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## January 2025

## ALL ARE WELCOME

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP & HOLY COMMUNION:

**In-Person Worship & HC @ 8 & 10 a.m.** Our worship services will be livestreamed @ Facebook, and YouTube. Facebook stream also found on the home page of our website: www.mountolive-elca.net

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday Church Office: Email: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. 262-363-8251 mto@mountolive-elca.net

#### CHURCH STAFF

Pastor Steve Bogie Office Phone: 262-363-8251 Cell Phone: 262-409-0743 Email: pastorsteve@mountolive-elca.net

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Cindy Dobberke262-719-5711cindy.dobberke@mountolive-elca.net

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Your Council leadership invites you to attend the Annual Meeting of Mount Olive Lutheran Church.

#### Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 11 a.m. in the Mount Olive Fellowship Hall. Light lunch available.

Annual reports will be available on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. If you would like a hard or an electronic copy sent to your home, please contact the Mount Olive office.

Let us gather to share and learn about the ministries of Mount Olive.

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#### SERVICE/ OFFICE SCHEDULES

- <u>Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup></u> ONE Worship Service @ 9 a.m.
- <u>Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup></u> Happy New Year/Office Closed

## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR STEVE

But he said to them, "I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other cities also; for I was sent for this purpose." Luke 4:43

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas celebration and that God's blessings and healing presence have filled your spirit and given you peace.

Sometimes, during the holidays, things can happen that make good news hard to find. This might be due to a loss of a relationship, fleeting health, or the things that seem to break down around us. It can be challenging to be positive when there seem to be many obstacles that tear us down, especially during the holidays.

Even though Mount Olive is a special church with special people, we are not impervious to the ebb and flow of life. It is not "If" a bump in the road will happen; it is "When" something in life will throw us off course because of the bump in the road.

Yet, is there a way we can turn our bump in the road into fuel for something to advent something good in Jesus' name? Is there a way to tell our life story that can include our faith? Not as a way to push views onto others but to include an authentic narrative about life and faith.

Dear people, we have good news to share through our stories about life and faith. As Saint Paul tells us, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" One of the greatest gifts we receive from God is the good news of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. Yet, even though we have received this gift, there will be times when we can experience great struggles in life. What is up with that? Are we not Kingdom People? We can know that God does not promise that life will be easy; on the contrary. God assures us that we will have struggles as we travel throughout life. The good news is that God promises to be present throughout our struggles. God is there with us on every journey through every obstacle; that is God's story with us. Our stories about faith can be personal, and sharing them can sometimes be challenging. Sharing our experiences with others takes trust; sometimes, we do not trust that sharing our stories can encourage others or ourselves. The Bible can help us gain confidence that we are encouraged to share our story about faith guided by unconditional love. If we make room to tell our faith story about Jesus in non-aggressive or nonconfrontational ways, good things can come to those in need, including us.

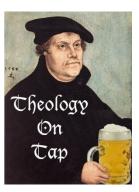
In the end, Jesus' story contains amazing grace. To paraphrase Saint Paul in his letter to the Corinthians, we can be proud that God has chosen us to tell the story so that we may share in its blessings.

May your story be fuel for Jesus' grace in this New Year!

Peace be with you always, Pastor Steve

THEOLOGY ON TAP

We will be taking January off but will resume **on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Come and enjoy a beer, glass of wine, or a cocktail as we gather in a casual, safe space to talk about life, our experiences, and the presence of God through it all.



Theology on Tap will be a great time to build friendships in a relaxed atmosphere. The atmosphere and an adult beverage will help to talk about anything the Holy Spirit brings to our hearts. Join us on the first Monday of each month at Badger Burger in Mukwonago. Theology on Tap is open to anyone over 21. Relax with friends while discussing your experience of life and God. I hope to see you at Theology on Tap soon.

Please let Debbie know if the office if you wish to attend. Peace be with you always, Steve Bogie, Pastor.



## Worship Times at **Mount Olive** 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Our services will be

livestreamed on our Facebook page, YouTube channel, and found on our webpage with a Facebook link. The livestreamed recordings will also be available for your viewing 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

## **EXPLORE MOUNT OLIVE**



Mt. Olive Lutheran Church Rooted in God's Grace

If you are thinking that you would like to find out more about the ministries or perhaps become a member of Mount Olive, you are invited to our "Explore Mount Olive" session on Sunday, January 12th, at 11:15 a.m. This will be a very informal time when we will share our story with you, explore our mutual passions as Jesus' disciples, and answer any questions you might have. Please note: Attendance to Explore Mount Olive is not mandatory for becoming a member.

Please contact the church office if you would like to attend.



## **SERVICE TEAM UPDATE**

Looking for ways to serve our community? Join the Mt. Olive Service Team. We organize a variety of projects provide support which for our surrounding communities and our own church community. We meet periodically on the first Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the church hall. Contact Jean Cruikshank

fellowship (jcruikshank68@gmail.com) for more information and specific meeting dates.

January/ February Collection -- We will be gathering toiletry supplies for our local shelters. These items are often in short supply for them: Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Razors, Shaving Cream, Deodorant & Lotion.

It has no meaning. Love has to be put into action, and that action is service." Mother Teresa

## **Free Pantry**/ **Kitchen Kupboard Food Pantry**

Located in the lower level of Mount Olive, we are grateful for the Kitchen Kupboard Food Pantry and their ministry to those in need in our community. The Kitchen Kupboard is open on select



Thursday mornings or by appointment.

Also, Mount Olive's Little Free Pantry, is located outside the lower doors of MTO and is available 24 hours a day/7 day a week. The Little Free Pantry is kept stocked by the Kitchen Kupboard Food Pantry team. Please note the items listed below and drop off in the basket marked Food Pantry, located in the Narthex: Mac & cheese boxes, potato and noodle boxes, dry goods, cereal, shelf stable milk, granola bars, tuna, canned soups, canned fruits and vegetables, laundry soap, and deodorant.

Thank you for working to fight food insecurity in our community! \*\* Canned food items with pull tops are especially appreciated!

## **COUNCIL CORNER**

During the month of December, Mount Olive experienced the following and much more!



- December 1<sup>st</sup>: Explore Advent alternative worship service.
- Our AoB and High School youth sponsored a service activity during which 17 Cookie boxes were prepared to be sent to our college students, as well as 15 plates of cookies, delivered to our homebound members and young adults. The afternoon also consisted of tying fleece blankets for our graduating High School seniors, and Friends of Jesus gift wrapping, all supported with a Thrivent Action Team grant.
- Theology on Tap, filled with faithful conversation, community and laughter!
- Three soup suppers and interactive Advent worship services



- Midnight Magic hot chocolate booth, sending 133 cups of chocolaty goodness out into the community. (Thanks Deb Barnes!)
- We also hosted our outdoor Advent Path during Midnight Magic, where between 70 and 80 community participants walked, prayed and had the opportunity to reflect on the meaning of Advent and the coming of Christ.
- Also during Midnight Magic, Mount Olive was privileged to host musical groups from Mukwonago High School. The sanctuary was filled as we heard from 4 extracurricular choirs, Christmas selections from the orchestra which was later joined by members of the MHS band. Always a wonderful experience!
- 50+ Friends of Jesus Christmas gifts wrapped and sent to the children of Milwaukee.

- Choir practices and beautiful choral music shared on
  - Christmas Eve.
- One Faith Explorers Christmas Program, bringing the joy of Jesus' birth to the congregation,



including many guests.

- Successfully completed our annual Stewardship invitation to pledge financial support to the ministries of MTO.
- Three candlelight worship services on Christmas Eve, celebrating the birth of Christ.
- Five Sundays of worship, including one Lessons and Carols worship service on Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Plus much, much more!
- Thank you Mount Olive and friends for a most wonderful December!



• We look forward to these

awesome upcoming events in 2025 and more.

#### Thanks be to God!

#### Come and See!

- $\circ$  3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade retreat
- Explore Mount Olive session, for those considering joining the faith community of Mount Olive.
- Reflect the Light mini retreat!



Cindy Dobberke Council Member

## FAITH EXPLORERS

#### Faith Explorers: Sunday School:

Many thanks to our families for coming together for the Christmas program -- special thanks to Deanna Kulow, Anna Mack, Sara Buettner, Holden Dierks, Sheri Dierks, Conrad Dierks, Betty Hinkelman, Rayna Jellish, Leisel Holzem, Bill and Everett Maxfeldt! We couldn't have done it without you!



**More re: SS**...We are back together this year with 3year-olds through 5<sup>th</sup> grade faith explorers, using the curriculum for Spark All Kids. Here is our Sunday morning plan for each week:

- 9:45 a.m. Sundays: Gather in the Sanctuary for our opening with music, prayers, lighting of the candles and the birthday church.
- After the SS opening, the children will return to sit with their parents through the opening prayer. At that time, they will head to the lower level for age-appropriate faith exploration.
- The children will be picked up in the lower level following the conclusion of the 10 am worship.

Please contact Cindy Dobberke at <u>cindy.dobberke@mountolive-elca.net</u> with any questions. if you are interested in joining us for Faith Explorers: SS, please find the Faith Exploration registration form on the Youth bulletin board outside the office or here on the MTO website: <u>https://mountoliveelca.net/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/2024-25-SS-</u> <u>Parent-Form-082124.pdf</u>

#### Attention families with 3rd, 4th and 5th graders!

**On Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, from 2-5 p.m.**, students in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade will have their own mini-retreat at Mount Olive. The retreat's main purpose is to help the students understand how important they are in God's family and how they are called at baptism to be a disciple of Christ. The retreat will include a snack, faith exploration and FUN!

#### Faith Explorers: AoB:

This year, we will be exploring God's gifts to us through Luther's Small Catechism. AoB is typically for 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth and a parent or trusted adult; however, we love to explore faith with any age. Please contact Pastor Steve or Cindy Dobberke for more information.

#### **AoB Happenings:**

**Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8 p.m.** We share a meal together and enter into our faith exploration time, this month focusing on our first session on the Apostle's Creed. Joining us for dinner? Please RSVP to Cindy or to the MTO office by Monday morning, January 13<sup>th</sup>.

Bingo at Birchrock! Back after popular demand, we will join the residents of Birchrock senior living for an evening of Bingo and fun. *Date to be determined*.

#### Faith Explorer: Upcoming High School Events:

Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 a.m., we are tentatively meeting for food and fun. We will grab a bite to eat and then carpool to Big Putts for a round or two of indoor mini golf! Cost to you: \$10, scholarships are available!



Put the following dates on your calendar for future events:

Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, at noon for our Escape Room challenge!



February  $22^{nd}$  OR  $23^{rd}$  -exact date and activity to be determined!

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT**

Grief can and does enter our lives in a huge variety of ways. You are invited to attend this group for very informal discussions in a safe place and supportive environment. Please feel free to call if you would like further information, login Zoom info, or have any questions: Betty Hinkelman

The meeting is on the third Thursday of each month beginning at 12:30 p.m. Attendance is at Mount Olive in the Fellowship Hall or on ZOOM, whichever you are comfortable with. They will meet next on Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m.





#### INVITATION TO PRAY

You are invited to come and pray as we come together for

contemplative prayer on the labyrinth. Join me for prayer with Holy Scripture using the ancient method of Lectio Divina, or you may choose to come for Centering Prayer, a prayer practice with silence as we simply rest in God's presence for a twenty-minute period of time. No experience is needed for either of these quiet methods of praying. A simple desire to be with God is all that you need to bring.

I invite you to come at any of these following times for this prayer opportunity (schedule of dates & times below). If you want to participate but need a different time slot or if you have any questions or would like further explanation, please feel free to call any time. I look forward to praying together. Betty Hinkelman.

#### Monthly Schedule of Prayer Opportunities: Lectio Divina:

- 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month...beginning at 11 a.m.
- **Centering Prayer:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month...beginning at 11 a.m.

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### WEDNESDAY NIGHT & SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Night Bible Study are on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., September thru May in the Fellowship Hall. This year's study will be led by Richard Grosenick, a gifted Bible study teacher whom some of you will remember from adult Sunday School class several years ago. (Dwight will still be there, but Richard is in charge). This year's study will be the New Testament books of Romans and 1<sup>st</sup> John.

All are welcome. It is not necessary to have any prior experience in Bible study. All that is needed is a desire to know more about the Bible, while having good fellowship and a little bit of fun. If interested, contact Dwight Cruikshank.

The Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study meets at **9 a.m**. on Sunday mornings and will be studying the Old Testament book of 1<sup>st</sup> Kings this year, with special sessions in December for an Advent study. 1<sup>st</sup> Kings picks up at the end of the golden era of the reign of King David over Israel. The story continues with Solomon, who is able to fulfill his father's dream of building the temple in Jerusalem. But it doesn't stop there. Join us as we discover, or re-discover, the glory, decline, and chaos that surrounds the story of God's chosen people. Join us for a few sessions or many. You may find yourself wanting to hear the rest of the story...

Join us for the education and fellowship. Join us to just listen or to participate in the discussion. Join us for a few sessions or for many sessions. We're looking forward to welcoming you!

Contact Laura Conry with any questions.

## DON'T MUNCH ALONE BUNCH (DMAB)



Happy New Year!Comeand join us when Don'tMunchAloneBunch(DMAB)meetsonTuesday, January14<sup>th</sup>, at11:30 a.m., at Blue Bay inMukwonago.

DMAB is a fun fellowship activity, inviting all ages to meet, eat, and share together. Bring a friend if you'd like. There's no need to make a reservation because we'll save a place at the table for you at Blue Bay.

If you'd like more information, please call Glenna Gunderson. We hope you will join us.

## THE KNOTTY KNITTERS...

Are a group that invites anyone interested to join them in the church library on Friday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12 noon to knit prayer shawls and such, share stories, and have goodies. **All are welcome...no experience necessary.** 

If you have questions, please call Betty Hinkelman or Inge Adams.

LADIES BOOK CLUB

Mount Olive's Ladies Book Club will NOT meet in October. They will meet next on <u>Tuesday, January</u> <u>14<sup>th</sup></u>, at 2 p.m., @ Mount Olive. They will be discussing "The Giver of Stars" by Jojo Moyes.

All are welcome...even if you haven't read the book! If you have any questions, please contact Diane Dickey or the church office at 262-363-8251.



## GATHER FAITH EXPLORATION GROUP

Winter/Spring 2025: "Faithfulness in These Days" By Denise Rector

Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 9:30 a.m. Mount Olive Fellowship Hall

> January 2025 Ruth and Naomi

Ruth chooses to remain part of Naomi's family, even after Naomi has lost everything – including her husband and sons. This intergenerational story of faithfulness during emptiness and sorrow helps us learn how to rely on God in bleak times.

(Zoom link also available.) Join on the *THIRD* Tuesdays of each month at 9:30 am for our conversation and faith exploration using Gather magazine- a publication of the Women of the ELCA. Copies of the magazine and devotional will be available for all.

REFLECT THE LIGHT MINI RETREAT Note change of date: February 8<sup>th</sup>

1-4pm at Mount Olive Cost \$5.

As we live into the season of Epiphany, all are invited for an afternoon of reflection, prayer and meditation.



Bring along a ceramic mug, coffee or tea cup which we will transform into a candle to remind us of how we reflect the Light of Christ throughout the year.

## **ELCA World Hunger**

**The Hunger Jar appreciates the jingling of our change!** Starting for a new goal in 2024, our donation is now at -- **\$338.56.** 



If you are collecting your change at

home for ELCA World Hunger during our time of online worship, please consider sending in a check or bringing the funds into Mount Olive so that they can be deposited. We will send them out into the world as a witness to our faithfulness during this critical time.

#### MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATUS from the Bookkeeper

	November 2024 Actual	November 2024 Plan
General Income	\$236,778	\$236,702
General Expenses	(205,613)	(256,565)
Surplus/(Deficit)	31,165	(19,863)
General Fund Cash Balance	36,190	

## **OFFERING/DONATION UPDATE**

You can also share your financial gifts by:

- 1. Mailing your offering to the office: Mount Olive Lutheran Church 211 Main Street Mukwonago, WI 53149
- 2. Donating via our webpage: Make a one-time or recurring donation. Any recurring donation will require you to register if you don't already have a Simply Giving account. Contact Debbie in the office if you need any help with the webpage...262-363-8251.

Thank you for your ongoing support to the ministries of Mount Olive.

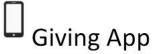
Dennis Martin Treasurer Finance and Stewardship Team

# Ways to Give To Mount Olive

Place checks or cash in an offering envelope and drop in the offering plate as it goes by.



Text 262-290-4066 with dollar amount (for example: 10) to set up a one-time or recurring donation.



Download the 'Give Plus Church' app to set up a one-time or recurring donation.





Visit https://mountolive-elca.net/donate/ or scan the QR Code below to set up a one time or recurring donation.



At Mount Olive, we are committed to giving back to God for all he has given us so that we can help others locally and around the world.

Find yourself without cash, please use the above QR code to give online.

## VARIOUS TEAM/GROUP UPDATES

Group Meeting	Time and Frequency	Contact person		
Wednesday Text Study	9:30 a.m. every Wednesday @ Mount Olive & via Zoom	Church Office mto@mountolive-elca.net		
Knotty Knitters	10 a.m. every Friday	Inge Adams Betty Hinkelman		
Gather Faith Exploration Group: Meeting in person & via Zoom	9:30 - 11 a.m. on second Tuesday of each month	Cindy Dobberke Cindy.dobberke@mountolive- elca.net		
Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study	Sundays @ 9 a.m.	Laura Conry		
Wednesday Evening Bible Study	Wednesday evenings @ 6:30 p.m.	Dwight Cruikshank		
Don't Munch Alone Bunch	11:30 a.m. on second Tuesday of each month	Glenna and Bruce Gunderson		
<i>Lectio Divina: Meeting in person &amp; via Zoom</i>	11 a.m. on Mondays – January 6 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup>	Betty Hinkelman		
<b>Centering Prayer:</b> Meeting in person & via Zoom	11 a.m. on Monday – January 13 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup>	Betty Hinkelman		
Grief Support: Meeting in person & via Zoom	Meeting time varies, please contact Betty or see page 6	Betty Hinkelman		
Service Team	Sharing info and ideas via email	Jean Cruikshank		
Food Pantry Donations	Donations can be made directly to pantry as follows: January 9 <sup>th</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> 9:30-11:30 a.m.; contact Carole Hahl @ 262-662-3953	Church Office mto@mountolive-elca.net		
Aluminum Can Donations	Please continue to collect aluminum cans for our HS students to support their annual youth accompaniment trips; your donations can be dropped off at a future date!	Church Office mto@mountolive-elca.net		



## ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLING at Mount Olive!!

Yep, our High School students are still doing it! Want to help? Be sure to save your cans and drop off at the rear door at Mount Olive so that we can send the cans on their way to the recyclers. It's a great way to save the environment AND our help our High School students when they head off on their next big Accompaniment trip!

## **PRAYING FOR MEMBERS** at Mount Olive Lutheran Church

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone. I Timothy 2:1

It seems to me that no one is so poor as an individual for whom not a single soul is praying, and has no one who takes him or her personally and persistently to God in prayer. O. Hallesby, <u>Prayer</u>

"Praying for Every Member" is sponsored by Prayer Ministry. By using this monthly newsletter insert, we will pray unceasingly for each other.

- 1/1 Angie & Rayna Jellish
- 1/2 Kathryn & Bill Jens
- 1/3 Mary Jensen
- 1/4 Allen, Barbara, Hunter, & Max Kadrich
- 1/5 Mark, Wendy, Katie, & Molly Kietzmann
- 1/6 Carol Knoernschild
- 1/7 Joseph, Andrea, Lexi, & Connor Kokott
- 1/8 Kimberly Kopplehuber
- 1/9 Emma & Beckett Krause
- 1/10 Bryan & Lori Krzycki
- 1/11 Leo Krzycki
- 1/12 Jane Kulinski
- 1/13 Kevin, Deanna, & Elliott Kulow
- 1/14 Connor, Eleanor, & Jack LaFreniere
- 1/15 Brian & Ruth Lang
- 1/16 Herman Lange
- 1/17 Dennis & Susan Leffelman
- 1/18 Kevin, Liam, Bentley, & Adeline Leffelman
- 1/19 Lee, Amy Emma, & Ellie Libecki
- 1/20 Tiffany, Jeremy, Madison, & Hailey Lindbloom
- 1/21 Victoria Luebke
- 1/22 Richard, Susan, Turner, Jacob, & Katie Lynch
- 1/23 Anna, Natalie, & Ethan Mack
- 1/24 Jerry Manke
- 1/25 Dennis & Kim Martin
- 1/26 Pam Massman
- 1/27 Charles & Angie Mathe
- 1/28 Barbara Mather
- 1/29 Ross McMiller
- 1/30 Diane Messer
- 1/31 Albert Mihlbauer



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS ...

Diane Hayek	1/2
Gwendolyn Sherman	1/4
Preston Urban	1/5
Steve Bogie	1/7
Kathryn Jens	1/6
Olivia Carey	1/7
Adam Neidhold	1/7
Mike Schaenzer	1/8
Robert Wilcher	1/8
Casey Sidders	1/9
George Dobberke Riehle	1/11
Joseph Kokott	1/11
Allen Vollmer	1/11
Adam Adcock	1/13
Donald Fitzgerald	1/13
Nathaniel Wilcher	1/13
Laura Conry	1/15
Susan Budzien	1/17
Diane Messer	1/17
Kathy Rehl	1/19
Jordan Robinson	1/19
Linda Burie	1/23
Bentley Leffelman	1/23
Jamie Watkins	1/25
Ethan Mack	1/26
Rayna Jellish	1/27
Scott Christensen	1/29
Paul Mysliwski	1/30
Isabella Rivera	1/30

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES...

Lee & Denise Munger

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COUNCIL CORNER			
Council Member	Phone Number	Email Address	
President Mike Zaddack			
Vice President Cheryl Shanovich			
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Treasurer Dennis Martin/Finance/Stewardship			
Inge Adams			
Cindy Dobberke			
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Duane Thornton			
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	GET CONN	NECTED	
ACTS Team	Betty Arntson		
Administrative Assistant	Debbie Wagner	262-363-8251	mto@mountolive-elca.net
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Don't Munch Alone Bunch (DMAB)	Glenna Gunderson		
Financial Secretary	Debbie Wagner	262-363-8251	mto@mountolive-elca.net
Grief Support Group	Betty Hinkelman		
Health & Wellness	Pat Vandehey		
Knotty Knitters	Betty Hinkelman		
	Inge Adams		
Ladies Book Club	Diane Dickey		
Memorials	Angela Porter		
Mt. Menu Coffee	Debbie Wagner	262-363-8251	mto@mountolive-elca.net
Praise Team Director	Deanna Kulow		deanna.kulow@mountolive-elca.net
Prayer Chain	Betty Hinkelman		
Service	Jean Cruikshank		
Sunday School Coordinator	Cindy Dobberke	262-719-5711	cindy.dobberke@mountolive-elca.com
Thrivent Financial for Lutherans	Matt & Julie Fick		
Congregational Advocate			
Wednesday Night Bible Study	Dwight Cruikshank		

#### THIS WEEK AT MTO

**Did you know that a weekly email is sent out each Wednesday entitled "This Week at MTO."** Each weekly email contains the following types of info: special messages, Mount Olive's calendar for the coming week, and any other events that are happening at Mount Olive over the next week or so. If you are not currently receiving this email, please let the church office know your email address, and we will add you to the circulation list. Or sign up on our website at: <u>www.mountolive-elca.net.</u> Don't miss out! **PLEASE LET US KNOW...**If you, a family member, or a friend would like to have a visit from the pastor, please notify the church office or Cindy Dobberke. We rely on you to keep us informed so that our ministry with you can continue: 262.363.8251 or <u>mto@mountolive-elca.net.</u>

## **JANUARY 2025**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 New Year's Day Office Closed	2	<b>3</b> 10am Knotty Knitters	4
<b>5</b> 8am Worship & HC 9am Adult Bible Study 9:45am SS Gathering Time 10am Worship & HC 7:30pm Alanon*	<b>6</b> 11am Lectio Divina	7	<b>8</b> 9:30am Weekly Text Study 6:30pm Wednesday Night Bible Study	<b>9</b> Mukwonago Crazy Quilters Retreat* 9:30am MCC Food Pantry*	<b>10</b> Mukwonago Crazy Quilters Retreat* 10am Knotty Knitters	<b>11</b> Mukwonago Crazy Quilters Retreat*
<b>12</b> 8am Worship & HC 9am Adult Bible Study 9:45am SS Gathering Time 10am Worship & HC 11:15am Explore MTO 7:30pm Alanon*	<b>13</b> 11am Centering Prayer 6:30pm Church Council	<b>14</b> 10am Mukwonago Crazy Quilters 11:30am DMAB Lunch @ Blue Bay 2pm Ladies Book Club 6:30pm AoB	<b>15</b> 9:30am Weekly Text Study 1pm Mukwonago Crazy Quilters 6:30pm Wednesday Night Bible Study	<b>16</b> 12:30pm Grief Support Group	<b>17</b> 10am Knotty Knitters	<b>18</b> 2pm 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , & 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Mini- Retreat
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