



Mt Olive Evangelical Lutheran Church

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

“Mt. Olive exists to proclaim God’s Word in its truth and purity, so that each believer may GROW in faith and then GO with the good news of Jesus Christ to our community and world so that together we may GLORIFY God into eternity”

Ministers: every member

President: Greg Boggs

Pastor: Tim Kemnitz

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Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS-Caring and Conservative)

August 19, 2018

Pentecost 13

Worship: Sunday: 8 & 10:30 A.M.

“Family Style” Bible Study: Sunday 9:30A.M.

Welcome to the new faces that are here with us today to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus. Today we see that God’s generosity in material things serves as a great reminder of His even greater generosity in spiritual blessings—even as He provides all we need for body and soul to survive this world. May God bless our worship of Him! *For Parents with small children: A “quiet room/nursery” is available to you if needed—where you can hear the service while tending to the needs of your little one. (in the lower West kitchen) Just ask if there’s anything else you need.*

Our Worship:

Pastor Greeting and Focus for Worship

Opening Hymn of Praise: CW 353 “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

MEDITATION ON THE CREED

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

P: The Word is near you;

C: **it is in your mouth and in your heart.**

Romans 10:8

P: It is with your heart that you believe and are justified,

C: **and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.**

Romans 10:10

P: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Romans 10:13

C: **Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame.**

Romans 10:11

CONFESSION OF SIN

P: We have not always confessed Jesus as Lord and given glory to our God with godly living. Let us go to our Savior now and confess our sins, asking Him to forgive us for his mercy’s sake.

C: Lord, you tell us in your Word that whoever denies you before men you also will deny before your Father in heaven. Those words fill us with terror as we consider the many times we have lived “in denial” of you not only by what we said or didn’t say, but also by how we’ve lived. Please forgive us. Please acknowledge us before God and accept us on the basis of what you have done for us and what you declare us to be through faith in you!

P: Be of good cheer! Jesus lived (and lives!) and loved (and loves!) to forgive. He continues to command his called servants to forgive those who confess their sins before God. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Thank you, Lord, for your grace and mercy to me!

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen (spoken)

OUR COMFORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT FROM GOD'S WORD

Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 5:15-20 (p. 1159 in the blue pew Bible)

Psalm of the Day: 1 (p. 64 in the front of the hymnal)

Gospel Lesson: John 6:51-58 (p. 1057)

Hymn of the Day: CW 474 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

Sermon Text: Proverbs 9:1-6 (p. 631)

Theme: Walk In the Way of Insight

I. As Instructed By the Teacher-Wise Solomon

II. As Commanded By the Lord-Who Has Charged His Church to Provide "Higher Learning"

Offering of our thank offerings-a small token of our appreciation for God's gifts to us of forgiveness and life!

PRAYER AND LORDS PRAYER

First Article

P: Heavenly Father, Creator of all things, you give us all that we need for body and life.

C: Every good and perfect gift comes from you, the Father of the heavenly lights.

James 1:17

Second Article

P: Lord Jesus Christ, by your suffering and death you have opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

C: We approach your throne, O God, with confidence, for mercy and grace in our time of need.

Hebrews 4:16

Third Article

P: Holy Spirit, counselor and guide, you have raised us from death by your powerful word.

C: You, O Spirit of God, have made us. Your breath, almighty One, gave us life.

Job 33:4

P: Lord, fill our hearts with thanksgiving for your mercy and love.

C: Move us with our hearts to believe and with our mouths to confess your saving name even as we join in praying as you have taught us...

Romans 10:10

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: CW 561 "Lord, Speak to Us that We May Speak"

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor ☩ and give you peace.

C: A-men. A-men. A-men (sung)

Closing Hymn of Praise: CW 330 "Now the Hour of Worship O'er"

Our Week in the Lord at Mt. Olive (If God so wills it!)

Today: 8 & 10:30 A.M. Sunday Worship

9:30 A.M. Family Bible Study Hour

Monday: 7 P.M. Evening Worship at St. Mark's (a post-view of Sunday)

Wednesday: 3 P.M. Windcrest Bible Study

6:30 P.M. Grief Group Meets

Thursday: 7:00 P.M. Evening Worship (Preview of the Sunday Service)

Sunday: 8 & 10:30 A.M. Communion Worship

9:30 A.M. "Growth in the Word" for all ages

NEWS-N-NOTES

To Our "New Faces" in the Crowd today: Thanks for joining us for worship. We were blessed to have you with us this morning as we gathered here in God's house to be encouraged by His message of love & forgiveness to otherwise lost sinners! Please sign our guest register and please come again!

THANK YOU: We thank our organist this morning, Jackie Kronebusch-for helping us get the week started on "the right note" as we gathered here in HIS house to sing HIS praises!

THANK YOU: Judy Lauber, for offering your talent of directing a tone chimes choir for the edifying use in our worship of God. We are raising funds to purchase the chimes and seeking members of any age who can read music and are willing to serve in this choir, please let us know if you're interested in playing or in helping raise funds for this beautiful way of glorifying God with sacred music. Price tag for this blessing: \$3,000.00.

MT. OLIVE'S FIRST FAMILY FUN CARNIVAL will be held Sunday, September 9 at 12 PM - 4 PM! Lots of great family activities will be offered. If you'd like to lend your skills and talents, a committee meeting is planned for 7PM this Wednesday. For more details, contact Michelle Bergen.

E-GIVING: Want to stay consistent with your offerings even during the inconsistent "vacation months" of summer? Why not check into "E-giving?" – the electronic giving program which takes care of your offerings for you via an automatic withdrawal system. You set the amount and days/duration and let the system take care of the rest. Talk to Rod Wasserman if you have any questions. "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income..." I Corinthians 16:2

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY/THIS WEEK:

Early Service

Altar Care: Candace Meyer, Lynne Costin

Ushering: J&I Meyer, J Landis, D Jung

Cleaning God's House This Next week: Downstairs-Fox, Upstairs-Gettemy, Narthex-Houfek

Mowing: Scott Raasch, Bob Kander

GOD'S WORD FOR OUR FOCUS ON Pentecost 13

Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house; she has set up its seven pillars.² She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine; she has also set her table.³ She has sent out her servants, and she calls from the highest point of the city, ⁴ "Let all who are simple come to my house!" To those who have no sense she says, ⁵ "Come, eat my food and drink the wine I have mixed. ⁶ Leave your simple ways and you will live; walk in the way of insight."

Ephesians 5:15-20

¹⁵ Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, ²⁰ always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 6:51-58

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." ⁵² Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

⁵³ Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. ⁵⁵ For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. ⁵⁶ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them.

⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."