



**Mt. Olive
Lutheran Church**
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Mount Olive Evangelical Lutheran Church, ELCA
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September 2025

ALL ARE WELCOME

SUNDAY WORSHIP & HOLY COMMUNION:

In-Person Worship & HC @ 8 & 9:30 a.m. on 8/31

In-Person Worship & HC @ 8 & 9:30 a.m. on 9/7

In-Person Worship & HC @ 10 a.m. ONLY on 9/14

Starting 9/21, 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

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GATHERING SUNDAY – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th ONE WORSHIP SERVICE ONLY @ 10 A.M.

**NOTE: Fall Worship
Times at Mount Olive:
8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
will begin on Sunday,
September 21st.**



As a reminder, 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.

Gathering Sunday -- September 14th:

- **One Worship Only at 10 a.m.** – All are invited to worship with us! *We hope to worship outside on the Green Space. Bring lawn chairs!* If the weather forecast looks iffy, we will worship in the sanctuary.
- **Join us for:** Blessing of the Backpacks and Sunday School guides, Blessing of the Educators, Sunday School registration, plus food, fellowship, games, and more!
- **Following worship,** stay around for a time of lunch and conversation, with food served in the Fellowship Hall. Seating will be available indoors and outdoors. Fried chicken and beverages to be provided by Mount Olive; please bring a dish to pass and/or volunteer your help! **RSVP/sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway.**
- **Enjoy fellowship and outdoor games** on the Green Space!
- **Bakers...**sign up (on the bulletin board in the hallway) to bring a cake or other baked good donation for the Cake Walk! Store-bought is also welcome. Hope to see you there!
- **Bring a friend, a neighbor, or a co-worker.** This is a community event for all!
- **Note that the beginning of our fall worship schedule will begin on Sunday, September 21st, with services at 8 & 10 a.m.!**

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR STEVE

*"Love is patient; love is kind... It bears all things,
believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
Love never ends."*

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 (NRSV)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the sun sets on another beautiful summer, we find ourselves reflecting on the incredible ways God has worked through our hands here at Mount Olive. This summer has been a season of service, of outreach, and of spreading God's love in the community. We've truly been blessed to see God's work unfold before us, and now, as we step into a new church season, it's time to look ahead with anticipation and faith.

Can you believe September is upon us? For many of us, September marks the return of school and the shift from summer's warmth to the crispness of fall. Northern states begin the school year after the Labor Day holiday, giving families a chance to enjoy one final weekend of rest before settling into the busyness of the new academic year. While the seasons change, we are reminded that God's work in our lives and in the world remains constant.

As the weather cools and the vibrant colors of autumn paint the landscape, we celebrate the beauty of transition; both in nature and in our hearts. The changing seasons remind us that change is part of God's design, and with each shift, there are new opportunities to experience grace.

Opportunities to Serve and Share God's Love

Looking ahead, there is much to celebrate as we draw closer to the holiday season. Mount Olive will have multiple opportunities to continue sharing God's loving grace with the Mukwonago community, particularly as we approach Christmas. Mukwonago seems to be a place where community-building events thrive, and Mount Olive is excited to participate in these gatherings. These events allow us to mingle, connect, and grow together in Christ, bringing energy and unity to our shared mission and to our community.

We've been invited to continue our work, not just within the walls of Mount Olive, but in the streets and hearts of Mukwonago. Even as we celebrate these opportunities, we are acutely aware of the struggles and suffering that surround us. The brokenness of the world often weighs

heavily on our hearts, and in these moments, it's easy to feel disconnected or discouraged.

A Call to Love and Serve

Yet, it is precisely in these moments of suffering where God calls us to rise above, to offer God's mercy, love, and grace. The world desperately needs those who can shine light in the darkness, who are willing to serve and love in ways that make a tangible difference.

As the body of Christ, we are called to be the hands and feet of Jesus, bringing healing and hope to those in need. This is where our true purpose lies; in loving one another with a self-sacrificial love that mirrors Jesus' own. This love is not always easy, nor is it natural in a world so often bent on self-interest. But through Christ, we are given the strength to love in ways that bear all things, believe all things, hope all things, and endure all things.

A Love That Transforms

Through love, God can transform humanity. He can heal wounds, mend brokenness, and bring peace to the restless. And as we look to Jesus; our ultimate example; we are reminded that love is not just an emotion, but an action. It is something we do with our hands, with our hearts, and with our lives. It is through this self-giving love that God works in us and through us to bring about real change.

As we step into the coming months, let us remain steadfast in our commitment to love, serve, and be the hands of Christ in the world. Let us look for opportunities to share His love with our neighbors, to stand in the gap for those in need, and to continue building a community grounded in grace and truth.

This is the good news, brothers and sisters: Through love, God will transform not only our lives but the world.

Peace be with you always,

Pastor Steve



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

**Join our AoB and High School students!
September 13th, 11 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.**

COUNCIL CORNER

Throughout history, events have been shaped by the actions of a single individual or small groups of individuals. Some examples:



- The posting of the 95 Theses by Martin Luther, which led to the Reformation, or
- The assassination of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand in Sarajevo, which led to World War I and paved the way for World War II.

The list could go on and on, but I wanted to address and remember the events of 9/11. These actions have led to 24 years of chaos, conflict, and human misery. As Christians and Lutherans, how can we address or confront this ongoing conflagration?

A simple answer, but one we can all share, is prayer.

- Pray for the peaceful resolution of conflicts
- Pray that our leaders can reason together
- Pray for healing where divisions exist
- Pray that the sons of Abraham can peacefully co-exist.
- Pray that the actions of a few no longer cause the reactions of many.
- Pray that we honor the words of Chief Joseph, "I will study war no more."

Duane Thornton
Council Member

GREEN TEAM MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd

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 4th Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. Contact Karen Sperstad for more information.



FALL WORSHIP SERVICES starting September 21st

Sunday Worship & Holy Communion
8 a.m. – Worship & HC
and
10 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.

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: bottles of juice, Kleenex, toilet paper, 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



Service Projects

The Service Team is looking for new leadership. If you are interested in helping to organize projects that benefit our congregation and our community, please contact anyone on Council.

The Service Team has organized collections for many local organizations such as Soles for Jesus, the Milwaukee Rescue Mission, Hope Center, Lutheran World Relief, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Life's Connection, Whitewater Community Space, Little Dresses for Africa, food pantries, and more. It continues to support the Lions Eye Glass collection, the Bible Exchange, and the stocking of the Little Food Pantry.

Mount Olive is a supportive community and welcomes new ways to assist its neighbors.

MTO WALKING GROUP



Being active is the key to staying healthy, and walking is one of the easiest and most affordable ways to get moving. Walking is a great way to get exercise into the day and build strong relationships while doing it.

On Thursdays, we will meet weekly at 10 a.m. for a one-hour walk. If anyone is interested in Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m., please let Pastor Steve know. All are invited to join us every Thursday, or at your convenience. **Hope to see you soon!**

This is a fun and inclusive group where we can vary the routes if we wish, incorporate social activities, and celebrate our milestones together. Thanks be to God!



Morning of Saturday, September 27

Join all of your friends at the Outreach for Hope 2025 Family Ride Run Walk, and help fundraise \$165K for grants to ministries serving communities experiencing material poverty in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA.

FOUR SITE OPTIONS:

Each site offers a **road** (8:30 am) **and/or trail bike ride** (9:30 am) unless otherwise noted, a **5K fun run**, a **walk** (10 am), a **picnic** (11 am) and **fellowship-only participant** and **volunteer** options.

- **Grafton:** Meets at Grace Lutheran Church
- **Kenosha:** Meets at Petrifying Springs Park
- **Milwaukee:** Meets at Washington Park (*no bike rides at this site*)
- **Waukesha:** Meets at Fox River Sanctuary (**NEW VENUE!**)

There is **no registration fee** - but we encourage you to donate and/or fundraise towards our \$165K goal! **Every dollar raised supports our Ministry Partners' work** of clothing, feeding and caring for our neighbors in need.

Register + learn more at OFHRRW.org

PO Box 341695, Milwaukee WI 53234 | 414-671-1212



We are getting a team together! Do you enjoy walking, running, or biking? AND working together to build a more just world? Well, Outreach for Hope has a great event for you! Join Pastor Steve and Cindy as we participate in the OUTREACH FOR HOPE RIDE, RUN, WALK on **Saturday, September 27th** -- 4 sites are available for learning, food, exercise, and fun! Contact Pastor Steve or Cindy for more information.

SALSA Through the Bible!



...is a mini-course (about an hour long) where 3rd graders (or older!) and their parent(s) get a broad introduction to the Holy Scriptures.

The date and time will be finalized soon. Please contact Cindy at cindy.dobberke@mountolive-elca.net or the MTO office if you are interested in attending.

Mount Olive Faith Explorers: Sunday School is gearing up for another wonderful year!

Geared to children aged 3 years through 5th grade, our Faith Exploration group for the younger set will begin on **Sunday, September 21st**. The plan:

- **9:45 a.m.** We will gather in the Sanctuary for lively, VBC-style music with Pastor Steve. We'll also have time to check in with each other, pray, and enjoy God's good gifts of fruit snacks!
- **9:55 a.m. or so**, depending on the Sunday, we may have a song to share with the congregation. On other Sundays, we will simply return to our seats with our parents until the opening prayer of worship. Then we will head to the lower level as a group.
- Parents can pick up their children from the lower level following the conclusion of the 10 am worship service.
- Children may join our FE: SS at any time of the year. And here's an idea: bring along a friend!
- Registration forms will be mailed to our MTO families and are also available on the Youth Board, in the hallway across from the MTO library.
- We are assembling our guide and assistant guides for a year of All Kids Together Sunday School. Please contact Cindy at cindy.dobberke@mountolive-elca.net or the MTO office if you would like to guide or assist our lead guides.

Be sure to attend the Gathering Sunday worship (**10 a.m. on Sept. 14th**, we hope to be outdoors for worship!), followed by our fried chicken potluck, plus games and the famous MTO Cake Walk!! Bring a friend, all are welcome!

Upcoming AoB Events:

Attention all families with 6th to 8th grade students! Here are the plans for our Affirmation of Baptism (formerly known as confirmation) learning, service, and fellowship opportunities. Be sure to put them on your calendar and make AoB a part of your faith exploration!

AoB Schedule for September and October:

- **Tuesday, September 9th, 6:30-8 p.m.:** Kick-off dinner and faith exploration Session #1 – getting acquainted and AoB overview, “The Bible.”

- **Saturday, September 13th, 11 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.:** Service opportunity – Sleep in Heavenly Peace Build Day (those 12 or younger require a parent or guardian to attend). Register online or via Cindy, carpool from MTO; <https://volunteer.shpbeds.org/opportunities/JJXVvwcvJK>.
- **Saturday, September 27th, 8-11 a.m.:** Service Opportunity – Outreach for Hope Ride-Run-Walk. Register online, carpool from MTO, <https://www.ofhrrw.org>.
- **Tuesday, October 7th or 14th, 6:30-8 p.m.:** Family meal and Faith Exploration Session #2.
- **Sunday, October 12th, 12:30-1:30 p.m.:** Service Opportunity – Preparing bag lunches for Street Angels ministry to those without shelter. All are welcome to this event! If your time allows, we will follow up with a visit to Schuette's Corn Maze.
- **Sunday, October 12th, 1:30-3:30 p.m.:** Fellowship Opportunity – Schuette's Corn Maze. Let's get lost (and found) together!

Mount Olive High School Events:

- **Saturday, September 13th, 11 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.:** Service opportunity – Sleep in Heavenly Peace Build Day (those 12 or younger require a parent or guardian to attend). Register online or via Cindy, carpool from MTO; <https://volunteer.shpbeds.org/opportunities/JJXVvwcvJK>.
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- **Friday, October 31st – Sunday, November 2nd:** Faith in Motion – ELCA Regional Youth Gathering for 8th through 12th grade students. Contact Cindy or Pastor Steve for more info.

Enjoy some photos of our youth during two mini-mission trips!

In July, we visited All Peoples Gathering Place in Milwaukee, worked in their urban garden and helped people shop at their Gathering Table. We also explored food deserts and did some

comparison shopping for grocery store prices in the Mukwonago and Milwaukee area. Custard at Leon's and Mini-golf at Big Putts completed the day!

In August, we took some time to get to know the neighborhood surrounding Mount Olive, went for a walk and went swimming at Indian Head Park. Then we baked bread, had lunch at Culver's and headed off to Green Power Garden just east of Mukwonago where we learned

about their ministry growing food for the Hope Center in Waukesha. We helped protect the tender vegetables growing in the garden with netting and harvested a few crops. The carrot row needed extra attention and Pastor Steve and Cindy were up to the task!



VBC 2025 was amazing! Thanks to all who participated and made it a special week!



Affirmation of Baptism 2025:

For those entering 9th grade and above, is the Holy Spirit inspiring you to affirm your baptism? If this is something you are contemplating, please connect with Pastor Steve or Cindy to be included in Mount Olive's mini-session on what affirming your baptism means as you continue your life of faith in Jesus Christ.

Mini Session: Sunday, 9/7, from 3-5 p.m.

Council Dinner with families: Monday, from 6:30- 8 p.m.
– TBD.

Affirmation of Baptism Sunday: October 26th, at the 10 a.m. worship service.

HOLY LISTENING AT MOUNT OLIVE



Holy Listening is a practice that encourages young children to explore their feelings and tell stories about connections with self, others, the world, and God.

Please contact Betty Hinkelman, Cindy Dobberke, or the MTO office IF YOU ARE INTERESTED in an introductory session to learn about the practice and how you might implement it in your work or in daily life with your family.

Each participant will receive a FREE Holy Listening Kit with everything needed to begin sharing the practice with your own children and loved ones.

Please share your interest with us no later than September 15th so that we can accommodate everyone's schedule and have enough supplies for everyone.

**October 31st - November 2nd,
at Lutherdale in Elkhorn, WI**



Heard lots of inspiring things about the ELCA Youth Gathering? Check out the regional Gathering Expedition, a regional weekend getaway where 8th - 12th-grade youth and their adult leaders explore how God might be working in their lives. Throughout the weekend, your group will worship, wrestle with big questions, and connect more deeply with those in your community. Contact Cindy or Pastor Steve for more info!


HANDS-ON A/V TRAINING SESSION

Dear friends,

God invites us to be co-creators—using our gifts, skills, and imagination to help share the Good News. One of the ways we do this is through our **Audio/Visual ministry**, helping the Word be heard and the light be seen.

We're holding a **hands-on A/V Training Session** where we'll learn together how to serve faithfully through sound, slides, and streaming.

 Date: **Thursday, September 11th**

 Time: 6 p.m.

 Sanctuary of Mount Olive Lutheran Church

Whether you are brand new or have experience, join us in shaping how our worship is shared. Together, with God's Spirit, we will learn to use these tools to lift the message of Christ.

Please RSVP to Debbie in the church office.

Peace be with you,
Pastor Steve Bogie

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, September 18th 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:** 1st & 3rd Monday of each month...beginning at 11 a.m.
 - **Centering Prayer:** 2nd & 4th Monday of each month...beginning at 11 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY NIGHT & SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Night Bible study resumes at 6:30 p.m. on **September 3rd** in the Fellowship Hall. Our first topic will be the completion of the study we began last year of the New Testament book of Romans, under the expert teaching leadership of Richard Grosenick. When that is completed, Richard will lead us in a study of the New Testament Book of Acts. That book's complete name is The Acts of the Apostles, and it is the account of the ministries of Peter and Paul in spreading the gospel. Acts was written by Luke as a continuation of his Gospel message. Richard cannot be with us in January, so we will then do a 5-week study of the short New Testament book of James, led by various members of the class who have already volunteered.

The Wednesday night class welcomes people with all levels of Biblical knowledge. You need not be a Bible "expert." Furthermore, 25% of the class are members of congregations other than Mount Olive, so feel free to invite your friends and neighbors to attend with you. For more information contact Dwight Cruikshank.

The Sunday adult education group meets from 9–9:50 a.m., between the worship services. This next educational year, we will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall (except when other activities are scheduled for that space) so that we can accommodate more people and so we can more easily have snacks or beverages.

The main topic for this coming year's study will be the New Testament book of Matthew. Matthew's focus is the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies through Jesus – to prove that Jesus is the Messiah. We won't get through the entire book this year, but join us as we discover, or re-discover, the Gospel of Matthew – the birth and early years of Jesus, the beginnings of his ministry, and his journeys with the disciples.

In addition to Matthew, we will also be doing some short studies during Advent and Lent. This year we will explore the Miracles and Heroes of the Bible. They both promise to be intriguing subjects, so don't miss out!

Contact Laura Conry with any questions. Our first session will be on **September 14th at 8:45 a.m.** (15 minutes early due to Gathering Sunday).

DON'T MUNCH ALONE BUNCH (DMAB)



Come and join us when Don't Munch Alone Bunch (DMAB) meets on **Tuesday, September 9th, at 11:30 a.m.**, at the Hen House in Eagle.

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 the Hen House.

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.**

***The Knotty Knitters will resume meeting on September 12th.
Hope you can join them!***

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

LADIES BOOK CLUB

Mount Olive's Ladies Book Club will meet next on **Tuesday, September 9th, at 2 p.m., @ Mount Olive.** They will be discussing "Blue Sisters" by Coco Mellors.

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 fall study!

Fall 2025:

"Money, Stewardship, and Generosity"
by the Rev. Christa von Zychlin

Tuesday, September 16th, 9:30 a.m.
MTO Fellowship Hall

Session One: Money – What do we treasure?

From Genesis through Revelation, gold, silver and jewels serve as icons of God's goodness. And yet, the love of money is a powerful source of argument, lies and literal enslavement. King Solomon, famously, chose wisdom over treasure. Jesus, leaning on his mother's values, teaches his disciples to dig deep for real treasure.

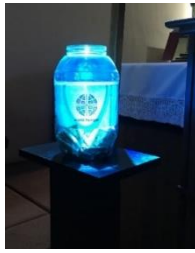
(Zoom link also available.) Join on the **Third** Tuesday of September at 9:30 am for our conversation and faith exploration using Gather magazine- a publication of the Women of the ELCA. Copies of the magazine and devotional will be available for all.



ELCA World Hunger

The Hunger Jar appreciates the jingling of our change! Our donations for 2025 are -- \$126.31.

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

	July 2025 Actual	July 2025 Plan
General Income	\$162,632	\$149,899
General Expenses	(174,576)	(176,686)
Surplus/(Deficit)	(11,944)	(26,787)
General Fund Cash Balance	17,038	

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

Group Meeting	Time and Frequency	Contact person
<i>Wednesday Text Study</i>	9:30 a.m. every Wednesday @ Mount Olive & via Zoom	Church Office mto@mountolive-elca.net
<i>Knotty Knitters</i>	10 a.m. every Friday	Inge Adams Betty Hinkelman
<i>Gather Faith Exploration Group: Meeting in person & via Zoom</i>	9:30 - 11 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month	Cindy Dobberke Cindy.dobberke@mountolive-elca.net
<i>Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study</i>	Sundays @ 9 a.m.	Laura Conry
<i>Wednesday Evening Bible Study</i>	Wednesday evenings @ 6:30 p.m.	Dwight Cruikshank
<i>Don't Munch Alone Bunch</i>	11:30 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month	Glenna and Bruce Gunderson
<i>Lectio Divina: Meeting in person & via Zoom</i>	11 a.m. on Mondays – September 8th & 22nd	Betty Hinkelman
<i>Centering Prayer: Meeting in person & via Zoom</i>	11 a.m. on Monday – September 15th & 29th	Betty Hinkelman
<i>Grief Support: Meeting in person & via Zoom</i>	Meeting time varies, please contact Betty or see page 9	Betty Hinkelman
<i>Service Team</i>	Sharing info and ideas via email	Volunteer Needed as a Team Leader
<i>Food Pantry Donations</i>	Donations can be made directly to the pantry as follows: September 11th & 25th -- 9:30-11:30 a.m. ; contact Carole Hahl @ 262-662-3953	Church Office mto@mountolive-elca.net
<i>Aluminum Can Donations</i>	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, Prayer

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

9/1	Phyllis & Emily Zaddack
9/2	Inge Adams
9/3	Adam, Kiana, Brooke, & Bailey Adcock
9/4	Christina, Johnathan, Cassandra, & Nathaniel Altenburg
9/5	Jason & Kim Anderson
9/6	Jerry & Betty Arntson
9/7	Deborah & Thomas Barnes
9/8	Mark, Tracy, Hunter, & Kasey Bischmann
9/9	Karolina Bittner
9/10	Pastor Steve, Heather, Olivia, & Ila Mae Bogie
9/11	Benita Breedlove
9/12	Robert & Lynn Brueggeman
9/13	Aaron, Joya, Micah, & Addison Budd
9/14	Gary & Susan Budzien, Kevin & Michael
9/15	Lukas, Sarah, Emma, & Zachary Buettner
9/16	Linda & Cassidy Burie
9/17	Cody, Kevin, & Harper Busch
9/18	Rick, Kristin, Hannah, & Olivia Carey
9/19	Bill & Lorri Carpenter
9/20	Nicole Carpenter
9/21	Dennis Case
9/22	Glenn Case
9/23	Scott, Erin, Cason, Brantley, & Aubrey Christensen
9/24	Nicholas, Kristi, Archer, & Lilah Ciesinski
9/25	Laura Conry
9/26	Jim, Jennifer, Jessica, & Jeremy Cotturone
9/27	Dwight & Jean Cruikshank
9/28	James & Lilah Cruikshank
9/29	John & Madelyn Cruikshank
9/30	Mark Cruikshank

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS...

Aubrey Christensen	9/2
Levi Stieber	9/2
Duane Thornton	9/2
Harper Busch	9/4
Dennis Case	9/5
Patti Redlin	9/5
Becky Roehl	9/5
Sarah Buettner	9/6
Leland Hoef	9/9
Kim Anderson	9/11
Deborah Barnes	9/12
Madison Husted	9/13
Emma Krause	9/14
Sara Westerdale	9/16
Kelly Gorman	9/17
Kyle Price	9/17
Deanna Kulow	9/18
Landen Schneeweis	9/18
Lynn Brueggeman	9/19
Gary Price	9/19
Anna Schell	9/19
David Hein	9/20
Lori Krzycki	9/20
Alden Wienke	9/20
Isaac Brauer	9/21
Darlene Rudolph	9/24
Scott Shuda	9/24
Erin Christensen	9/25
Jillian Graczyk	9/26
Spencer Jahnke	9/27
Christine Pawlak	9/27
Steve Sment	9/27
Easton Sanderson	9/29
Diane Dickey	9/30
Emma Libeck	9/30

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES...

Victoria & Robert Luebke	9/1
Aaron & Joya Budd	9/2
Bill & Dori Ross	9/2
Dennis & Kim Martin	9/5
Gary & Sheri Dierks	9/6
Herman & Darlene Lange	9/6
Susan & Richard Lynch	9/6
Kevin & Jeri Franz	9/11
Scott & Dawn Shuda	9/13
Penny Bos & Mark Houk	9/14
Donald & Marlene Fitzgerald	9/14
Nicolas & Kristi Ciesinski	9/15

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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. 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.

SEPTEMBER 2025

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1 Labor Day/ Office Closed	2	3 9:30am Weekly Text Study 6:30pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	4 10am MTO Walking Group	5	6
7 8am Worship & HC 9:30am Worship & HC 3-5pm AoB 9 th Grade Mini Session 7:30pm Alanon*	8 6:30pm Church Council	9 10am Muk Crazy Quilters* 11:30am DMAB Lunch @ Hen House in Eagle 2pm Ladies Book Club 6:30pm AoB	10 9:30am Weekly Text Study 1pm Worship Team Mtg 6:30pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	11 9:30am MCC Food Pantry* 10am MTO Walking Group 6pm Hands-On A/V Training	12 10am Knotty Knitters	13 11am AoB/HC Event @ SHP
14 Gathering Sunday 8:45am Adult Bible Study 10am Worship & HC 10:45am Gathering Sunday Picnic & Activities 7:30pm Alanon*	15 11am Centering Prayer	16 9:30am Gather Faith Exploration Group	17 9:30am Weekly Text Study 1pm Muk Crazy Quilters* 6:30pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	18 9am-3pm Muk Crazy Quilters* 10am MTO Walking Group 12:30pm Grief Support Group	19 10am Knotty Knitters	20 Mukwonago Fall Fest
21 8am Worship & HC 9am Adult Bible Study 9:45am SS Gathering Time 10am Worship & HC 7:30pm Alanon*	22 11am Lectio Divina	23 6pm Green Space Team	24 9:30am Weekly Text Study 6:30pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:30pm Women's AA Mtg	25 9:30am MCC Food Pantry* 10am MTO Walking Group	26 10am Knotty Knitters	27 8am OFH Ride- Run-Walk Event
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