

Happenings at Mount Olive!

Sunday In-Person Worship & HC @ 10 a.m.

Sermon Themes: **Sunday, September 21st – Grace**
Sunday, September 28th, Faith

Fall Worship Schedule: Starting September 21st...

- In-Person Worship & HC @ 8 & 10 a.m.
- Sunday Adult Education – 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
- Sunday School Gathering Time – 9:45 a.m.

Life's Seasons: Planning Life with Wisdom and Care – Sunday, September 28th, 12 noon to 2 p.m.: As we grow older, new questions and opportunities arise for us to ask about navigating life. Join us for an engaging event that explores different seasons of life with both practicality and transparency. Pastor Steve will share insights on pre-retirement and post-retirement transitions, followed by a conversation with an expert on the realities of today's housing market during challenging times. Finally, a local funeral director will be present to address any questions you may have about care and planning for the future. Come prepared to learn, reflect, and ask the questions as we embark on this journey together. **Please RSVP to the church office if you plan to attend the session.**

Legacy Presentation: Vernon Lutheran Church invites you to join us for a **Legacy Presentation** on planned giving on **October 5th** after our worship at 10:30 a.m. Marianne Brock, an ELCA Regional Gift Planner, will be at VELC to help you take the first steps toward organizing your estate and detailing how you would like your legacy to carry on your values for generations. We would love to have fellow Lutherans in our area join us for this informative talk and discussion. If you have further questions, please contact Ruth Peters at hiddenlakes@cs.com or 414-588-9898. There is also a great deal of information at foundation.elca.org under the tabs of Gift Planning and Resources. We hope to see you at Vernon Lutheran on October 5!

MTO Walking Group: We meet weekly **on Thursdays** at 10 a.m. for a one-hour walk. All are invited to join us every Thursday, or at your convenience. **Hope to see you!** 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!

Plastic Collection: We have an opportunity to help curb the soft plastic problem. The Trex Corporation uses soft plastic to make composite decking and outdoor furniture. As a project of the Green Space Team and with the blessing of the Church Council, we will be collecting soft plastic...1,000 pounds in one year. At the end of that year, we will receive a free park bench for our green space and prevent 1,000 pounds of plastic from going to a landfill. Please join us as we commit to this project in caring for our common home, Mother Earth. **We collected 227 lbs. of plastic. Keep it coming! Thank you!!!!**

Little Free Pantry/Kitchen Cupboard Food Pantry Needs: Located in the lower level of Mount Olive, we are grateful for the Kitchen Cupboard Food Pantry and their ministry to those in need in our community. 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. Please note the items listed below and drop off in the basket marked ***Food Pantry***, located in the Narthex. Thank you for working to fight food insecurity in our community! ***** Canned food items with pull tops are especially appreciated! They could use the following items: bottles of juice, Kleenex, toilet paper, mac and cheese, canned tuna, canned meat, spaghetti, and canned soup.***

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