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October 11, 2015

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (PR. 23)

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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 worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who guard and guide us, love and enliven us, find us when we're lost and fix our broken hearts. Amen.**

Roland A. Jank, Jr.  
Pastor

Rachel Misiolek  
Organist



**20th Sunday After Pentecost**

**October 11, 2015**

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Today, we are called upon to “seek good, and not evil, that you may live.” The rich young man came to Jesus, calling Him “Good Teacher.” The response of Jesus is meant to jar us—to make us stop and think. “Why do you call Me good?” He asks. Then He drops a hint, saying, “No one is good except God alone.” The good we are to seek is not good works, but God. How did Jesus say it? “No one comes to the Father except through Me.” We seek good when we come and follow Jesus!

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING OF THE CARILLON**

**Stand**

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

**INVOCATION**

OPENING SENTENCES (*Amos 5:6, 14; Mark 10:18*)

Seek the LORD and live.

**Seek good, and not evil, that you may live.**

Why do you call me good?

**No one is good except God alone.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (*Hebrews 3:12, 15*)

Take care, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart. Let us confess our sin to God our Father.

**I confess to almighty God that I have rebelled against You by my neglect of Your Word and my many sins against You and my neighbor. I am by nature sinful and have not kept Your commands from my youth. Soften my hard heart with the gift of Your love and forgiveness. Strengthen my faith to look to You always for all good.**

Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts. Upon this your confession, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Praise and Thanksgiving

Green 409

**Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer  
For all things living, Created good:  
Harvest of sown fields, Fruits of the orchard,  
Hay from the mown fields, Blossom and wood.**

**Bless, Lord, the labor We bring to serve you,  
That with our neighbor We may be fed.  
Sowing or tilling, We would work with you,  
Harvesting, milling For daily bread.**

**Father, providing Food for your children,  
By your wise guiding Teach us to share  
One with another, So that, rejoicing  
With us, all others May know your care.**

Then will your blessing Reach ev'ry people,  
Freely confessing Your gracious hand.  
Where all obey you, No one will hunger;  
In your love's sway you Nourish the land.

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

### KYRIE

Cantor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



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

**Lord, have mercy.**

Cantor: 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.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sit

**WORD**

We Hear God's Word.

## FIRST LESSON

**Amos 5:6-7, 10-15**

Turn from injustice to the poor, that you may live.

*Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.*

The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM 90:12-17 (*antiphon, v. 1*)

Tone 6



Cantor: Lord, you have been our | dwelling place\* in all gener- | ations.

Cantor: So teach us to number | our days\* that we may get a heart of | wisdom.

**Return, O Lord! | How long?\* Have pity on your | servants!**

Cantor: Satisfy us in the morning with your | steadfast love,\* that we may rejoice and be glad | all our days.

**Make us glad for as many days as you have af- | flicted us,\* and for as many years as we have seen | evil.**

Cantor: Let your work be shown to your | servants,\* and your glorious power to their | children.

**Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands up- | on us;\* yes, establish the work | of our hands!**

**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: Lord, you have been our | dwelling place\* in all gener- | ations.

## SECOND LESSON

### Hebrews 3:12-19

Take care, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving spirit.

*Take care, brothers and sisters, that none of you may have an evil, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” so that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have become partners of Christ, if only we hold our first confidence firm to the end. As it is said, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.” Now who were they who heard and yet were rebellious? Was it not all those who left Egypt under the leadership of Moses? But with whom was he angry forty years? Was it not those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, if not to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.*

The Word of the Lord.

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

Stand

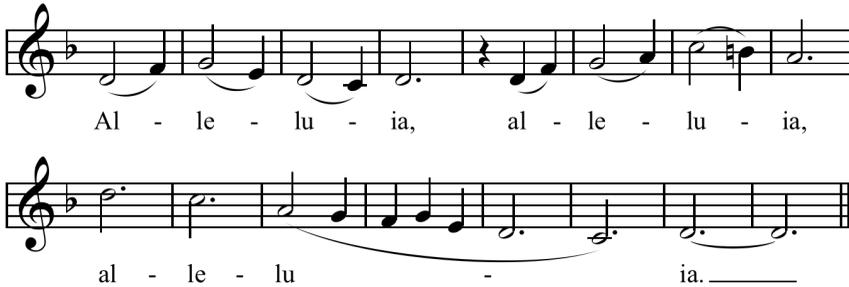
## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation:

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

*Cantor:* Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. (*Galatians 6:2*)

**Congregation:**



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia. \_\_\_\_\_

**H O L Y G O S P E L**

**Mark 10:17-22**

Jesus and the rich young man.



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

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

*As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’ ” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sit**

**S E R M O N**

**What Must I Do?**

**Mark 10:17-22**

**Stand**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

Thee Will I Love, My Strength  
*st. 2 - left side, st. 3 - right side*

Green 502

**Thee will I love, my strength, my tow'r; Thee will I love, my joy, my crown!  
Thee will I love with all my pow'r, In all thy works, and thee alone;  
Thee will I love, till the pure fire Fills all my soul with chaste desire.**

*Left: I thank thee, uncreated sun, That thy bright beams on me have shined;  
I thank thee, who hast overthrown My foes and healed my wounded mind;  
I thank thee, whose enliv'ning voice Bids my freed heart in thee rejoice.*

*Right: Uphold me in the doubtful race, Nor suffer me again to stray;  
Strengthen my feet with steady pace Still to press forward in thy way,  
That all my pow'rs, with all their might, In thy sole glory may unite.*

**Thee will I love, my joy, my crown; Thee will I love, my Lord, my God!  
Thee will I love, beneath thy frown Or smile, thy scepter or thy rod.  
What though my flesh and heart decay? Thee shall I love in endless day!**

## 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.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

. . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**  
. . . through Your Son, 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.*

## MUSIC AT OFFERING

Take My Life and Let It Be

Choir

*text Frances Havergal, tune and setting by Michael Larkin*

Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;

Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move, Take my heart, it is thine own,

It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my voice and let me sing, Always, only for my King:

Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose,

Take my will and make it thine, It shall be no longer mine;

Take my self, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee. Amen.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you,

**O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## P R E F A C E

S 199

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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:

## S A N C T U S

S 200

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

You are indeed holy, . . . we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore, . . . in your holy church, now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

## LORD'S PRAYER *(join hands)*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven....**

## INVITATION

Come, be fed, be healed.

**Amen.**

Sit

## DISTRIBUTION

*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

S 201



## All For Christ I Have Forsaken



1 All for Christ I have for - sak - en And have  
 2 Who is sweet - er than Christ Je - sus? No good  
 3 Gone the past, un - known the fu - ture— Grace sup -  
 4 When God takes me home to heav - en, Should this  
 5 Though the road a - head be thorn - y, Though dark



tak - en up my cross; World - ly joy, its  
 thing in Him I lack! Hand to plow, at  
 plies my dai - ly breath; Strong in Christ through  
 be the day I die, God will keep my  
 clouds all light ob - scure, Though my cross - shaped



fame and for - tune, Now I count as worth-less dross.  
 peace I fol - low Where He leads me . . . why look back?  
 death's dark val - ley, Firm and faith - ful un - to death.  
 spouse and chil - dren As the ap - ple of His eye.  
 path grows steep - er, With the Lord, I am se - cure.

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God  
*cantor descant on st. 3*

Blue 783

Son of God, Eternal Savior

Green 364

Stand

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**SENDING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BENEDICTION**

The Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you.

**Amen.**

He will strengthen your faith and love.

**Amen.**

The Lord will lead you in all His ways.

**Amen.**

The blessing of almighty God, the Father and the † Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and go with you now and all your days.

**Amen.**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN**

Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways

Green 480

**Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep his statutes still!  
 Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do his will!**

**Order my footsteps by your Word And make my heart sincere:  
Let sin have no dominion, Lord, But keep my conscience clear.**

**Assist my soul, too apt to stray, A stricter watch to keep;  
And should I e'er forget your way, Restore your wand'ring sheep.**

**Make me to walk in your commands, 'Tis a delightful road;  
Nor let my head or heart or hands Offend against my God.**

**DISMISSAL**

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

**POSTLUDE**

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**NEXT SUNDAY** – The Twenty-First Sunday of Pentecost (Year B, Pr. 24):  
Ecclesiastes 5:10-20; Psalm 119:9-16; Hebrews 4:1-13 (14-16);  
Mark 10:23-31

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

**ACOLYTE**-----Robbie Moffett, Jr.  
**ASSISTING MINISTERS** ----- Arnie Jacobson  
**CANTOR** ----- Sarah Jank  
**EUCCHARISTIC GIFTS**-----Barb Stacy, Bonnie White  
**LECTOR**-----Mark Sorensen  
**ORGANIST**-----Rosalie Soodsma

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

Worship Attendance.....	117	Bible Class .....	38
Communion.....	96	Offering .....	4719
Sunday School .....	17	Needed Weekly .....	4824
Staff.....	6	Specials .....	327

First Time Worshipers Last Sunday - 0

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

TODAY	-	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ----- 10:20 A.M. THIRD QUARTER GIVING RECORDS ADULT INFORMATION CLASS ----- 3:30 P.M.
MONDAY	-	ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING ----6:30 - 8:00 P.M.
TUESDAY	-	MT. OLIVE BOOK CLUB----- 7:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY	-	CONFIRMATION CLASS ----- 6:00 P.M. ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING ----6:30 - 8:00 P.M. CHANCEL CHOIR ----- 7:45 P.M.
FRIDAY	-	OMAHA NORTH HIGH PARADE ----- 1:00 A.M.
SATURDAY	-	FALL CLEAN UP ----- 9:00 A.M. YOUTH GROUP/BONFIRE AT PADRON'S --- 5:30 P.M.
SUNDAY		WORSHIP----- 9:00 A.M. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR----- 10:20 A.M. HEALTH & MEDICATION COUNSELING MESSENGER ARTICLES DUE USHER/GREETER FOLLOW-UP/TRAINING 11:30 A.M. ADULT INFORMATION CLASS ----- 3:30 P.M.

**ADULT BIBLE CLASS** — During the Christian Education Hour, Pastor Jank will lead the Adult Bible Class in a study called *God Connects*. Today’s topic is “God’s Law.” Pick up a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall and join in.

**DEATH** — Our brother in Christ, Robert Degner, died Sunday, October 4. His funeral was held here at Mount Olive on Friday. “Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” (*Rev. 14:13*)

**CHURCH CLEAN UP** — Please come this Saturday, October 17, from 9:00 a.m. to noon for a work day. There are various jobs inside and outside the church. There will be jobs for all skill levels, so bring your whole family. Many hands make light work. And honestly, who wants to miss out on all this fun?!? A light breakfast will be served.

**USHER/GREETER APPRECIATION LUNCH AND TRAINING** — will be next Sunday, October 18, at 11:30 a.m., following Bible Class. All current and prospective ushers, greeters, and Follow-up Visitors are encouraged to attend.

**YOUTH GROUP** — Do you have a talent or hobby you would be willing to share with the youth of Mount Olive? We would love to get connected with more of the congregation. Consider leading a Bible study for the youth, teach crocheting, scrapbooking, or sharing whatever your passion is. Contact Kristi Townsend at 402.457.9611, townsend.kristi@gmail.com, to schedule a time with the Youth Group.

**ST. PAUL OCTOBERFEST** — Join St. Paul Lutheran Church (50th & Grand Ave.) on Saturday, October 17th, for its annual Craft BOO!tique from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. The boutique will feature crafts, bake sale, new and gently used items. This annual Sauerkraut Supper and Bake Sale will be from 3:30 to 7:00 P.M. The cost is \$11 for adults (13 years and older),

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\$10 for seniors (55 years and older), \$6 for children (4-12 years) and free for children 3 years and younger. The menu will be: roast beef and roast pork, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, and gravy, green beans, bread, dessert, and a beverage. All proceeds to benefit St. Paul Lutheran School scholarships.

**COSMO/LWML** —This month we focus on the mission grant Disaster Response Trailers. With funds from the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League, districts and congregations, and LCMS Disaster Response, these trailers will be fully equipped with tools, cleaning supplies, power tools, and items needed to come into an area ready to go to work and not be an additional burden to the community. Twenty trailers in twenty districts is the goal at present, with prayers to increase in time. Teams will be trained to cope with situations that may arise and ready to share the Gospel as they labor for the Lord. Mercy In Action!! For more information on this grant and other 2015- 2017 Mission Grants go to [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org).

**STEWARDSHIP** — *Hebrews 3:18-19* “And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.” Unbelief leads to disobedience – that is, every sin expresses the opposite of faith. True and living faith guides us into the Lord’s way and the Lord’s plan. And when we fall into sin it’s because we are not trusting the Lord’s goodness and provision.

**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.

October 11  
Reagan Wegner

October 12  
Adela Jank

October 14  
Justin Corcoran  
Sarah Webb

October 15  
Jaymee Corcoran

October 16  
Jaxton Corcoran  
Steve Kowalski