

MT. OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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- *SUMMER OFFICE HOURS 8:00-11:00AM
- *July 4 Independence Day
- *July 4 Office Closed
- *July 10 Elders Meeting @ 6:30PM
- *July 17 Leadership Meeting @ 6:30PM
- *July 21 Mite Sunday

Community Prayers

You forest leaves so green and tender. That dance for joy in summer air, You meadow grasses, bright and slender, You flow'rs so fragrant and so fair, You live to show God's praise alone. Join me to make His glory known.

From Hymn 811 Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices



Grant safe travel to all who are out and about this summer, especially *names...*.May they reach their destinations and home again safely, and may their travels open their eyes to Your wonders.





Loving Father, I pray for Your protection for all who provide safety and security: for all policemen, firemen, and soldiers, especially for those I know who work in this area...names...Grant peace to every nation and neighborhood.



Almighty and everlasting God, who calls all to receive salvation through faith in Jesus Christ, bless all the Christian churches near and far....I pray for churches in my neighborhood and distant missions...protect them from evil influences, steer them away from error, lead them in Your Word. In the mighty name of Jesus, Amen.

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A Message from Pastor Mike

The preacher said to his congregation, "I want everyone who wants to go to heaven to stand up." Everyone stood up, except for one old man in the front. So he said, "I said, I want everyone who wants to go to heaven to stand up!" The old man in the front row remained seated. Finally the preacher said, "Brother Williams, I said everyone who wants to go to heaven, stand up!" And the old man said, "Oh, I'm sorry. I thought you were getting a group together to go now."

A little girl asked her mother, "Where did people come from?" Her mother answered, "God made Adam and Eve and they had children and that's how all mankind was made." A couple of days later she asked her father the same question. The father answered, "Many years ago there were monkeys, which the human race evolved from." The confused little girl returned to her mother and said, "Mommy, how is it possible that you told me that we were created by God, and Daddy said we came from monkeys?" The mother answered, "Well, dear, it is very simple. I told you about my side of the family and your father told you about his."

Dear Heavenly Father,

So far, today, I've done all right. I haven't gossiped or lost my temper. I haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, or self-centered. I'm really happy about that so far. But in a few minutes, I'm going to be getting out of bed and then I'm going to need a lot of help. Thank you! Amen

Here are some things that a Pastor dreams of hearing in his church.

- 1. Hey! It's my turn to sit in the front pew.
- 2. I was so enthralled, I never noticed your sermon went 25 minutes over time.
- 3. Personally I find witnessing much more enjoyable than golf.
- 4. I've decided to give our church the \$500 a month I used to send to TV evangelists.
- 5. I volunteer to be the permanent teacher for the Junior High Sunday School class.
- 6. Forget the denominational minimum salary, let's pay our pastor so he can live like we do.
- 7. I love it when we sing hymns I've never heard before!
- 8. Since we're all here, let's start the service early.
- 9. Pastor, we'd like to send you to this Bible seminar in the Bahamas next February.
- 10. Nothing inspires me and strengthens my commitment like our annual stewardship campaign!
- 11. I couldn't find space to park outside. Praise God!

I'm praying you have a happy, healthy, and humorous July!

Yours in Christ.

Pastor Mike

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Nathan Betts 7/1

Carol Meyer 7/6

Darlene Tanke 7/8

Darwin Lemke 7/11

Nehemiah Kamps 7/14

Jim Merchant 7/22

Terry Podratz 7/22

Rosemary Fuglseth 7/31



Caylor & Denise Zimmerman

Ron & Marlene Gehring 7/5

7/3

Don & Sandi Woytcke 7/29



Register Here



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Treasuring God's Truth, Living Out His Love

 Thank you to Pastor for representing us at the LWML District Convention in June.

Joining Jesus on His Mission

- Thank you to Becca Boser for being our spokesperson for WeCan! The first meeting was on June 25th!
- WOMO Donated \$100 to the Eli Hart Memorial Fund!
- Our congregation donated \$105 to Mainstreet Living!

LWR School Supplies Needed

- 400 Wide Lined Single Subject Spiral Notebooks
- 100 24 Count Box of Crayons
- 100 Pencil Sharpeners
- 500 Blue or Black Ballpoint Pens
- 500 Unsharpened Yellow Pencils
- 100 Rulers with Inches & Center Med
- 100 Pink Erasers
- 100 Small Blunt Tip Scissors

What is Independence Day?

Independence Day is celebrated annually on July 4th in the United States. It commemorates the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. Patriotic displays and family events are organized throughout the United States on this day.



Otten Brothers Give & Grow

Thank you to those who shopped at Otten Brothers during the month of May. We received a donation of \$30.06!

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Applying Biblical Teachings

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad" (2 Cor. 5:10).

You should do good things, for you will be held personally accountable for how you lived, for what you did, and for how you used God's blessings. You will have to stand before Christ and give an account. You should know that for the good things you have done, you will receive rewards and be given a higher position. God is watching you; He is keeping a record. You should do what is right and

Often, this is how we view our relationship with God when it comes to our living. We are tempted to fall into a trap of legalism that harms and even destroys our relationship with our God. We begin to do that which is good for ourselves to fulfill God's Law and to secure our salvation.

Christ came into the world for us. He lived the perfect life for us. He died for us and rose from the dead for us. He ascended to heaven and intercedes for us. Christ has secured our salvation for us — there is nothing more we can do.

The result of faith, worked by the Holy Spirit, is everlasting life in heaven. When we stand before the judgment seat of Christ, the good works we have done in Christ will be evidence of our faith. The faithful's countless failures are buried in God's forgiveness, and only the good deeds done in Christ are remembered. In humility, believers will receive the pronouncement that they have performed true service for Christ.

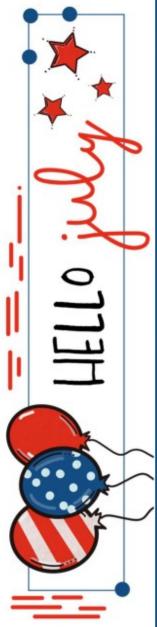
"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me" (Matt. 25:37-40).

Yes, we will be judged by our works because they are evidence of our faith. These works are not ones of duty or for merit. These works are simply outward expressions of love flowing from the love of Christ. In Christ, we do that which benefits our fellow man, expecting no personal or eternal gain. By the power of the Gospel, we are generous in giving of our money and wealth. We give evidence of our faith by our generosity and by our good works.



- ❖ Tuesday's 7:00 AM -Men's Bible Study
- ❖ Wednesday's 10:00 AM (September -May) - Ladies' Bible Study
- ❖ 1st Wednesday of the month 1:00 PM - @ Lake Minnetonka **Shores**
- Thursday's 9:00 AM -Adult Bible Class
- ❖ Friday's 3:00 PM -Harrison Bay Bible Class





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
*Summer Office Hours 8-11AM	1 *Happy Birthday -Nathan Betts	2	*Happy Anniversary -Caylor & Denise Zimmerman	4 -Office Closed Independence Day	5 *Happy Anniversary -Ron & Marlene Gehring	*Happy Birthday -Carol Meyer	9
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21 -Mite Sunday	*Happy Birthday -Jim Merchant -Terry Podratz	23	24	25	26		27
28	*Happy Anniversary - Don & Sandi Woytcke	30	31 *Happy Birthday -Rosemary Fuglseth	*Please consider donating school supplies for LWR School bags. Items needed are posted in the Narthex. *Please consider donating items needed for VBS. See our amazon wish list here.	ing school supplies ems needed are ing items needed for vish list here.		

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THE WATER OF LIFE

A cold drink helps us beat the summer heat. Complete this puzzle for a reminder of what Jesus offers to quench our thirst.

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Revelation 22:17, NIV







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Treasurer: Vacant

Elders: Arlee Mueller & Nate Betts

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Dawn Audette

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You Cards: Rita Kaiser, Vanco: Vacant

Outreach: Vacant

WeCAN Fellowship Representative: Becca Boser

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