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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 their faith in Jesus and be equipped to GO with the good news of Jesus Christ to our community and world, so that together we may GLORIFY God into eternity.

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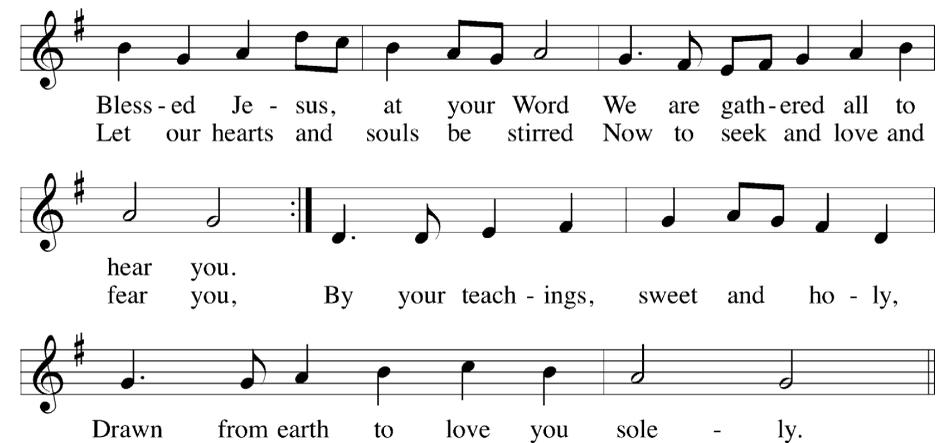
January 20, 2019 Epiphany 2
Worship: Thursday 7P.M. Sunday 8&10:30 AM Sunday School: 9:15A.M. “Growth in The Word” Sunday 9:30AM
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Prayer Before Worship: Lord Jesus, as we stare up at the cross, we realize the great sacrifice you made on our behalf to make us right with our heavenly Father. Because of your great sacrifice we have been shown mercy at the hands of an angry God. Help us now to be filled with compassion towards others and to show love and mercy when we are tempted to show judgment. Fill us with humble gratitude for all you have done for us and work through us to reach out to others. In your holy name I pray this. Amen

GATHERING RITE ON THE WORD OF GOD

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit
C: (spoken) Amen.

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word
Stanza 1



Bless - ed Je - sus, at your Word We are gath - ered all to
Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and love and
hear you.
fear you, By your teach - ings, sweet and ho - ly,
Drawn from earth to love you sole - ly.

M: Oh, how I love your law!

C: I meditate on it all day long.

M: Your commands make me wiser than my enemies,

C: for they are ever with me.

M: I have more insight than all my teachers,

C: for I meditate on your statutes.

M: How sweet are your words to my taste,

C: sweeter than honey to my mouth!

(Psalm 119:97-99,103)

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Stanza 2



All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est dark - ness
Till your Spir - it breaks our night With the beams of truth un -



shroud - ed
cloud - ed. You a - lone to God can win us;



You must work all good with - in us.

M: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

C: so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

(2 Timothy 3:16,17)

M: Yet so often we have despised God's Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins we bow before God and humbly ask his forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in all eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Stanza 3



Gra - cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light from Light, from God pro -
O - pen now our heart and mind; Help us by your Spir - it's



ceed - ing,
plead - ing. Hear the cry your peo - ple rais - es;



Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.

M: God gave his Word so "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." *(John 20:31)*. The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. Therefore as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (spoken) Amen.

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Stanza 4



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Praise to you and ad - o -
Grant that we your Word may trust, Con - fi - dent of our sal -



ra - tion!
va - tion, While we here be - low must wan - der,



Till we sing your prais - es yon - der.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

C: (spoken) Amen.

BE SEATED

(The Liturgy continues on p. 40 in the front part of the hymnal)

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 7:14-24 (p. 60 in the black pew Bible)

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 133-134 (p. 115 in the front of the hymnal)



SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 3:14-21 (p. 1158)

GOSPEL: John 2:1-11 (p. 1050)

M: Here ends the Gospel.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY: CW 85 “O God from God, O Light from Light”

SERMON: John 2:1-11
“The Star Begins to Shine”

STAND

After the sermon, the congregation stands and speaks:

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.**

BE SEATED

OFFERING

(The Liturgy continues/concludes on p. 42 in the front part of the hymnal)

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: CW 374 "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

STAND

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (sung) A-men.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

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

CLOSING HYMN: CW 322 "On What Has Now Been Sown"

Our Week in the Lord at Mt. Olive (God Willing!)

TODAY 8&10:30 A.M. Epiphany 2 Worship

9:15A.M. Sunday School:

9:30AM Growth in The Word

11:45 A.M. Voters' Meeting

MONDAY-6:30 P.M. Elders

7:00P.M. Monday Night Worship at St. Mark

TUESDAY 9-10 AM Women's Prayer Group

WEDNESDAY- 3:00 P.M. Windcrest Bible Study

4:30 P.M. Catechism

THURSDAY- 7:00P.M. Thursday Night Worship (a preview of next Sunday's service)

SUNDAY 8&10:30 AM Communion Worship

9:15A.M. Sunday School:

9:30AM Growth in The Word

News and Notes

To our visitors and guests: Thanks for joining us today! We invite you to join us for after the service in the back of church. Please sign our guest register so we have a record of your visit with us today and please join us again!

THANK YOU... Jackie Kronebusch, for serving your Savior as our organist this morning. God used you in a wonderful way, today, Jackie, to encourage our hearts and minds in Christ. May your heart be filled with joy for the opportunity to assist us in praising and worshiping our good and gracious God.

VOTERS' MEETING: ALL MEN IN THE CONGREGATION ARE ASKED TO SET JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING WHICH BEGINS RIGHT AFTER SECOND SERVICE AT 11:45A.M. AMONG OTHER THINGS, WE WILL BE VOTING ON LEADERS AND ON THE BUDGET FOR 2019.

All NELHS Alums: On February 1, we're turning back the clock and want to see YOU in your basketball and cheer prime!! We're inviting all cheerleaders to join our squad cheering on the Knights (Bonus points if you can still fit in your uniform!!) Either between varsity games or at halftime we'll showcase basketball skills with a pick up game. So bring your shoes, sense of humor and ability to embarrass the younger crowd!! See you then!

MATCHING FUND CHALLENGE: An anonymous benefactor has offered to match up to \$1,625 any \$\$ offered by members-to ensure that the cost of the new furnace will not negatively impact our budget. The challenge goes through Valentines and serves as an opportunity to show our love for Jesus by keeping his house warm and inviting. Over and above offerings can be marked on church envelopes "for the furnace". We thank the donor for spurring us all on toward love and good deeds. (cf. Hebrews 10:24)

OFFERING ENVELOPES/ELECTRONIC GIVING: Communicant members are encouraged to pick up their offering envelopes for the year of our Lord 2019-located in the narthex next to member boxes. If you didn't get offering envelopes or have a question about our budget or offering designations-please speak with Rod Wasserman-our treasurer or Jeremy Landis our financial secretary. If you would prefer to make use of "Simply Giving" our e-giving program which enables you to use direct deposit from an account of your choice on a schedule of your choosing-that can be arranged by speaking with the two above mentioned men who can assist you with filling out the form and setting thing up.

LOOKING FOR...A FEW GOOD MEN/VOTERS. While there are lots of ways to get involved in a Christian congregation and to serve our Savior...our present structure calls for us to seek out and "call" a "few good men" to serve in special capacities as leaders here at Mt. Olive. Our nominating committee made up of President Greg Boggs and some of the other outgoing officers are seeking out names to use for the ballot on January 20th - our scheduled date for the first Voters' Meeting of the New Year. If approached by one of your former leaders (for whom we give thanks to God for their faithful service) please use prayerful consideration as you deliberate this call-for it comes indirectly (via a media) from Christ himself. It is he who gave some to be "apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists and some to be pastors and teachers (as well as giving other gifts to be used for his glory!) to prepare God's people for works of service..." Ephesians 4:11ff.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY/THIS WEEK:

Early Service

Late Service

Altar Care: Beth Ferrell, Christine Smith

Emma Gettemy, Shawna Fox

Ushering: J & W Costin, T Smith

L & R Wasserman, C&J Hansen

Cleaning God's House this week: Downstairs- Ferrell Upstairs- Hernandez Narthex- Fox

*If you can't clean please call Kevin Ferrell @ 430-7823 and he will find you a sub...

In God's House On 1/10 & 1/13 : 7+55+84=146

Given for God's Glory:

Grade School cheer camp registration is due January 21!!

Camp will be held on February 9th from 2:30-6:00 pm with a Country Two-Step Theme.

Cost is only \$25.00

Contact kdorn@nelhs.org for more information

Don't miss out on the fun!!

God's Word for Epiphany 2

Exodus 7:14-24

¹⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, "Pharaoh's heart is unyielding; he refuses to let the people go. ¹⁵ Go to Pharaoh in the morning as he goes out to the river. Confront him on the bank of the Nile and take in your hand the staff that was changed into a snake. ¹⁶ Then say to him, 'The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, has sent me to say to you: Let my people go, so that they may worship me in the wilderness. But until now you have not listened. ¹⁷ This is what the LORD says: By this you will know that I am the LORD: With the staff that is in my hand I will strike the water of the Nile, and it will be changed into blood. ¹⁸ The fish in the Nile will die, and the river will stink; the Egyptians will not be able to drink its water.'" ¹⁹ The LORD said to Moses, "Tell Aaron, 'Take your staff and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt—over the streams and canals, over the ponds and all the reservoirs—and they will turn to blood.' Blood will be everywhere in Egypt, even in vessels of wood and stone." ²⁰ Moses and Aaron did just as the LORD had commanded. He raised his staff in the presence of Pharaoh and his officials and struck the water of the Nile, and all the water was changed into blood. ²¹ The fish in the Nile died, and the river smelled so bad that the Egyptians could not drink its water. Blood was everywhere in Egypt. ²² But the Egyptian magicians did the same things by their secret arts, and Pharaoh's heart became hard; he would not listen to Moses and Aaron, just as the LORD had said. ²³ Instead, he turned and went into his palace, and did not take even this to heart. ²⁴ And all the Egyptians dug along the Nile to get drinking water, because they could not drink the water of the river.

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

John 2:1-11

² On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ³ and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ⁴ When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." ⁵ "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come." ⁶ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁷ Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. ⁸ Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. ⁹ Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, ¹⁰ and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹¹ and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." ¹² What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.