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# Mt. Olive Herald

The weekly newsletter of Mt. Olive Lutheran School

May 9, 2024 - Week 38

## Bible Passage & Theme

In Him and through faith in Him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. -Ephesians 3:12

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Please return all library books to school by May 16th. Thank you for your help. "The Library"

## Kindergarten Moosical

Come and enjoy a Barnyard Moosical performed by Mt. Olive's Kindergarten Class! It will be *udderly* delightful!

Where: **Mt. Olive Sanctuary**

When: **Tues., May 14th @ 6:30**



## Mt. Olive Band Concert!

Performed by Mt. Olive's 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Band Students.

Where: ~~Mt. Olive Sanctuary~~  
**Correction - The Concert will be held at Bethany's Trinity Chapel**

When: **Wednesday, May 15th @ 6:30 pm**

Cost: **Free Will Donations will be accepted to support Mariah's work with band rehearsals, contests, and concerts throughout the year.**

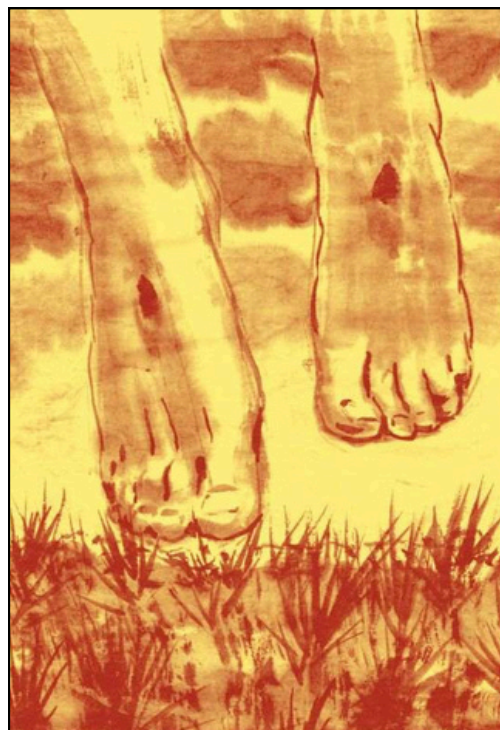
## New Podcast!

"On the Mount of Olives" Podcast Episode 3 is now available! Listen as Pr. Ulrich & Pr. Soule talk about Ascension Day and Pentecost. Subscribe and tune in to Spotify Podcasts.



## Calendar

- May 9** Ascension of our Lord
- May 14** Kindergarten Moosical  
Mt. Olive Sanctuary  
6:30 pm
- May 15** Chapel  
(all are welcome)  
8:05 am
- 6:30 pm** Band Concert  
BLC Trinity Chapel
- May 22** 8th Grade Graduation  
Mt. Olive Sanctuary  
6:30 pm
- May 23** Musical - Wonka Jr.  
at Bethany Lutheran College  
6:30 pm
- May 24** Last Day of School!  
Closing Chapel  
10:45 am
- 11:15 am** Early Dismissal
- 11:30 am to 1:30 pm** Spring Lake Park Picnic  
Put on by the PTF
- 6:30pm** Musical - Wonka Jr.  
at Bethany Lutheran College



## Come Celebrate... The Ascension of Our Lord

+ Divine Service w/  
Holy Communion +  
Thursday,  
May 9, 6:30pm

**Ascension Day BBQ**  
5:00 - 6:15pm

Hot dogs, hamburgers &  
lemonade provided;  
**please bring a side  
dish to share.**

BBQ to be held outside unless  
weather moves us to the gym.



## Connections Shelter

Proceeds from the BBQ will be given to Connections Shelter, a Mankato based Homeless Shelter.

## School Mission:

Mt. Olive Lutheran School exists to carry out Christ's commission to make disciples of all nations by assisting parents in the Christian training of their children, to live a life of faith here on earth and forever after in Heaven.

## Chapel Offerings:



This year, we are supporting a new ELS Congregation, Grace Lutheran Church, in

Redmond, OR, led by Pastor Roger Emmons. Our Chapel Offering goal has been met and exceeded with 2 weeks left!

*All glory to God!*

Collected this week:  
**\$42.28**

Total for the Year:  
**\$2,053.35**

*And do not forget to do good and share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. - Hebrews 13:16*



## From the Attic:

From the May 3, 2001 Herald. **NEW LOCATION FOR MT. OLIVE:** Next fall Mt.



Olive School will be located at Loyola High School. We will be there at least until Christmas vacation due to the construction of our new facility.

Today is the first of several moving and packing days. Thanks in advance to all who are volunteering their time and effort.

In times of change, let us all remember Hebrews 13:8: *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.*

## Sporting News:

**The Softball Tournament @ Caswell Park is May 16. The tournament schedule is attached to the Herald email, and the Athletic Calendar on our school website.**

### Softball Coaches Needed:

Our softball season has begun. We will have 2 teams and are still in need of volunteer coaches. If you are interested in helping out with this year's softball team, please contact Mr. Z. Practices are from 3-4:30 on Tuesdays and Fridays at Washington Elementary School. If you are able to assist but those times do not work, please contact me and we can see about making changes to the schedule. Our big tournament is Thursday, May 16.

### Softball Umpires Needed:

Mt. Olive Lutheran School sponsors a grade school co-ed softball tournament on **Thursday, May 16 at Caswell Park. games begin at 8:30 and finish around 3:30.** Batters will get 4 pitches to attempt a hit; strikes & balls will not be called. Umps will need to know the basic softball rules. If you are able to help (all day or partial day), please contact Mr. Zibrowski.

## Transportation Registration Form: 2024-25 School Year

**Please complete the Transportation Registration form that came home and send it back to school with your child(ren) or drop it off in the office no later than Friday, May 24th.** If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Tenold in the office at (507) 345-7927 or [school@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:school@mtolivelutheran.org).



**Mystery Reader Mondays! AND BONUS READERS THIS WEEK!!**

First Graders are enjoying being surprised by parents and grandparents reading to them....Who will be next? ???



# LUNCH TIME

## Next Week's Menu:

<b>Monday</b> May 13	<b>Bosphorus</b> Cheeseburger, Chicken Nuggets, or Kebabs
<b>Tuesday</b> May 14	<b>Shawarmania</b> Chicken Patty w/ Bun or Gyro on a Bun
<b>Wednesday</b> May 15	<b>Pizza Ranch</b> Cheese or Pepperoni
<b>Thursday</b> May 16	<b>Shawarmania</b> Cheese Quesadilla, Hot Dog w/ Bun, or Mac & Cheese
<b>Friday</b> May 17	<b>Arby's</b> Sliders (Beef, Turkey, or Fried Chicken)

**Volunteering Opportunity**




**May 2024  
Lunch Volunteer Sign-Up**



## Sundays @ Mt. Olive

8:30 AM Worship Service

9:40 AM **Sunday School**  
(PreK - 6th)

9:40 AM Adult Bible Study

10:45 AM Worship Service

## Mondays @ Mt. Olive

6:30 PM Worship Service



## Sundays @ Peace

8:15 AM Worship Service

9:30 AM **Sunday School**  
(PreK - 8th)

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

10:30 AM Worship Service

Join us for the  
**MT. OLIVE PICNIC**  
to celebrate  
**THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!**

Friday, May 24th, 2024  
From 11:30 - 1:30PM  
Spring Lake Park, Shelter #1  
Bring your own family picnic and enjoy  
food, fun, and fellowship.

**SCOOPS ICE CREAM  
PROVIDED BY PTF**

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# Thank You

**Teacher Appreciation Week:** Thank you to everyone who contributed to the many treats and gifts given during Teacher Appreciation Week. We especially thank Keita Tieg for taking on the organization of the week's events. It's been a wonderful road to ride with all of you, and we're grateful to be taking the trip together. Thank you for your support!

**Mr. Springer's Birthday:** Many thanks to everyone for the birthday wishes and the thoughtful gifts. It's been a lovely year spent with all of you, and I look forward to spending many more. Thank you for your encouragement and support!

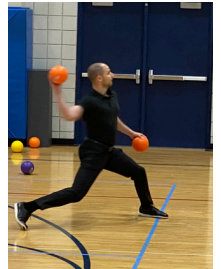
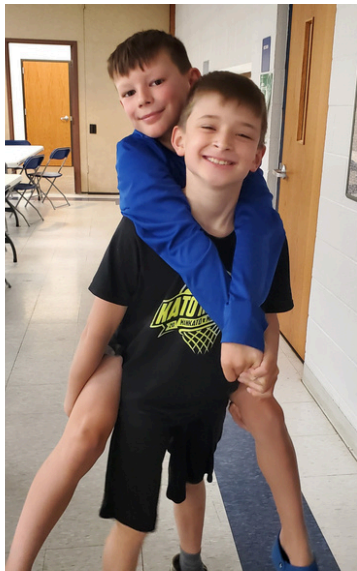


- **Recess Volunteers Needed Daily (11:30am - 12:50pm)** (Please contact the school office if you're interested.)
- **Lunch Volunteers Needed Daily** (see pg 3)
- **Softball Umps & Coach Needed** (see pg 2)

*A person who spreads blessings will be enriched. One who give a refreshing drink will be refreshed.*

- Proverbs 11:25

# First Grade Dad's, Donuts, and Dodgeball!!





**Willy Wonka JR.**  
PRESENTED BY MOUNT OLIVE

**MAY 23 & MAY 24**  
THURSDAY @ 6:30P    FRIDAY @ 6:30P

**BETHANY LUTHERAN COLLEGE**  
YLVISAKER FINE ARTS CENTER - 700 LUTHER DR. MANKATO, MN

Words and Music by Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley. Adapted for the Stage by Leslie Bricusse and Timothy A. McDonald. Based on the book Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY (212) 541-4684 mtshows.com 2024.

**ASC After School Care**

**Please Save Your Pop Can Tabs!**



**Ronald McDonald House Charities**



Please continue to save your pop can tabs for the **Ronald McDonald House Charities**. **Drop off any donations in the office or give them to Mrs. Graham in ASC.** Ronald McDonald House provides a community of support and respite for families with seriously-ill or injured children. Services include: Lodging, Meals, Kitchen Access and fully-stocked pantries, Laundry facilities, K-12 School, Workout facilities and Supportive, family-focused programming. They take care of these basic needs so families can focus on the well-being of their child.

**Minnesota Valley Lutheran Camp**  
aka "Camp Shetek" and "Camp Luther"

invites you to

**JOIN US THIS SUMMER!!**  
June 16 – June 22, 2024

Camp will be held at the Group Campground  
At Sibley State Park near New London, MN  
from June 16 – June 22, 2024


Online registration will open on February 4, 2024  
[www.campshetek.org](http://www.campshetek.org)

Register before April 14 to receive the "Early Bird" rate!  
Early Bird - \$275; After April 14 - \$285

Minnesota Valley Lutheran Bible Camp exists to provide elementary age children the opportunity to worship the Lord and grow in their Christian faith as they participate in outdoor activities under the direction of Christian Counselors. It is sponsored by the WELS churches in southwest and south-central Minnesota and eastern South Dakota. **Any student who is entering 4<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall 2024 is eligible to enroll as a camper.**

For more detailed information visit the camp website or see the PDF attached to the Herald email.

Rev. James Renz, 2024 Camp Director  
(507) 375-3395 or (507) 327-7222 or email: [jrenzner@gmail.com](mailto:jrenzner@gmail.com)




**DONATE BLOOD. HELP SAVE LIVES.**

Build the blood supply: Come give 5/20 to 6/9 for an exclusive Tetris and Red Cross shirt, ltd. qty.

**Blood Drive**  
**Mount Olive Lutheran Church**

Gym  
1123 Marsh Street  
Mankato, MN

**Friday, May 31, 2024**  
**12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**



Scan to schedule an appointment.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: MTOLIVEKATO to schedule an appointment.

*The Bulletin Board:*



**BETHANY**  
LUTHERAN COLLEGE

**Theatre Bible School**

After a long hiatus, Mt. Olive is once again hosting Theatre Bible School, June 17-21, at Bethany Lutheran College. Registration is open to students entering 3rd-8th grade. There is a \$40 registration fee (with family discount options) to cover costs of food, costumes, and props, as

well as to help compensate directors for taking time out of their work week. Payment will be collected upon arrival at camp; registration will close on June 1. To register or find out more information about the schedule, go to <https://tinyurl.com/TheatreBibleSchool>.



**Vacation Bible School:**  
Mark your calendars! We are planning on doing a Vacation Bible School here at church July 1-3. We need volunteers to help organize things prior to VBS and also to help teach Bible lessons, help with crafts, etc. during the week of VBS. Please contact Pastor Soule at (763)482-1488 or [pastorsoule@gmail.com](mailto:pastorsoule@gmail.com), or Lance Johnson at (507)720-2130 if you are interested in helping.



**LYA National Youth Association Convention:**

Registration is now open!  
July 25-28, 2024

Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, IL

For high school-aged youth (confirmed or completed 8th grade)

Early registration until June 1: \$300

Late registration from June 2-July 1: \$350

For more information and to register, go to [ELS.org/LYA](http://ELS.org/LYA).

**Registered LYA Attendees: Contact Lance Johnson by May 12 to receive your \$100 refund for LYA.**



*Syttende Mai  
Smørgåsbord*

at Norseland Lutheran Church



Saturday, May 18, 2024



4:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Meatballs, Potatoes, Herring, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Lefse, Fresh Fruit, Breads, Rommegrot, Rice Pudding, Yiftas, and Norwegian Cookies

Adults, \$17.00 | Children 6-12, \$5.00 | 5 & under, free



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Or at our website:  
[www.norselandparish.com](http://www.norselandparish.com)



Norseland Lutheran Church is handicap accessible and is located approximately 8 miles northwest of St. Peter on State Highway 22.

37777 MN-22, St Peter, MN 56082

**DEFENDING CHRISTIANITY:  
DISCERNING FALSE WORLDVIEWS**



With Rev. David Thompson -  
(Director of The Center for Apologetics and Worldviews)

"We now often refer to our society as post-Christian, similar to what Christians faced in the first three centuries when they were a minority. Today, other worldviews have moved in, even taking culture by storm. At the same time, we are exactly where God wants us. It is a good time to live. But it is crucial we understand the importance of defending Christianity, especially in view of the worldviews that challenge us and our children."

**Join us for this 3-Part Study:**

- Sunday, April 28th, 9:40am
- Sunday, May 12th, 9:40am
- Sunday, May 26th, 11:00am  
(After 2nd Service-Summer Service Schedule starts)

## NEW Softball Tournament Schedule May 16, 2024

Pool Play Round:

Pool A:

Pool B:

Pool C:

Pool D:

1. Mount Olive 2
2. Risen Savior
3. PLS
4. Hutchinson

1. Courtland
2. Truman
3. St. Peter
4. Redwood Falls

1. Belle Plaine
2. Northrup
3. Lakefield

1. Fairmont
2. Mt. Olive
3. Marshall

Fields

	<u>Field 1</u>	<u>Field 2</u>	<u>Field 3</u>	<u>Field 4</u>	<u>Field 5</u>
9:00	A 1-2	B 1-2	C 1-2	D 1-2	B 3-4
9:50	A 1-3	B 2-3	C 1-3	D 1-3	A 4-2
10:35	A 2-3	B 1-4	C 2-3	D 2-3	A 1-4
11:25	A 3-4	B 1-3	B 2-4		

**Pool Play games** will be 5 innings or 40 minutes with no new innings started after 35 minutes of play. If there is a tie at the end of 40 minutes we will go back to the last inning where there was no tie. All the teams will be placed into a tournament bracket. In case of a tie we will be using the tie-breaker mentioned in the rules. **After the 2<sup>nd</sup> game on each field, the next game will begin in 5 minutes.**

**The tournament games will begin at 12:15 or sooner. Tournament games will be 6 innings or 45 minutes. If a game is tied at the end of 45 minutes we will continue to play until there is a winner.**