Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 23 A

September 6, 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

Life in Christian community is a precious thing, but it can break down when we treat each other with less than Christly love. Today, Jesus prescribes a manner for dealing with conflict in community life, a procedure reflected in many congregations' constitutions. Jesus' intent, clearly shaped by his parable of the sheep who "go astray," is that through this hard, loving work people can be loved back into the life of the community.

Holy Eucharist

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Entrance

PRELUDE

Symphony No. I — William Boyce, arr. David N. Johnson

Allegro, Andante-dolce, Vivace

ENTRANCE HYMN *(standing)*

"Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death" — HYMN 452

GREETING

Response: ℭ **And also with you.**

KYRIE — page 147

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

"Glory to God" — page 148

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Response: ℭ **Amen.**

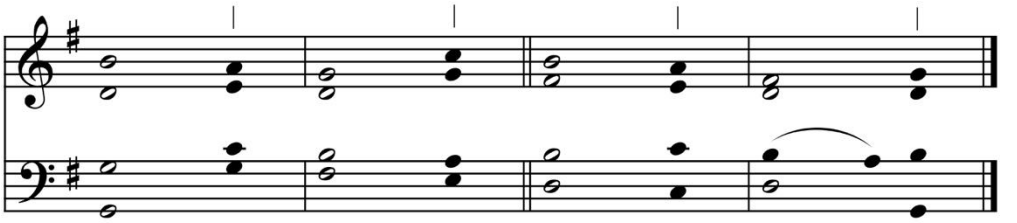
Word

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11 *(seated)*

Response: ℭ **Thanks be to God.**

A brief silence follows the reading.

PSALMODY: Psalm 119:33-40

Sung by all in harmony

[33]God, teach me your | ways
and I will follow them | closely.
[34]Help me understand your | will,
that I may cherish your | law.

[35]Guide me along your | path,
a way of de- | light.
[36]Open my heart to your | laws
and not to | riches.

[37]Turn my eyes from the lure of | evil,
let me live your | truth.
[38]Keep your | promise
to one who re- | veres you.

[39]Spare me the shame I | fear.
How good your com- | mands!
[40]See, I want what is | right,
let your justice give me | life.

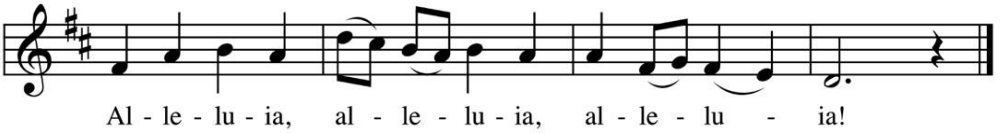
A brief silence follows the psalm.

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14

Response: C **Thanks be to God.**

A brief silence follows the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(standing)*

Sung twice.

Verse: In Christ God was reconciling the world to God's very self,
entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. *(2 Corinthians 5:19)*

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 18:(10-14) 15-20

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

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

Please remain standing until the invocation is pronounced.

SERMON "For the Sake of the World"

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY *(standing)*

"Where Charity and Love Prevail" HYMN 359

Stanza 1 – All
Stanza 2 – Low voices
Stanza 3 – All in harmony
Stanza 4 – Treble voices
Stanza 5 – All

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response: C **hear our prayer.**

PEACE

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

Meal

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.

"O Lovely Peace," *from* Judas Maccabaeus G. F. Handel

O lovely peace, with plenty crowned,
come, spread thy blessings all around.
Let fleecy flocks the hills adorn,
and valleys smile with wavy corn.
Let the shrill trumpet cease, nor other sound
but nature's songsters wake the cheerful morn.
- Thomas Morell

OFFERTORY HYMN *(standing as the gifts are brought forward)*

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord" HYMN 184

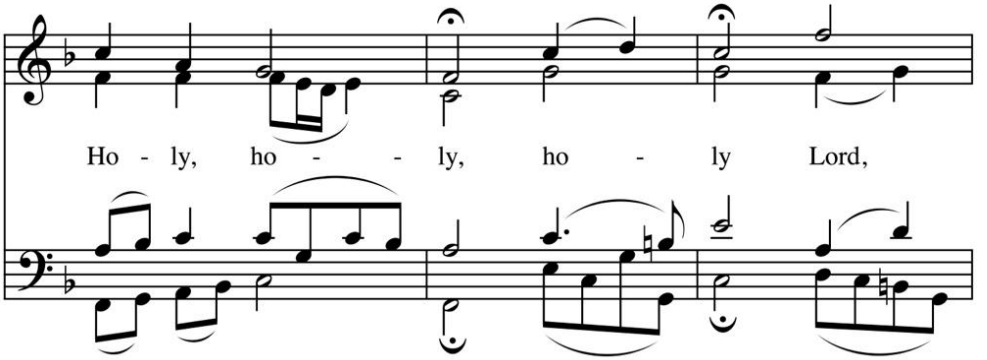
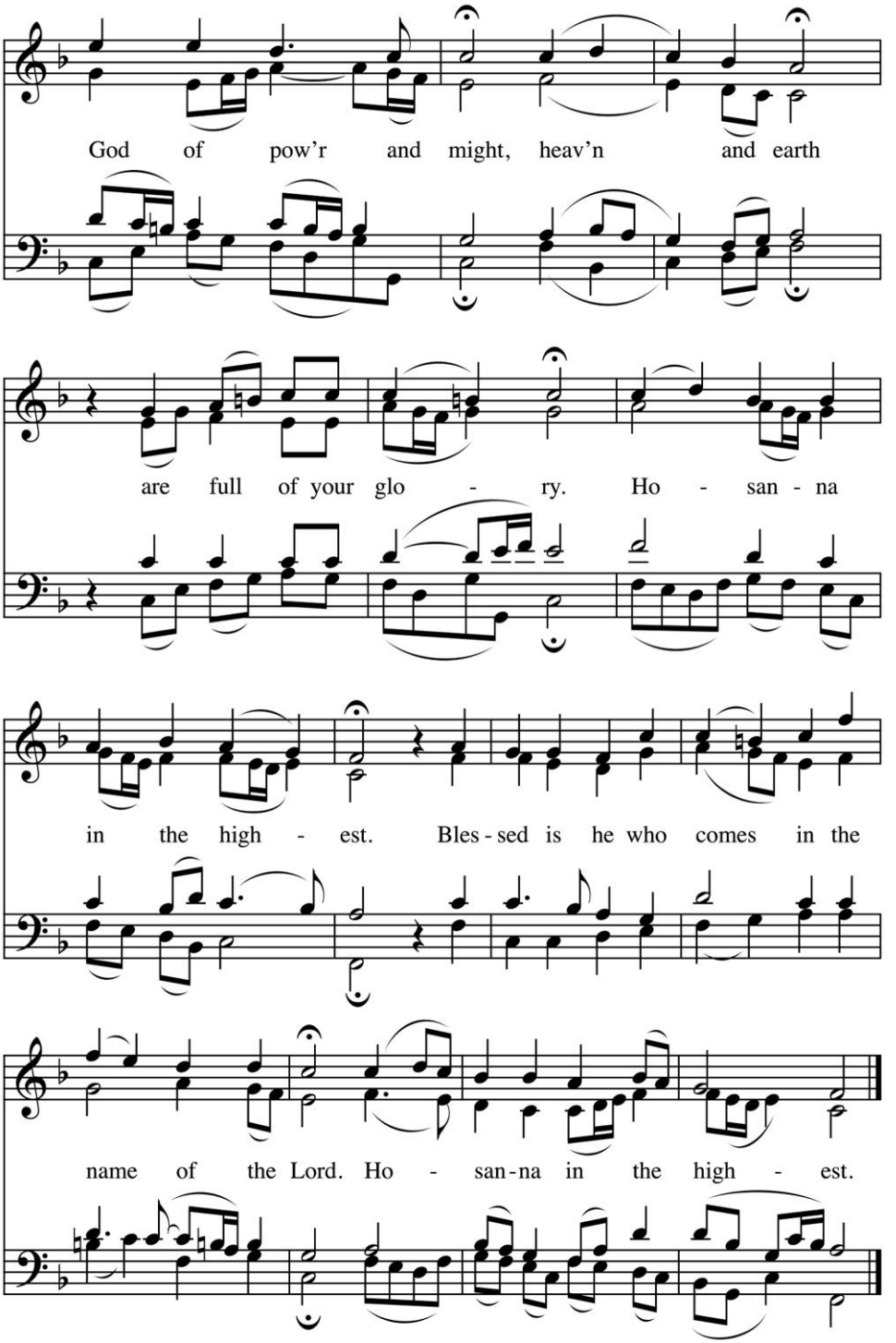
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Response: C **Amen**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sursum Corda – "Lift up your hearts" page 152

Sanctus – "Holy, holy, holy"



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

℗ O God most majestic, . . . until he comes.

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

℗ Remembering Christ's healing grace . . . fulfilling of all things.

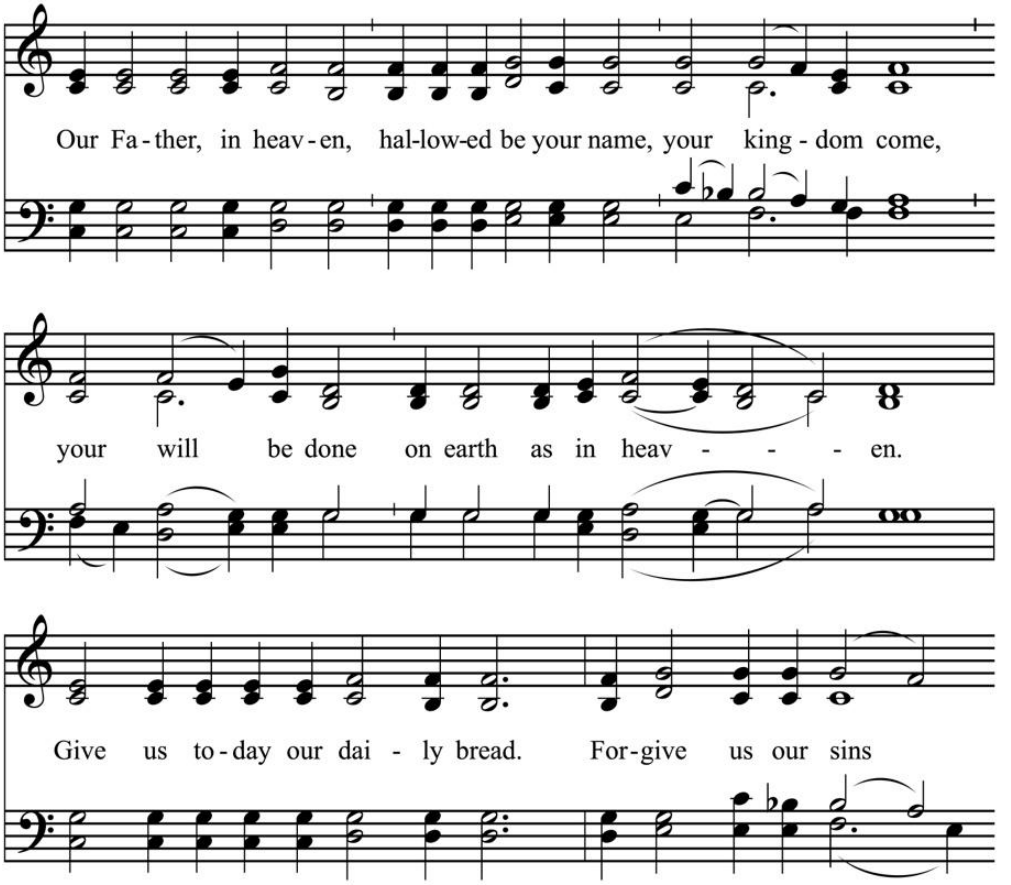
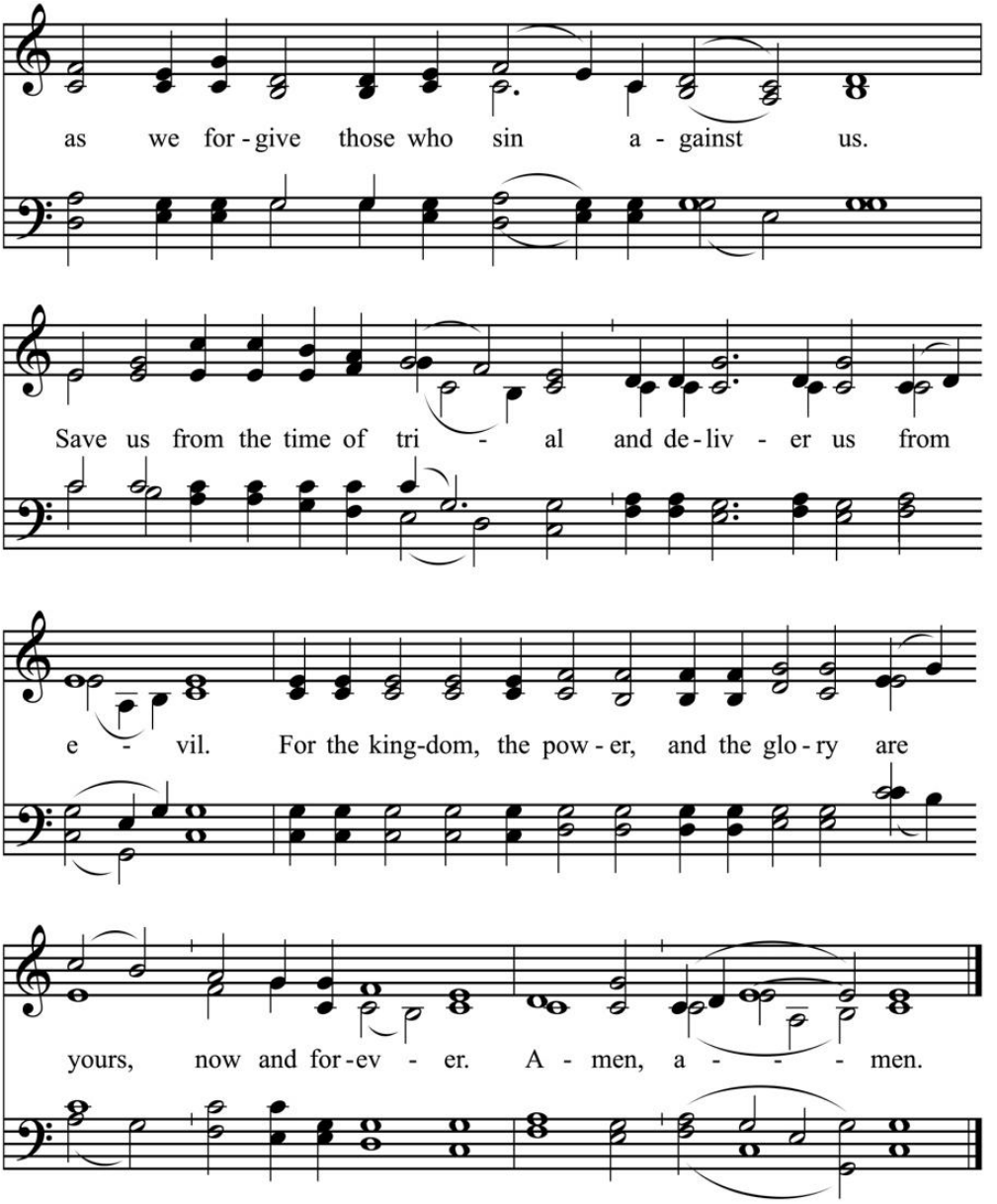
℄ **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

℗ Send your loving Spirit . . . your life and fire.

℄ **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

℗ O God most majestic, . . . now and forever.

℄ **Amen**.

Lord's Prayer

as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us.
Save us from the time of tri - al and de-liv - er us from
e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are
yours, now and for-ev - er. A - men, a - - - men.

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" page 154

"Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" HYMN 470

"Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace" HYMN 716

Stanza 1 – All
Stanza 2 – Treble voices
Stanza 3 – All
Stanza 4 – Low voices
Stanza 5 – All

"Christ, Our Peace" ACS 1037

Sung in harmony

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

Processional in E-flat Major — David N. Johnson

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The flowers on the altar are given by Nancy Anderson in memory of Paul and Florence Peterson.

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Worship Leaders

Presiding Minister and Preacher*	Rev. Beth Gaede
Organist	Cantor Daniel Schwandt
Sacristan	Al Bipes
Assisting Minister	Paul Odlaug
Eucharistic Minister	Vicar Emily Hagen
Acolytes	Matt Anderson, Carol Austermann
Lector	Sue Browender
Communion Ministers	Linda & Brad Holt, Judy & Walt Hinck, David Engen, Al Bipes
Ushers	Elaine Halbardier, Art Halbardier, Lisa Nordeen
Livestream / Audio Mix	Donn McLellan / Ken Schulz
Soloists	Annie Bird, Emily Bird
Altar Guild	Beth Gaede, Bob Christenson, Daniela Morocho, Tammy Anderson
Coffee Host	John Siess, Candy Husemoller

*Pastor Crippen is on vacation August 31- September 7.

Worship Leaders for Next Sunday, September 13

Presiding Minister and Preacher	Pastor Joseph Crippen
Organist/Choir Director	Cantor Daniel Schwandt
Sacristan	Andrew Stoebig
Assisting Minister	Tricia Van Ee Molbert
Eucharistic Minister	Vicar Emily Hagen
Acolytes	(8:00) Adam Krueger, Jan Harbaugh (10:45) Tim Pipkorn, Nicholas Johnson
Lectors	(8:00) Kathy Wicks; (10:45) David Hauschild
Communion Ministers	Larry Duncan, Art Halbardier, Rob Ruff
Ushers	(8:00) John Bjork, Alan Wicks (10:45) Chuck Reyer, Carol Austermann, Mike Knudson
Choir	Cantorei
Livestream / Audio Mix	Erik Manuel / David Molvik
Altar Guild	Cynthia Prosek, Jan Harbaugh, Bonnie McLellan
Coffee Hosts	***Hosts Needed! (both services)***

This Week at Mount Olive

Sunday, September 6 – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 23 A
10:00 a.m. ***Holy Eucharist,*** followed by coffee and fellowship
11:30 a.m. Theological Discussion Group [Schroedel Library]

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

Tuesday, September 8
12:00 p.m. Bible Study [East Assembly] *(Notice: Returning to Tuesday)*
7:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting [East Assembly]

Wednesday, September 9 –St. Peter Claver, priest, missionary to Colombia, died 1654
10:00 a.m. Staff meeting [Schroedel Library]
1:00 p.m. *The Olive Branch* submissions due
7:00 p.m. Cantorei Rehearsal [Manz Choir Room]

Thursday, September 10
9:30 a.m. ***Morning Prayer*** [Columbarium transept of the Nave]
5:30 p.m. Worship Task Force [Schroedel Library]
7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting [East Assembly]
7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous [Undercroft]

Friday, September 11 - *The Olive Branch* is published
7:00 p.m. Recovery Group [Undercroft]

Saturday, September 12
10:00 a.m. Book Discussion Group [Schroedel Library]
10:00 a.m. Hospitality Committee Meeting [East Assembly]

Sunday, September 13 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 24 A
8:00 a.m. ***Holy Eucharist,*** followed by coffee and fellowship
9:30 a.m. Adult Forum [Chapel Lounge]
10:20 a.m. Cantorei warm-up [Manz Choir Room]
10:45 a.m. ***Holy Eucharist,*** followed by coffee and fellowship
12:15 p.m. Y1 Confirmation [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; Sherry Nelson; Gail Nielsen; Connie & Rod Olson; Russ Pearson; Elijah Pettis; Robin Rayfield; Pariann Schenk; Rodney Schrank; Mark Spitzack; Shirley Tabis; John Wall; Grace Wiechman; Paul Carlson, friend of David Anderson; Paul Solarski, uncle 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 Coltvet, 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, 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; 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: Steve Peterson, Catherine Torgeson, Katherine Hanson, William Sabol, George Ferguson, Gretchen Campbell-Johnson, Brent Rivard

In hospice care: David Tabis; Christiane Reichel, friend from Leipzig

At the death of: Rev. Dr. Patrick Keifert, former Mount Olive Vicar (1975-76)

We remember the saints who have gone before us:

September 9: St. Peter Claver, priest, missionary to Colombia, died 1654
Born into Spanish nobility, Claver became a Jesuit missionary and served in present-day Colombia. His ministry was focused on the enslaved people who arrived there. He gave them food and medicine, learned their dialects, and taught them Christianity.

Notice:

Regular Worship Schedule Resumes Sunday, September 13.

Two Sunday Eucharists at 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Education Hour at 9:30 a.m.

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