



**Mt. Olive  
Lutheran Church**  
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**July 2025**

## ALL ARE WELCOME

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP & HOLY COMMUNION:**

**Summer In-Person Worship & HC @ 8 & 9:30 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](http://www.mountolive-elca.net)

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
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[www.milwaukeeesynod.org](http://www.milwaukeeesynod.org)

[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)

## MOUNT OLIVE MID-YEAR MEETING



Enjoy an ice cream sundae along with an update at Mount Olive's mid-year gathering of the congregation. Please accept this treat as a "Thank You" for sharing your gifts of time, talent, and possessions, plus an opportunity to check in with your Mount Olive family.

**Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, following both services**

Ice cream will be served following each service. Come along and see what amazing things God is doing at Mount Olive!

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## SUMMER CONCERT WEDNESDAY, JULY 30<sup>th</sup>, 5-8 p.m.

Charlie's Back!! The very talented and entertaining musician, Charlie Smith, will once again regale us with his repertoire of popular hits from the 50s to today on **Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, from 5 – 8 p.m.** on the Mount Olive Green Space.

The concert is free, and for everyone, so invite your friends and neighbors and distant relatives. Also available for purchase will be the very tasty barbeque offerings of the Happy Times Barbecue food truck.



Bring a lawn chair and plan to enjoy a wonderful summer evening on the MtO green space. Should the weather not cooperate, the concert will be indoors.

FROM THE PIT			
Brisket Sandwich	\$14		
Pulled Pork Sandwich	\$12		
Smoked Mac & Cheese	\$7		
Brisket Mac	\$14		
Pulled Pork Mac	\$12		
Jalapeño Cheddar Sausage	\$9		
Cornbread	\$2		
BRISKET SMASH BURGER			
Single Smash	\$11		
Double Smash	\$13		
Bacon Single	\$13		
Bacon Double	\$14		
		Nachos	\$8
		Brisket Nachos	\$14
		Pork Nachos	\$13

## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR STEVE

*When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So, the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.*

**John 12:9-11 NRSV**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

The story of Lazarus is one of my favorites in the Bible. In the Lazarus story, we are given an image of a God who is present with us and weeps with us when we suffer. The good news of this Gospel story is that death has lost its sting because of God's life-giving power through faith.

One time, a parishioner asked me what happened to Lazarus after being raised from the dead. The scripture on top is from John's Gospel, which explains what happened afterward. Can you imagine how the world would respond if a spiritual healer brought someone back from the clutches of death? What would the world say if there were people who had some power over death? Would there be anxiety and fear because of those individuals?

As Christians, God has given us some power over death. When we co-create with God by doing God's work with our hands, life-giving results can unfold. Perhaps a good question to explore is, "How has Christianity been life-giving for the world?"

The information used in the next section relies on information gathered from [pursuegod.org](http://pursuegod.org) and [elca.org](http://elca.org).

### **Christianity and orphans**

Christians have always had a heart for the least privileged members of society, particularly orphans. Jesus was born to a single mom, Mary, and was adopted by Joseph. The Bible speaks about salvation in terms of adoption. You are adopted into God's family. And Christians have a responsibility to care for orphans. For centuries, Christians have built orphanages and provided for those without a mom and a dad. Even today, many Christians continue to move to challenging parts of the world to support the most vulnerable groups of people.

### **Jesus and women**

In Jesus' context, women would hold a lower place in society than men. Additionally, husbands were permitted to treat their wives in ways that could be considered akin to treating them as property. Jesus, however, raises the placement of women in society and creation. We see this in Jesus' inclusion of women in his inner circle. Jesus acted honorably toward women, and he commanded his followers to do the same. Christians are to love people as Christ loves the church.

### **Christianity and education**

Christians have always valued education. It is because of the works of monks and priests that many of the great works of Western literature were passed down to us. Advancements in education have been made by Christians, such as the printing press, which Johannes Gutenberg invented. Many of the first American universities were Christian institutions.

### **Christianity and slavery**

Slavery was a reality in the time of the Bible. God did not instruct His people to initiate an abolitionist movement in the Roman Empire. Instead, the Bible's teaching about being made in the image of God paved the way for the end of slavery. Christians have been inspired by their faith in Jesus to bring an end to slavery. Many American abolitionists were Christians, and a significant number of individuals in the modern American civil rights movement, such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., were also Christians.

### **Christianity and medicine**

Christians were among the first to establish hospitals in the Roman Empire and subsequently throughout the Western world. Even today, Christians are often the first to bring hospitals and quality medical care to the developing world. In the Roman Empire, Christians would typically remain in the cities during plagues to care for the sick and the afflicted.

### **Christianity and prison reform**

In the 1800s, prisons were terrible places, particularly in England. Conditions were the worst for women who often had to bring their children with them into prison. Women who had stolen a few coins were put next to women accused of murder. Christians throughout history have worked tirelessly to bring reform to the prison system.

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## Christianity and the poor

Jesus was known for his care for people with low incomes. From the beginning of the Christian church, Christians have understood their role to be one of helping those in need. Throughout the ages, Christians have put together societies and missions for those on the margins of society. Some of the most notable institutions that continue to help the poor today were founded by Christians.

These examples demonstrate to us that God has given us some power over death. When we co-create with God by doing God's work with our hands, life-giving results can unfold.

Ultimately, we can recall that God has worked through Christianity in life-giving ways and will continue to do so, even if the church body is not perfect. I think it is essential to acknowledge that we are not perfect, but with God working through us, anything is possible. God has given Christianity new life by providing us with a purpose for which we are sent to feed the world with grace and love. It is through the grace and love of God that Christianity has worked against death to bring forth something life-giving for the world.

Peace be with you all.

Pastor Steve



## TWO SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES FOR THE SUMMER

**MEMORIAL DAY thru  
LABOR DAY WEEKENDS –  
Sunday Worship & Holy Communion  
8 a.m. – Worship & HC  
and  
9:30 a.m. – Worship & HC  
(No Education Hour during summer)**

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.

## COUNCIL CORNER

As I have finished my time serving as Council President, I want to take a moment to reflect on the last two years—a time that brought both challenge and growth to Mount Olive.



Navigating a pastoral vacancy during a post-COVID recovery wasn't easy. Our Call Team was beyond dedicated; without their heartfelt dedication, I feel we may well still be searching for a pastor. Finding a pastor to answer our call took longer than we hoped, and it tested our patience and faith. But through it all, your prayers, presence, and perseverance never wavered. We're beginning to see more familiar faces return to worship, and it's a true blessing to feel our church family coming back together again.

Despite the challenges, we've seen progress: our parking lot was sealed and repaired, and we celebrated a major milestone with the installation of our **new LED sign**—a bright beacon of hope and welcome for our community. Also, a new website was brought to fruition!! These improvements reflect not just physical changes, but the spirit of a church that is alive and moving forward. Keep in mind these are only a FEW of the fantastic accomplishments, as well as our many many ongoing ministries that have persevered.

Mount Olive is sustained and strengthened by its people—you, the congregation. Your passion is the reason this church not only survives but thrives. I am deeply thankful for the support, encouragement, and dedication you've shown. A very special thank you to **Debbie**—I can't say enough about how incredible you've been. Your help meant the world to me. You do an amazing job.

Though we are not "out of the woods" just yet, we are certainly on more stable footing, and I'm hopeful for what's ahead. From the bottom of my heart--**thank you** for the opportunity to serve and for walking this journey together.

As I continue on as a council member, I encourage you to search yourself and really ask a hard question...Am I part of the change I speak of?

**God's peace to you all,  
Mike Zaddack, Council**

## Our 2025 High School Graduates:



- **Brooke Adcock...** graduates from East Troy High School.
- **Addison Budd...** graduates from Mukwonago High School and plans to attend UW-LaCrosse to study business.
- **Hannah Carey...** graduates from Mukwonago High School and plans to attend WCTC for welding.
- **Conrad Dierks...** graduates from Kettle Moraine High School and plans to attend UW-Milwaukee to study architecture.
- **Grace Graczyk...** graduates from Mukwonago High School and plans to Winona State University to study nursing and public health.
- **Alayna Calvin-Salmela...** graduates from Palmyra-Eagle High School and plans to attend UW-Platteville to study technical education.
- **Beckett Krause...** graduates from Mukwonago High School and plans to attend North Central College in Naperville, IL, to study business and play lacrosse.
- **Elliott Kulow...** graduates from Waterford Union High School and plans to follow God's plan as he continues his journey.
- **Madison Lindbloom...** graduates from East Troy High School and plans to attend UW-River Falls to study psychology with a minor in social work.
- **Everett Maxfeldt...** graduates from Mukwonago High School and plans to attend UW-LaCrosse to study sports and exercise science.
- **Anthony Wilcher...** graduates from Mukwonago High School and plans to move to Florida to be close to his family.
- **Haley Woessner...** graduates from Palmyra-Eagle High School and plans to attend Northern Michigan University, majoring in elementary education and theater/entertainment arts.

## Our 2025 College and Post-College Graduates:

- **Olivia Bogie...** earned a Bachelor of Science degree from UW-Milwaukee in Letters and Sciences with an emphasis in Anthropology with plans to pursue her Master's degree in Archeology.
- **Jessica Cotturone...** earned Bachelor of Science degrees from Augusta Lutheran College in applied mathematics, computer science, and music with plans to attend graduate school at the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana to pursue a PhD in computer science.
- **Ally Fredrick...** earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Carroll University in nursing with plans to pursue a master's degree in nursing at Carroll.
- **Matthew Hoh...** earned a Bachelor of Science degree from UW-Oshkosh in radio/TV/film and will be entering the Marine Corps in September.
- **Madison Husted...** earned an EMT certification from WCTC and works for Bell Ambulance.
- **Adam Neidhold...** earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from UW-Madison with plans to pursue a mechanical engineering research master's degree in Madison.
- **Emily Stobbe...** earned a Bachelor of Science degree from UW-Stevens Point with a major in biology and a minor in philosophy and accepted a position as a study technician for research for Anatomical Pathology for Labcorp in Madison.
- **Casey Webber...** earned a Business Degree (BBA-Finance) and is continuing at UWO for his MBA and internship at Northwestern Mutual.
- **Logan Woessner...** earned a Bachelor of Science degree from UW-Platteville in Mechanical Engineering and accepted a position at Provisur Technologies in Whitewater.



## GREEN TEAM MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 22<sup>nd</sup>

Do you enjoy working with others to create spaces for community building? Or perhaps you have a vision for the utilization of the Green Space?



Consider joining the Green Space Team!

We meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.  
Contact Karen Sperstad for more information @  
[tkspers2@yahoo.com](mailto:tkspers2@yahoo.com).

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## NEW MOUNT OLIVE WEBSITE



On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mount Olive unveiled its new website. Scan the QR code here and check it out. It's your place to find info about who we are as the people of God at Mount Olive, what's happening here, and how you can get involved! Whether it's links to our Facebook page or YouTube channel to watch yesterday's worship service, and the bulletin insert you forgot to take home, the MtO website has it all. Check out our new, fresh look!

Many thanks to Tom and Deb Barnes for getting the right photo for our home page and the Mount Olive Council for supporting the process. We couldn't have done it without your generous contributions to the website fund. THANK YOU, MOUNT OLIVE!



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SCAN ME

Save the date for this year's  
Ride Run and Walk event:  
**September 27, 2025**

## Free Pantry/ Kitchen Kupboard Food Pantry

Located in the lower level of Mount Olive, we are grateful for the Kitchen Kupboard Food Pantry and its ministry to our community's needy. The Pantry 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.

**They could use the following items  
for the outdoors Little Pantry:**  
mac and cheese, canned tuna, canned meat,  
spaghetti, and canned soup.

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



## SERVICE TEAM UPDATE



### Summer Collection Project

Once again, we will be collecting new and used **SHOES** for "Soles for Jesus".

Soles For Jesus exists to share God's love by distributing shoes to the underserved in sub-Saharan Africa. This valuable gift prevents disease and enables individuals to work safely and attend school.

What types of shoes does SFJ accept? All shoes! They accept new and used shoes of all types and sizes. Any unusable shoes will be repurposed, and every pair will be put to use.

What will be done with the received shoes that are not adequate for sending to Africa? Shoes that are not adequate in the African climate and terrain (i.e., winter boots or high heels) or are not usable due to excessive wear will be repurposed through micro-enterprises. Micro-enterprises represent one of the most effective ways to lift families out of extreme poverty in devastated economies. Small business owners can use our repurposed shoes to earn money for food and as a sustainable source of income.

Shoes may be brought in during the month of July and placed in the boxes in the Narthex. To help defray the cost of shipping shoes to Africa, we will place a collection jar near the boxes to accept donations of money. The challenge is to collect \$1-\$2 per pair of shoes donated. So go through your closets and bring in your shoes and a dollar.

## Mount Olive's Vacation Bible Camp 2025 "At the Table"

Be sure to include these dates on your calendar! Invite your friends and neighbors!

**When:** July 28<sup>th</sup> - August 1<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

**Who:** 3-year-olds through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are participants. Older students and adults act as our guides and rotation station leaders. Please let Cindy know if you are able to help out, if only for a day!

**Cost:** \$10 per student and \$25 maximum cost per household.

The Registration Form can be found at our website at [www.mountolive-elca.net](http://www.mountolive-elca.net) under **Communications/Forms**.

"At the Table" is ELCA World Hunger's 2025 Vacation Bible School curriculum, inviting your community to learn how storytelling can make a difference in your neighborhood and the world. Each day offers large- and small-group activities, crafts, games, snacks, and more.

Join us for a VBC planning meeting **on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**. The exact time will be determined soon.



## **Faith Explorer: Upcoming AoB and High School Events:**

**Attention all families with 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students!** Pastor and Cindy would like to invite you to explore faith during three mini-mission/accompaniment trips this summer. These day-long events will incorporate lots of fun, service, fellowship, and worship. Friends welcome!

For example, we might serve in a community garden in the morning, then play mini-golf in the afternoon. During this planning stage, times are approximate. Adjustments will be made once we know who is attending.

**\*\*If needed, we will provide transportation from your home.**

Please let us know which of the following dates you can attend.

- **Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
- **Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Enjoy some scenes from last year's trip!**



**Other opportunities for your family to participate, such as Sleep in Heavenly Peace Build Days:**

- **July 19<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**
- **September 13<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. -12 p.m., 12 - 3 p.m.**

**Or assisting with Mount Olive's Vacation Bible Camp, July 28<sup>th</sup> - August 1<sup>st</sup>.**



**NO KID SLEEPS  
ON THE FLOOR  
IN OUR TOWN!**

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**Attention Mount Olive Young Adults!**

Be on the lookout for more details of a gathering *tentatively* planned for **Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, from 6 – 9 p.m.**



## 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, July 17<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)



Come and join us when Don't Munch Alone Bunch (DMAB) meets on **Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m.,** at Blue Bay in Mukwonago.

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.

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## 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.**

*Please note that the Knotty Knitters are taking a summer break... watch for more details come early September.*

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

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## LADIES BOOK CLUB

Mount Olive's Ladies Book Club will meet next on **Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, at 2 p.m., @ Mount Olive.** They will be discussing "While Justice Sleeps" by Stacey Abrams.

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



**Join us as we begin our summer study!**

**Summer 2025:**

*"Where two or more are gathered:  
Flourishing in relationships"  
by the Rev. Brooke Petersen*

**NOTE: Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m.  
MTO Fellowship Hall**

**Session Two:** Relationships that sustain us: Where you go, I will go

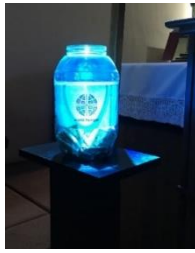
One cannot get far in this life without encountering suffering. Loss, betrayal and tragedy show up in our own lives and in the lives of those we love. In this Bible study, we will explore the story of Naomi and Ruth, two women who held fast to their relationship in the face of great loss. With this in mind, we'll consider what helps us to stay in relationship with others when we face seasons of grief and suffering in our own lives and the lives of others.

(Zoom link also available.) Join on the **Second** Tuesday in July 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.

## ELCA World Hunger

The Hunger Jar appreciates the jingling of our change! Our donations for 2025 are -- \$10.31.

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

	May 2025 Actual	May 2025 Plan
General Income	\$123,892	\$107,071
General Expenses	(127,634)	(126,204)
Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,742)	(19,133)
General Fund Cash Balance	25,421	

## 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



## In Person

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



## Text

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



## Giving App

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



## Online

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

<b>Group Meeting</b>	<b>Time and Frequency</b>	<b>Contact person</b>
<b><i>Wednesday Text Study</i></b>	9:30 a.m. every Wednesday @ Mount Olive & via Zoom	<b>Church Office</b> <a href="mailto:mto@mountolive-elca.net">mto@mountolive-elca.net</a>
<b><i>Knotty Knitters</i></b>	10 a.m. every Friday	<b>Inge Adams</b> <b>Betty Hinkelman</b>
<b><i>Gather Faith Exploration Group: Meeting in person &amp; via Zoom</i></b>	9:30 - 11 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month	<b>Cindy Dobberke</b> <a href="mailto:Cindy.dobberke@mountolive-elca.net">Cindy.dobberke@mountolive-elca.net</a>
<b><i>Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study</i></b>	Sundays @ 9 a.m.	<b>Laura Conry</b>
<b><i>Wednesday Evening Bible Study</i></b>	Wednesday evenings @ 6:30 p.m.	<b>Dwight Cruikshank</b>
<b><i>Don't Munch Alone Bunch</i></b>	11:30 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month	<b>Glenna and Bruce Gunderson</b>
<b><i>Lectio Divina: Meeting in person &amp; via Zoom</i></b>	11 a.m. on Mondays – <b>July 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Betty Hinkelman</b>
<b><i>Centering Prayer: Meeting in person &amp; via Zoom</i></b>	11 a.m. on Monday – <b>July 14<sup>th</sup> &amp; 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Betty Hinkelman</b>
<b><i>Grief Support: Meeting in person &amp; via Zoom</i></b>	Meeting time varies, please contact Betty or see page 8	<b>Betty Hinkelman</b>
<b><i>Service Team</i></b>	Sharing info and ideas via email	<b>Jean Cruikshank</b>
<b><i>Food Pantry Donations</i></b>	Donations can be made directly to the pantry as follows: <b>July 10<sup>th</sup> &amp; 24<sup>th</sup> -- 9:30-11:30 a.m.</b> ; contact Carole Hahl @ 262-662-3953	<b>Church Office</b> <a href="mailto:mto@mountolive-elca.net">mto@mountolive-elca.net</a>
<b><i>Aluminum Can Donations</i></b>	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!	<b>Church Office</b> <a href="mailto:mto@mountolive-elca.net">mto@mountolive-elca.net</a>



### 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, Prayer

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

7/1	Dennis & Kim Martin
7/2	Pam Massman
7/3	Charles & Angie Mathe
7/4	Barbara Mather
7/5	Ross McMiller
7/6	Diane Messer
7/7	Albert Mhlbauer
7/8	Laura Mueller
7/9	Lee, Denise, Brady, & Lauren Munger
7/10	Peggy Munsell
7/11	Paul & Cheryl Mysliwski
7/12	David & Carolyn Nahrwold
7/13	Jay, Lisa, Alex, Adam, & Amy Neidhold
7/14	Dale Nelson
7/15	Mark Paddock
7/16	Christine & Cortland Pawlak
7/17	Hector Paz Morales
7/18	Patrick & Angela Porter
7/19	Gary, Doreen, Katie, & Kyle Price
7/20	Larry & Patti Redlin
7/21	Kathy Rehl
7/22	Jordan Robinson Delaney
7/23	Brian, Nichole, Jaxson, & Lillian Rockteacher
7/24	Marc, Becky, Mitchell, & Bradley Roehl
7/25	Carol Rolfe
7/26	Bill & Dori Ross
7/27	Dennis & Darlene Rudolph
7/28	Allen & Kathy Salmela
7/29	Mary Beth & Ben Sande
7/30	Brian, Nicole, Easton, Arianna, & Winnie Sanderson
7/31	Mike & Annette Schaefer

## JULY BIRTHDAYS...

Thomas Sperstad	7/3
Linda Filler	7/4
Gary Graczyk	7/5
Grayson Pearce	7/7
Jason Anderson	7/8
Chase Tauriainen	7/10
William Horne	7/11
Zackary Buettner	7/13
Jeri Franz	7/13
Eleanor LaFreniere	7/14
Heather Bogie	7/15
Diane Jackson	7/16
Mila Stieber	7/17
Kay Vietzke	7/17
Matthew Fick	7/19
Roxanne Janisewski	7/20
Kim Martin	7/21
Peyton Stigler	7/21
Grace Graczyk	7/25
Bill Graser	7/28
Lisa Neidhold	7/28
Bill Ross	7/28
Mitchell Roehl	7/29
Patricia Vandehey	7/29
Connor LaFreniere	7/30
Lila Schemm	7/31

## JULY ANNIVERSARIES...

Steve & Heather Bogie	7/7
Molly & Andrew Riehle	7/7
Christina & Raymond Altenburg	7/20
Betty & Jerry Arntson	7/21
Kevin & Deanna Kulow	7/25
Duane & Sue Thornton	7/27
Deborah & Richard Struck	7/31



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<b>Treasurer Dennis Martin/Finance/Stewardship</b>		
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<b>Larry Redlin</b>		
<b>Cheryl Shanovich</b>		
<b>Scott Shuda</b>		
<b>Duane Thornton</b>		
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Adopted Council minutes are posted on the Council bulletin board for your review. Please feel free to contact any Council member listed above with any new ideas or caring concerns regarding Mount Olive. Please remember all our Council Members in your prayers.		

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<b>Congregational Advocate</b>			
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### **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: [www.mountolive-elca.net](http://www.mountolive-elca.net). 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 [mto@mountolive-elca.net](mailto:mto@mountolive-elca.net).

# JULY 2025

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 9:30am Weekly Text Study 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	<b>3</b>	<b>4 4<sup>th</sup> of July/ Office Closed</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 8am Worship & HC 9:30am Worship & HC 7:30pm Alanon*	<b>7</b> 11am Lectio Divina	<b>8</b> 9:30am Gather Faith Exploration Group 10am Muk Crazy Quilters* 11:30am DMAB Lunch @ Blue Bay 2pm Ladies Book Club	<b>9</b> 9:30am Weekly Text Study 1pm Worship Team Mtg 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	<b>10</b> 9:30am MCC Food Pantry*	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> 8am Worship & HC 9:30am Worship & HC Midyear Meeting & Ice Cream Social following each service 7:30pm Alanon*	<b>14</b> 11am Centering Prayer	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 9:30am Weekly Text Study 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	<b>17</b> 9:30am MCC Food Pantry* 12:30pm Grief Support Group 1pm Muk Crazy Quilters*	<b>18</b> 8am AoB/HS Mini- Mission/Tentative	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> 8am Worship & HC 9:30am Worship & HC 7:30pm Alanon*	<b>21</b> 11am Lectio Divina 6-9pm MTO Young Adult Gathering/Tentative	<b>22</b> 6pm Green Space Team	<b>23</b> 9:30am Weekly Text Study 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	<b>24</b> 9:30am MCC Food Pantry*	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> 8am Worship & HC 9:30am Worship & HC 7:30pm Alanon*	<b>28</b> 11am Centering Prayer 1:30-4:30pm VBC	<b>29</b> 1:30-4:30pm VBC	<b>30</b> 9:30am Weekly Text Study 1:30-4:30pm VBC 5-8pm Summer Concert on the Green Space 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	<b>31</b> 1:30-4:30pm VBC		

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