

The Morning Worship

Liturgist
Pastor Cornils

The Prelude

9:00 and 10:00 *Fairest Lord Jesus* - - - - arr. Frances L. Callahan
Joy Bells
11:00 and 12:00 *'Tis a Gift to Be Simple* - - - arr. Anna Laura Page
Chancel Ringers

The Processional Hymn - - - - - 413:1, 3, 4

(Please stand as you are able as the pastors enter the Chancel)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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 Litany for Mental Illness

Pastor: Jesus, you have said, "I am the light of the world; those who follow Me will not walk in darkness." Today we follow you and reflect your light, walking beside those who suffer from mental illnesses and brain disorders. We ask you to help us reach out to all who are weighed down with illnesses that we may not comprehend.

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray that the darkness of stigma, labels, exclusion and marginalization might be dispelled by the light of greater understanding, acceptance and respect for the dignity of every person.

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for families and friends who provide support and care. As David ministered to Saul with kindness and understanding, enable us to care for our sisters and brothers who have mental illness.

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: We thank you for the many advances that have been made in the treatment of mental illnesses. We pray for doctors, scientists and medical workers. Grant them perseverance and insight in their search for compassionate care and treatment.

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Strengthen us with your wisdom and guidance. Empower us with your love, patience and understanding to faithfully serve our brothers and sisters who have mental illness. Open our eyes and hearts to the need all around us. Draw us all closer to your kingdom of grace and peace.

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

The Hymn of Praise - - - - - 597:1

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
no merit of my own I claim,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

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, in the cross of Jesus you promise meet us in our struggles to offer us comfort and courage. Encourage us by your presence and send us to care for all those who suffer, on this day remembering especially those who struggle with mental illness. In Jesus' name we pray,
Amen. *(Please sing)*

(Please be seated)

The Epistle - - - - - 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (page 926)

The revelation of God's mercy and grace in the form of Jesus on the cross was not what most people then – or now! – would expect. But hidden in the figure of the suffering Jesus is God's promise to meet us in our places of need and brokenness.

The Gradual Hymn - - - - - 838:1, 2

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee,
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel - - - - - John 1:1-5, 14-18 (page 862)

No one has seen God, but we have seen Jesus, who reveals God's parental love for all the world.

(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 Anthem

9:00 and 10:00 *My Hiding Place* - - - - - Tom Fettke
Cathedral Choir

11:00 and 12:00 *My Wordless Prayer* - - - - - Craig Courtney
Senior Choir

The Welcome

The Offertory *Balm in Gilead* - - - - - arr. Harry T. Burleigh
Brian Ohnsorg, tenor

(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- - - - - 790:1, 3

Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,
bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me
draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,
brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,
where at last I'll find eternal rest.

Oh, what joy to know that you are near me
when my burdens grow too great to bear;
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me,
you will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,
I will reach at last the promised land.

The Sermon **Pastor MacLean**
God Hidden and Revealed: Luther's Theology of the Cross

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

(Please stand as you are able and sing)

The Closing Hymn - - - - - 769:1

If you but trust in God to guide you
with gentle hand through all your ways,
you'll find that God is there beside you
when crosses come, in trying days.
Trust then in God's unchanging love;
build on the rock that will not move.

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 *Grand Choer* - - - - - Theodore Dubois

Director of Worship & Music, *Beverly Clafin*
Principal Organist, *Richard Owen*
Director of Senior & Cathedral Choirs, *Beverly Clafin*
Director of Handbells, *Kate Graber*

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

Soren Finn Rosenow; son of Britta and Zac; Otto Vincent Wiatrowski, son of Margaret and Jacob; Charles Ferdinand Averbeck, son of Sarah and Lee; Seth Parker Singerhouse, son of Noelle and Jay; and Ella Ruth Lansink, daughter of Katie and Dan; 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 Earl P. Belschner on the anniversary of his birthday, given by his loving wife, Gloria, and family.

The flowers by the pulpit are given in loving memory of Jim Cool by his wife, Bonnie, and children, Patrick and Katharine.

The flowers by the lectern are in loving memory of Helene Hyatt, given by Amy Hyatt.

The flowers by the communion rail on the pulpit side are in loving memory of Richard Amundson, given by his family.

The flowers by the communion rail on the lectern side are in loving memory of their granddaughter, Anna Louise Johnson, and daughter, Wendy Johnson Merkel, given by Dennis and Karen Johnson.

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 - Communion Sunday

Sunday morning worship services will be at 9, 10, 11am and 12noon. Pastor Lose will be preaching on "Physical Words: The Sacraments." Holy Communion will be observed during all services. 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.

The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost Mental Health Sunday October 15, 2017

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