

October 17 Tailgate Worship Song Sheet

GATHERING HYMN

“Christ Be My Leader”

- 1 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.
- 2 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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HYMN OF THE DAY *(Please stand.)* “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”

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| 1 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. | 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. |
| 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. | 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. |
| 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. | |

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.**

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.

SENDING HYMN

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

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| 1 The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim. | 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. |
| 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. | 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

Welcome, Worship Guests!

Thank you for joining us for worship today. You are always welcome. You may visit our website, www.molive.org, to learn about 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.



Sunday School Schedule

Next Sunday, October 24, there will be no Sunday School 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- luke@molive.org.

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.

A great way to start your celebration is the Bach Society Concert at Mount Olive on Saturday, Oct. 30th at 7:00, Visit bachsocietymn.org/morning-has-broken/ 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.

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 ...

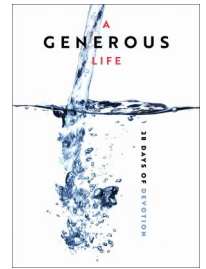
- ◆ Mount Olive members and friends who are ill, grieving, or recovering from surgery
- ◆ All Homebound Members
- ◆ Our companions in ministry in Kijota, Tanzania and Bogota, Colombia. May the Spirit of God fill them with faith, hope, and joy, as they live out the good news and proclaim it to all.
- ◆ 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.

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. Mount Olive members, watch the mail for your pledge card and more info. this week.



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: <https://forms.office.com/r/Y2aeLFhhgf>. 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, nancy@molive.org. Thank you!

Personal Care Kit Thank You

Thank you for your generous donations to Lutheran World Relief for Personal Care Kits. During Sunday School time 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.



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