



Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 6, 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: Fifth Sunday in Lent, year C

Our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus’ feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading we see it, in the transformation of Saul, the persecutor, into Paul, the apostle. Now in the Eucharist we are fed bread from heaven that forgives our sins and nourishes our baptismal life, joining us to God’s new thing.

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The Entrance Liturgy

PRELUDE: "Alle Menschen müssen sterben" J.S. Bach

AT THE PROCESSION *(Standing to face the cross as it is carried into the assembly)*
The Great Litany HYMN 238

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 *(standing)*

P Let us pray. Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:16-21 *(seated)*

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

PSALMODY: Psalm 126

A brief silence follows the psalm.

The antiphon is sung by all at the beginning and after verses 3 and 6.



Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

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



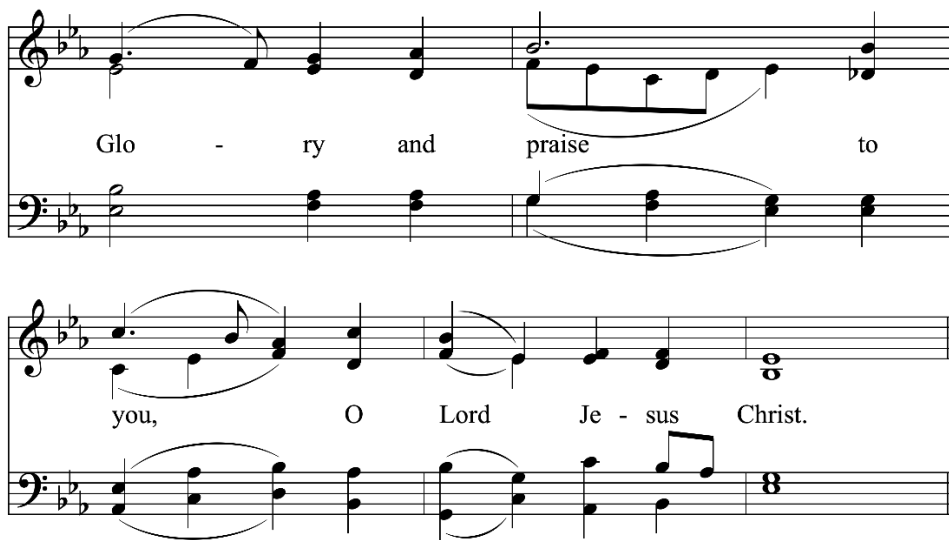
SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(standing)

“Glory and praise...”



Glo - ry and praise to
you, O Lord Je - sus Christ.

*Verse: Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,
I press on toward the goal for the prize
of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus — Phil. 3:3-14*

HOLY GOSPEL: John 12:1-8

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

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

The Gospel acclamation is sung again.

Please remain standing until the invocation has been pronounced.

SERMON

Do You Perceive It?

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

(standing)

“Christ Is the Life”

ACS HYMN 927

Stanza 1 – All

Stanza 3 – Treble voices

Stanza 2 – Low voices

Stanza 4 – All

SELF-EXAMINATION AND CONFESSION

As our Lenten journey calls us back to our baptismal waters for nourishment and cleansing, we examine our lives, confess our sins and turn to the Triune God for grace, mercy, and life.

All may kneel for a time of self-examination and prayer following the invitation.

☩ Compassionate God,

☩ you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth.

Forgive us, transform our lives, and guide us again in the way of the cross.

☩ Merciful and most high God, . . . through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☩ Amen.

☩ God, who is rich in mercy, . . . live in your hearts through faith.

☩ Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(kneeling)

Response: **C** hear our prayer.

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

(standing)

The Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

AT THE OFFERING

(seated)

(10:45) Drop, Drop, Slow Tears

Janet L. Janzen

*Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beautiful feet,
which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace.
Cease not, mine eyes, his mercy to entreat;
to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.
In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears;
nor let his eye see sin but through my tears. — Phineas Fletcher*

OFFERTORY

(standing as the gifts are brought forward)

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

HYMN 188

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Response: **C** Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING



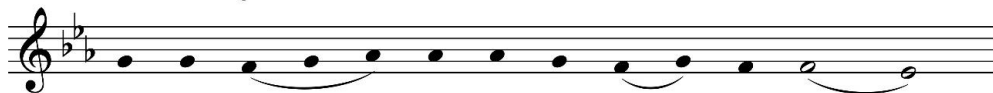
P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.



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 God thanks and praise.

Sanctus

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

HYMN 190

Eucharistic Prayer

P Holy God, holy and mighty . . . we proclaim Christ’s death until he comes.

C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Remembering, therefore . . . saving water, food, and life.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Pour out your Holy Spirit . . . by the love of Christ.

C **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P All-Gracious One . . . now and forever.

C **Amen**

Lord’s Prayer

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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.

“Jesus, Lamb of God”

HYMN 199

“Christ, the Life of All the Living”

HYMN 339

“Holy Woman, Graceful Giver”

ACS HYMN 1002

Stanza 1 — All

Stanza 3 — Low voices

Stanza 2 — Treble voices

Stanza 4 — All

COMMUNION BLESSING

Response: **C** **Amen.**

(standing)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Response: **C** **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.**

No postludes will be played during the solemn season of Lent.

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

Mount Olive member Tom Schattauer will present part 2 of a 2-part series on the Rites of Triduum and their liturgical history.

Special Congregation Meeting to Call a Cantor

The Vestry has called for a special congregation meeting **next Sunday, April 13, 2025, following the second liturgy that day** (Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday). The sole purpose for this meeting is to consider a candidate for Cantor of Mount Olive and vote whether to call that person.

The Call Committee has recommended a name to the Vestry, who have approved the name and a Letter of Call to be presented to the congregation at this meeting

Please note that the semi-annual meeting of the congregation is set for April 27. More to follow.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister & Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
Interim Organist	Robert Farlee
Interim Choir Director	Andrew Stoebig
Sacristan	Art Halbardier
Assisting Minister	David Engen
Eucharistic Minister	Vicar Natalie Wussler
Choir	Mount Olive Cantorei
Communion Minister	Don Luther
Livestream / Audio Mix	Reid Peterson / Ken Schulz

	<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:45</u>
Acolytes	Kat Campbell Johnson Jan Harbaugh	Carol Austermann, Brad Nelson
Lectors	Kathy Wicks	David Hauschild
Ushers	Michael Lansing, Alan Wicks	David Anderson, Elena Molbert, Chuck Reyer
Altar Guild	Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede Jan Harbaugh	Mary Crippen

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Sacristan	Adam Krueger
Assisting Minister	Consuelo Crosby
Communion Minister	Allen Dundek
Crucifer	Jan Harbaugh
Livestream / Audio Mix	Donn McLellan / David Molvik
(10:45) Choir	Mount Olive Cantorei

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Acolytes	Larry Duncan, Thomas Fenner	Tim Pipkorn, Robin Rayfield
Lectors	Rob Ruff	John Gidmark
Ushers	John Bjork, Lynn Ruff	Carol Austermann, Mike Knudson, Carol Martinson
Altar Guild	Lynn Ruff Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede	Candy Husemoller
Coffee Hosts	Hosts Needed!	Hosts Needed!

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

- **Please pray throughout the week for the following persons:** Elizabeth Beissel; Dixie Berg; Harry Eklund; Jan Gallagher; Gene Janssen; Mary Rose Kaliher; Leanna Kloempken; Tim Lindholm; Jude Mostek; Kandi Jo Nelson; Rhoda Nelson; Jerry Ostlund; Russ Pearson; Robin Rayfield; Pariann Schenk; Rodney Schrank; David & Shirley Tabis; Carol Tressel; John Wall; Grace Wiechman; Rhonda Fish, friend of Andrew Andersen; Charlotte Erasmus, friend of Nancy Anderson; 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; Mary Bouska, friend of Mary Dodgson; 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; Joy McDonald Coltvet, friend of Jan Harbaugh; Tom Cedal, Chuck Dull and Brian Johnson, friends of Carolyn & George Heider; Barb Heintz, mother of Andy Heintz; Quentin Hamilton, friend of Judy Hinck; Paul Hoeft, brother of Peggy Hoeft; 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; Mike Ruchie, brother of Kathy Kruger; Ann Richards, friend of Carol Martinson; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Luke Meurett, brother of Rachel Meurett; Stan & Darlene Nelson, parents of Brad Nelson; Sandy Bryant, Daniel Nelson, and Martha Johnson, daughter, son, and sister of Rhoda Nelson and sister, 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 Meshbeshier and Kit Delfino, friends of Robin Rayfield; 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 Sutherland, friends and cousin of Eric Zander; Barbara C. Johnson, Steve Horsfield, friends of Mount Olive.
- **For those celebrating their baptism anniversaries this week:** Gayle Schulz, Rebekah Wold Defries, Sandra Pranschke, David Anderson, Arthur Beck, and Donald Ogren.
- **For those in hospice care:** Mary Lee, Martha Boomgarten, sister of Jack Kruger.
- **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, April 6 – Fifth Sunday in Lent; Albrecht Dürer, Matthias Grünewald, Lucas Cranach,

8:00 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation artists

9:30 am Adult Forum/Youth Conversation/Godly Play

10:45 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation

Monday, April 7

5:30 pm Family Music Time (online only)

7:00 pm Global Ministry Committee meeting

7:00 pm Vicar Committee meeting

7:00 pm Monday Night WAVE [N.A. meeting]

Tuesday, April 8

Noon Bible Study

Wednesday, April 9 – Dietrich Bonhoeffer, theologian, martyr

9:00 am Staff meeting

Noon **Midweek Lenten Eucharist**, followed by Soup Lunch

5:30 pm Children's Choir supper

6:00 pm Soup Supper

6:00 pm Children's Choir rehearsals

7:00 pm **Midweek Lenten Vespers**

7:35 pm Cantorei rehearsal

Thursday, April 10 – Mikael Agricola, Bishop of Turku

9:30 am **Morning Prayer**

7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, April 11

7:00 pm Recovery Group

Saturday, April 12

9:00 am Chancel Dusting and Polishing day

10:00 am Book Discussion group

Sunday, April 13 – Sunday of the Passion

8:00 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation
No Education Hour this day

10:45 am **Holy Eucharist**, followed by coffee and conversation

Noon Special Congregation meeting (see note on page 14 of worship folder)

The Commemorations

April 6: *Albrecht Dürer, died 1528; Matthias Grünewald, died 1529; Lucas Cranach, died 1553; artists* - These great artists revealed through their work the mystery of salvation and the wonder of creation. Dürer's work reflected the apocalyptic spirit of his time. Though he remained a Roman Catholic, he was sympathetic to Martin Luther's reforming work. Grünewald's paintings are known for their dramatic forms, vivid colors, and depiction of light. Cranach's work includes many fine religious examples and several portraits of Martin Luther. Cranach was also widely known for his woodcuts.

April 9: *Dietrich Bonhoeffer, theologian, martyr, died 1945* - Bonhoeffer was a German theologian who wrote profoundly, yet in an accessible manner. In the Second World War, he became a leader of the Confessing Church in Germany that resisted the Nazi movement. Linked to a plot to kill Hitler, he was hanged shortly before the end of the war.

April 10: *Mikael Agricola, Bishop of Turku, died 1557* - Consecrated bishop of Turku, Finland, without the approval of the pope, Agricola began a reform along Lutheran lines. In only three years, he translated the New Testament and worship texts into Finnish, in the process establishing the rules of Finnish writing that are still used today.

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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