

NOT
ONE
STONE
WILL BE
LEFT
HERE
UPON
ANOTHER

MARK 13:2

November 15, 2015

PENTECOST 25 (PROPER 28)

WELCOME TO MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH



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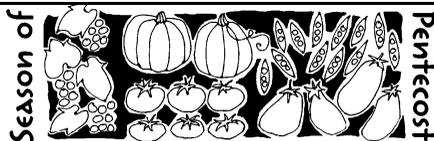


Sunday Worship9:00 A.M.
Education Hour..... 10:20 A.M.
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**Welcome to Mount Olive Lutheran Church as we worship, learn and serve together.
An especially warm greeting to our guests.**

Roland A. Jank, Jr.
Pastor

Rachel Misiolek
Organist



25th Sunday After Pentecost

November 15, 2015

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. So the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

P R E L U D E

R I N G I N G O F T H E C A R I L L O N

Stand

G A T H E R I N G
We Enter God's Presence.

I N V O C A T I O N

OPENING SENTENCES (*Daniel 12:1b; Hebrews 10:19-25; Mark 13:9, 13, adapted*)

And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time.

But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book.

Since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, and since we have a great high priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith;

let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering;

and let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. But be on your guard.

The one who endures to the end will be saved.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (*Hebrews 10:9-12; Daniel 12:3*)

As we faithfully and patiently wait upon the Day of the Lord, we confess that in our waiting, we have grown impatient. Because of our sins of thought, word, and deed, we have not drawn near to Him with a true heart in full assurance of faith.

Forgive us, Lord.

In our waiting, we have let the things of this world entice us and pull us away from Your Word of truth and promise. We have not held fast to the confession of our hope without wavering.

Forgive us, Lord.

By our own sinful nature, we have not loved You with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have failed to stir up one another to love and good works. We are by nature corrupt and dead in sin.

Forgive us, Lord.

Our God does not consume us and will not consume us when the Day comes. Our sins and our loveless acts He remembers no more. By virtue of Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection and your Baptism into His death, your names are written in the Book of Life. You will "shine like the brightness of the sky." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow

Green 355

**Through the night of doubt and sorrow Onward goes the pilgrim band,
Singing songs of expectation, Marching to the promised land.
Clear before us through the darkness Gleams and burns the guiding light;
Pilgrim clasps the hand of pilgrim Stepping fearless through the night.**

**One the light of God's own presence On his ransomed people shed,
Chasing far the gloom and terror, Bright'ning all the path we tread.
One the object of our journey, One the faith which never tires,
One the earnest looking forward, One the hope our God inspires.**

**One the strain that lips of thousands Lift as from the heart of one;
One the conflict, one the peril, One the march in God begun.
One the gladness of rejoicing On the far eternal shore,
Where the one almighty Father Reigns in love forevermore.**

**Onward, therefore, sisters, brothers; Onward, with the cross our aid.
Bear its shame, and fight its battle Till we rest beneath its shade.
Soon shall come the great awak'ning; Soon the rending of the tomb!
Then the scatt'ring of all shadows, And the end of toil and gloom.**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast of Victory
cantor on verses, congregation on refrain

Congregation

Refrain S 196

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

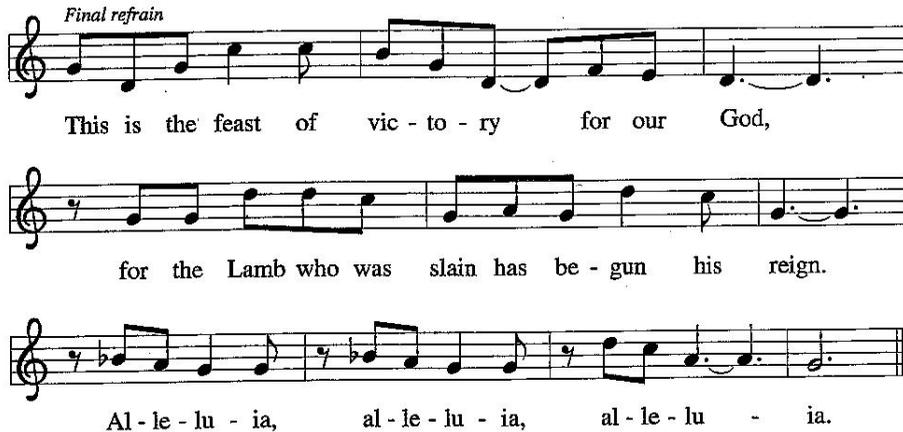
Cantor: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

Congregation (refrain)

Cantor: Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

Congregation

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sit

WORD

We Hear God's Word.

FIRST LESSON

Daniel 12:1-3

The deliverance of God's people at the end.

“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the

brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God! (*shouted*)

PSALM 16 (*antiphon v. 11b, c*)



Cantor: In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

Cantor: Preserve me, | O God,* for in you I take | refuge.

I say to the Lord, “You | are my Lord;* I have no good a- | part from you.”

Cantor: As for the saints | in the land,* they are the excellent ones, in whom is all | my delight.

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall | multiply;* their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names | on my lips.

Cantor: The Lord is my chosen portion | and my cup;* you | hold my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant | places;* indeed, I have a beautiful in- | heritance.

Cantor: I bless the Lord who gives me | counsel;* in the night also my heart in- | structs me.

I have set the Lord always be- | fore me;* because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.

Cantor: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- | joices;* my flesh also | dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul | to Sheol,* or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.

Cantor: You make known to me the | path of life;* in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

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: In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 10:11-25

The way to God opened through Christ's death.

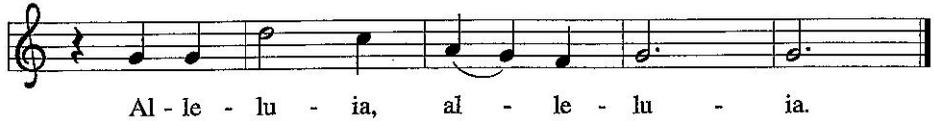
And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

The Word of the Lord.

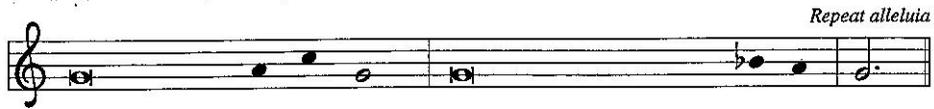
Thanks be to God! *(shouted)*

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing this verse.

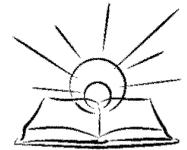


Cantor: Be alert | at all times,* praying that you may have the strength to stand before the | Son of Man. (*Luke 23:36*)

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 13:1-13

The end and the reappearing of the Son of God.



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

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

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs. As for yourselves, beware; for they will hand you over to councils; and you will be beaten in synagogues; and you will stand before governors and

kings because of me, as a testimony to them. And the good news must first be proclaimed to all nations. When they bring you to trial and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say; but say whatever is given you at that time, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit

S E R M O N

Hang In There

Mark 13:1-13

Stand

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

The Day Is Surely Drawing Near
st. 1 - cantor

Green 321

Cantor: The day is surely drawing near When Jesus, God’s anointed,
In all his power shall appear As judge whom God appointed.
Then fright shall banish idle mirth, And hungry flames shall ravage earth,
As Scripture long has warned us.

**The final trumpet then shall sound, And all the earth be shaken,
And all who rest beneath the ground Shall from their sleep awaken.
But all who live will in that hour, By God’s almighty, boundless pow’r,
Be changed at his commanding.**

**May Christ our intercessor be And, through his blood and merit,
Read from his book that we are free With all who life inherit.
Then we shall see him face to face, With all his saints in that blest place
Which he has purchased for us.**

**O Jesus Christ, do not delay, But hasten our salvation;
We often tremble on our way In fear and tribulation.
Oh, hear and grant our fervent plea; Come, mighty judge, and set us free
From death and ev'ry evil.**

A P O S T L E S ' C R E E D

**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.**

P R A Y E R O F T H E C H U R C H

. . . Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.
. . . through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

S H A R I N G O F T H E P E A C E

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

M E A L

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper.

G A T H E R I N G O F T I T H E S A N D O F F E R I N G S

*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

Canticle of the Turning

Choir

text by Rory Cooney based on the Magnificat, Irish traditional, tune arranged by Anne Krentz Organ

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,
So from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain: My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

Thought I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,
And your mercy shall last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,
You will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn.

Refrain

From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r, not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn;
There are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn.

Refrain

Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast:
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound,
Till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around.

Refrain

OFFERING PRAYER/DEDICATION OF 2016 COMMITMENTS

O God,

we return to You only what You have first entrusted to us. Receive these tithes, offerings and commitment forms for 2016, symbols of the joy we find in serving You. Use them to advance your Kingdom and enable Mount Olive to be a servant congregation; through Your Son, 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

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven . . . forever and ever.



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 to the banquet for all is now ready.

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

Three lines of musical notation in treble clef, G-clef, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive. A small number "S 201" is written in the upper right corner of the first line. Below the staffs, the lyrics are written: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us." Hyphens are used under "a - way" and "mer-cy" to indicate syllable placement.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Green 294

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

Blue 691

st. 2 - cantor

Lord, Keep us Steadfast in Your Word

Green 230

Stand

COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Green 320

**O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home:**

**Under the shadow of your throne Your saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is your arm alone, And our defense is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood Or earth received its frame,
From everlasting you are God, To endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in your sight Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.**

**Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the op'ning day.**

**O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Still be our guard while troubles last And our eternal home!**

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

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**NEXT SUNDAY – Christ the King Sunday (Year B): Daniel 7:9-10; Psalm 93;
Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37**

*** ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP TODAY ***

ACOLYTE-----Isabella Wegner
ASSISTING MINISTER-----Steve Kowalski
CANTOR -----Mark Flemmer
EUCCHARISTIC GIFTS----- Mike & Kristi Townsend, Jr.
LECTOR----- Marsha Behr

*** LAST SUNDAY AT MOUNT OLIVE ***

Worship Attendance.....	144	Bible Class	53
Communion	114	Offering	4160
Sunday School	27	Needed Weekly	4824
Staff.....	7	Specials	0

First Time Worshippers Last Sunday - 4

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.

November 15
Gary Jacobson

November 15
Robbie Moffett, Sr.

November 15
Judy Rath

November 17
Emily Johnson

*** THIS WEEK AT MOUNT OLIVE ***

TODAY		WORSHIP/COMMITMENT SUNDAY -----9:00 A.M.
		CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR ----- 10:20 A.M.
		HEALTH & MEDICATION COUNSELING
		THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION -----11:45 P.M.
		ADULT INFORMATION CLASS----- 3:30 P.M.
MONDAY	-	ELL (FALL CLOSING POTLUCK) ----6:30 - 8:00 P.M.
TUESDAY	-	LWML/COSMO----- 6:30 P.M.
WEDNESDAY	-	CONFIRMATION CLASS----- 6:00 P.M.
		ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING ----6:30 - 8:00 P.M.
		CHANCEL CHOIR ----- 7:45 P.M.
THURSDAY	-	WOMEN & MONEY/THRIVENT WORKSHOP 6:30 P.M.
SUNDAY		WORSHIP-----9:00 A.M.
		CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR ----- 10:20 A.M.
		MESSENGER ARTICLES DUE
		ADULT INFORMATION CLASS----- 3:30 P.M.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS — During the Christian Education Hour, Pastor Jank will lead the Adult Bible Class. Pick up a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall and join in.

THANKSGIVING — Today immediately following the Christian Education Hour in the Fellowship Hall we will enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner. We will celebrate what God has done among us and through us at Mount Olive in the five years since our congregational revitalization process.

WEDDING — Yesterday, November 14, Ethan Smith and Kaylee Fly were united in marriage here at Mount Olive. May they dedicate themselves to being mutual servants of each other.

COSMO/LWML — COSMO/LWML will be meeting this Tuesday, November 17, at 6:30 P.M. Suzan Jank will be leading the Bible study. All ladies of the congregation are invited for fun, food, and fellowship.

FINANCIAL WORKSHOP — Our Thrivent Financial representative, **Sarah Jank**, will be hosting a workshop on *Women and Money* this Thursday, November 19th, at 6:30 p.m. in Luther Hall. There is no cost to participate but please RSVP to sarah.jank@thrivent.com or (402) 905-4229 by November 17 so that there are enough materials (and refreshments)! You are welcome to bring friends, too! Please call with any questions.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE CLASS — High School graduates through 30-somethings meet in the library during the Christian Education Hour for Bible study.

COAT RACK NEAR BATHROOMS — Please check the coat rack and shelf by the men's restroom for any items that may be yours. If items go to Project Hope or POBLO, put the items in the tubs located under the coatrack. There are also some lost/found items on the shelf by the copy machine. All items should be put away. Items not picked up today will be taken to Project Hope. Thank you in advance for your help.

THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP — Thursday, November 26, 10:00 A.M.