



# *Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, 12 A*

*June 21, 2026 † 10:00 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: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 12A

In today’s gospel, Jesus encourages our discipleship: do not be afraid, for I am with you; tell others what you hear me say; give your life to the good news and you will discover the riches of life. Simple, yet Christ speaks it in an anxious and troubled world where it’s easier to be fearful than courageous, more common to look out for oneself than to care for the neighbor in need. Yet we do not fear, for we are God’s in Christ, and so we go and serve.



# Word

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FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:7-13

(seated)

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

PSALMODY: Psalm 69:7-18

*A brief silence follows the psalm.*

*Sung by all, in harmony.*



<sup>7</sup>I bear shame and | insult

because I bear your | name.

<sup>8</sup>Rejected by my | family,

I am a stranger to my | kin.

<sup>9</sup>My passion for your cause takes all my | strength.

Insults meant for you now fall on | me.

<sup>10</sup>Despite my tears and | fasting,

I only gained con- | tempt.

<sup>16</sup>Answer me, | LORD,

turn to me with mercy and | love.

<sup>17</sup>Face me, I am | desperate.

Answer your servant | now,

*Last half of tone:*

<sup>18</sup>come to my | rescue,

free me from my | enemies.

SECOND READING: Romans 6:1b-11

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Sung twice*

*(standing)*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*Verse: Jesus says, The Spirit of the Lord will testify on my behalf,  
and you also are to testify. (John 15:26, 27)*

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 10:24-39

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

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

*Please remain standing until the invocation is pronounced.*

SERMON

**Finding Life**

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O God, My Faithful God”

*Stanzas 2 and 3 are sung in harmony.*

*(standing)*

HYMN 806

APOSTLES' CREED

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INSTALLATION OF OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR: Amy Thompson

*Congregation responds:*

**☒ We will, and we ask God to help us.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Response:* **☒ hear our prayer.**

PEACE

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

# Meal

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## AT THE OFFERING

(seated)

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Gifts may be placed in the offering plate or made online using the QR code on the back of this worship folder.*

### “If With All Your Hearts,” from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

“If with all your hearts ye truly seek me,  
ye shall ever surely find me.” Thus saith our God.  
Oh! That I knew where I might find him,  
that I might even come before his presence!

-Deuteronomy 4:29, Jeremiah 29:13

## OFFERTORY HYMN

(standing as the gifts are brought forward)

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

HYMN 184

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Response:  Amen

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sursum Corda – “Lift up your hearts”

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Sanctus – “Holy, holy, holy”



Ho - ly, ho - - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth

are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic Prayer

- ☞ Holy and Triune God, you alone . . . Christ's death until he comes.  
☞ **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**  
☞ Holy and Triune God, we remember, . . . longing for Christ's return.  
☞ **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**  
☞ Holy and Triune God, we pray . . . throughout the world.  
☞ **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**  
☞ Blessing, praise, and thanks . . . world without end.  
☞ **Amen**

Lord's Prayer

*spoken*

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## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

- ☞ The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.  
☞ **O Christ, give us this bread always.**

## 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.*

Agnus Dei – “Lamb of God”

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“By Gracious Powers”

HYMN 626

*Stanza 1 – All*

*Stanza 4 – Low voices*

*Stanza 2 – Treble voices*

*Stanza 5 – All*

*Stanza 3 – All*

“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

HYMN 802

*Stanzas 2 and 3 are sung in harmony.*

## TABLE BLESSING

*(standing)*

Response: ☞ **Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Response: ☞ **Amen.**

## Sending

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*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 they 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

DISMISSAL

☐ Go in peace to love and serve as Christ.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE:

Præludium in G, BuxWV 147

Dietrich Buxtehude

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Bonnie & Donn McLellan, in celebration of their wedding on this date in 1964, and to welcome longtime member Amy Thompson as she joins Mount Olive's staff as Office Administrator and Publications Coordinator.*

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

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| <b>Presiding Minister &amp; Preacher</b> | Pastor Joseph Crippen                             |
| <b>Organist</b>                          | Cantor Daniel Schwandt                            |
| <b>Sacristan</b>                         | Al Bipes  |
| <b>Assisting Minister</b>                | Beth Gaede  |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b>              | Vicar Erik Nelson                                 |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b>               | Andrew Andersen, Don Luther, Rob Ruff             |
| <b>Livestream / Audio Mix</b>            | Donn McLellan / David Molvik                      |
| <b>Acolytes</b>                          | Carol Austermann, Larry Duncan                    |
| <b>Lector</b>                            | Sherry Nelson                                     |
| <b>Ushers</b>                            | Irene Campbell, Chuck Reyer, Melissa Stone        |
| <b>Altar Guild</b>                       | Bob Christenson & Beth Gaede,<br>Candy Husemoller |
| <b>Coffee Hosts</b>                      | Gary Nack & Warren Peterson                       |

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## WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 28

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| <b>Presiding Minister &amp; Preacher</b> | Pastor Joseph Crippen                                 |
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| <b>Sacristan</b>                         | Al Bipes  |
| <b>Assisting Minister</b>                | Lora Dundek   |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b>              | David Bryce   |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b>               | Allen Dundek, Art Halbardier                          |
| <b>Livestream / Audio Mix</b>            | Greg Murphy / Ken Schulz                              |
| <b>Acolytes</b>                          | Jan Harbaugh, Wes Huisinga                            |
| <b>Lector</b>                            | John Meyer  |
| <b>Ushers</b>                            | David Engen, Lynn & Rob Ruff                          |
| <b>Altar Guild</b>                       | Cynthia Prosek, Bonnie McLellan                       |
| <b>Coffee Hosts</b>                      | Ordination anniversary celebration<br>for Pr. Crippen |

# THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE

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**Sunday, June 21** – *Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect 12 A; Onesimos Nesib, translator, evangelist*  
**10:00 am**      ***Holy Eucharist, with Installation of Office Administrator***, followed by coffee and conversation

**Monday, June 22**

7:00 pm      Monday Night WAVE (N.A. group)

**Wednesday, June 24** - *St. John the Baptist*

10:00 am      Staff meeting

Noon      Bible Study (meeting on Wednesdays during the summer)

**Thursday, June 25** - *Presentation of the Augsburg Confession, 1530; Philipp Melancthon,*

**9:30 am**      ***Morning Prayer***      *renewer of the church*

7:00 pm      Narcotics Anonymous

**Friday, June 26**

7:00 pm      Recovery Group

**Saturday, June 27** - *St. Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria*

9:00 am      Gardening Day

9:00 am      Labyrinth painting in the parking lot

**Sunday, June 28** – *Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect 13 A*

**10:00 am**      ***Holy Eucharist, with the Sacrament of Holy Baptism***, followed by Ordination anniversary celebration for Pr. Crippen

12:30-3 pm      Retirement celebration for Cha Posz at Forgotten Star Brewery, Fridley

## OUR LIFE TOGETHER

- **Please pray throughout the week for the following persons:** Keith Bartz; Dixie Berg; Al Bostelmann; Leah Crosby and her newborn daughter, Myla Rose; Jan Gallagher; Allen Heggen; Neil Hering; Mary Rose Kaliher; Leanna Kloempken; Bob Lee; Tim Lindholm; Jude Mostek; Gary Nack; Kandi Jo Nelson; Gail Nielsen; Connie & Rod Olson; Russ Pearson; Elijah Pettis; Robin Rayfield; Pariann Schenk; Rodney Schrank; Mark Spitzack; David & Shirley Tabis; John Wall; Grace Wiechman; Paul Carlson, friend of David Anderson; Paul Solarski, Marie Solarski, and Jessie Solarski, relatives of Emily Bird; Sara Brunette, daughter-in-law of CJ Brunette; Lawrence Walker & Anne Walker, friends of Irene Campbell; Heather Johnson and Theresa Ryser, relatives of Kat & Gretchen Campbell-Johnson; David Gutierrez, father of Consuelo Crosby; Jack Pogge and Joy McDonald Coltvot, friends of Jan Harbaugh; Mark Holtzen, Tom Cedal, Chuck Dull, and Brian Johnson, cousin and friends of Carolyn & George Heider; Jesus Lopez and Philip Borchardt, friends of Gene Janssen; the Klapushynski family (of Ukraine), friends of Jim & Judy Johnson; Bonnie Beisell and Ken Kaliher, friend and brother of Dave & Mary Rose Kaliher; Mike Ruchie, brother of Kathy Kruger; Ann Richards, friend of Carol Martinson; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Sandy Bryant, Daniel Nelson, and Martha Johnson, sister, brother, and aunt of Sherry Nelson; Stan & Darlene Nelson, parents of Brad Nelson; Chris McCune-Zierath, friend of Lisa Nordeen; Olive Oelfke, infant great-granddaughter of George & Marlys Oelfke; Linda Penas, relative of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; Milt Ferris, brother-in-law of Cynthia Prosek; Jolie Melana Meshbeshier and Kit Delfino, friends of Robin Rayfield; David DeCoux, brother-in-law of James and Elisabeth Regan; Aric Sorenson, former member of Mount Olive; Trish Ryan, mother-in-law of Erika Thurston Ryan; Miranda Alvis, niece of Tim Sneer; David Duran, friend of Kevin Vazquez; Cheryl Ness and Steve Langlie, friends of Eric Zander; former vicar Rev. Glenn Seefeldt; and Steve Horsfield, friends of Mount Olive.
- **For those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries this week:** Jasmine Buss, Robert Lee, and Catherine Husemoller.
- **In hospice care:** Rev. Raymond Sanders, friend of Eric Zander; Christiane Reichel, friend from Leipzig.
- **At the death of:** Lela Frazier, sister of Irene Campbell.
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**  
*The commemorations are listed on worship folder insert.*

## **The Commemorations**

**June 21:** *Onesimos Nesib, translator, evangelist, died 1931* - Onesimos was born in Ethiopia. Captured, enslaved, and taken to Eritrea, he was there freed by Swedish missionaries. He translated the Bible into his native Oromo and returned to preach there.

**June 24:** *St. John the Baptist* - John said, "[Jesus] must increase, but I must decrease." And so his birth is celebrated half a year before Jesus', just as the daylight in the northern hemisphere begins to wane. Jesus honored John as being the greatest prophet.

**June 25:** *Presentation of the Augsburg Confession, 1530* - On this day in 1530 the German and Latin editions of the Augsburg Confession were presented to the Emperor Charles of the Holy Roman Empire. The Augsburg Confession was written by Philipp Melanchthon and endorsed by Martin Luther, and consists of a brief summary of points in which the reformers saw their teaching as either agreeing with or differing from that of the Roman Catholic Church of the time.

**June 25:** *Philipp Melanchthon, renewer of the church, died 1560* - Though he died on April 19, Philipp Melanchthon is commemorated today because of his connection with the Augsburg Confession. Colleague and co-reformer with Martin Luther, Melanchthon was a brilliant scholar, known as "the teacher of Germany."

**June 27:** *St. Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, died 444* - Cyril defended the orthodox teachings about the person of Christ. After a conflict involving all of the major Christian leaders of the time, it was decided that Cyril's interpretation, that Christ's person included both divine and human natures, was correct.



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