

Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 3, 2022



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"SHARING CHRIST, SERVING THE COMMUNITY"
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Welcome to worship at Mt. Olive, we're glad you're with us today!

As We Gather

With the promise of mercy comes the warning of judgment. That is the message we have heard throughout this season of Lent. In the parable Jesus spoke, the mercy of God is lavish and entirely too generous to be reasonable. God is relentless in His pursuit of us, but those who reject His mercy are condemned to stand alone before the judgment seat. The promise and a warning go together and will always go together until the saving work of God is complete and we live in His presence on high forevermore.

+ WE TURN OUR FOCUS TO WORSHIP +

Welcome

♪ Opening Hymn ♪

Holy, Holy, Holy

Hymn #507

God is with Us

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Salvation belongs to the LORD;

People: Your blessing be upon Your people!

Pastor: I cried aloud to the LORD,

People: and He answered me from His holy hill.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

Pastor: Deliver us, O Lord, from all our sin, and restore us by Your promise.

People: We confess to You, O Lord, that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by the evils we have done and by the good we have not done. We have rejected Your Word as You have sent it to us to call us to repentance and have refused Your mercy. Deliver us from our hardness of heart. Forgive us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Restore us by Your grace, that we may walk according to Your Word and delight in You in our inmost heart. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. To the impenitent and unbelieving I declare that so long as you continue in your impenitence, God will not forgive your sins and will visit your iniquity upon you until you turn from your sinful ways, come to repentance, and trust in the merits of Jesus Christ alone.

People: Amen.

Pastor: May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Prayer for the Day

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness, mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷ who brings forth chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
¹⁸ "Remember not the former things,
nor consider the things of old.
¹⁹ Behold, I am doing a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
²⁰ The wild beasts will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches,
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
²¹ the people whom I formed for myself
that they might declare my praise.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Letter

Philippians 3:8-14

⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends

on faith—¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:9-20

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

⁹ And he began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰ When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹² And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³ Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴ But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ ¹⁵ And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “Surely not!” ¹⁷ But he looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written:
“‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone’?”

¹⁸ Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

¹⁹ The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. ²⁰ So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

Hymnal Back Cover

People: I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

♪ Hymn of the Day ♪

Christ Is Our Cornerstone

Hymn #912

Sermon

Pastor Carlos Hernandez

Prayers of God's People

Pastor: Come, let us offer to the Lord the prayers of our heart, trusting in His mercy to supply all things needful for this body and life and for eternal life.

People: Give to us grace, heavenly Father, that we not reject Christ the cornerstone but build on Him our hopes of salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give to us grace, heavenly Father, that we hear the voice of Your Word, heed the call of the prophets, and faithfully proclaim this Gospel to all the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give to us grace, heavenly Father, that all our leaders guide us according to Your Word in the cause of justice and for the provision of the common good. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give to us grace, heavenly Father, that we repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ our Savior, and show forth in our lives the good works You desire. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give to us grace, heavenly Father, that we find refuge in Your healing wounds. [*Hear us especially for . . .*]. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give to us grace, heavenly Father, that we acknowledge Your goodness and use well all the resources You have supplied us so that Your name be glorified. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give to us grace, heavenly Father, that we who approach the Table of Your Son be worthy in faith to receive His body and blood, bear the fruits of repentance in our daily lives, and live in unity of faith and godly concord. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Additional petitions may be inserted here.

Pastor: Give us grace, heavenly Father, to confess You before the world and at the last to rest our hope upon the promise of the resurrection when we shall dwell together with all the saints, in light and life forevermore; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray.

People: Amen.

Offering

To limit the contact of surfaces, your offerings and prayer requests may be placed in the wooden box on the way to the communion rail.

+ SACRAMENT +

The Preparation 2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is our duty and our delight at all times and in all places to give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and now do we praise You that You did send to us Your only-begotten Son, and that in Him, being found in human form, You did manifest the brightness of Your glory; through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You for Your great majesty:

♪ **Sanctus** ♪ By Dennis Wazac All

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; All glo - ry, love di - vine.
We of - fer You this song of praise; For You have made us Thine.

The Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13 Hymnal Back Cover

People: **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Institution Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Proclamation of Christ 1 Corinthians 11:26, Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Reception

♪ Distribution Song ♪

Lord I Need You

All



1. Lord I come, I con - fess. Bow-ing here, I find my rest. And with-out



You, I fall a - part You're the one that guides my heart. *Chorus*



2. Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more. Where grace is



found is where You are. And where You are, Lord I am free. Ho-li-



ness is Christ in me. Where You are, Lord I am



free. Ho-li - ness is Christ in me

*Chorus,
Solo,
Chorus*



Lord I need You, oh, I need You. Ev - 'ry hour I need You. My

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one de-fense, my right - eous-ness; Oh, God, how I need You.

Post Communion Collect

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, King of glory, and Lord of heaven and earth, by whose Spirit all things are governed, by whose providence all things are ordered, the God of peace and the author of all concord, grant us, we implore

You, Your heavenly peace and concord that we may serve You in true fear to the praise and glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Benediction

♪ Closing Song ♪

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hymn # 425

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives to us in this meal not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may proclaim Jesus death and resurrection until He comes again. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that noted above and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23-24.; 10:32-33.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34. In preparation to reception of the Lord's Supper I invite you to consider these 4 questions: Am I a sinner? Am I sorry for my sin? Do I believe Jesus meets me with His body and blood and forgives me at this meal? Do I desire to live turning from my sin and walking in His ways?

Serving Him this week as...

Worship Leader	Pastor Carlos Hernandez
Elders	Eric Baer, Bruce Betts, Gary Kilbourne, Kyle Swan Jim Rowe, Drew Wilson, and Roger Zittel
Musicians	Mount Olive Gospel Group
Readers	Gary Mark, Gary Kilbourne, Lana Sullivan, Krista Hess, Kyle Swan, Amy Swan
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Service with Communion

Please join us for Sunday service at 10am. We will be following current county mandates regarding face masks at our indoor worship services.

If you are not able to join us in person, our Sunday Services will be available on YouTube or Facebook. You can access the links on our website at www.mountolivefolsom.com.

Bible Study

Men - Saturday at 8am in F-2 - Gary Kilbourne 916-203-7556

Women - Tuesday at 9:30am in F-2 - Inge Rhodes 916-983-0351

All - Sunday at 9am in the Annex - Kyle Swan 916-642-5810

LWML

LWML will be meeting the second Saturday of the month at 10am in the F2 classroom.

Upcoming Youth Fundraising Events

March/April Dates TBD - Spring Yard Clean-up

Excited for Spring but not the yard clean up? WE have helpers for you! The MO Youth would like to come and provide yard clean up help. They are ready to roll up their sleeves and get your yards spring and summer ready! Please let us know of a Saturday mid-March through the end of April that works for you. (The rate will be \$50/hour for the youth clean up team.)

Easter Sunday Pancake Breakfast - April 17

He is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia! Please join us before Easter Services on Sunday April 17 from 7-9:30am in the Fellowship Hall where, for a donation, the youth will serve you a full pancake breakfast. Lead by the Tweets.

Therapeutic Stretch Class

If you have any aches or pains, then join me at my THERAPEUTIC STRETCH CLASS, you will feel better when you leave the class. We will start the class with a fifteen-minute devotional using Jesus Calling and a prayer and end the class with the evening devotional from Jesus Calling. Class will be located in the Annex as follows:

Thursday 3:30 to 4:45 Starting April 7, 2022

There will be no class on the 14TH.

Please wear comfortable clothing to stretch in and bring a mat if you have one. This class is free. If you have any questions, please call Jo Wazac 530-601-8251

Offering Envelopes

If you have not yet picked up your offering envelopes for 2022, please check your member mailbox or call the office to make other arrangements to pick them up.

April Olive Leaf

The Olive Leaf for April is now available. Check you email inboxes or pick up a paper copy on the back counter under the member mailboxes.

Prayer Requests and Praises

Please continue to pray for Janet Kirby who is waiting to hear from doctors what her next steps will be regarding her health. Pray for healing and peace for Janet.

With both flu season and the new Covid variants upon us, please keep our members' health and wellness in your prayers. Pray for protection from sickness and quick healing for anyone who may fall ill.

If you have a prayer request, please feel free to call the office to add it to the prayer chain as well as the Prayer Request/Praise section of the weekly announcements.