



Seventh Sunday after Epiphany, Lect. 7 C

February 23, 2025 + 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Mount Olive Lutheran Church

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Welcome to Worship at Mount Olive!

Mount Olive is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and a Reconciling in Christ congregation. It is a community in and of the city where all are welcome in every aspect of congregational life. We believe that the liturgy is central to our life together, that our weekly gathering around Word and Sacrament strengthens us for our work as people of God in this and in every place.

Following the Liturgy

- *Page*: Numbers marked “page ...” are in the front of the cranberry red hymnal in the lower outside corners of the pages.
- *HYMN*: Numbers marked “HYMN ...” are in the back of the cranberry red hymnal in the upper outside corners of the pages.
- *Psalms* are numbered as hymns 1–150.
- *Hymns numbered 901–1100*, marked “ACS HYMN ...,” are in the purple hymnal supplement, *All Creation Sings*.

Accessibility

- An *elevator* is located at the north entry. Turn right as you exit the nave.
- A large *unisex restroom* is located on the lower level (across the hall from the elevator).
- *Primary restrooms* are located on the main floor near the elevator.
- *Additional parking* is available on Sunday mornings behind the Career Force center at the corner of Chicago Ave. and Lake St.
- *Hearing Assistance*
 - *T-coil* is provided in our nave and other large gathering areas.
 - *Small headsets* are also available. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

Focus on the Season: Seventh Sunday after Epiphany, Lect. 7 C

Mercy. Joseph lives it in Egypt. Jesus preaches it to the crowds. And the Holy Spirit guides us into merciful lives shaped into the blinding heat of Christ’s proclaimed mercy: love for enemies, prayer for those who abuse, gifts for those who beg, lending with no expectation of return. This is the radical mercy that will heal and transform all things, and in the Spirit’s breath in our lives it becomes who we are. Mercy.

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The Entrance Liturgy

PRELUDE: *Prière du Matin* Joseph Jongen

AT THE PROCESSION *(Standing to face the cross as it is carried into the assembly)*
“O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright” HYMN 559

GREETING

☞ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

☞ **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Glory to God in the highest” page 139

PRAYER OF THE DAY

☞ Let us pray. O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace: that where there is hatred we may sow love, where there is injury we may sow pardon, and where there is despair we may sow hope. Grant, O Divine Master, that we may not so much seek to be consoled, understood, or loved, as to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

☞ **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Genesis 45:3-11, 15 *(seated)*

Response: ☞ **Thanks be to God.** *A brief silence follows the reading.*

PSALMODY: Psalm 37:1-10, 39-40

A brief silence follows the psalm.

The antiphon is sung by all at the beginning and after verses 6, 10, and 40.



The low - ly shall pos - sess the
land; they will de - light in a - bun-dance of peace.

The verses are sung by all, using the following tone:



SECOND READING: I Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Response: **☩ Thanks be to God.** *A brief silence follows the reading.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(standing)

“Alleluia”



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

Verse: *Love your enemies, and you will be children of the Most High;
forgive, and you will be forgiven.*

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38 (adding vv. 39-49)

Jesus' words in today's Gospel reading reach a strong conclusion in the succeeding verses. These, in vv. 39-49, are appointed for Lectionary 8 C, which almost never is used, due to how the calendar falls, so we will read them today.

Response after the announcement: **☩ Glory to you, O Lord.**

Response after the conclusion: **☩ Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Acclamation refrain is sung again.

Please remain standing until the invocation is pronounced.

SERMON **Foundation** (seated)

A brief silence follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY (standing)

“Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace”

HYMN 716

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (kneeling)

Response: **☩ hear our prayer.**

PEACE *You are invited to share God's peace with those around you.*

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

(10:45) AT THE OFFERING (seated)

“Love the Lord Your God”

Collegeville Composers Group

Psalm tone by Barry Rose

Love the Lord your God,

your neighbor as yourself:

do this and you shall live. — Luke 10:27-28

The text of the verses is found at Psalm 119:1-8.

OFFERTORY (standing)

“Build a Longer Table”

ACS HYMN 1062

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Response: **☩ Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Sanctus

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Eucharistic Prayer

P Blessed are you, O holy God, . . . Christ's death until he comes.

☩ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Remembering, therefore . . . holy and life-giving light.

☩ Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray . . . brilliance of Christ.

☩ Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P To you, O God, . . . holy Church, now and forever.

☩ Amen

Lord's Prayer

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"Our Father in heaven..."

AT THE COMMUNION

(seated)

Receive the bread, and then the wine by drinking from the first cup or dipping the bread in the second cup.

The bread is gluten-free.

If you are unable to come forward, please alert an usher, and the ministers will bring the meal to you.

"Lamb of God"

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"Creating God, Your Fingers Trace"

HYMN 684

"O Day of Peace"

HYMN 711

TABLE BLESSING

(standing)

Response: **☩ Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

“Lord, Now You Let Your Servant” (The Nunc Dimittis)



☪ Lord, now you let your ser- vant go in peace; your word has been ful- filled.



My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre- pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re- veal you to the



na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Glo- ry to the Fa- ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho- ly Spir - it,



as it was in the be- gin - ning, is now, and will be for- ev- er. A - men

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Response: ☪ Amen.

The Liturgy of Sending

SENDING OF COMMUNION MINISTERS

The Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood may be sent to those unable to be present at our celebration.

- ☐ We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that our sisters and brothers may also share in the communion of Christ's body and blood.
- ☑ **We who are many are one body in Christ, sharing one bread, one cup.**

BLESSING

Response: ☑ **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

- ☐ Go in peace to love and serve as Christ.
- ☑ **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE: Toccata from *Das Holsteinische Orgelbüchlein* Hans Friedrich Micheelsen

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by
Al & Margaret Bostelmann, in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.*

Today's Adult Forum - 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Lounge

Taste of Chile! Karen Anderson will lead our forum about the work of EPES.

Next Week's Forum

“Care in Community in an Era of Cruelty” part 1 of a 2-part series,
presented by Rev. Cody Sanders

WORSHIP LEADERS

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| Presiding Minister & Preacher | Pastor Joseph Crippen |
| Interim Organist | Robert Farlee |
| Interim Choir Director | Andrew Stoebig |
| Sacristan | Art Halbardier |
| Assisting Minister | Vicar Natalie Wussler |
| Eucharistic Minister | Wes Huisinga |
| Communion Ministers | Judy & Walt Hinck |
| Livestream / Audio Mix | Donn McLellan / Ken Schulz |
| (10:45) Choir | Mount Olive Cantorei |

8:00

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| Acolytes | Kat Campbell Johnson, Jan Harbaugh |
| Lectors | Louise Lystig Fritchie |
| Ushers | George Ferguson & Brian Jacobs |
| Altar Guild | Cynthia Prosek Joy Obadiaru |

10:45

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| Amy Thompson, Rose Thompson |
| Faye Howell |
| Carol Austermann, Sue Browender. Brad Nelson |
| Bonnie McLellan |

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 2

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| Presiding Minister & Preacher | Pastor Joseph Crippen |
| Organist | Mark Spitzack |
| Interim Choir Director | Andrew Stoebig |
| Sacristan | Brad Nelson |
| Assisting Minister | Beth Gaede |
| Crucifer | Kandi Jo Nelson |
| Eucharistic Minister | Vicar Natalie Wussler |
| Communion Ministers | Judy & Walt Hinck |
| Livestream | Greg Murphy |
| (10:45) Choirs | Mount Olive Cantorei, Youth Choir, Rebekah Schulz, Director Children's Choir, Mari Espeland, Director |

8:00

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| Acolytes | Larry Duncan, Adam Krueger |
| Lectors | Kathy Wicks |
| Ushers | John Bjork, Stephanie Obadiarui |
| Altar Guild | Cynthia Prosek |
| Coffee Hosts | Hosts Needed! |

10:45

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| Eric Manuel, Steve Manuelo |
| Carolyn Heifer |
| David Engen, Allen Heggen, Elena Molbert |
| Mary Crippen |
| Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede |
| Hosts Needed! |

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

- **Please pray throughout the week for the following persons:** Elizabeth Beissel; Dixie Berg; Irene Campbell; Harry Eklund; Darrell Golnitz; Carolyn Heider; Gene Janssen; Mary Rose Kaliher; Leanna Kloempken; Tim Lindholm; Jude Mostek; Rhoda Nelson; Paul Nixdorf; Jerry Ostlund; Russ Pearson; Robin Rayfield; Pariann Schenk; Rodney Schrank; Judy Stratton; David & Shirley Tabis; John Wall; Grace Wiechman; Rhonda Fish, friend of Andrew Andersen; Kay Austermann, sister-in-law of Carol Austermann; Sheryl Greife, friend of Sabrina Bipes; Sara Brunette, daughter-in-law of CJ Brunette; Randy Caverly, nephew of Marcia & Dan Burow; Lela Frazier, Lawrence Walker, and Anne Walker, sister and friends of Irene Campbell; Theresa Ryser, relative of Kat & Gretchen Campbell-Johnson; Nicky Iacono, friend of Martin Connell & Greg Terhaar; David Gutierrez, father of Consuelo Crosby; Dennis Fisher, brother-in-law of John Gidmark; Joe & Brenda Patnaude, friends of Tom Graves & Ginny Agresti; Berndt Gustafson, father of Bjorn Gustafson; Susan Varpness, mother of former vicar Mollie Hamre; Pari Bailey, friend of Jan Harbaugh; Tom Cedal, Chuck Dull, Viji George, and Brian Johnson, friends of Carolyn & George Heider; Barb Heintz, mother of Andy Heintz; Quentin Hamilton, friend of Judy Hinck; Tami Huisinga, relative of Wes Huisinga; the Klapushynski family (of Ukraine), friends of Jim & Judy Johnson; Roger Bradford and Bonnie Beissel, friends of Dave & Mary Rose Kaliher; Cavin Horton, friend of Kathy Kruger; Ann Richards, friend of Carol Martinson; Martin E. and Harriet Marty, parents of John Marty; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Stan & Darlene Nelson, parents of Brad Nelson; Daniel Nelson and Martha Johnson, son and sister of Rhoda Nelson and brother and aunt of Sherry Nelson; Chris McCune-Zierath, friend of Lisa Nordeen; Nancy Pranke, and Linda Penas, sister-in-law and sister of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; Olive Oelfke, great-granddaughter of George & Marlys Oelfke, Herb Olson, brother of Rod Olson; Jolie Melana Meshbesh and Kit Delfino, friends of Robin Rayfield; Beverly Belua, sister of Rodney Schrank; Miranda Alvis, niece of Tim Sneer; Keith Van Ee, father of Tricia Van Ee; David Duran, friend of Kevin Vazquez; Eileen Weiss, mother-in-law of John Wall; Lynda, Conrad Kunz, and Richard Sutherlund, friends and cousin of Eric Zander; Barbara C. Johnson, Steve Horsfield, friends of Mount Olive.
- **For those celebrating their baptism anniversaries this week:** Warren Peterson, Emily Dyson, Diana Hellerman, and Amy Thompson.
- **For those in hospice care:** Mary Lee, Martha Boomgarten, sister of Jack Kruger; Lois Pera, aunt of Linda Hafemeister.
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**
The commemorations are listed on page 12 of worship folder.

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE

Sunday, February 23 – *Seventh Sunday after Epiphany, Lect. 7 C; St. Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, martyr*
Taste of Chile

8:00 am ***Holy Eucharist***, followed by coffee and conversation
9:30 am Adult Forum/Youth Conversation/Godly Play/Family Music Time Gathering
10:45 am ***Holy Eucharist***, followed by coffee and conversation
Noon Taste of Chile celebration meal

Monday, February 24

5:00 pm Cantor Call Committee meeting
5:30 pm Family Music Time (online only)
7:00 pm Monday Night WAVE [N.A. meeting]

Tuesday, February 25 – *Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess*

9:00 am Diaper Depot staff meeting
Noon Bible Study

Wednesday, February 26

10:00 am Staff meeting
5:30 pm Children's Choir supper
6:00 pm Children's Choir rehearsals
7:00 pm Y2 Confirmation classes
7:00 pm Cantorei rehearsal

Thursday, February 27

9:30 am ***Morning Prayer***
7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, February 28

7:00 pm Recovery Group

Saturday, March 1 – *George Herbert, hymnwriter*

Sunday, March 2 – *Transfiguration of Our Lord*

8:00 am ***Holy Eucharist***, followed by coffee and conversation
9:30 am Adult Forum/Youth Conversation/Godly Play
10:45 am ***Holy Eucharist***, followed by coffee and conversation

The Commemorations

February 23: *St. Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, martyr, died 156* - Because he is said to have been known by John, the author of Revelation, as well as the important early church fathers Irenaeus and Ignatius, Polycarp serves as a vital link in church history. He was burned at the stake at age 86 for refusing to renounce his faith.

February 25: *Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess, died 1921* - Born in Norway and trained there as a deaconess, Fedde was asked to come and minister to the poor and to seamen in New York City. She established the Deaconess House in Brooklyn as well as Deaconess Hospital in Minneapolis.

March 1: *George Herbert, hymnwriter, died 1633* - An excellent scholar, Herbert served briefly in the English parliament, then became a parish priest. He was known for devoted care of his parishioners, as well as for writing poetry and hymns, including "Come, my way, my truth, my life." He died at age 40.

Become a Member

Whether you worship in person or from afar, we invite you to join us as members of Mount Olive Lutheran Church.

Please contact welcome@mountolivechurch.org or evangelism@mountolivechurch.org for additional details.



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