



Welcome to Mt. Olive Lutheran Church

MT. OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday Worship 10:00am

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 22nd, 2026

As We Gather

Today, we get a sneak peek into the wonder of Easter when Jesus awakens his dear friend Lazarus from the grave. But more than this amazing miracle, we get a glimpse into the power of Jesus' Resurrection for us and in us. Added to that, we peer into Jesus' heart to see how He views death and the havoc it brings into our lives. Finally, we see that Jesus' raising of Lazarus from the slumber of death precipitates His own death, revealing human nature at its self-protective and self-promoting worst.

Welcome and Introduction

590 Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

LSB 590



1 Bap-tized in - to Your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and
2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, here You take me To be hence-forth Your
3 My faith - ful God, You fail me nev - er; Your prom - ise sure - ly
4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— Re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,
child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, here You make me
will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er
Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



A - mong Your saints, Your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and
The fruit of all Your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,
If words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I
Help me Your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
com - fort me When threat - ning clouds a - round I see.
come de - filed; For - give, lift up, re - store Your child.
am or own Serve an - y will but Yours a - lone.

Invocation

Pastor: We begin by remembering that in our Baptism in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we have been buried with Christ, dying to our old nature, and we have been raised with Christ to newness of life.

People: Amen!

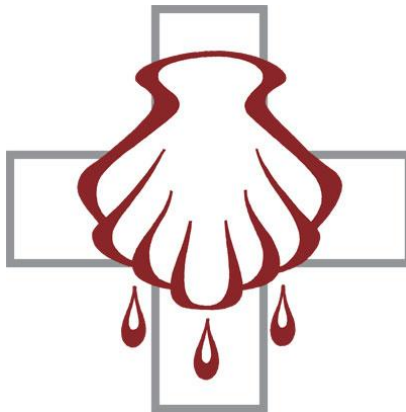
Confession and Promise of Forgiveness

Pastor: When you hear today's Gospel Reading, ask: Has Caiphas' spirit of self-protection of his position and power infected me? Do we, as individuals and as Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, put preserving our position and power ahead of living out the resurrection life of loving others.

People: We are sorry! We put our own security ahead of loving others in the Church, in our community, and in the world.

Pastor: Prior to our Epistle Reading, Paul asks, "Who will deliver me from this body of death." His answer: "Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. God has done what the Law could not do, that its, change our human nature, by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin; thus, He condemned sin in order that the righteous requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to our human nature but according to the Spirit. Therefore, I, as a fellow believer with all the saints, have the privilege of announcing that all of our self-focus and self-promotion is completely and totally forgiven and, in the power of that forgiveness, we are empowered to love God by loving others.

People: Amen!



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.

Father, send Your Holy Spirit to convince us that Jesus' calling Lazarus from the grave to Life is the same power that calls us from dead works to a new life of loving others..

People: We ask in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 37:1–14

Epistle

Romans 8:1–11

Holy Gospel

John 11:17–53

Hymn of the Day

725 Children of the Heavenly Father

LSB 725



1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the
4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His



in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He
Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He
chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose



heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.
show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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Sermon

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.**

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

Offering

*Thank you for your continued support of the ministry Mt. Olive Lutheran Church.
If you are a guest (or if your contact info has changed), please fill out a Connect Card
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

575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

LSB 575



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'
2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on
3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me
4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my
His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly
then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

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Announcements

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Acolyte: Kameron Matson

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Duane and Linda Holscher.

Last Sunday:

March Offerings

Month to Date: \$

Project Monthly Need: \$13,750

Holy Week at Mt. Olive

Palm Sunday (March 29th)

10:00am - Worship (*Preschool Singing*)

Maundy Thursday (April 2nd)

7:00pm - Worship with Holy Communion

Good Friday (April 3rd)

7:00pm - Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday (April 5th)

8:30-9:45am - Easter Breakfast

10:00am - Easter Worship

*There will be an Easter egg hunt
after the Easter Sunday service.*

17th & Douglas in Forest Grove
(across from Rogers Park)

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