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Christ the King
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A Reconciling in
Christ Community

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Mount Olive is a welcoming and inclusive congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), serving our neighbors in Rochester, Minnesota.

*Our core identity is lived out in four ways:
Worship, Service, Education, and Fellowship.*

Mount Olive's Welcome 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 gender identities and sexual orientations, 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."

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Rondeau" by Jean-Joseph Mouret

Mount Olive Brass

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

C: **Amen**

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy One,

C: **we confess that we are not awake for you.**

We are not faithful in using your gifts.

We forget the least of our siblings.

We do not see your beautiful image in one another.

We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community.

Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

P: Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through ☩ Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

C: **Amen**



GATHERING HYMN

"Shout to the Lord"

ELW #821

My Je - sus, my Sav - ior, Lord, there is none like you.

All of my days I want to praise the won - ders of your might - y love.

My com - fort, my shel - ter, tow - er of ref - uge and strength;

let ev - ry breath, all that I am nev - er cease to wor - ship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing pow - er and maj - es - ty, praise

to the King. Moun - tains bow down and the seas will roar at the

sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands;

for - ev - er I'll love you, for - ev - er I'll stand.

Noth - ing com - pares to the prom - ise I have in you.

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: **O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

Christ the King

FIRST READING Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 (NRSV)

¹¹Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. ¹²As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

²⁰Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, ²²I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

²³I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

L: Word of God, Word of Life,

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 95

"Let Us Shout for Joy"

Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 25:31-46 (NRSV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ³¹"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave



me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?' ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing?' ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.' ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

P: The Gospel of the Lord,

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Lisa Janke and Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

HYMN OF THE DAY

"The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing"

ELW #531

1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is
 2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the
 3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the

read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,
 peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;
 poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud

and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.
 he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.
 the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.

Refrain

Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.



Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.

Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.

The feast is read - y to be - gin;

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

L: God of power and might, tear open the heavens and come quickly to this weary world.
Hear our prayers for everyone in need.

L: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Please share words of God's peace with one another.

MEAL

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

P: Let us pray:

C: **God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you have brought us this far along the way.
In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light.



In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. The cry of the poor has become your own cry; our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire. In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen!

C: Amen!

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen!

C: Amen!

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your love and teach us to pray.

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.

P: There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.
[Share the bread with one another, saying, "The body of Christ, given for you."
Share the wine with one another saying, "The blood of Christ, shed for you."]

**SPECIAL MUSIC****“Holy, Holy, Holy”**

Glorybells

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. Amen.

SENDING**BENEDICTION**

P: May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, ☩ Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN**“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”**

ELW #634



1 All hail the pow’r of Je - sus’ name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
5 Let ev’ ry kindred, ev’ ry tribe on this ter - res - trial ball
6 Oh, that with yonder sac - red throng we at his feet may fall



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe and crown him Lord of all.
We’ll join his ev - er last - ing song and crown him Lord of all.



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DISMISSAL **P:** Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



Welcome, Worship Guests!

Thank you for joining us in online worship today. You are always welcome. You may also visit our website, www.molive.org, to learn about other ways you can be part of life at Mount Olive in this "exilic" time. Online classes, devotions, and suggestions for support and service are available to you as well. God's peace be yours.



Worship Participants

Preaching	Rev. Lisa Janke and Richard Bruxvoort Colligan
Presiding Minister	Rev. Dr. Glenn Monson
Organist/Pianist	Deacon Travis Beck
Psalmist	Richard Bruxvoort Colligan
Assisting Minister	Terry Krieger
Lector	Carrie Krieger

Congregational prayers for healing and comfort ...

- ♦ Mount Olive members and friends who are ill, grieving, or recovering from surgery.
- ♦ All those feeling the affects of COVID 19, especially the sick, homebound, or grieving.
- ♦ Those affected by fires, hurricanes, floods, and other inclement weather.
- ♦ All homebound members

We pray that the Spirit of God would inspire all people to works and words of love and compassion, especially our companions in ministry in Kijota, Tanzania and Bogota, Colombia. May God work mightily in them to announce God's grace to all.

Tailgate Worship Continues November 22

Please join us for in-person Tailgate Worship on Sunday, November 22, at 11:00 am in the Mount Olive parking lot. Worshipers are asked to bring their own wine/juice and bread/cracker for Holy Communion. For Covid safety, everyone is asked to stay in their cars and listen via the FM radio broadcast. A song sheet pdf is available on the Mount Olive website.

While attending Tailgate Worship, note that you may also:

- Families may pick up Advent Packets from Pastor Luke containing a devotional, craft supplies, an Advent Calendar and more.
- Drop off donations for the mitten tree (in entry) or Channel One (drop box in parking lot)
- Pick up an Advent Devotion book or request a digital copy– email nancy@molive.org.



Thanksgiving Eve Drive-by for Pie

We may not be able to host a worship service and pie social on Thanksgiving Eve, but that doesn't mean you aren't going to get your pie. On Wednesday, **November 25, 5:30 – 6:30 pm**, all members are invited to drive into the parking lot at church and receive a fresh-baked piece of pumpkin pie, a Thanksgiving Day devotion, and a greeting from one of the pastors. Monetary donations for Channel One Food Bank are also most welcome. This will happen rain or shine, so please come. We have ordered individually packaged pieces of pie from Catering By Design. First come, first served until the supply is gone. Happy Thanksgiving!

Children's Christmas Program Plans Underway

The Mount Olive children's Christmas program will be available to watch online starting on Sunday, **December 20**. This year our confirmation students will tell the Christmas story in creative ways. A virtual children's choir will be put together for three of our favorite Christmas songs. And we hope to see a wide variety of Christmas-related musical and other creative offerings from our kids and families. The more involvement we get, the better this program will be! Kids and families, **please send videos** (4 minutes or less) of you/your family singing, playing musical instruments, teaching a craft, showing a secret talent, etc. to Pastor Luke – luke@molive.org. Pastor Luke sent an email to all families with more specific instruction on video submissions including a link to a folder they can be uploaded to.

Advent Packets Available for Families

Pastor Luke is putting together Advent Packets for Mount Olive families with kids to go along with a weekly video. They will include a devotional, craft supplies, an Advent Calendar and more. **You are invited to pick up your family packet at Tailgate Worship on Sunday, Nov. 22**, otherwise, they will be mailed out the following week.

Advent Mid-Week Worship Begins December 2

The first Sunday in Advent is November 29! That means that Advent Mid-week services will begin Wednesday, December 2, and go through December 23. Each midweek service will include the beloved Holden Evening Prayer, a Bible reading and short reflection by one of the pastors. Worshippers are encouraged to light candles on an Advent Wreath at home and join in midweek worship during this contemplative season. Advent devotions will be available via email, mail, or pick up in the church entry. Contact nancy@molive.org for a copy.



Olive Branch

Olive Branch Artist's Studio - Creative expression is one of the ways we can let all of our life emotions be felt - and set free. Each Monday, 6:30-8:30 pm, we meet in the Fellowship Hall at Mount Olive to practice being creative. We practice careful social distancing, limiting the number of participants so that everyone has their own place to work. Masks are required.

November 23-WORKSHOP: *Mosaics with Lisa Janke* (Note this event is one week earlier than originally planned.) Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/artists-studio-presents-mosaics-for-beginners-tickets-129323685625>

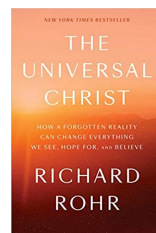
November 30-Open Studio Time-bring projects of your choice to work on. Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/127904908023>

Olive Branch “Off the Page” -An online bible-immersion where we will read a text together and then explore it in creative ways. The first session is full! Our next available session is Thursday, **December 3**, 10:00—11:30 am, focusing on Psalm 27. Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/127946329917>

Learn more about each of the above events by visiting the new Olive Branch website, www.olivebranchcommunity.org.

Faith Seeking Understanding (FSU)

Mount Olive’s Faith Seeking Understanding book group will gather via Zoom on Tuesday, **November 24**, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. (Note date change) This month’s selection is: ***The Universal Christ*** by *Richard Rohr*. If you would like to be added to the email list to receive updates and reminders, let Pastor Lisa know- lisa@molive.org. The FSU Zoom Meeting ID for 2020/21 is: 883 1860 1767.



Channel One Drive for Thanksgiving

Channel One is continuing to work hard to help people facing food insecurity. During November, when we are thinking of all that we are grateful for, please consider making a monetary donation to support their work. Donations will be accepted at the “Drive-By Pie” event or any time during the month. You may click on the [“Donate Now”](#) button on the church website or send a check to Mount Olive. Please indicate Channel One in the “other” section online or in your check memo.



The Mitten Tree Collection Continues

The Mitten Tree is now on display in the entry to collect cold weather gear for our neighborhood school, Elton Hills Elementary. You may select an ornament from the tree and purchase the item requested. Warm, water-proof gloves of all sizes, winter boots for K-3rd grade, and boys coats of all sizes are especially needed. You may also donate funds that coordinators will use to purchase items requested by the school for specific students.



Envelopes are available on the tree or you may make a gift by clicking the green “Donate Now” button at the bottom of the church website homepage- www.molive.org; indicate “mitten tree” in the comment.

Next Sunday's Readings:

<u>Isaiah 64:1-9</u> <i>Prayer that God would come with power and compassion</i>	<u>Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19</u> Let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.	<u>1 Corinthians 1:3-9</u> <i>Gifts of grace sustain those who wait for the end</i>	<u>Mark 13:24-37</u> <i>The sudden coming of the Son of Man</i>
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