

Happenings at Mount Olive! -- Sunday In-Person Worship & HC

Sermon Themes: Sunday, March 22nd – Is Lazarus a Zombie?
Sunday, March 29th – Palm Sunday – Three Sides of One Story

We Give Thanks... for the gift of baptism and for all those whom we welcome today as new members into the life and ministry of this community of believers: Lucas, Annie, James, & Porter Breitung; Jeff & Jennifer Burke, Cheryl Connor, and Ella Norling.

Lenten Soup Suppers & Worship: The last Lenten **Soup Supper is on March 25th at 6 p.m.** *Soup suppers are free and a great place to invite neighbors and friends.* Afterward, we will gather for **Lenten worship at 7 p.m.**, in person and live-streamed, with recordings available 24/7 on the MTO Facebook page.

***March 25th – The People vs. Judas Iscariot: Act V -- Who Will Save Us?**

Sunday, March 22nd, following the 10 a.m. worship service: Sandwich making for StreetLife Communities. All ages welcome!

Mount Olive Blood Drive--Thursday, March 26th: Fellowship Hall – 2:30-7 p.m. Join Mount Olive for a blood drive! Almost anyone can donate blood. Basic requirements for donating include being at least 17 years old, weighing at least 110 lbs., and in generally good health. It takes about an hour to donate, and with one donation, you can save up to three lives. Walk-ins are also welcome. BloodCenter of Wisconsin is the only provider of blood to 55 Wisconsin hospitals in 28 counties.

Easter Flowers: If you would like to order Easter flowers to help decorate the church sanctuary for Easter Sunday, please complete the attached order form. All orders are due to the church office **no later than Monday, March 30th.**

Join Mount Olive on Palm Sunday!

- Worship at 8 and 10 a.m.
- Brunch served in the Fellowship Hall from 8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., free-will offering received for the ministries of Mount Olive.
- Let's see if we can surpass the \$725 raised at the Pancake Breakfast!
- Might you be interested in providing a match for funds raised at this event? Contact Cindy Dobberke for further details.
- NEW!! 9:30 a.m. Community Easter Egg Hunt on the Mount Olive Green Space!
- Would you like to assist with the breakfast by donating food, setting up, or cleaning up? Sign up on the bulletin board across from the pastor's office.

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Holy Week Service Schedule:

March 29th -- Palm Sunday

- 8 & 10 a.m. @ Mount Olive -- Worship & Holy Communion (Palm Procession)
- 9:30 a.m. – Community Easter Egg Hunt on MTO green space
- 8:45 to 11:30 a.m. – Brunch served in Fellowship Hall

April 2nd -- Maundy Thursday –

- 7 p.m. @ Mount Olive -- Worship, Holy Communion, Stripping of the Altar, and Altar of Repose

April 3rd -- Good Friday

- 7 p.m. @ Mount Olive -- Tenebrae Service (Service of Darkness)

April 3rd/4th – Good Friday Prayer Vigil




- 8 p.m. on April 3rd through 8 a.m. on April 4th

April 5th -- The Resurrection of our Lord (Easter Sunday)

- 8 & 10 a.m. @ Mount Olive -- Worship & Holy Communion

Prayer Vigil: Keeping Watch for Christ: Friday, April 3rd, into Saturday, April 4th: You are invited to join Mount Olive as we keep vigil at the church building on Good Friday into Holy Saturday. Sign up for an hour or two on the bulletin board across from Pastor Steve's office. Please include your contact information, as we may need to adjust the times according to the number of people interested in participating. Thank you so much for considering this ministry opportunity. Contact Betty Hinkelman or Cindy Dobberke for more information.

 **Mount Olive Walking Group** : **Back After Easter! Thursdays • 10–11 a.m.** *(Weather permitting)*

 Move your body.  Lift your spirits.  Connect with friends.

Even a **30-minute walk** can boost energy, sharpen your mind, and brighten your day! Come **as you are**. Walk **at your own pace**. Enjoy **good company and great conversation**. **Everyone is welcome! Join us and step into joy!** — Pastor Steve Bogie

Plastic Collection: Instead of a yearly reward, Trex are now offering a quarterly drawing if your group collects enough plastic to qualify. Congratulations! Our first quarterly submission has been approved. This achievement has earned MTO an entry into the Trex Recycling Program quarterly lottery. **So far for 2026, we have collected 289 pounds!**

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! **They could use the following items: Kleenex and paper towels, hot chocolate mix, & half gallon/gallon bottles of juice (not only apple and tomato).**