projects in the September Messenger.

## T-shirts Available



Everyone is encouraged to wear their gold *God's work. Our hands.* t-shirts to worship and work on Sunday, September 9. If you didn't get one in previous years, you may order from the table in the front entry. Order forms and payment envelopes will be available. **The deadline to order is August 5.** The shirts are sized from child's small – adult XL (\$7.25), Adult 2XL (\$9.25), Adult 3XL (\$10.25). Payment is required at time of order. Contact Pam Berg with any questions at [pamelakberg@msn.com](mailto:pamelakberg@msn.com).

## Mount Olive Women of the ELCA News



The women's small group studies for 2018/2019 will be from *Gather Magazine*. A subscription to the magazine, which includes a variety of resources and articles for Christian women in addition to the study, is suggested. Go to the Gather Magazine [website](#) or call (844)409-0576 to start your subscription. Two copies will be available in the church office.

### Women's Summer Bible Study on Prayer

A women's Bible study will continue on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of August at 1:00 pm. All women, are welcome to attend. Attendance at the earlier sessions is not required. Copies of the study are available on the Gathering Area sign-up table. We hope to see you at the next study on Tuesday, **August 21!**

**Board Meeting August 9** - The Women of the ELCA board will meet at the home of President Renee Schaefer on Thursday, August 9 at 6:00 pm. All circle leaders and officers are asked to attend and bring a dish to share. Please RSVP to Renee at [vettelady54601@yahoo.com](mailto:vettelady54601@yahoo.com) or 398-3723.

### *Join a Women's Small Group!*

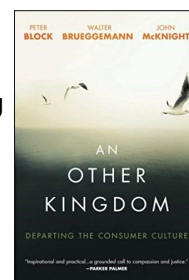
If you are interested in joining a women's small group this fall, several are available with a variety of meeting times. Each group is a wonderful chance for learning and fellowship! Watch for a sign up table in the church entry beginning August 11. There is always room in the circles for new friends!

### Pastor Glenn's Lutheranism 101 Class

Due to Pastor Glenn's upcoming trip to Tanzania, his fall class exploring the fundamentals of Lutheranism will begin on **Wednesday, August 29 at 6:30 pm** in the church library. This is a four-week class in which we look at the theology, practice and history of Lutheranism in brief. New members, prospective members, and those not familiar with Lutheran teaching are particularly welcome, but all are welcome. Please sign-up in the Gathering Area.

### Faith Seeking Understanding (FSU) Resumes September 4

Faith Seeking Understanding reads and shares conversations about a variety of books and videos on theology, spirituality, social justice, and Christianity and our changing church. FSU meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm during the program year. The selection for September 4<sup>th</sup> is ***An Other Kingdom*** by Peter Block, Walter Brueggemann, and John McKnight. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Kailea Mattheis at [kailea@molive.org](mailto:kailea@molive.org) or 507-288-1580. ext. 207.



***An Other Kingdom***-The Authors invite you on a journey of departure from our consumer market culture, with its constellations of empire and control. Discover an alternative set of beliefs that have the capacity to evoke a culture where poverty, violence, and shrinking well-being are not inevitable—a culture in which the social order produces enough for all.

### Pub Theology continues with Deacon Travis Beck



Even though Pastor Paul has taken a new call in Ohio, that doesn't mean Pub Theology is over! Every Monday evening, we will continue to gather at LTS Brewing Co. from 5:30-7, and conversations will be led by Mount Olive's Director of Music, Worship, and Arts, Travis Beck. Just like always, topics will be sent out a day ahead of time via email, and will also be available at [rochesterpublictheology.wordpress.com](http://rochesterpublictheology.wordpress.com). Come and join as you're able to think about faith, life, and what it means to be a follower of Jesus in our world today. Visiting starts at 5:30 pm, discussion gets going around 6:00 pm. See you at the pub!



## ELCA Youth Gathering Recap

Kailea Mattheis and the youth and chaperones would like to say a huge “thank-you” to the congregation for the support they received for the Youth Gathering trip to Houston. The trip started with a two day bus trip to Houston and difficulties with a lost hotel reservations. After finally getting settled, they enjoyed a trip to the Houston Aquarium, spent time at the Gathering Interactive Learning Center, took part in the program for the evening Mass Gathering, spent time with other youth from our synod, and served in the Houston community. Through countless activities and speakers, they learned how God’s love, hope, and grace change everything. Please join them on September 16 at the Adult Forum to learn more about their adventures in Houston and how “This Changes Everything”.



## Book Sale Thank-you

The group heading out for the Upper Peninsula of Michigan would like to say thank you to the congregation for their support with the book sale. The sale helped raise money to cover remaining costs of the trip to the U.P. The group heads out on August 6th, for a week of adventure and experiencing God’s creation. Please keep up to date with their trip through daily posts to the Metamorphosis Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter pages.

## Informational Meeting for Summer 2019 Trips

With the trips of 2018 having come and gone, Kailea has been busy planning trips for the summer of 2019. She is planning three different trips: an intergenerational trip to Holden Village in the Cascade Mountains, a high school service trip at a place to be determined with the youth’s input, and a week at Good Earth Village for the Metamorphosis students. Please join Kailea on Wednesday, August 22nd at 6:30 pm to hear more information about these trips.

### Sunday School Registration

The last weekend of July, Sunday school registration forms were available for the upcoming program year. Stop by the table in the entry way to pick up your family’s pre-filled forms and make any necessary corrections. Please return the forms to Kailea by **August 19th**. If you did not receive a form, please take a blank form and fill it out. If you have any questions, please contact Kailea Mattheis by phone: (507)288-1580 ext. 207 or by email: [kailea@molive.org](mailto:kailea@molive.org).



### Important Dates:

**August 19<sup>th</sup>** -Backpack Blessing for all the students returning to school.

**September 16<sup>th</sup>** -we kick off our Sunday School year with Rally Sunday—please join us to celebrate the start of our program year! Look for more details in the *September Messenger*!

## Samantha Fletcher Attends Augsburg Youth Leadership Institute



I had an amazing time at AYTI, thank you for the opportunity! The theme for this year was, *Light in the World: Becoming a Public Christian Leader*. I learned a lot of very useful information that I am excited to put to use in my everyday life. Spending a week at this camp gave me a new insight into my faith, and allowed me to learn more about my relationship with God. We were assigned to write a paper about a topic of interest to us affecting our faith community and I will be writing about getting youth back into church. The paper will be edited and published in a journal compiled by members of Augsburg. The journal will be available in the near future. I also made some great friends that I will remember forever. Again, thank you for the amazing opportunity! ~Samantha Fletcher

## Adventure Club News

The Mount Olive Adventure Club is a diverse and dynamic group of people of all ages that enjoy exploring a wide variety of activities. Past adventures have included attending concerts or plays, Christmas caroling, bike rides, sporting events, and the recent campout pictured below. The leaders of the Adventure Club have recently stepped down and new leaders are needed. If you have ideas for future events or would be willing to organize a favorite activity this fall, please contact the church office.



## Ripe Olives - Save the Date!

Ripe Olives is a group for Mount Olive's most experienced members, mostly retired folks. They meet the first Friday of the month at 9:30 am from September through May for fun and fellowship! Mark your calendar for **September 14**, the first meeting of the fall. The program will be *Monarch Butterflies: Migration Magic!* brought to us by Quarry Hill Nature Center. Learn about the monarch's epic migration each fall to Mexico as a naturalist shares the journey using a PowerPoint show, video footage of the actually monarch roosting in Mexican mountains and potentially some live butterfly examples. Breakfast will be provided with a freewill donation. Everyone is welcome to attend, sign up at the Gathering Area table. Contact Nancy Britson, Director of Congregational Life, with questions 288-1580 ext. 202 or [nancy@molive.org](mailto:nancy@molive.org).

## The Pond - A New Meeting Place Seeks Donations

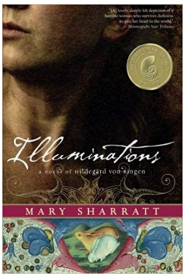
The Little Leapers, a group for parents of newborns through age 3, (not yet in Sunday School) will now be having their meetings in "The Pond". The Pond will be in classrooms 3 & 4 of the Education Wing. This will be a space for the little ones to play and their families to build relationships. The group meets monthly on the first Sunday of the month during the education hour. We are now seeking donations of gently used toddler toys and books to fill the space. If you have items that fit this description, please place them on the labeled cart in the front entry. If you any questions about donations, Little Leapers or The Pond, please contact; Serena Oudekirk-(507) 269-4646, Linda Schueler (507) 244-0622, Emily Hamann (507) 951-2167, Carrie Fletcher (507) 288-1580, or Pastor Glenn Monson (507) 288-1580.



## Summer Fun For Kids!

On August 5th, and August 19th, join Kailea on the side yard (depending on the weather) to play games following the 9:30 am services. Mark your calendars to learn some fun games to play outside!





## Monday Book Group Kicks Off September 10

The **Monday Book Group** gathers monthly to discuss a wide variety of literature including: classics, fiction, poetry, humor, memoirs, history, mystery, Minnesota authors, and youth inspired works. They meet on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 pm. Their first meeting of the fall is September 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss ***Illuminations: A Novel of Hildegard von Bingen*** by Mary Sharrett. “Sharrett brings one of the most famous and enigmatic women of the Middle Ages to vibrant life in this tour de force, which will captivate the reader from the very first page.”-Sharon Kay Penman

## Lyra Baroque Orchestra Kicks Off Their Season

Lyra Baroque Orchestra presents ***A Sumptuous Keyboard Feast*** on Friday, **August 10** at Mount Olive. The pre-concert talk begins at 6:45 pm and the concert starts at 7:30 pm. Join them as they kick off their season with a grand display of three keyboard instruments and an exciting array of keyboard concertos featuring soloists Sungyun Cho, Donald Livingston, and Director, Jacques Ogg.



## Inclusive Church Taskforce Welcome Statement

The Inclusive Church Taskforce has been working to include your thoughts and feedback from the survey into the Mount Olive welcome statement. This welcome statement will help Mount Olive to become a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation (read more about RIC here: [reconcilingworks.org](http://reconcilingworks.org)). Here is the revised statement:

*“We trust that God calls Mount Olive Lutheran Church to a ministry of reconciliation. We embrace as a gift the diversity of our neighborhood and the world, and we extend God’s hospitality by welcoming, hearing, and treasuring:*

*All genders and sexualities*

*All races and ethnicities*

*All ages and abilities*

*All economic statuses and education levels*

*All faith journeys and personal histories*

*As Christ welcomes all, we too welcome the full inclusion of all people into the life, ministry, and sacraments of Mount Olive, joining in a journey toward greater love, understanding, and mutual respect.”*



Thank you for your continued engagement in this important work. The taskforce is working with Church Council to schedule a vote on becoming an RIC congregation this fall, and we are envisioning how this work will continue to evolve and grow over time. If this ministry is something you feel called to participate in, please consider this an invitation to join in any capacity. We will continue to be available to respond to your questions or concerns. **Inclusive Church Taskforce Team:** Randi Beyerl, Becky Lashinski, Jake Johnson, Mickaela Pasch, David Johnston, Elmer Odland, Paula Freitag, and Ann Willis.

## Bolder Options Fundraiser

Bolder Options, the youth mentoring program whose office is at Mount Olive, will have its main fundraiser of the year, the “Sportacular Tailgate Challenge” on Saturday, **August 25** at Mayo Field in downtown Rochester. Gates open at 6:00 pm. There will be appearances by well known local sports celebrities, Sports Skillz Games, Food, Celebrity Tug-O-War, Raffle, Silent Auction and more. 100% of the proceeds benefit youth mentoring programs of Bolder Options Rochester. Early bird tickets are \$30 for a single ticket and \$100 for a family four pack. After August 18th, tickets are \$35 for a single and \$110 for a family four-pack. Tickets include food, drinks, and kid-friendly fun. Order your tickets online at [bolderoptions.org/2018sportacular/](http://bolderoptions.org/2018sportacular/) or purchase them at the gate the day of the event.



## Prayer and Spiritual Care

Mount Olive has a Prayer Chain, coordinated by Kim Ignatius. If you have a prayer request and would like the prayer chain to be in prayer for you or someone you love, please contact Kim at: 507-271-6087 or [ignatius.kimberlie@charter.net](mailto:ignatius.kimberlie@charter.net). If you have a prayer request that you would like printed in the bulletin and prayed for by the congregation at worship services, please contact Pastor Glenn or Nancy Britson in the church office. You may also call the church office in the case of illness, hospitalization, the birth of a baby, or any time you have joys and sorrows to share.



## Fair Trade Coffee

Stop by the **Fair Trade Coffee** display in the Gathering Area to check out the varieties of ground and whole bean coffee and tea available for purchase. You can

also sign up to sponsor the coffee on an upcoming Sunday. For \$15 you can help offset the cost of the coffee served during fellowship time and celebrate an occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, or the memory of a loved one.

## Flowers in the Sanctuary

If you would like to provide flowers on the chancel, sign up at the Gathering Area cabinet where you will find the calendar and payment envelopes. You may place orders for special occasions or in memory of loved ones. Please write your name and the designation for the flowers on both the calendar and the payment envelope. Your envelope may then be placed in the offering plate or the office drop box. Thank you!



## Mount Olive Lutheran Church

2830 18th Ave. NW

Rochester, MN 55901

Summer Office Hours: 9:00 am-4:00 pm Mon.-Thurs.

Closed Friday

507-288-1580

Website: [molive.org](http://molive.org)

**Summer Worship Schedule:**  
Services at 5:00 pm Saturday and  
8:00 and 9:30 am Sundays.

## Mount Olive Staff

**The Rev. Dr. Glenn Monson**  
Senior Pastor

[glenn@molive.org](mailto:glenn@molive.org) Ext. 206

**Deacon Travis Beck**  
Director of Worship, Music, and Arts

[travis@molive.org](mailto:travis@molive.org) Ext. 203

**Kailea Mattheis**  
Director of Children, Youth, and Family

[kailea@molive.org](mailto:kailea@molive.org) Ext. 207

**Bill Hollander**  
Congregational Administrator

[bill@molive.org](mailto:bill@molive.org) Ext. 204

**Nancy Britson**  
Director of Congregational Life

[nancy@molive.org](mailto:nancy@molive.org) Ext. 202

**Sherry Will**  
Director of Missions and Service

[sherry@molive.org](mailto:sherry@molive.org) Ext. 210

**Carrie Fletcher—Administrative Assistant  
and Nursery Coordinator**

[carrie@molive.org](mailto:carrie@molive.org) Ext. 209