

Mount Olive Lutheran Church



The 20th Sunday after
Pentecost

Sunday, October 10, 2021
9:00 am

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**A Reconciling in
Christ Community**

2830 18th Avenue NW
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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."

WELCOME CENTER

Visitors, as you leave the Sanctuary, directly to the right on the corner, you'll find a host who will welcome you and can answer questions you may have about Mount Olive. Please talk to an usher if you would like a large print bulletin or if you need a hearing assistance device. Feel free to contact Nancy Britson, Director of Congregational Life if you have further questions or are interested in membership at Mount Olive.

CHILD CARE

Childcare for infants through 4 years old is available in the Mount Olive nursery, located at the end of the front entry hall. Pagers are available for communication with parents.

COMMUNION

We celebrate Holy Communion each week. All are welcome to the Lord's Supper. If you choose to come forward, please cup your hands to receive a wafer. You are then invited to take a small cup of red wine or white grape juice from the tray. Gluten free wafers are available upon request; please verbally indicate your choice to the server. Leave your empty cup in the basket provided.

VIDEO RECORDING

Services are recorded and published on YouTube. Note that parishioners will not generally appear in the recording unless seated in the front rows of the sanctuary. You can find the services at www.youtube.com/MountOliveELCA.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Air"
Bob Moore

Ruth Monson, Flute

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(Please kneel as you are able.)*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.



- P: God, our comforter,
C: like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.
- P: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in ✠ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.
C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

“Rise Up, O Saints of God”

ELW #669

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| <p>1 Rise up, O saints of God!
 From vain ambitions turn;
 Christ rose triumphant that your hearts
 with nobler zeal might burn.</p> <p>2 Speak out, O saints of God!
 Despair engulfs earth's frame;
 as heirs of God's baptismal grace,
 the word of hope proclaim.</p> <p>3 Rise up, O saints of God!
 The kingdom's task embrace;
 redress sin's cruel consequence;
 give justice larger place.</p> | <p>4 Give heed, O saints of God!
 Creation cries in pain;
 stretch forth your hand of healing now,
 with love the weak sustain.</p> <p>5 Commit your hearts to seek
 the paths which Christ has trod;
 and, quickened by the Spirit's pow'r,
 rise up, O saints of God!</p> |
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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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“This is the Feast”

ELW pg. 169

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



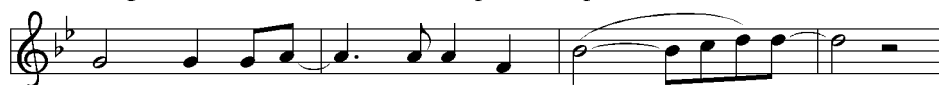
Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



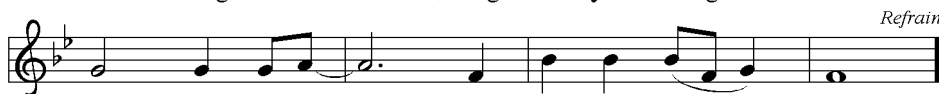
2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to



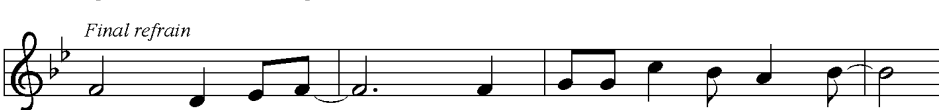
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



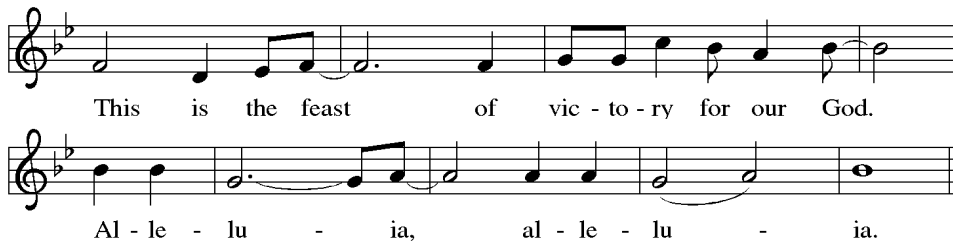
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

The 20th Sunday after Pentecost

FIRST READING

Hebrews 4:12-16 (NRSV)

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L: Word of God, Word of life,

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90

"Open Now Our Hearts to Wisdom"

Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

Open now our hearts to wisdom, keep us numbering our days
Generations long behind us, honored you, their dwelling place

As a blink our life's duration, just a dream of yesterday
Dust to dust our lovely lifespans, age to age your perfect grace

We are children of our planet, we will all be quickly gone
Though we thrive with breath and heartbeat, we can never know how long

Open now our hearts to wisdom, keep us numbering our days
Gladly mindful of eternity, let us live a holy pace



You have been our sanctuary, faithful God, from age to age
Open now our hearts to wisdom, keep us numbering our days
You a haven for our forebears, with the promise of your grace
Of our lives, God, make a legacy, for our children's children's faith

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Please stand.)*

"Alleluia"



GOSPEL *(Please stand.)*

Mark 10:17-31 (NRSV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

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

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields,



with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life.³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

"Fifteen Drivers in the Trunk"

Pastor Glenn Monson

HYMN OF THE DAY *(Please stand.)*

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

ELW #678

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| <p>1 God, whose giving knows no ending,
from your rich and endless store:
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
costly cross, grave's shattered door,
gifted by you, we turn to you,
off'ring up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever,
gracious donor of our days.</p> | <p>3 Treasure, too, you have entrusted,
gain through pow'rs your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred,
and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing,
as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
serving you by loving all.</p> |
| <p>2 Skills and time are ours for pressing
toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom,
races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor,
lest we strive for self alone;
born with talents, make us servants
fit to answer at your throne.</p> | |

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CONFESSION OF FAITH

From the Iona Abbey Worship Book

P: Let us affirm our faith:

C: We believe in God, Who conceived all that is created,
God, who fathers and mothers all people.

We believe in Jesus Christ God's firstborn and only Lord of the earth.

**He came from both heaven and the womb of the virgin Mary; he lived in solidarity
with humankind, befriending, teaching, healing, and restoring; he was denied and
betrayed by his friends; and was done to death by the state.**

**He descended to the place of oblivion, rose to life again on the third day, and ascended
to heaven where he sits at God's right hand.**



**This same Jesus will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, whose dynamic presence can make all things new.
And we believe in the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

L: Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

(Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.)

MEAL

Please be seated.

GATHERING OF GIFTS & OFFERINGS

The practice of making an offering during worship is an ancient one. Even before offerings were used for ministry needs and personnel, offerings were given simply as an expression of gratitude to God. Today our offerings do both: they provide needed funds for ministry and they are a way of expressing our gratitude to God for all the blessings we receive.

STEWARDSHIP VIDEO

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *(Please stand.)* "Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise"

ELW #205



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom-is - es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray:

C: God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

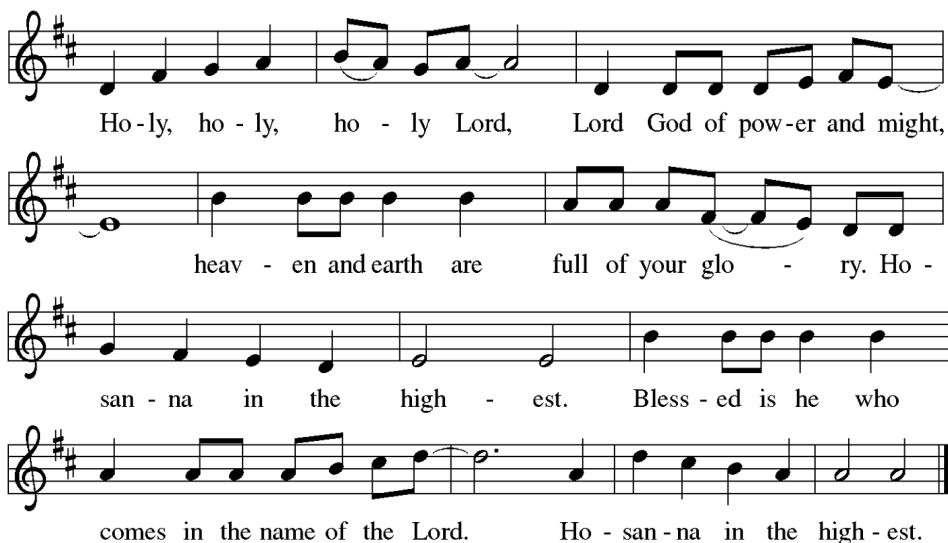
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

P: All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready. All are welcome here!

Please be seated.

All are welcome to the Lord's Supper. If you choose to come forward, please cup your hands to receive a wafer.

You are then invited to take a small cup of red wine or white grape juice from the tray.

Gluten free wafers are available upon request; please verbally indicate your choice to the server.

Leave your empty cup in the basket provided.

AGNUS DEI

"Lamb of God"

The musical score for "Lamb of God" is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace." The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with triplets marked above the notes in the first, second, and fourth staves.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS

"For Everyone Born"

Leader:

- 1 For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,

Refrain (all) and God will delight when we are creators of justice
and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight
when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

- 2 For woman and man, a place at the table,
revising the roles, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair, *Refrain*

- 3 For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
for young and for old, the right to belong, *Refrain*
- 4 For just and unjust, a place at the table,
abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,
for just and unjust, a new way to live, *Refrain*
- 5 For gay and for straight, a place at the table,
a covenant shared, a welcoming space,
a rainbow of race and gender and colour,
for gay and for straight, the chalice of grace, *Refrain*
- 6 For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free, *Refrain*

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING *(Please stand.)*

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 of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, ✠ one God, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"Take My Life, That I May Be "

ELW #583

*Refrain Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise*

- 1 Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee. *Refrain*

- 2
- Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. *Refrain*
- 3
- Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee. *Refrain*
- 4
- Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne. *Refrain*

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DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Welcome, Worship Guests!

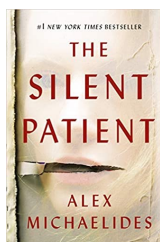
Thank you for joining us for worship today. You are always welcome. You may also visit our website, www.molive.org, to learn about other ways you can be part of life at Mount Olive. You can sign up there to receive our weekly email updates which contain information about upcoming events as well as links to the weekly online services, newsletters, and lots more.



Worship Participants	
Preaching and Presiding Minister	Rev. Dr. Glenn Monson
Organist/Pianist	Travis Beck
Psalmist & Special Music	Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, Ruth Monson
Assisting Minister	David Joyce
Lector	Keith Hanson
Greeters	Wendy & Kerry Dennison
Ushers	Bob & Lynn Nelson
Communion Assistants	Keith & Cathy Hanson
Nursery	Carrie Fletcher
Welcome Desk	Nancy Britson
Altar Guild	Denise Foy

Congregational prayers for healing and comfort ...

- ◆ Mount Olive members and friends who are ill, grieving, or recovering from surgery
- ◆ All Homebound Members
- ◆ Our companions in ministry in Kijota, Tanzania and Bogota, Colombia. May the Spirit of God fill them with faith, hope, and joy, as they live out the good news and proclaim it.
- ◆ People suffering with COVID-19 in the U.S. and abroad. Give strength to those who minister to them, and bring hope and healing to all.
- ◆ Our country as we learn to confront and stamp out the curse of racism in our land. Help us to be one in mind and spirit as we go forward together.
- ◆ People suffering from the aftereffects of earthquake, fire, and hurricane.
- ◆ The work of Lutheran World Relief and the personal care kits made today.



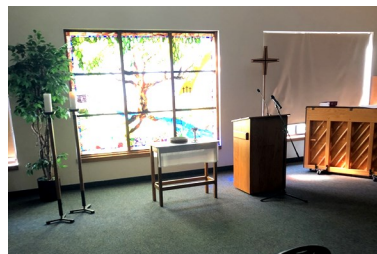
Monday Book Group Meets October 11

The **Monday Book Group's** meets again via Zoom on **October 11** at 6:30 pm. This month's selection is ***The Silent Patient*** by Alex Michaelides. If you would like to be added to the email list or receive the Zoom invitation for September, contact Jodi Schoer at mjschoer@charter.net.

Wednesday Evening Worship

Did you enjoy attending Saturday evening worship? Busy on Sunday mornings with work or other activities? Do you enjoy a more casual worship setting? Need 30 minutes in the middle of the week to center yourself amid the busyness of the fall?

If any of these sound like you, consider joining us for Wednesday evening worship at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Still centered on the Word and the Sacrament of Holy Communion, this service has a more casual and reflective feel. Please contact any of the pastors with questions you may have. Note that like Sunday indoor worship, everyone is asked to wear a mask.



Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 53:4-12

The suffering servant

Psalms 91:9-16

You have made the LORD your refuge, and the Most High your habitation.

Hebrews 5:1-10

Through suffering Christ becomes the source of salvation

Mark 10:35-45

Warnings to Ambitious disciples

Check out the “Wall of Wonder!”

In celebration of Mount Olive’s 60th Anniversary, you are invited to help build the “Wall of Wonder,” a timeline of Mount Olive’s history on display in the front entry. It is an opportunity for you to share your own perspective on the past 60 years and help us look toward the future with a greater understanding of where we have been. Instructions are posted in the entry. We’ll have a time to reflect on the findings later this fall, watch for more information in coming newsletters. For more information, contact Travis Beck.

New Photo Directory

A reminder to help us update our photo directory. Forms are accessible on the church website or at in-person worship with all the options for updating your photo and contact info. You may submit an updated family/individual snapshot and any changes in your contact info. to Nancy Britson in the church office, nancy@molive.org.

Sunday School

Each Sunday, we’ll have outdoor Sunday School for ages 0-18. Come to check in around 10:30 am. We’ll sing songs, share Bible stories and skits, and do fun activities together. For any questions about Sunday School, please contact Pastor Luke- luke@molive.org.

Olive Branch’s New Home

We are delighted to announce that Olive Branch Church has a new home on Monday evenings for the fall/winter: Gray Duck Theater! This locally-owned micro-cinema features a small movie theater and full-blown coffeeshop with amazing coffees, teas, and pastries. What makes this feel like a real partnership is that Gray Duck shares Olive Branch’s foundational commitment to full LGBTQIA+ celebration. Stop by Gray Duck, 619 6th Ave NW, Rochester, on Mondays; Doors open at 5:30 pm for snacks and coffee in the coffeehouse, church is at 6:00 pm in the theater. Contact Pastor Lisa at lisa@molive.org with any questions.



Personal Care Kit Assembly

Personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief will be assembled in the Gathering Area during Sunday School. All children and parents are encouraged to participate. Meet on the East patio for music time first.

New Member Coffee and Reception

On Sunday, **October 10** at 10:00 am, all regular visitors, those interested in membership at Mount Olive, and any current members in attendance are invited to the Fellowship Hall for coffee and treats and an informational session about the ministries of Mount Olive. Everyone is encouraged to attend to learn more about our congregation and to share a warm welcome. Next Sunday, **October 17**, new members will be received into membership during worship services. The newest members and others who have joined the congregation during the pandemic time will be featured in a bulletin insert. If you would like to be included in membership, please let Director of Congregational Life, Nancy Britson know (nancy@molive.org), and she will contact you.



Fall Worship Volunteers Needed

Worship volunteers are needed for the 9:00 am Sunday services. We're looking for greeters, ushers, communion assistants, lectors and assisting ministers.

At this time, we're asking that all volunteers are vaccinated. Sign up at the Welcome Desk today, or click here: www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a5a92aa1fb6-mount1. Contact Nancy Britson, with questions—nancy@molive.org or 507-288-1580 ext. 202.

This Week at Mount Olive

Sunday, October 10

- 9:00a - Worship
- 10:00a - New Member Coffee
- 10:30a - Sunday School Service
- Sunday
- 11:00a - Tailgate Worship

Monday, October 11

- 6:00p - Olive Branch Church at Gray Duck Theater
- 6:30p - Monday Book Group on Zoom
- 6:30p - Lydia Circle

Tuesday, October 12

- 9:00a - Zumbro River Conf.
- 3:30p - Families First
- 5:30p - Adult Faith Ministry Team
- 6:00p - Executive Council

Wednesday, October 13

- 9:30a - Staff Meeting
- 3:30p - Families First
- 4:00p - Bolder Options Event
- 6:30p - Wednesday Worship
- 7:00p - Confirmation
- 7:30p - Genesis Bible Study Online
- 7:30p - Mount Olive Choir

Thursday, October 14

- 9:00a - Mount Olive Quilters
- 10:30a - Genesis Bible Study
- 5:00p - Boulder Vill. HOA
- 7:00p - 'In the Process' Al-Anon
- 7:15p - Glory Bells
- 8:15p - Mount Olive Brass

Friday, October 15

No Scheduled Activities

Saturday, October 16

- 8:00a - Med City Drones
- 8:30a - Men's Discipleship
- 8:30a - How Al-Anon Works
- 9:00a - Altar Guild Mtg. & Set-Up

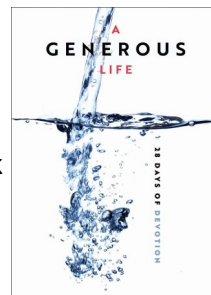
Sunday, October 17

- 9:00a - Worship
- 10:00a - Coffee Fellowship
- 10:10a - Sunday Forum
- 10:30a - Sunday School
- 11:00a - Tailgate Worship
- 2:00p - Childhood Cancer Community

Church Office Hours:
Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am-4:00pm
Office Closed Fridays & Holidays

A Generous Life

Today, as part of our ongoing Stewardship Season, we will hear from Steve and Sherry Will, a couple that has been very involved at Mount Olive, including Sherry's 3 years as Director of Missions and Service. They will speak about how giving and serving has blessed them. Be sure to continue reading every day in *A Generous Life; 28 Days of Devotion*, as we move forward toward Stewardship Sunday on October 24. For those who have not yet gotten a copy of our Stewardship devotional, *A Generous Life; 28 Days of Devotion*, be sure to pick up your copy today. We want everyone to have a chance to reflect on the blessing of generosity before Stewardship Sunday on October 24.



Anniversary Weekend is Coming!

On Reformation Sunday, October 31st we will celebrate Mount Olive's 60th Anniversary with Festival Worship and an Anniversary Reception to follow the 9:00 service. We will hear greetings from former pastors, enjoy the unveiling of a new Anniversary banner and a newly commissioned hymn, as well as other surprises. Plan now to attend this wonderful day. On Saturday, Oct. 30th at 7:00, don't miss the Bach Society Concert at Mount Olive, a great way to start your celebration. Visit bachsocietyymn.org/morning-has-broken/ for tickets and more details. Also, remember to make a gift to our **60 for 60 Fund**, as we celebrate our anniversary through giving to our ministry partners in Rochester and across the globe. Special giving envelopes are available on the usher's table.



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