# Mount Olive Lutheran Church



The 21st Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, October 17, 2021 9:00 am

office@molive.org www.molive.org (507) 288-1580 A Reconciling in Christ Community

2830 18th Avenue NW Rochester, Minnesota 55901 **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

#### WELCOME

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

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\pm$  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

"Christ Be My Leader"

- Christ be my leader by night as by day; safe through the darkness for he is the Way. Gladly I follow, my future his care, darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.
- Christ be my teacher in age as in youth, drifting or doubting, for he is the Truth.
   Grant me to trust him, though shifting as sand, doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife; death cannot hold me, for he is the Life. Darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

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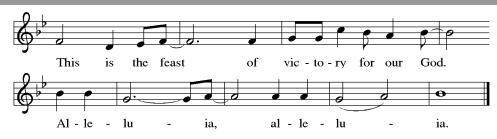
### APOSTOLIC GREETING

- 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: Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

### WORD

The 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### FIRST READING

Hebrews 5:1-10 (NRSV)

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; <sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

- L: Word of God, Word of life,
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 91

"Take Cover in Love"

Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

"Take Cover in Love (Psalm 91)" Words & music © 2015 Worldmaking.net. Used by permission under ONE LICENSE #A727717. All rights reserved. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand.) "Alleluia" Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



GOSPEL (Please stand.)

Mark 10:35-45 (NRSV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

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

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" <sup>39</sup>They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

<sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

### Sermon

Pastor Lisa Janke Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

ELW #659

#### HYMN OF THE DAY (Please stand.)

- Will you let me be your servant, Let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.
- 2 We are pilgrims on a journey, we are trav'lers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
- 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

- 4 I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
  I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.
- 5 Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

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"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"

#### **PRESENTATION AND WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS**

#### **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: Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.



- 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 a sign of God's peace with one another.)

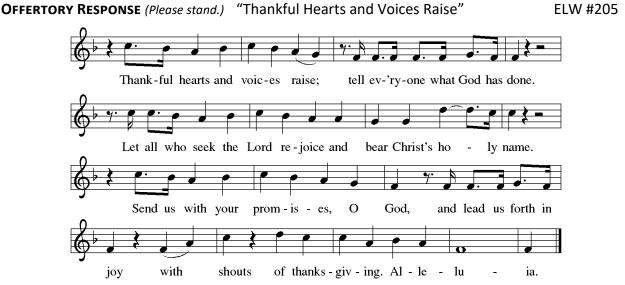
# MEAL

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



### **OFFERING PRAYER**

L: Let us pray:

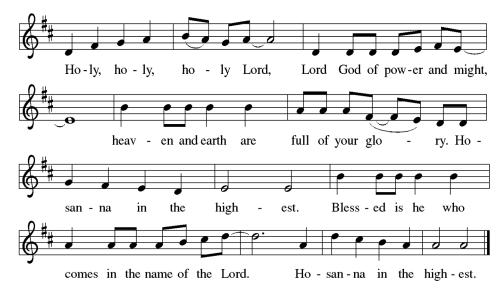
C: God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### 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:



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

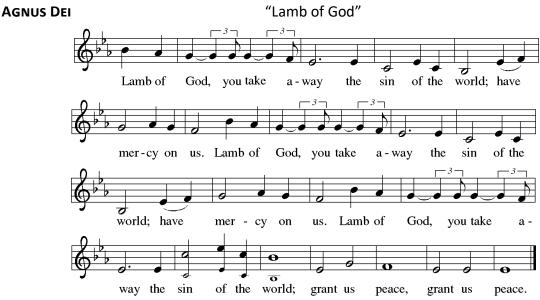
C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are 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.





### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

"On Eagle's Wings"

ELW #787

1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in this shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

### Refrain

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

2 The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear; under God's wings your refuge, with faithfulness your shield. *Refrain* 

- 3 You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. *Refrain*
- 4 For to the angels God's given a command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- Final refrain

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand; and hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

### **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

- C: Amen.

### SENDING HYMN"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"ELW #551

- The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.
- 2 We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free; where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.
- 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.
- 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

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#### DISMISSAL

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

#### POSTLUDE

Next Sunday's Readings:			
Jeremiah 31:7-9 The LORD gathers the remnant of Israel	Psalm 126 Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.	Hebrews 7:23-28 Christ the merciful high priest	<u>Mark 10:46-52</u> Christ healing the blind man Bartimaeus

## Welcome, Worship Guests!

Thank you for joining us for worship today. You are always welcome. You may also visit our website, <u>www.molive.org</u>, 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	Rev. Lisa Janke, Richard Bruxvoort Colligan	
Presiding Ministers	Rev. Dr. Glenn Monson, Rev. Luke Hollander	
Organist/Pianist	Travis Beck	
Psalmist	Richard Bruxvoort Colligan	
Assisting Minister	Elmer Odland	
Lector	Jerry Wollenburg	
Greeters	Jerry & Norma Wollenburg	
Ushers	Tom Rigby, Curt Britson	
Communion Assistants	Dave Rossow	
Nursery	Carrie Fletcher	
Welcome Desk	Nancy Britson	
Altar Guild	Sharon Parker	

### **New Members Received Today**

We are pleased to welcome several new members this Sunday. Please see the insert in today's bulletin to learn more about each person and give each of them a warm welcome!

### Held in the Seasons: Ordinary time after Pentecost

How do you feel about autumn leaves falling? Writer and poet Joyce Rupp wonders if the leaves are gleefully free, having gathered their courage and finally let go of the life they once knew. We are like these trees, releasing things in due season, grounded deep in the earth (See Psalm 1). In these final six weeks of Ordinary Time after Pentecost, pray with the sailing leaves. Imagine gathering your own courage, surrounded by support, to release whatever is ready. Then bring to mind the people in your life who are in the middle of deep change right now. We are in a world of ripening, falling leaves.



### 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.

### Prayers of celebration...

• With gratitude for the new members joining Mount Olive today. May they each be blessed by being a part of our congregation.

# **Confirmation Sunday October 24**

Kate Klavetter will be confirmed at the 9:00 am worship service on Sunday, October 24. She has been actively engaged with her faith and continues to be a leader at Mount Olive. Help us celebrate this milestone with Kate by coming to the 9:00 am worship service on the 24th.

# **Sunday Forum Explores Redlining**

We will gather for Forum in the <u>Sanctuary</u> this Sunday at 10:10 am. Join us for a presentation by the Mount Olive Team Exploring Anti-Racism on the local impact of redlining, a discriminatory practice that puts services out of reach for residents of certain areas based on race or ethnicity, and why we use the term BIPOC. Come meet the team, learn about the impact right here in our community, and join us in this very important work.

### Wednesday Evening Worship

Consider joining us for Wednesday evening worship at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Centered on the Word and the Sacrament of Holy Communion, this service has a more casual and reflective feel. Note that like Sunday indoor worship, everyone is asked to wear a mask. **Notice:** Richard and Edna Haase will be celebrating 60 years of marriage on Oct 22, 2021 . Their proud and grateful children James E. Haase, and Ann C.H. Hurst, will be sponsoring a Card Shower in their honor! To share well wishes, please send a card to: Richard and Edna Haase % Benton Lutheran Church P.O. Box 706 Crooks, SD 57020

# 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 or you may use this link to contribute: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/Y2aeLFhhgf</u>. We'll have a time to reflect on the findings at a Sunday Forum later this fall.

## New Photo Directory – Send Your Photos!

It's not too late 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, <u>nancy@molive.org</u>. Thank you!

# Sunday School Schedule

Next Sunday, October 24, there will be <u>no Sunday School</u> due to MEA break. Sunday School for ages 0-18 will resume on October 31 at 10:30 am. Come for special anniversary treats for everyone. For any questions, please contact Pastor Luke-<u>luke@molive.org</u>.

# **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 <u>lisa@molive.org</u> with any questions.

### UTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

# Personal Care Kit Thank You

Nolive Branch

World Relief for Personal Care Kits. Last week we were able to assemble 70 kits to send when disaster hits to help our neighbors around the world. Special thanks to the youth and adults that bundled and helped the children go through the assembly line.

# Mount Olive Anniversary "Spirit Wear" Available

Mount Olive Lutheran Church is celebrating 60 years of blessings and being a blessing in

2021. You are invited to join us in celebrating this anniversary year by making an order of

clothing with the Mount Olive logo. Stop by the table in the Gathering Area to see clothing samples and pick up order information. All orders are online at this link:

https://mtolive60years.itemorder.com/shop/sale/ Place your orders on or before the expiration date of **Wednesday, Nov. 10,** 

**2021.** At that time all orders will go into production. Please allow 3 weeks for delivery. Your orders will be distributed at Mount Olive when they arrive. Thank 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 Wel-

come Desk today, or click here: <u>www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a5a92aa1fb6-mount1</u>. Contact Nancy Britson, with questions—<u>nancy@molive.org</u> or 507-288-1580 ext. 202.

### 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

### Monday, October 18

- 12:00p Newsletter Deadline
- 6:00p Olive Branch Church at Gray Duck Theater
- 6:30p Scout Advancement Mtg.
- Tuesday, October 19
- 9:30a Staff Meeting 3:30p - Families First
- 3:30p Families First
- 5:30p 60th Anniversary Comm.
- 6:30p SSOM Ministry Team

### This Week at Mount Olive

6:30p - Miriam Circle 7:00p - Mom's Demand Action

### Wednesday, October 20

- 3:30p Families First
- 6:30p Wednesday Worship
- 7:30p Genesis Bible Study Online
- 7:30p Mount Olive Choir

### Thursday, October 21

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

Friday, October 22 9:30a - Mary Circle

Saturday, October 23 8:30a - Men's Discipleship 9:00a - How Al-Anon Works 9:00a - Altar Guild Set-Up

Sunday, October 24 9:00a - Worship 10:00a - Coffee Fellowship 10:10a - Sunday Forum 10:30a - No Sunday School-MEA 11:00a - Tailgate Worship

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



# Stewardship Sunday October 24

Today, in the final video of our Stewardship Season, we will hear from the Mannix family, Nathan, Kristin, Emily, Ian, and Noah, as they tell us what giving means to 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. (Extra copies are available in the office.) We want everyone to have a chance to reflect on the blessing of generosity before Stewardship Sunday. Watch the mail for your pledge card and more info. this week.

### **Anniversary Weekend is Coming!**

On Reformation Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 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.

A great way to start your celebration is the Bach Society Concert at Mount Olive on Saturday, Oct. 30th at 7:00, Visit <u>bachsocietymn.org/morning-has-broken/</u> for tickets and more details. Please note that Bach Society requires proof of vaccination and masks to attend.

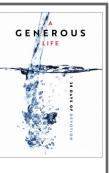
Also, remember to make a gift to our **60 for 60 Fund**, as we celebrate our anniversary through giving to our ministry partners in Rochester and across the globe. Special giving envelopes are available on the usher's table.

### **MOUNT OLIVE STAFF**

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