



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 16 A

July 19, 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: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 16A

The parable in today’s gospel sets forth what we may experience every day: evil coexists with the good. The conclusion to the parable – the weeds will be burned – seems simple, except for this: the one who speaks gives his life over to death, that God’s mercy for all people may be revealed, and that God’s power to bring good out of evil may be known. Is it possible that even weeds and thorns will be transformed into beautiful flowers and lush vines?

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Entrance

PRELUDE

Two settings of “Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good”

Kristina Rizzotto

Helmut Walcha

The Walcha setting serves as the introduction to the hymn.

ENTRANCE HYMN

(standing)

“Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good”

HYMN 871

Stanzas 1 & 4: All

Stanza 2: Treble voices, all on “To God all praise...”

Stanza 3: Low voices, all on “To God all praise...”

GREETING

Response: **☩ And also with you.**

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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“Glory to God”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Response: **☩ Amen.**

Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 44:6-8

(seated)

Response: **☩ Thanks be to God.**

A brief silence follows the reading.

PSALMODY: Psalm 86:11-17

Sung by all in harmony.



¹¹Mark your path, | LORD,
that I may follow your | truth.
Make my one de- | sire
to revere your | name.

¹²With all I am, I thank you, | God,
and honor your name for- | ever.

¹³Your love for me is | great,
it saves me from the | grave.

¹⁴The proud rise against me, brutal gangs seek my | life,
with no thought of | you.

¹⁵But you are Lord of mercy and | care,
a God slow to anger, full of loyalty and | love.

¹⁶Turn to me, pity | me,
strengthen your daughter's child, rescue your | servant.

¹⁷Show me a sign of your love to shock and disgrace my | enemy.
Bring me help and comfort, | Lord.

A brief silence follows the psalm.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:12-25

Response: **☩ Thanks be to God.**

A brief silence follows the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Sung twice

(standing)



Verse: My word shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. (*Isaiah 55:11*)

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24-30

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

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY

(standing)

“God, the Sculptor of the Mountains”



1 God the sculp - tor of the moun - tains, God the mil - ler
2 God the nui - sance to the Phar - aoh, God the cleav - er
3 God the dress - er of the vine - yard, God the plant - er
4 God the un - ex - pec - ted in - fant, God the calm, de -



of the sand, God the jewel - er of the heav - ens,
of the sea, God the pil - lar in the dark - ness,
of the wheat, God the reap - er of the har - vest,
ter - mined youth, God the ta - ble - turn - ing proph - et,



God the pot - ter of the land: you are womb of all
God the bea - con of the free: you are fount of all
God the source of all we eat: you are host at ev -
God the res - ur - rect - ed truth: you are pre - sent ev -



cre - a - tion, we are form - less; shape us now.
de - liv' - rance, we are sight - less; lead us now.
'ry ta - ble, we are hun - gry; feed us now.
'ry mo - ment, we are search - ing; meet us now.

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Music: SANDRIA, Gerre Hancock, 1934–2012

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response:  **hear our prayer.**

PEACE

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

Meal

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.

“This is God’s Wondrous World”

Franklin L Sheppard,
arr. G. Winston Cassler

This is God’s wondrous world, and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is God’s wondrous world; I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, the wonders God has wrought.

This is God’s wondrous world; the birds their carols raise,
the morning light, the dark of night, declare their Maker’s praise.
This is God’s wondrous world; a wand’rer I may roam.
Whate’er my lot, it matters not, my heart is still at home.

This is God’s wondrous world; oh, let me ne’er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is God’s wondrous world; the battle is not done.
Jesus who died shall be glorified, and earth and heav’n be one.
Maltbie D. Babcock, alt

OFFERTORY HYMN

(standing as the gifts are brought forward)

“Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast”

HYMN 516

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

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass, in a key of one flat (B-flat major or D minor). It consists of three systems of music. The first system has two lines of lyrics: 'Ho - ly, ho - - ly, ho - ly Lord,'. The second system also has two lines: 'God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth'. The third system has two lines: 'are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na'. The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and ties. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding notes on the staves.

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

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

Lord's Prayer

Our Fa-ther, in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your name, your king-dom come,

The first system of musical notation for the Lord's Prayer. It consists of a treble and a bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The bass staff begins with a bass clef and a key signature of one flat. The accompaniment is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

your will be done on earth as in heav - - - en.

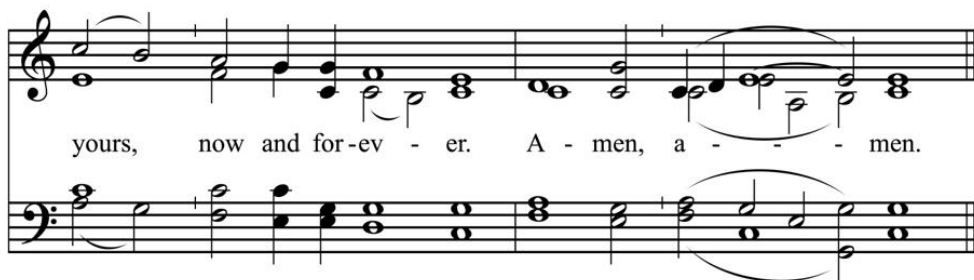
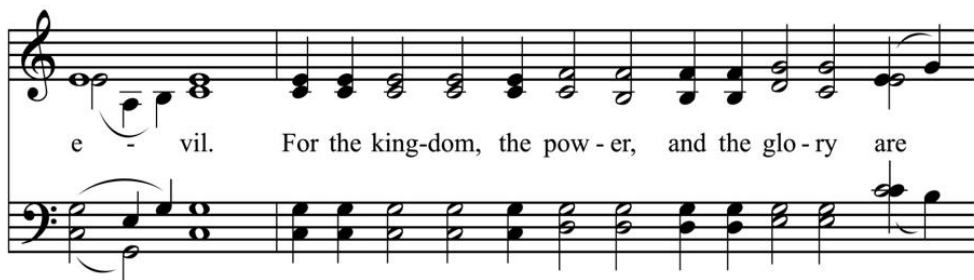
The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The treble staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The bass staff has a bass clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For-give us our sins

The third system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the second system. The treble staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The bass staff has a bass clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

as we for-give those who sin a - gainst us.

The fourth system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the third system. The treble staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The bass staff has a bass clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.



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.**

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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“For the Fruit of All Creation”
“O God, Whose Word Well-Planted”
“Lord Our God, With Praise We Come”

HYMN 679
ACS HYMN 975
HYMN 730

TABLE BLESSING

(standing)

Response: **☩ Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Response: **☩ Amen.**

Sending

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

Response: **☩ Amen.**

DISMISSAL

☐ Go in peace to love and serve as Christ.

☩ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Toccata in F Major, BuxWV157

Dieterich Buxtehude

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Preacher	Vicar Erik Nelson
Organist	Cantor Daniel Schwandt
Sacristan	Al Bipes
Assisting Minister	David Anderson
Eucharistic Minister	Vicar Eric Nelson
Communion Ministers	Andrew Anderson, Al Bipes, Don Luther
Livestream / Audio Mix	Reid Peterson / David Molvik
Acolytes	Larry Duncan, Nicholas Johnson
Lector	John Gidmark
Choir	Summer Tenor/Bass Choir
Ushers	Alan Wicks, Kathy Wicks, Melissa Stone
Altar Guild	Beth Gaede, Bob Christenson, Daniela Morocho
Coffee Host	Morocho Family

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 26

Presiding Minister and Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
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Acolytes	Margaret Gohman, Larry Duncan
Lector	Brian Jacobs
Ushers	Sue Browender, George Ferguson, Lisa Nordeen
Altar Guild	Jan Harbaugh
Coffee Host	Host Needed

**Pastor Crippen is on vacation, returning July 23rd.*

The flowers on the altar are given in memory of David Engen's parents.

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE

Sunday, July 19 – *Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 16 A*

9:00 a.m. Summer Tenor/Bass Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, followed by coffee and fellowship

Monday, July 20

6:00 p.m. Vicar Committee Meeting

6:30 p.m. Recorder Group

7:00 p.m. Monday Night WAVE (N.A. group) [Undercroft]

Tuesday, July 21

5:00 p.m. Neighborhood Ministry Committee Meeting [Schroedel Library]

Wednesday, July 22– *Mary Magdalene, Apostle*

10:00 a.m. Staff meeting [Schroedel Library]

12:00 p.m. Bible Study (Wednesdays during the summer) [East Assembly]

1:00 p.m. Synod Event: Global Partnership Leaders Meeting [Schroedel Library]

Thursday, July 23 – *Birgitta of Sweden, renewer of the church*

9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer [Columbarium transept of the Nave]

7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous [Undercroft]

Friday, July 24

7:00 pm Recovery Group [Undercroft]

Saturday, July 25 – *James, Apostle*

9:00 a.m. Gardening Day

Sunday, July 26 – *Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 17 A*

10:00 am Holy Eucharist, followed by coffee and fellowship

11:30 a.m. Community Well-Being Committee Meeting [Schroedel Library]

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Please pray throughout the week for the following persons: Keith Bartz; Dixie Berg; 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; Shelly Clubb, friend of Joyce Brown; 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 Coltvvet, friends of Jan Harbaugh; Mark Holtzen, Tom Cedal, Chuck Dull, and Brian Johnson, cousin and friends of Carolyn & George Heider; Lynn Kernkamp, friend of Peggy Hoeft; 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, great-granddaughter of George & Marlys Oelfke; Linda Penas, relative of Dwight Penas & Kathy Thurston; Milt Ferris, brother-in-law of Cynthia Prosek; Jolie Melana Meshbesher and Kit Delfino, friends of Robin Rayfield; 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; Marijane and Cheryl Ness and Steve Langlie, friends of Eric Zander; and Steve Horsfield, friend of Mount Olive.

For those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries this week: John Meyer, Jacob Ruff, Carol Austermann, Austin Crosby, Paula Carlson, Pam Helms

At the death of: Rev. Raymond Sanders, friend of Eric Zander

In hospice care: Christiane Reichel, friend from Leipzig

We remember the saints who have gone before us:

July 22: *Mary Magdalene, Apostle*

Sometimes called "the apostle to the apostles" because she told them of her encounter with the risen Lord, Mary was a woman of Galilee who followed Jesus throughout his ministry. She was present at Jesus' crucifixion and his burial.

July 23: *Birgitta of Sweden, renewer of the church, died 1373*

Birgitta married at age thirteen and had four daughters. Widowed at age thirty-eight, she gave all that she owned to the poor and founded a community of monks and nuns led by a woman. Her work is continued today by the Society of St. Birgitta.

July 25: *James, Apostle*

James and his brother John were the sons of Zebedee, fishermen by trade before their call from Jesus. He was the first of the twelve apostles to be martyred, and his death is the only one recorded in scripture (Acts 12:1-2).



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