



# Olive Branch

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Worship services are: Saturday, 5 PM; Sunday, 8 and 10:45 AM

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**March 9, 2013** is a very important date. Not because something special happened in the past, but because of what we will have opportunity to do in the future for Mount Olive. We are having a:

## Strategic Planning Gathering

**Saturday, March 9**

**8:30 AM—5 PM**

Led by **Pastor Stoltenow** from Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

## At Mount Olive Lutheran Church

**What is this gathering all about?** It is an opportunity for us to set the direction for Mount Olive for our future. We will gather as many people as we can (**that means you, too**) to come and brainstorm the ways in which Mount Olive can make an impact for Jesus in our community going forward. Pastor Stoltenow has a specific plan he will lead us through and by the end of the day we should have 3-5 targets we will work on in the coming years to improve our ministry and reach others for Christ

**Please be there as we plan for a bright future in Jesus!**



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Blog: [mtoliveluth.blogspot.com](http://mtoliveluth.blogspot.com)



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Palm Sunday	Regular schedule
Maundy Thursday	10 AM and 7 PM
Good Friday	10 AM and 7 PM
Easter Vigil (Saturday)	5 PM
Easter Sunday	7, 9 and 11 AM

Easter Breakfast will be served from  
6:30 AM – 10:30 AM

(The Nursery will be available  
for children age 6 weeks-3 years old  
during the 7 and 9 AM worship services.)



## Human Care

### Blood Pressure Check

**Saturday, March 16**  
**4:30-6:15 PM**

**Sunday, March 17**  
**9-11 AM**

(In the Church Office)

Before and after each worship service we provide an opportunity for you to have your blood pressure checked by a nurse. It is quick and simple and a great way to monitor your health.

### Senior Transportation

We provide transportation for those who have no other means to get to church and are able to get onto our bus (not wheelchair accessible) within a 2-3 mile radius from Mount Olive. There is a simple form to fill out and no cost for this bus service. Please contact Pastor Mike at 303.755.9123 for more information or to get a form.

**Dates are:**

March 10 / 24



### Aurora Interchurch

**March donations —**

**— soap (dish/laundry)**

**Brown grocery bags are needed every month.**

You don't need to give every month. We ask that you give when you can, what you can. Thank you for all you do for others.



**Reach Out**  
To Those in Need

### Cookie Cans

**Cookie Cans for College Students – 2012/13 School Year continues to be a great hit! Our next mailing is March 2.**

**It's not too late to receive a can – submit the name and address of your college age child to Kathy Pelepchan, 303.693.4161 OR email to [kpelepchan@msn.com](mailto:kpelepchan@msn.com). We are also sending cans to graduate and POST-four-year students!**



**We are asking** that each family submitting a name help with the project for at least one of the months in which the cans are mailed. It takes about 25-30 cookies for each can. That's 14 cans times 25 cookies = 350 cookies per month or about 30 dozen, so **your help is needed and greatly appreciated.** If you don't have college age kids but love to bake, we also welcome and appreciate your contribution, too! Cookies can be frozen for future use at home and brought in that Saturday morning.

**Make sure you WRAP the cookies and goodies in packets or two if large or four if small!!!**

**We also need donations of cider mix, hot cocoa packets, seasonal candy, granola bars, popcorn, pretzels, cheese/peanut butter-filled crackers, nuts, raisins and other dried fruits, trail mix, rice cakes, Crystal Lite, ice tea and/or other drink packets, etc.**

**A sign up sheet in at the Activity Center.**

### Food Pantry

Human Care Ministry continues the "Helping Hands Care Package" to help families in need of short term assistance with food. Please look for these items on sale or when shopping in bulk and donate items monthly as you are able to support this ministry for those in need. Through your generous support we have been able to assist 30-40 people a month in our community.

**We are in critical need of:**

**Boxed:** Pasta, potatoes, rice, macaroni and cheese, powdered milk, cereals including oatmeal, snack bars; packs of ramen noodles; puddings and jello; mixes (cake, cookie and muffins)

**Canned:** Pasta sauce, stews, ravioli, chili, pork 'n beans, tuna, chicken, hearty and child favorite soups; peas, green beans, corn,

mixed vegetables, carrots; pears, pineapple, Mandarin oranges, peaches

**Jars:** Peanut butter, jelly

**Paper:** Paper towels, toilet tissue

**Toiletries:** Toothpaste, tooth brushes, hand sanitizer, shampoo, deodorant, bath soap



**The Food Pantry is open every Friday from 9-10 AM.**

## March Birthdays

- |   |   |    |   |    |  |    |   |
|---|---|----|---|----|--|----|---|
| 1 | Bodemann, Kathleen<br>Schonack, Rebekah<br>Wallace, Amanda<br>Wallace, Emily                        | 9  | Goggins, Clayton<br>Endsley-Burge, Charlene<br>Kuenker, Tessa                               | 16 | Barstad, Marlo<br>Abell, Timothy<br>Hermann, Nicholas<br>Qadi El-Idrissi, Gabriel                                    | 22 | Afman, Emma<br>Rivera, Samuel<br>Mc Gee, Lucille<br>Dickinson, Jean<br>Frevert, Mary<br>Tae, Jeanie<br>Hawkins, Nicole<br>Wetherbie, Andrew |
| 2 | Eller, Steve<br>Fields, Tom<br>Eickmann, Philip<br>Schonack, Brooke<br>Amore, Melanie<br>Afman, Zoe | 10 | Strauch, Virginia<br>Barnard, Lindy<br>Kuenker, Paul<br>Mc Lane, Sawyer                     | 17 | Kletke, Virginia<br>York, George<br>Griebel, Diane<br>Egan, John V<br>Spoerl, Andrew<br>Ledwith, Eric<br>West, Katie | 23 | Sall, Richard<br>Kuenker, Amy<br>Tappe, Emma  |
| 3 | White, Elaine<br>Ashby, Michael<br>Robinson, Wanda<br>Smith, Haley                                  | 11 | West, Britney<br>Muth, Zachary  | 18 | Dunkel, Michael<br>Goeglein, Eric<br>Stewart, James<br>Carpenter, Zachary  | 24 | Ahrens, Nancy   |
| 4 | Warkentin, William  | 12 | Engleman, Virginia<br>Kaczmarek, Steven<br>Walters, Joyce<br>Farrell, Kathy<br>Sall, Lauryn | 20 | Tae, Alyssa  | 25 | Kilgore, Doris<br>Thiel, Robin  |
| 5 | Fabrizius, Darlyne  | 13 | Raimondo, Barbara   | 21 | Cobb, Jerry<br>Reneau, Earla<br>Asmus, Duane<br>Johnston, Gay  | 26 | Cammack, Heather  |
| 6 | Greve, Walter   | 14 | Schlue, Cindy<br>Gates, David<br>Kelly, Cynthia<br>Hess, Alicia                             |    |  | 27 | Williams, Robert<br>Hadley, Kari<br>Mc Coy, Alora   |
| 7 | Mc Coy, Joe<br>Latimer, David   | 15 | Williams, Judith  |    |  | 28 | Rehwalt, Harvey   |
| 8 | Mc Clain, Pam   |    |   |    |  | 29 | Florum, Chester<br>Ernst, Drew  |
|   |   |    |   |    |  | 30 | Asman, Catherine<br>Parker, Kira  |
|   |   |    |   |    |  | 31 | Goeglein, Beth<br>Giovanini, Kelley<br>Myers, Lacey<br>Schulenburg, Michael   |

### Income/Expenses January 2013

Fiscal Year July 2012—June 2013

Income	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance
Regular Offerings	520,457	537,375	(16,918)
Other Income	8,808	6,206	2,602
ECEC	103,468	121,700	(18,232)
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>632,733</b>	<b>665,281</b>	<b>(32,548)</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Personnel/Benefits	280,529	301,112	(20,583)
Programs	94,559	96,234	(1,675)
Administrative	13,360	16,304	(2,944)
Properties	87,604	112,124	(24,520)
ECEC	104,028	113,643	(9,095)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>580,080</b>	<b>639,417</b>	<b>(61,878)</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>52,653</b>	<b>25,864</b>	<b>29,330</b>

KINDLE THE FIRE

Mortgage Balance 1/31/13: \$32,132

## March Anniversaries

- 4 King, Paul & Jean
- 7 Student, Dave & Ann
- 8 Gorton, Doug & Cheryl
- 14 Zuber, Justin & Adrienne
- 15 Hadley, Jack & Erwina
- 19 Quandt, Harold & Bobbie
- 20 Meehan, Richard & Jane
- 23 Broom, Robert & Ruth
- 24 Ray, Barbara & Roy
- 28 Barstad, Irving & Beverly
- 30 Wallace, Chris & Stephanie





### Mount Olive's Book Club List for 2012-2013

Date	Book	Author	Leader
March 6	<i>The Tiger's Wife</i>	Tea Obreht	Liz Rehwalt
April 3	<i>Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy</i>	Eric Metaxas	Marsha Raebel
May 1	<i>Destine of the Republic</i>	Candice Millard	Kathy Meyer
June 5	<i>Constantine Code X</i>	Paul Maier	



We meet the first Wednesday of the month at 5:45 PM in the Library.



### Early Childhood Education Center

Spring is right around the corner and we are so excited! God's world will soon be bursting with new life.

Splish

Our classrooms will be "blossoming" into spring through colorful art activities. We can make beautiful flowers thousands of different ways. We'll also continue to learn about Jesus' unconditional love for us when He gave His life for us in Jesus time and in chapel with Pastor Mike on March 14 and 15.



Splish **SPLASH** day is coming! On March 7 and 8 we will explore water and learn more about it. There's certain to be mud on this day!

Our celebration of National Lutheran Schools was WONDERFUL! We are thankful that we have this opportunity to share God's blessings through the ECEC with families and children in our community and with our church family. One of our activities was V.I.P. day. Each child invited an adult friend to join us at school. There were many family members and special friends in our church. We also had Icky **Mushy Squishy Day**. On that day we painted on our backs like Michelangelo, we played with worms, squished through chocolate and vanilla pudding and ooey gooey spaghetti noodles and more. It is so exciting to share all the fun and learning that goes on in the ECEC with these visitors.

Registration for the 2013-2014 continues. Come visit or call JoAnn at 303.250.5990 to learn more about the ECEC. We would love to have your child and family join us!

#### ECEC Sessions and Tuition Rates

##### Registration Fees

(Annual-nonrefundable)

Preschool	40.00
Junior Kindergarten	45.00

##### Supply Fee

#### Tuition for members of Mount Olive

MWF	167.00 per month
TTH	131.00 per month
M-F	249.00 per month
Junior Kindergarten	209.00 per month

#### PM Enrichment (M T W Th or F 11:30-3:00)

1 day	63.00 per month
2 days	122.00 per month
3 days	174.00 per month
4 days	210.00 per month



## Child and Family Ministry



**W**e are called by God to:  
**reach** out to children,  
**care** for children and  
**build** children toward  
 maturity in Christ.

It is the goal of the Child and Family Ministry Team to accomplish this mission by equipping and encouraging parents to be active teachers and intentional examples of faith in their children's lives,

### **OASIS** **Wednesdays** **at Mount Olive**

**Dinner**  
 Begins at 5:00 PM  
 Weekly

**Kid's Club**  
 March 6, 5:30 PM  
 Age 3-Grade 5

**Kid's Music**  
 Wednesdays, 5:30 PM  
 Kindergarten-Grade 5

**Praise and Play**  
 Wednesdays, 5:30 PM  
 Preschool-Kindergarten



### **Child and Family Nursing Home Visit** **Life Care Center of Aurora** **Sunday March 10**

On March 10, all children and their families are invited to share God's love with the residents at Life Care Center of Aurora. In preparation, children will be creating Easter crafts and practicing in their Sunday School classrooms. If your family is planning to attend, please sign-up in the binder at the Children's Ministry counter. On March 10, we will meet at 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall for lunch and practice. Then we will drive to Life Care Center of Aurora (14101 E. Evans Ave, Aurora) and perform our little program for the residents in their dining room. After our program, children will give residents a craft they have created as a gift.



### **Easter Egg Hunt & Alleluia Celebration** **Saturday, March 23, 9:00 AM**

Children of all ages are invited for a morning of Easter fun and celebration! Children should bring along their Easter basket or a bag and meet at Eastridge Elementary School for the egg hunt. The egg hunt will begin at 9:00 AM. Following the egg hunt, all participants are invited for an Alleluia celebration at Mount Olive. All children must be accompanied by an adult at the egg hunt and party. All children present at the Alleluia celebration will receive a copy of the Easter book, *Jesus Lives! Let's Celebrate*, to take home.

#### **Donations**

Donations of small, wrapped candy or small prizes, such as rings, balls, or stickers, can be left in the box near the Children's Ministry counter (near the Fellowship Hall) before March 10. The eggs will be filled with the donated candy. Larger items that are appropriate for toddlers may also be donated. These items will not be placed in eggs.

### **Sunday School Palm Parade** **Sunday March 24, 8:00 and 10:45 AM**

All children are invited to participate in the Palm Parade on Palm Sunday. Children will gather in Skidmore Hall at 7:50 AM for the 8:00 AM worship service and at 10:35 AM for the 10:45 AM worship service. All children will receive palm branches to wave in the parade. Children will walk in the parade and then immediately sit down in the front for the children's message. Children will return to the pews to sit with their families following the children's message.



### **Easter Blooming Cross** **March 31**

Children are invited to bring fresh flowers on Easter morning to adorn the cross. We will be using a simple wooden cross for our children's message time this Lent, as we take "Footsteps to the Cross." On Easter morning, children are invited to adorn the cross with flowers, as we watch something that is dead become beautiful and full of life. There will be flowers available for children who do not bring them from home.

### **Kingdom Rock**

Vacation Bible School

**June 24-28, 2013**

Morning, 8:45 AM–Noon  
 Afternoon, Noon–4:00 PM



### **Youth and Adult** **Volunteers Needed!**

E-mail Robin at  
[rkurth@mtoliveluth.org](mailto:rkurth@mtoliveluth.org)  
 to volunteer.

## Youth and Family Ministry

### Weekly/Monthly Events

#### Junior High Journey

Bible study for middle school students (Gr. 6-8) meets every Sunday in Room 2, 9:30-10:30 AM.

#### Confirmation

Confirmation explores more about what it means that Jesus is our Savior, Redeemer, and Friend. Confirmation meets most Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 PM.

#### Senior High Reel Time

Bible study for high school students (Gr. 9-12) meets every Sunday in Room 10, 9:30-10:30 AM.

#### Senior High Impact

Senior High youth meet twice a month on Sunday evenings from 6-8 PM (unless otherwise noted) for food, devotions and fun activities.



*"Helping Hurting Kids"*

Featuring Rich Van Pelt

Our Father Lutheran Church

Saturday, March 16

9 AM—2 PM

[helpinghurtingkids.org](http://helpinghurtingkids.org)



#### TEX MEX BRUNCH

You're invited to enjoy some delicious tex/mex food prepared for your Sunday brunch. Serving begins at 11:30 AM on Sunday, March 10. You can even come to the kitchen and get some to "take out" for later. It'll be served by Senior High Students and it's a way to help them attend the National youth Gathering in Texas this summer in Texas.

#### COMING EVENTS

##### MARCH

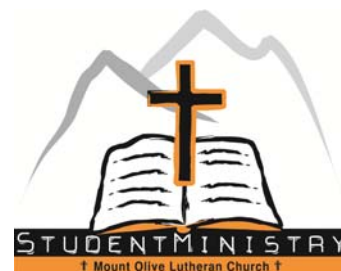
- 6—Confirmation at 745 PM
- 10—IMPACT 6-8 PM Senior Youth
- 13—Confirmation at 745 PM
- 20—Confirmation at 745 PM
- 24— IMPACT 6-8 PM Senior Youth\*
- 27—NO CONFIRMATION
- 30—Set-up for Easter Breakfast
- 31—SERVE Easter Breakfast

##### JUNE

- 1—Youth Ministry Golf Tournament
- 7-8—Community Garage Sale

##### JULY

- 1-7—National Youth Gathering in TX



#### Helping Students. . .

to **REACH**

to **CARE** and

to **BUILD**



#### GOLF TOURNAMENT

It's time to register for the 2013 Mount Olive Youth Ministry Golf Tournament at Murphy Creek Golf Course on June 1. You can sign up online at the Mount Olive website: [mtoliveluth.org](http://mtoliveluth.org). or pick up a registration form at the Youth Ministry Desk near the Fellowship Hall. It would be great fun to bring a friend or two from work or some relatives to play in such a worthwhile event. We're also hoping for sponsors to help and seeking rounds of golf, services, gift cards, merchandise, and other items for prizes and hospitality bags. Please contact [golf@mtoliveluth.org](mailto:golf@mtoliveluth.org). Thank you.



## HYMN OF THE MONTH

*Stay With Us*

LSB 879

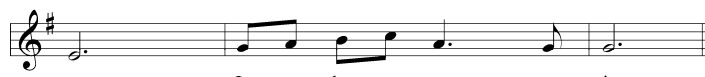
*Stay With Us* is Herbert Brokering's interpretation of the disciple's meeting Jesus on the road to Emmaus on the evening of the resurrection. They did not recognize him, but nonetheless invited him to stay and eat, for it was getting late. The author, Herbert Brokering, a Lutheran pastor and devotional writer, is also the author of *Earth and All Stars* (LSB 817) and *Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise* (LSB 680).



1 Stay with us,	till night has come:	Our praise to
2 Walk with us,	our spir - its sigh:	Hear when our
3 Walk with us,	the road will bend:	Make all our
4 Talk with us,	till we be - hold	A joy - ful
5 Stay with us,	till day is done:	No tears nor



You this day be sung.	Bless our bread,	O - pen our
wea - ry spir - its cry,	Feel a - gain	Our loss, our
weep - ing, wail - ing end.	Wipe our tears,	For - give our
life You will un - fold:	Heal our eyes	To see the
dark shall dim the sun.	Cheer the heart,	Your grace im -



eyes:	Je - sus, be our great	sur - prise.
pain:	Je - sus, take us to	Your side.
fears:	Je - sus, lift the heav -	y cross.
prize:	Je - sus, take us to	the light.
part:	Je - sus, bring e - ter -	nal life.

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*That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?"*

**Join us in singing**  
**Stay With Us**  
**on Sundays through**  
**the season of Lent.**



## Did You Know

Interesting facts about Mount Olive ~ by Kaye Cairns

- ⇒ Two or three members of Mount Olive count and deposit the offering every Sunday
- ⇒ Your name is underneath your church mailbox (not above)
- ⇒ Your Elder Zone number is listed on the wall near the end of the hall to the Fellowship Hall (Elder pictures are there also)
- ⇒ Stephanie Clow sets up and cleans up the coffee and donuts each Sunday
- ⇒ The LCMS Statistic Report is now asking for the average age of our confirmed members and our total membership ... we are missing the birthday of 121 of our members ... would you be willing to update your records in one of the following ways ... at our website by clicking on the Member Sign-In button on the home page, calling the Church Office or sending me an email to help pull a more accurate report ... thank you for your help

Member Sign-In

If you know of other interesting facts about Mount Olive, please give to Kaye (rockpile@mtoliveluth.org).

## Grace Wanderers

**The Grace Wanderers 5-day Summer Getaway** will journey to Southern Colorado/ Northern New Mexico, July 30-August 3. Included highlights: Taos Pueblo, the Rio Grande Scenic Railroad from Alamosa to La Veta, Great Sand Dunes, Santa Fe, Pecos National Historic Park, Las Golondrinas, Bishop Castle and more. Cost \$650 per person, double occupancy.

**Due to the overwhelming response to the "Coastal California" tour** scheduled October 2-15, this tour will be repeated October 23-November 5. Please pick up detailed information on tours from the Wanderers' notebook at the Activity Center or call Phyllis Eifler 303.333.6893 for information/registration.

## Wanderers

Vesta, Wind Turbine Mfg. Co., in Brighton has discontinued tours, so on **Friday, March 15** the Wanderers will instead visit the Ronald McDonald House, 1300 E. 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Denver. We will depart Mount Olive at 9:15 AM and return approximately 1:30 PM. \$5 includes tour and transportation. Lunch on your own at an authentic Irish restaurant.

On **Sunday, April 21**, the Wanderers will depart Mount Olive at 10:40 AM to attend Boulder Dinner Theater's matinee performance of "Church Basement Ladies." Limited number of tickets are available. \$42 includes lunch, show and transportation. Pick up an envelope at the Activity Center and make checks payable to Mount Olive Lutheran Church.

Become a Wanderer by ...

... signing up for any of the tours in the binder at the Activity Center. All ages are welcome. It's a fun way to get better acquainted with all that Colorado has to offer and it's a great way to get better acquainted with other Mount Olive members.



## Mount Olive Family News

Mount Olive says hello to

We say goodbye to

Jonathan Anderson  
Scott/Lyndsay Johnson  
Mark/Kelly Woolard  
Lyn James

Baptisms

Deaths

Tom Bentz  
Ed Kurz  
Dick Marshall

### Church Staff

Rev. Michael Borgstede, Associate Pastor  
Robin Kurth, Director of Child and Family Ministry  
Rebecca Elmshausen, Director of Music Ministries  
John Elmshausen, Interim Director of Youth and Family Ministry  
Mike Kallas, Operations Manager  
Kaye Cairns, Office Manager  
JoAnn Stibrich, Director of the ECEC  
Larry Kraft, Custodian



### Our Mission Statement

God has called us to **reach** out, **care** for and **build** people toward maturity in Christ.

The deadline for the newsletter is the 10th of each month.

## MISSIONARY IN SOUTH AFRICA

### The Mount Olive Endowment Fund (MOEF)

- ⇒ **Helps aid students**  
preparing for ministry
- ⇒ **Assists in unique  
outreach ministry**  
opportunities in our  
community
- ⇒ **Reaches out in mission  
opportunities** here and  
abroad
- ⇒ **Supports select  
unbudgeted projects** at  
Mount Olive

Kristin Matasovsky started her work in South Africa in December 2012. In her newsletter she wrote:

Moving to South Africa has tested my trust in God. I have been challenged in many ways. But God answered by giving me the peace that comes only from Him (Philippians 4:7). Our all-powerful God was turning my list of impossibilities into reality. ... It has been wonderful enjoying the spring season here and absorbing the culture. I have so much to learn, and look forward to expanding my horizons while I'm here. [Kristin.Matasovsky@lcsintl.org](mailto:Kristin.Matasovsky@lcsintl.org)

A grant from the Mount Olive Endowment Fund (MOEF) was provided for Kristin.

**Request forms for a MOEF grant may be obtained in the Church Office.  
Include the MOEF in your prayers and with gifts, memorials, and in wills.**

The current MOEF Board of Managers include –  
Matt Wallace (Chairman), Orville Geisler, Kristin Neuharth,  
Fred Piazza, Gary Piazza, and Don Berlinski

## LWML

LWML offers small group Bible studies at our **Circle Meetings** each month. They are available on different days and times and meeting places to fit into many of your schedules. The following circles are meeting in March. Questions? Contact Shelley Stewart at 720.217.8076.

**Charity Circle** meets the first Wednesday of the month at Mount Olive, 9:15 AM.

**Faith Circle** will meet March 21, 9:30 AM at the home of Edwina Heiser.

**Glory Circle** will meet March 14, 7 PM at the home of Wanda Johnson.

**Mercy Circle** will meet March 5, 9:30 AM, at Mount Olive in Room 3.

### Save the Date

LWML Spring Event will be Saturday, April 20.

More information to come.

## Easter Lilies

Share your Easter joy by bringing an Easter lily to enhance our worship service.

Please bring lilies to Mount Olive's Library between Monday, March 25, and Friday, March 29.

Lilies may be taken after the late worship service on Easter or left until April 7 when the remaining lilies will be taken to a nursing home.

Please sign up at the Activity Center.



## Eco-Palms



On Palm Sunday, Mount Olive will again be waving Eco-Palms in partnership with Lutheran World Relief. Through this simple act, we help palm harvesters, their families, communities and the environment by: ensuring palm harvesters receive a fair price for their palms; supporting sustainable harvesting practices that protect and sustain the environment; empowering palm harvesting communities, who receive a premium for each palm.

As we rejoice in Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, let us lift up palm harvesters, their families and communities by joyfully waving our Eco-Palms!

## God's Servants - March 2013

<b>March 3</b>	<b>March 10</b>	<b>March 17</b>	<b>March 24</b>	<b>March 31</b>
3rd in Lent	4th in Lent	5th in Lent	Palm Sunday	Easter
<b>Lessons</b> Ezekiel 33:7-11 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Luke 13:1-9	Isaiah 12:1-6 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32	Isaiah 43:16-21 Philippians 3:4b-14 Luke 20:9-20	Deuteronomy 32:36-39 Philippians 2:5-11 John 12:12-19	Isaiah 65:17-25 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 Luke 24:1-12
<b>Elders Saturday</b> Jeff Claxton <b>8:00</b> Kevin Hixson <b>10:45</b> Dave Klekamp			<b>Communion Assistants</b> <b>8:00</b> Larry Bargmann <b>10:45</b> Gary Sliver	
<b>Greeters Saturday</b> Marlene Blesch <b>8:00</b> Bob/Jeanne Borgstede Marilyn Eisenach <b>10:45</b> Elaine Steffen Hilda Wojahn	Sy Harjes  Don/Elaine Berlinski Larry/Nancy Kraft  S/K Dankenbring Tammy Dixon	Jim/Renee Minter  Edwina Heiser Charles/Karen Thies  Hilda Wojahn Caryl Fagerquist	Howell Parker  Pat/Nancy Amore Joe/JoAnn Stibrich  Elaine Steffen Tammy Dixon	Walter/Ruth Pelpechan  Stan/Claudia Humbargar Bud/Lucille McGee  Caryl Fagerquist S/K Dankenbring
<b>Organists</b> K Cairns/R Elmshouser	Diane Asmus	Mark Elmshouser	Marsha Raebel	(7) Marsha Raebel (9/11) Mark Elmshouser
<b>Lay Readers</b> <b>8:00</b> Christina Cateora <b>10:45</b> Dorinda Vaughn-Porquis	Darold Boettcher  Sandi McCoy	Lynn Sattler  Gary Sliver	Duane Asmus  Jim Wert	Easter Schedule  Easter Schedule
<b>Ushers</b> <b>8:00</b> Glenn Krueger, Dave Student, Mike Dunkel, Tim Krabbenhoft, Travis Krabbenhoft <b>10:45</b> Fred Piazza, David Klekamp, Gary Piazza, Bob Swedberg				
<b>Altar Care</b> Lynn Sattler Susan Shellenberger	Donna Bame Christine Pittenridge	Jane Dunn Michele McKinster Danita Myers	Sandy Sall Cindy Meador Emma Sliver Jean King	Easter
<b>Acolytes</b> <b>8:00</b> Kiersten Borgstede Collin Brandt <b>10:45</b> Lauryn Sall	Grant Syverstad Bethany Pierce  Kyra Harmston Josh Bond	Carlie Andrie Nick Martino  Jeff Matney Jason Matney	Jozef Dankenbring Jacobie Dankenbring  Joseph Tappe Gil Tappe	Easter  Easter
<b>Assist Pews</b> Jim Langhofer	Marlene Blesch	Jim Langhofer	Darlene Ommen	Darlene Ommen
<b>Bulletin Helpers</b> S. Fabozzi/J. Kalthoff	Bud/Lucille McGee	Larry Auffert	Walt/Ruth Pelepechan	D. Grahn/M. Hollman

## Food Pantry Friday 9-10 AM

<b>March 1</b>	<b>March 8</b>	<b>March 15</b>	<b>March 22</b>	<b>March 29</b>
Jeanne Borgstede	Kathy Pelepechan	Pearl Johnson	Dorinda Vaughn-Porquis	<b>Not Open</b>