



**Welcome to Mt. Olive Lutheran Church**

# MT. OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday Worship 10:00am

Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026

## As We Gather

*God's mercy and grace are revealed to those who deserve anything but. The Israelites who wandered the wilderness complained of no water. They didn't deserve anything because of their sinfulness, yet God responds in mercy and grace, providing water from a rock. A marginalized Samaritan woman didn't receive compassion from her community and didn't deserve it from our Savior Jesus Christ, yet she was given and shown mercy and grace and came to believe He is the Savior of the world. We, too, have gone astray and deserve much less than mercy and grace from God Himself. Yet, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

## Welcome and Introduction

### 812 Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs

LSB 812



1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs With an - gels  
2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "To be ex -  
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive Hon - or and  
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one To bless the



round the throne; Ten thou - sand thou - sand  
alt - ed thus!" "Wor - thy the Lamb," our  
pow'r di - vine; And bless - ings more than  
sa - cred name Of Him who sits up -



are their tongues, But all their joys are one.  
lips re - ply, "For He was slain for us!"  
we can give Be, Lord, for - ev - er Thine.  
on the throne And to a - dore the Lamb.

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## Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## Opening Sentences

*Psalm 34:1-3, 5, 22*

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.**

Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together!

**People: Those who look to Him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.**

Pastor: The LORD redeems the life of His servants;

**People: none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.**

## Confession and Absolution

*Psalm 95; Romans 5:1, 8*

Pastor: In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also.  
The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land.

**People: Almighty Lord, our Creator, we confess to You we forget Your power and might, fail to trust in Your ever-providing hands, and are found lacking in our managing of this world You formed.**

Pastor: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!  
For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

**People: Almighty Lord, our Maker and Shepherd, we confess we like sheep have gone astray, listening to other voices of this world. We have not loved You with our whole heart and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

Pastor: Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, when your fathers put Me to the test and put Me to the proof, though they had seen My work. For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people who go astray in their heart, and they have not known My ways." Therefore I swore in My wrath, "They shall not enter My rest."

**People: Almighty Lord, like those You sent wandering in the wilderness, we justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. In this Lenten season as we journey closer to His cross, God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners,

**People: Christ died for us.**

Pastor: As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen. Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.**

## Hymn of Praise\*

### 422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image

LSB 422



On my heart im - print Your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus, King of grace,



That life's rich-es, cares, and plea-sures Nev - er may Your work e - rase;



Let the clear in - scrip-tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



Is my life, my hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion!

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*\*Normally no hymn of praise is sung during Advent and Lent. This practice accentuates the solemn and penitential nature of these seasons.*

(Timothy H. Maschke, *Gathered Guests*)

## Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 17:1-7*

## Epistle

*Romans 5:1-8*

## Holy Gospel

*John 4:5-30, 39-42*

## Children's Message

## Hymn of the Day

### 855 For All the Faithful Women

*LSB 855 sts. 1, 10, 3-4*



1 For all the faith - ful wom - en Who served in days of old,  
2 Re - call the out - cast wom - an With whom the Lord con-versed;  
3 O God, for saints and ser - vants, Those named and those un-known  
△ 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



To You shall thanks be giv - en; To all, their sto - ry told.  
Christ gave her liv - ing wa - ter To quench her deep - est thirst.  
In whom through all the a - ges Your light of glo - ry shone,  
All praise the Ho - ly Spir - it, Who binds the Church in one!



They served with strength and glad - ness In tasks Your wis - dom gave.  
Like hers, our hearts are yearn - ing; Christ of - fers us His Word.  
We of - fer glad thanks - giv - ing And fer - vent prayer we raise  
With saints who went be - fore us, With saints who wit - ness still,



To You their lives bore wit - ness, Pro - claimed Your pow'r to save.  
Then may our lips be burn - ing To wit - ness to our Lord.  
That, faith - ful in Your ser - vice, Our lives may sing Your praise.  
We sing glad Al - le - lu - ias And strive to do Your will.

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## Sermon

## Apostles' Creed

## Offering

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found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.*

## Offering Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray

**People: Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us: ourselves, our time, our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: Hear our Prayer**

## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## Benediction

*Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**People: Amen.**



## Closing Hymn

### 684 Come unto Me, Ye Weary

LSB 684



1 "Come un - to Me, ye wea - ry, And I will give you rest."  
2 "Come un - to Me, ye wan - d'ers, And I will give you light."  
3 "Come un - to Me, ye faint - ing, And I will give you life."  
4 "And who - so - ev - er com - eth, I will not cast him out."



O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which comes to hearts op-pressed!  
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to cheer the night!  
O cheer - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to aid our strife!  
O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which drives a - way our doubt,



It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, Of par-don, grace, and peace,  
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, And we had lost our way;  
The foe is stern and ea - ger, The fight is fierce and long;  
Which, though we be un - wor - thy Of love so great and free,



Of joy that hath no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.  
But Thou hast brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.  
But Thou hast made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.  
In - vites us ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

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## Announcements

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Scripture Reader:

### **March Offerings**

Month to Date: \$2,925

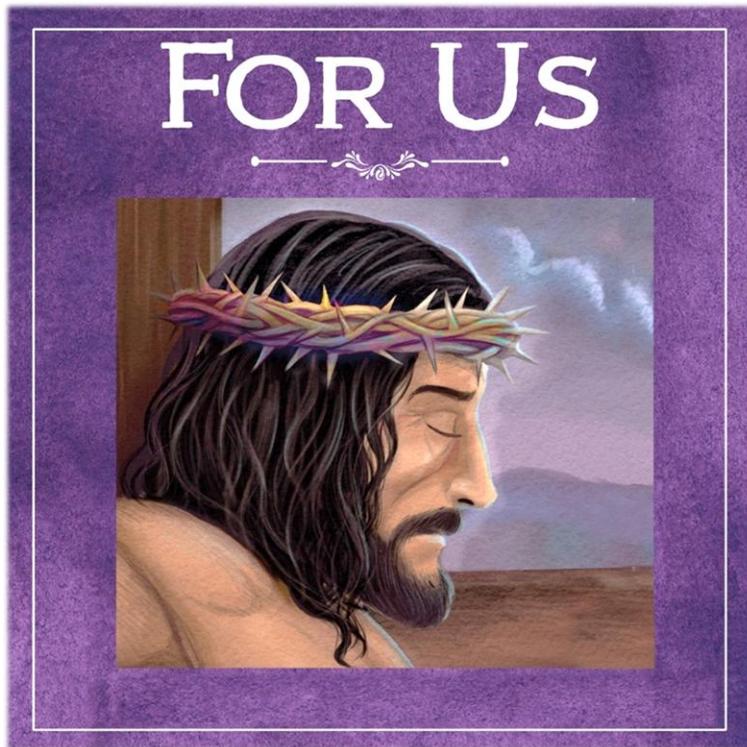
Acolyte: David Oisten

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The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Elena Rasmussen in celebration of our preschoolers.

**Last Sunday: 57**

# Midweek Lenten Sermon Series



## Wednesday Nights

6:00 Soup Supper

7:00 Worship

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