

The Morning Worship

Liturgists
9:00am - *Pastor Hammersten*
10:00 & 11:00am - *Pastor Kalland*
12noon - *Pastor MacLean*

The Prelude *Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying* John Gardner

The Processional Hymn - - - - - **504:1, 2, 3, 4**
(Please remain seated as the pastors enter the Chancel)

The striking of the anvil heard in the introduction of the processional hymn is representative of the posting of the 95 Theses on the church door by Martin Luther.

A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight, whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.

Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they cannot overpower us.
Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.

God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!

The Anthem
9:00 *I Can Do All Things* - - - - - Mark Burrows
Alleluia Choir
10:00 and 11:00 *We Are the Church* - - - - - Avery/Marsh
Cherub Choir
12:00 *Fe Y Esperanza (Faith and Hope)*- - - - - Hoiland/Krentz
Hosanna Choir

(Please stand as you are able)

The Invocation
Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen. *(Please sing)*

The Confession of Sins and Assurance of Forgiveness

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen. *(Please sing)*
Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Congregation: Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. 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.** *(Please sing)*

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen. *(Please sing)*

The Hymn of Praise - - - - - Page 204:1

Glory be to God in heaven;
peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation,
Father of surpassing worth:
we exalt you, we adore you,
we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you;
here on earth our songs we raise.

The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
Congregation: And also with you. *(Please sing)*
Pastor and Congregation:
Lord God, we give you thanks for Martin Luther and all Reformers of the Church. Let the Reformation continue in our congregation and lives, that we may live confident of your grace and eager to serve our neighbor. In Jesus' name we pray, **Amen.** *(Please sing)*
(Please be seated)

The Epistle - - - - - **Romans 3:19-28** *(page 915)*
One of the key words in Paul's letter to the Romans is "all" – all have sinned, all fall short, yet for this very reason God justifies all by grace through faith.

The Gradual Hymn - - - - - 654:1

The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the word.
From heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

(Before the reading, please stand as you are able and sing)

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel - - - - - **John 8:31-36** *(page 871)*
Jesus offers his disciples then and now freedom – freedom from sin, freedom from fear, freedom from the past. As it turns out, that's a harder promise to accept than we might think and one that takes a lifetime to live into.

(After the reading, please sing)

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Profession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

(Please be seated)

The Welcome

The Offertory
9:00 and 10:00 *Amazing Grace* - - - - - arr. Dan Forrest
Cathedral Choir; Kelby Thone, violin
11:00 and 12:00 *Praise to the Lord* - - - - - arr. Mack Wilberg
Senior Choir

(Please stand as you are able and sing)

The Offertory Prayer

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Please be seated)

The Pulpit Hymn- - - - - 796:1

How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

The Sermon Pastor Lose

Becoming Christian: The Ongoing Reformation

The Baptismal Service *(held during the 12noon service)*

(Please stand as you are able and sing)

The Closing Hymn - - - - - 652:1

Built on a rock the church shall stand,
even when steeples are falling;
crumbled have spires in ev'ry land,
bells still are chiming and calling—
calling the young and old to rest,
calling the souls of those distressed,
longing for life everlasting.

The Lord's Prayer - - - - - Page 112

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

(The congregation is asked to pause for a moment of silent prayer)

The Postlude

Allegro Resiluto from Symphony No. 2 in E - - - - - Louis Vierne

*Please be so kind as to leave your bulletin at the end of the pew
or place in the recycle bin as you leave. Thank you.*

Director of Worship & Music, *Beverly Claflin*
Principal Organist, *Richard Owen*

Director of Senior & Cathedral Choirs, *Beverly Claflin*
Director of Hosanna Choir, *Justin Nellis*

Director of Alleluia Choir, *Leah Reddy*

Directors of Cherub Choir, *Cindy Bergstrom & Colleen Roess*

Welcome Guests

We are delighted you are worshiping with us today. We warmly welcome you and are grateful for your presence and prayers. If you have any questions about the ministries of Mount Olivet Church, please come to the Information Desk in the Narthex. Large print bulletins and hearing devices available at the Information Desk located in the Narthex.

Baptisms

Parker Joseph Krummel, son of Leela and Joe; and Stella Jean Brown, daughter of Mary Beth and Chad; will be received into the fellowship of Christ and His Church through the sacrament of Holy Baptism today.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar in the main sanctuary are in loving memory of Stuart A. Lindman on the anniversary of their marriage, by his wife, Jacqueline.

The flowers by the pulpit are given in loving memory of Helga L. Anderson, given by Maurice L. Anderson.

The flowers by the lectern are in loving memory of Sidney Thompson on the anniversary of his birthday, given by his wife, Freddie, and family.

The flowers by the communion rail on the pulpit side are in loving memory of Judy Wilson, given by her daughter, Suzanne Bruning.

The flowers on the altar in the Serley Chapel are in loving memory of Ben Blat, given by Amy Hyatt.

If you would like to donate Sunday morning altar flowers in loving memory or in honor of someone you know, please contact Mary Lindberg, 612-767-2200/maryl@mtolivet.org. Orders are appreciated two weeks in advance of your desired date. The cost is \$50.00.

Next Sunday - All Saints Sunday

Sunday morning worship services will be at 9, 10, 11am and 12noon. Pastor Lose will be preaching on *"Surprised by Blessing."* Holy Communion will be observed at 8:30am and following the 12noon service. At 9, 10, and 11am, there will be Sunday Church School and The Way, and nursery will be available for children ages six-weeks through two-years.

Daylight Saving Time ends next Sunday, November 5. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour.

Reformation Sunday

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October 29, 2017

PASTORS

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