

DEUTERONOMY 4:9

You must  
be very  
careful not  
to forget  
the things  
you have  
seen

God  
do for you.  
Tell your  
children  
and your  
children's  
children



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August 30, 2015

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (PR. 17)

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# WELCOME TO MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Sunday Worship .....9:00 A.M.  
Education Hour..... 10:20 A.M.  
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**Welcome to our church! As our fall schedule gears up, we invite you to join us again.  
May our unity as the body of Christ be an ongoing blessing to one another.**

Roland A. Jank, Jr.  
Pastor

Rachel Misiolek  
Organist



**14th Sunday After Pentecost**

**August 30, 2015**

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In 1943, General George Patton said, “It is absurd to believe that soldiers who cannot be made to wear the proper uniform can be induced to move forward in battle.” As we gather today, we stand as soldiers of the cross to receive God’s grace in Word and Sacrament. Having won the battle over sin and death, Jesus comes today to clothe you in the uniform of His righteousness and outfit you in the whole armor of God. The One whose foot crushed the head of the serpent is the One who forgives and renews you today. The peace He gives is what we stand “on our feet” to receive and then move forward into the world to share.

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING OF THE CARILLON**

**Stand**

**GATHERING**  
We Enter God’s Presence.

**INVOCATION**

## OPENING SENTENCES *(Ephesians 6:11, 15)*

We put on the full armor of God.

**We take our stand against the devil's schemes.**

We stand on our feet.

**We are ready to receive the gospel of peace.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases! His mercies never come to an end!

**They are new every morning! Great is His faithfulness!**

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**Merciful God, Your commands give true wisdom and understanding, but we have not kept in step with them. We have sinned against You in our thinking, our speaking, and our doing. Our hands and feet have done what You forbid, and they have not done what You desire. By the mercy You show us in the cross of Jesus, cleanse and renew us today. Forgive our sins and strengthen our trust in You, that we may be on our feet to do Your will. Amen.**

Almighty God in His great mercy has given His Son to die for you and for Jesus' sake forgives you all your sins. Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

*st. 1 - cantor*

God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!

He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price.

Do I need earth's treasures many? I have one worth more than any

That brought me salvation free Lasting to eternity!

**Sin, disturb my soul no longer: I am baptized into Christ!  
I have comfort even stronger: Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.  
Should a guilty conscience seize me Since my Baptism did release me  
In a dear forgiving flood, Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?**

**Satan, hear this proclamation: I am baptized into Christ!  
Drop your ugly accusation, I am not so soon enticed.  
Now that to the font I've traveled, All your might has come unraveled,  
And, against your tyranny, God, my Lord, unites with me!**

**Death, you cannot end my gladness: I am baptized into Christ!  
When I die, I leave all sadness To inherit paradise!  
Though I lie in dust and ashes Faith's assurance brightly flashes:  
Baptism has the strength divine To make life immortal mine.**

**There is nothing worth comparing To this life-long comfort sure!  
Open-eyed my grave is staring: Even there I'll sleep secure.  
Though my flesh awaits its raising, Still my soul continues praising:  
I am baptized into Christ; I'm a child of paradise!**

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

### KYRIE

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy. (sung)**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy. (sung)**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy. (sung)**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Lord, have mercy. (sung)**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sit

### WORD

We Hear God's Word.

## FIRST LESSON

### Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

God's Law: His gift to guide our living.

*So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!** (*shouted*)

## PSALM 119:129-136 (*antiphon v. 132*)



Cantor: Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,\* as is your way with those who | love  
your name.

Cantor: Your testimonies are | wonderful;\* therefore my soul | keeps them.

**The unfolding of your | words gives light;\* it imparts understanding to the  
| simple.**



Cantor: I open my | mouth and pant,\* because I long for your com- | mandments.

**Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,\* as is your way with those who | love  
your name.**

Cantor: Keep steady my steps according to your | promise,\* and let no iniquity get  
dominion | over me.

**Redeem me from man's op- | pression,\* that I may keep your | precepts.**

Cantor: Make your face shine upon your | servant,\* and teach me your | statutes.

**My eyes shed | streams of tears,\* because people do not | keep your law.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**As it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Cantor: Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,\* as is your way with those who | love  
your name.

## SECOND LESSON

### **Ephesians 6:10-20**

Put on the full armor of God.

*Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.*

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!** (*shouted*)

Stand

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Cantor: Lord, to whom | shall we go?\* You have the words of e - | ternal life.

(John 6:68)



### HOLY GOSPEL

#### Mark 7:14-23

It's the heart, not the outside,ity that needs cleansing.



The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord!** (*shouted*)

*Then [Jesus] called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." When he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about the parable. He said to them, "Then do you also fail to understand? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile, since it enters, not the heart but the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, "It is what comes out of a person that defiles. For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ!** (*shouted*).

S E R M O N

**Unclean From The Inside Out**

**Mark 7:14-23**

**Stand**

**H Y M N O F T H E D A Y**

By Grace I'm Saved  
*st. 1 - cantor*

Tune: O Dass Ich Tausend Zungen Haette (192)

By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless; My soul, believe and doubt it not.  
Why stagger at this word of promise? Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?  
No! Then this word must true remain: By grace you too will life obtain.

**By grace! None dare lay claim to merit; Our works and conduct have no worth.**

**God in his love sent our Redeemer, Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth:  
His death did for our sins atone, And we are saved by grace alone.**

**By grace God's Son, our only Savior, Came down to earth to bear our sin.  
Was it because of your own merit That Jesus died for your soul to win?  
No, it was grace, and grace alone, That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.**

**By grace! This sound of faith is certain; As long as God is true, it stands  
What saints have penned by inspiration, What in His Word our God commands,  
Our faith in what our God has done Depends on grace - grace through His Son.**

**By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried,  
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide.  
Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?**

**By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice;  
For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice.  
My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.**

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

## RECEPTION OF FIRST BIBLE

## THANK YOU TO SUMMER STAFF

## RECEPTION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Stand

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

. . . Lord, in Your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**  
. . . trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**  
*Please share the reconciliation we have with God with one another by greeting those around you with a hearty handshake and the words, "Peace be with you."*

Sit

# MEAL

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper.

## GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Please fill out the attendance registration sheet in your pew, if you have not already done so. Visitors, you are our guests and are not expected to make a contribution. As the offerings of bread, wine and money are brought forward, please stand.*

## MUSICAL OFFERING

My God Is So Great  
Kids of the Kingdom  
Doxology

Summer Sunday School Children

## OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful Father,  
**we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, . . . we praise your name, and join their unending hymn:

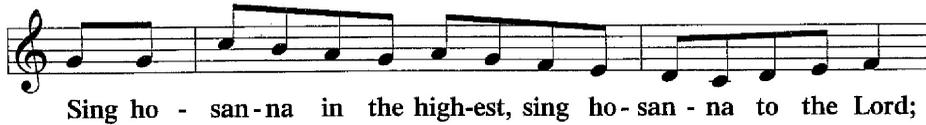
## SANCTUS



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



## E U C H A R I S T I C P R A Y E R

We give you thanks...now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## L O R D ' S P R A Y E R *(join hands)*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:  
**Our Father, who art in heaven....**

## I N V I T A T I O N

Christ invites you. Welcome to the feast.  
**Amen.**

Sit

## D I S T R I B U T I O N

*If you believe that those who commune receive in, with and under the bread and wine of this sacrament the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and that receiving the sacrament is a public witness to your oneness in faith in the teachings of our church, you are invited to join us at the Lord's Table. Newcomers are asked to read and sign a communion registration card from the hymnal rack as a sign of your agreement with its statements and give it to an usher.*

## DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

O God, My Faithful God  
*st. 1 - cantor*

Green 504

Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways

Green 480

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

Green 296

Stand

## COMMUNION BLESSING

## POST-COMMUNION HYMN

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther; All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**SENDING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BENEDICTION**

# RECESSIONAL HYMN

## Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en,  
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to - fol - low  
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture  
 4 Ser - vice be - our sure way - ca - tion;

from this meal of love and grace;  
 af - ter Christ, though wound - ed, whole;  
 God has called us to re - ceive;  
 our age be - our dai - ly breath;

may we through such love en - vi - sion  
 bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed  
 pres - ent by God's lov - ing mur - ture,  
 meet - ing be - our des - ti - na - tion

whose we are, and whose, our praise.  
 to re - lease and to con - sole.  
 Spir - it - ed then let us live,  
 from this day and in - to death.

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

God, the won - der of our days;  
 Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal;  
 Spir - it, grace by whom we live,  
 Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

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Alternate tone: PRAISE, MY SOUL

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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**NEXT SUNDAY** – The Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost (Year B, Pr. 18): Isaiah 35:4-7a;  
Psalm 146; James 2:1-10, 14-18; Mark 7:(24-30) 31-37

\*\*\* ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP TODAY \*\*\*

**ACOLYTE**----- Charly Peterson  
**ASSISTING MINISTER**----- Mikale Townsend, Jr.  
**CANTOR** -----Mark Flemmer  
**EUCCHARISTIC GIFTS**-----Galen & Marsha Behr  
**LECTOR**-----Joan Kowalski

\*\*\* LAST SUNDAY AT MOUNT OLIVE \*\*\*

Worship Attendance.....	116	Bible Class .....	38
Communion.....	94	Offering .....	4088
Sunday School .....	19	Needed Weekly .....	4824
Staff.....	5	Specials .....	420

First Time Worshippers Last Sunday - 2

\*\*\* THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE \*\*\*

TODAY - CHRISTIAN EDUCATION/RALLY DAY----- 10:20 A.M.  
CHURCH PICNIC ----- 11:30 A.M.  
TUESDAY - PARISH PLANNING COUNCIL ----- 7:00 P.M.  
WEDNESDAY - CONFIRMATION CLASS ----- 6:00 P.M.  
THURSDAY - ADULT CHOIR (AT THE JANK'S HOME) ----- 7:30 P.M.  
SUNDAY WORSHIP----- 9:00 A.M.  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR----- 10:20 A.M.  
BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING  
PASTOR JANK'S 41ST ANNIVERSARY

**August 30, 2015 (B)**

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**ADULT BIBLE CLASS** — During the Christian Education Hour, Pastor Jank will lead the Adult Bible Class in a study of *Genesis 40-41: Joseph Feeds Egypt*. Pick up a cup of coffee and join in.

**RALLY DAY** — This morning Nelson Kosch and Kamree Townsend will receive a Bible and this year's staff for Sunday School will be installed.

**CHURCH PICNIC** — Join us for a Church Picnic immediately following the Education Hour today on the church lawn. All are invited to bring a pre-cooked entrée, side dish or a dessert to share. Beverages, paper plates and silverware will be provided. We'll be cooking up hot dogs for the kids. Games and a sing-a-long are also planned. Fun for all ages!

**ADULT INFORMATION CLASS** — Fall session begins Sunday, September 13, 3:30 - 5:30 P.M.

**YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS BEGINS** — Students and one of their parents will meet for the first session of this year's Youth Confirmation Class this Wednesday evening beginning at 6:00 P.M.

**ADULT CHOIR KICK-OFF** — The Adult Choir will kick off its new year with a party at Pastor and Suzan Jank's home (6928 Florence Blvd.) this Thursday, September 3, at 7:30 P.M. Dessert and some fun are planned. New voices are welcome to join in helping lead God's people in worship.

**ELL** — The next session of English classes begins September 14th. If you are interested in participating in this exciting mission, please contact Marsha Behr (402-250-1269). We are in need of a teacher and a couple of helpers. No experience is necessary. Classes will be taught on Monday and Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. You can volunteer once per month, every other week or every week....we are flexible! If you are not able to join, we appreciate your prayers for the staff and students who come.

**OUR MISSIONARIES** — We invite your continued prayerful and financial support of our missionaries abroad: Julie Lutz and family in Papua, New Guinea (medical missionary), and Sharon Owens and family in Macau. Note their letters on the north hall bulletin board. Remember in prayer also Emad and Shireen Tawadrous, the new POBLO (People of the Book Lutheran Outreach) missionaries working with Arabic speaking immigrants here in metro Omaha.

**Praying for Our Parish in 2015**

Let us remember each other in prayer during the week that we celebrate the anniversary of one's Baptism.

September 1  
Grace Mohamid

September 1  
Rich Wismont

September 2  
Miri Peterson

September 2  
Roger Wilson

September 4  
Michael Wegner