



## Welcome Summer!

As we move into the summer season at Mount Olive, there is much to be thankful for and even more to look forward to. One of the greatest blessings for our congregation is the arrival of our new pastor, Pastor Paul Frerichs, who will officially begin serving with us full time in June.

Many of us had the opportunity to hear Pastor Paul preach on Mother's Day, and what a wonderful message it was. His sermon was thoughtful, Christ-centered, encouraging, and filled with warmth. It gave us a glimpse of the faithful leadership and caring heart he brings to ministry. We are excited to officially welcome Pastor Paul and Debbie to Minnesota and to our Mount Olive family in the weeks ahead. As they continue their search for a new home and community, we keep them in our prayers during this important transition.

Summer at Mount Olive is always a joyful and active season. From worship and fellowship to outdoor

gatherings and ministry opportunities, there are many ways for our church family to stay connected and engaged. One highlight we eagerly anticipate each year is Vacation Bible School. Martha is already hard at work preparing another amazing VBS experience for our children and families. We are incredibly grateful for the countless volunteers who help make this ministry possible and for the energy and excitement it brings to our congregation each summer.

As we look ahead, we thank God for His continued faithfulness to Mount Olive. Seasons of change also bring seasons of opportunity, and we are excited about what lies ahead for our church family. May this summer be filled with worship, service, fellowship, and the joy that comes from growing together in Christ.

In Christ,

Ben Bremer  
Congregation President

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## Worship Info

### June 7

"Walking in the Steps of Faith"  
*Hos 5:15-6:6; Rom 4:13-25; Matt 9:9-13*

### June 14

"Not a Transaction, But a Gift"  
*Ex 19:2-5; Rom 5:6-15; Matt 9:35-10:8*

### June 21

"From Slaves to Sin to Slaves to God"  
*Jer 20:7-13; Rom 6:12-23; Matt 10:5a, 21-33*

**2:00 PM A Service of Thanksgiving and Praise:** The Rite of Installation for the Rev. Paul Frerichs—Message by Rev. Andrew Frerichs  
*Is 6:1-8; 1 Cor 1:18-31; Luke 5:1-11*

### June 28

"Poor Beggars: Alive in Baptismal Life"  
*Jer 28:5-9; Rom 7:1-13; Matt 10:34-42*



The Anoka Riverfest and Craft Show will be held on Saturday, July 11, and Mount Olive is excited to host a booth as an outreach opportunity! Participating in Riverfest allows us to connect with our community, share the love of Christ, and introduce others to the ministries and fellowship opportunities available at Mount Olive.

**We are looking for adult and youth volunteers to help staff the booth in 1-hour shifts from 9:00 AM–5:00 PM. Volunteers will greet visitors, share information about our church and preschool, and help create a welcoming presence in the community. Watch for the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Desk if you would like to help.**

Special thanks to Jesse Jett for coordinating the tent, tables, setup, and take-down arrangements!

Please keep this outreach opportunity in your prayers as we seek to be the hands and feet of Jesus by sharing His love, hope, and compassion with others. If you have questions, please contact a staff member. Scan the QR code for more info about the Anoka River Fest.



## Sundays at Mount Olive

Communion at both worship services 2nd & 4th Sundays

8:00 AM | TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

9:00-10:00 AM | FELLOWSHIP | Cana Hall

10:00 AM | CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE



**DURING VBS (June 15-19)**  
**There will be NO Bible studies,**  
**NO Quilters, NO Midweek Meals**

## Wednesdays at Mount Olive

6:00 AM | EARLY AM BIBLE STUDY (online) | “The Life and Ministry of John” by Beth Moore | Contact: Paulette Lenz ([mp.lenz@gmail.com](mailto:mp.lenz@gmail.com))

9:00 AM | EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY | Jerusalem Room | Contact: Jim Rootes ([farmalldork@gmail.com](mailto:farmalldork@gmail.com))

5:15—6:00 PM | MIDWEEK MEALS | Cana Hall | June 10: 5:00-5:45 PM for Vision Assembly Meeting; NO midweek meals June 17 | Contact: Ann Maik (763.370.2248)

5:15-6:00 PM | ADULT VOCAL CHOIR | June 3, 10, 17: rehearsing for Pastor Frerichs’ Installation | Contact: Rachelle Lapham ([rachelle.buuck@gmail.com](mailto:rachelle.buuck@gmail.com))

ADULT HANDBELL CHOIR | Rehearsal June 17 (6:00 PM) and June 21 (at 1:00 PM) for Pastor Frerichs’ Installation | Contact: Karen Keast ([krnKeast@outlook.com](mailto:krnKeast@outlook.com))

## Other Bible Studies

### THURSDAYS

6:30 PM | FIRST PLACE FOR HEALTH | Bethlehem Room | Contact: Janet Orrick (763.421.3223—leave message at the Welcome Desk)

**Worship Help Needed:** We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in helping during our worship services each Sunday. Opportunities include serving on the Altar Guild by setting up communion and changing out the paraments, as well as serving as ushers. If you would like to help support our worship ministry in these important ways, we would love to have you involved. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Jesse Jett ([jjsj5978@comast.net](mailto:jjsj5978@comast.net)).



**AV Volunteers Needed:** Do you enjoy technology or want to learn a new way to serve during worship? We are looking for volunteers to help with our Audio/Visual Team during services. Training is provided, and each role helps support worship both in-person and online.



**Cameras Operator:** Operate three cameras using a joystick-style controller for the online worship stream on Facebook & YouTube. Follow the worship service layout by selecting camera shots and presentation feeds in the preview window, then transition them to the live broadcast output at the appropriate times during the service.

**Slides in MediaShout:** Manage worship presentation software by advancing slides, videos, lyrics, and liturgy elements in sync with the service order. Follow along with the worship layout and use keyboard controls to keep the presentation flowing smoothly throughout the service.

**Sound Board Operator:** Monitor and adjust audio levels for microphones, instruments, and media sources using the digital sound board. Mute and unmute channels as needed, balance sound levels for both in-person and online worship, and check wireless microphone battery levels before and during services.

If you are interested in serving or would like more info, please contact Randy Palmer at [randyp@mtolive-anoka.org](mailto:randyp@mtolive-anoka.org).

# WOMEN OF MOUNT OLIVE

The Women of Mount Olive held the Spring Salad Supper on Tuesday, May 5. About 45 ladies were in attendance, including visitors from Family of Christ, Prince of Peace, and Faith Lutheran churches. We enjoyed a wide variety of lovely vegetables, pastas, meat, and fruit salads... a plateful of exciting flavors to brighten everyone's day! Our gracious hosts were six men from the congregation, whom we greatly appreciate for their help for our program. Thank you, Sirs!

We had an informative and touching presentation from our guest speaker, Jenna Perez, Executive Director of The Dwelling Place. She showed a slideshow presentation, including videos that displayed how impactful this important ministry has become since its origin 30 years ago. We saw how women who have experienced domestic violence have had their lives transformed by the power of Jesus Christ through professionals and volunteers of The Dwelling Place!

Our in-gathering effort was to raise cash for the furnishings of a new facility called The Lydia House, which will house women and their children. WOMO is very pleased to report that \$700 was raised for this worthy cause! Thank you to those who supported this effort with their generous donations. This amount far exceeded our expectations! Praise and thanks to our LORD for his guidance and provision!

We hope you have a wonderful and safe summer! God's blessings to you in Christ!

**LWML 31st Biennial  
MN South District Convention**  
**JUNE 18-20, 2026**  
Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center  
Mankato, MN  
*Please join us if you're interested  
in what Lutheran Women in Mission do!*



Scan QR code  
for more info  
or to register

**let's create a  
welcome  
basket**

with Gift Cards for Pastor Paul & Debbie

Local Favorites    Moving & Projects

Drop off at the Welcome Desk



**Wednesdays  
5:15—6:00 PM**

**YOU'RE INVITED  
TO THE TABLE**

**BREAKING BREAD TOGETHER**

Our Wednesday night dinner is a time of fellowship for church members, friends and neighbors! Please join us! *Free-will donations accepted.*

**Call if you would like to volunteer or donate (host) a meal (763.421.3223)**

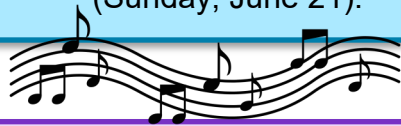
**REMINDER:**  
Meal Time is 5:00-5:45 PM for June 10  
NO MIDWEEK MEAL served on June 17

# Don't Miss Out

JOIN US FOR THE  
**INSTALLATION**  
OF  
*Pastor Paul Frerichs*  
**JUNE 21, 2026 | 2:00 PM**  
MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
**RECEPTION  
TO FOLLOW**

**SUMMER  
SERVICES**  
SUNDAYS  
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

**ADULT CHOIR**  
**Wednesdays**  
**June 3, 10, 17**  
Please join us!  
We will be rehearsing for  
Pastor Frerichs' Installation  
(Sunday, June 21).



**BELL CHOIR**  
**Rehearsals:**  
**June 17, 6:00 PM**  
**June 21, 1:00 PM**  
We will be rehearsing for  
Pastor Frerichs' Installation  
(Sunday, June 21).

**MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH**



**VISION  
ASSEMBLY  
MEETING**  
**Wednesday**  
**June 10, 2026**  
**6:00 PM • Sanctuary**

**Agenda:**

- *Presentation and Approval of*
  - *2026-2027 Budget*
  - *Mortgage Financing for the needed roof and HVAC repairs*

# Swingin' into VBS week

## How you can help:

- Be at VBS Decorating Day (June 7, 11AM-4PM) to work on major decorating projects
- Help with Set Up (June 14, 11AM) getting Worship & Welcome Center ready to go
- PRAY FOR VBS (Prayer Sheets available at VBS Table)
- Donate Breakfast Items for Volunteers, scan here 
- Invite others to still register to both participate and volunteer, scan here 

Questions about VBS? Contact DCE Martha at [martha@mtolive-anoka.org](mailto:martha@mtolive-anoka.org)



**Senior Fun Time**  
**POTLUCK**  
Wednesday, July 8, 2026

SAVE THE DATE • MORE INFO TO COME

**250**  
God Bless America

**SCRIP**  
**Gift Cards**

THE SCRIP PROGRAM WILL BE DISCONTINUED  
We will continue to sell current inventory after worship services  
(Cash or check only)



**ANOKA**  
**Riverfest**  
& Craft Fair

**SATURDAY, JULY 11**  
**9:00 AM—5:00 PM**  
**Downtown Anoka**



**SUMMER QUILTERS**  
We will meet June 2, 9, 23, 30  
Cana Hall • 12:30—3:00 PM  
We welcome new or clean, gently-used fabric  
(1/2 yard or more).  
For more info contact:  
Erna: 612.910.9568 - or - Bernice 612.227.1548

# PRESCHOOL

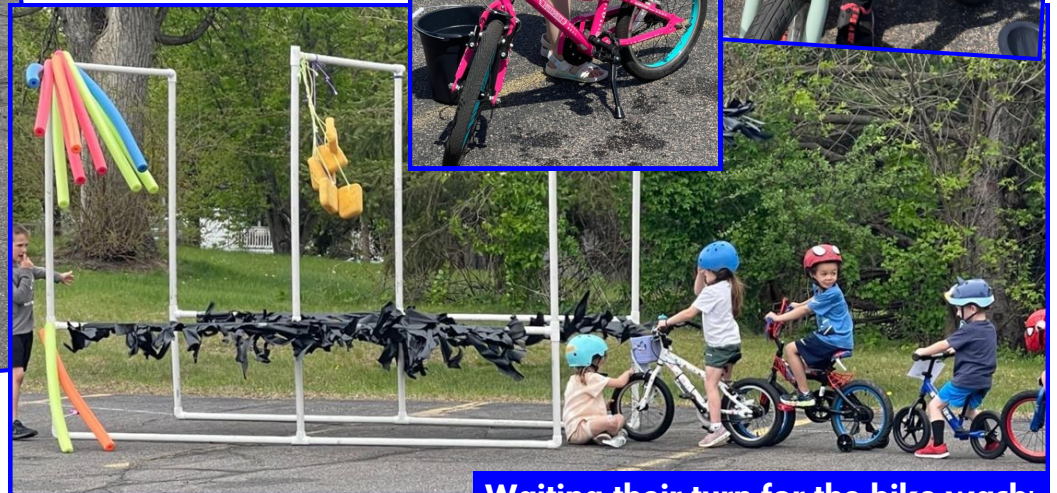
The preschool wrapped up another wonderful school year with a fun-filled final week! During Bike Day, children brought their bikes and scooters to school and enjoyed riding through the drive-through bike wash, creating personalized license plates, cruising along the bike path and stopping at the maintenance station to check their tires and brakes.

We also celebrated with our Last Day Jamboree, where students participated in exciting track-and-field events and enjoyed time together with friends and teachers. What a joyful way to end the school year!

Now it's time for summer break. We thank God for a wonderful year of learning, laughter, and blessings!



SUN & FUN



Waiting their turn for the bike wash!

## YOUNG ADULT BONFIRE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24 AT 7PM  
PETERSON HOUSE IN ELK RIVER

For all young adults (18-25ish),  
join us for a time of fellowship,  
a devotion, and s'mores!

RSVP to DCE Martha at 701.793.7784



## MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH SUMMER SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

All softball games are played on Mondays at  
Sand Creek Park • 1008 Northdale Blvd NW, Coon Rapids

June 1: 6:15 PM, Field 5 7:15 PM, Field 5	June 22: 8:15 PM, Field 3 9:15 PM, Field 4
June 8: 8:15 PM, Field 4 9:15 PM, Field 4	June 29: 6:15 PM, Field 5 7:15 PM, Field 6
June 15: 6:15 PM, Field 1 7:15 PM, Field 4	July 6: 8:15 PM, Field 1 9:15 PM, Field 1

# Children, Youth and Family Ministry

## June 2026

### Congratulations to our Confirmands!



**Catalaya Ledebuhr**  
**Jace Lund**  
**Whitney Madison**  
**Judah Peterson**

“Always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you”  
1 Peter 3:15

# YOUTH GAME NIGHT

TUESDAY, JUNE 23 | 6-8 PM  
FOR ALL YOUTH 6<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE  
FRIENDS INVITED, SUPPER PROVIDED  
RSVP TO DCE MARTHA

Last Chance to Sign Up for VBS!

## RAINFOREST FALLS

June 15-19, 2026  
9 AM-NOON  
Exploring the Nature of God

SCAN QR CODE to register to participate or volunteer!

### Questions?

Contact DCE Martha Harkins  
at [martha@mtolive-anoka.org](mailto:martha@mtolive-anoka.org)





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# WORSHIP

## Onsite and Online Worship Summer Hours:

Sunday: 8:00 AM (Traditional)  
10:00 AM (Contemporary)



[Website](http://www.mtolive-anoka.org): [www.mtolive-anoka.org](http://www.mtolive-anoka.org)

[Youtube](#): (search Mount Olive Lutheran Anoka)

[Facebook](#): (search for Mount Olive Anoka)

**QCTV: (Channel 19).** View previous week's worship  
Sundays: 6:30 AM, 12:00 PM  
Wednesdays: 8:00 PM

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 7..... VBS Decorating Day
- June 10..... Vision Assembly Meeting 6:00 PM
- June 15-19 ..... Rainforest Falls VBS
- June 21..... Installation of Pastor Paul Frerichs
- June 23..... Youth Game Night 6:00 PM
- June 24..... Young Adult Bonfire 7:00 PM
- July 8 ..... Sr. Fun Time Potluck
- July 11 ..... Anoka Riverfest

