

The Morning Worship

Liturgists
9:00 and 10:00am - *Pastor Lose*
11am and 12noon - *Pastor MacLean*

The Prelude *Lamb of God* - - - - - John Behnke

The Processional Hymn - - - - - 324
(Please stand as you are able as the pastors enter the Chancel)

In the cross of Christ I glory, tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,
from the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

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)*

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you. *(Please sing)*

The Kyrie - - - - - Page 138

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy. *(Please sing)*

Pastor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to
the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy. *(Please sing)*

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the
Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy. *(Please sing)*

Pastor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship
and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy. *(Please sing)*

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Congregation: Amen. *(Please sing)*

The Hymn of Lent - - - - - 327:1

Through the night of doubt and sorrow,
onward goes the pilgrim band,
singing songs of expectation,
marching to the promised land.
Clear before us through the darkness
gleams and burns the guiding light;
pilgrim clasps the hand of pilgrim
stepping fearless through the night.

The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you. *(Please sing)*

Pastor and Congregation:

Dear God, you created light out of darkness and raise the dead to life.
Remind us that you are able to do all things and that even death need
no longer cause us fear. In Jesus' name, **Amen.** *(Please sing)*

(Please be seated)

The Lesson - - - - - 1 Kings 17:8-16 (page 282)

*When the prophet Elijah asks for the help of a widow during a famine, he discovers
that she has not even enough food to feed herself and her son. When she refuses the
prophet's request, she learns that the God of Israel is able to provide everything we
need.*

The Gradual Hymn - - - - - 803:1

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss
and pour contempt on all my pride.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel - - - - - Mark 5:21-24a, 35-43 (page 816)

*After receiving Jesus' promise to come heal his sick daughter, a religious leader
named Jairus hears words no parent can endure, "Your daughter has died." But then
he hears Jesus' words of hope and life: "Do not fear, only believe," as he goes to raise
her even from death.*

(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 *Ah, Holy Jesus* - - - - - arr. Arnold Sherman
Chancel Ringers

11:00 and 12:00 *Be Still* - - - - - Mary McDonald
Senior Choir

The Welcome

The Offertory

9:00 and 10:00 *Amazing Grace* - - - - - Sandra Eithun
Chapel Choir

11:00 and 12:00 *It Is Well with My Soul* - - - - - René Clausen
Senior Choir

(Please stand as you are able and sing)

The Offertory Prayer

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free spirit.

(Please be seated)

The Pulpit Hymn- - - - - 843:1, 3

Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light; praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight. Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease, calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ, who suffered in our place; Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done. Praise the one redeeming glory; praise the One who makes us one.

The Sermon **Anna Helgen, Pastoral Associate**
"By Our Side"

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

(Please stand as you are able and sing)

The Closing Hymn - - - - - 840:2

Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all harm in this world and the next.

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 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing - - - Albert Travis*

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 Senior Choir, *Beverly Claflin*
Assistant Director of Senior Choir, *Brian Ohnsorg*
Director of Chapel Choir, *Elaine Sergeant*
Director of Handbells, *Kate Graber*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Aaron Edward Currie, son of Chelsey & Steve; George Delton Jensen, son of Bianca & Christopher; and George Albrecht Anderson, son of Laura & Scott; 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 our daughter, Kelly Phillips, on the anniversary of her birth, given by her parents, Dan and Jane Phillips.

The flowers by the pulpit are in loving memory of Bob Canton, given by his wife, Elaine; children, Sue, Laurie, Steve, Barb and their families.

The flowers by the lectern are in loving memory of Steve Bundul on the anniversary of his birthday, given by his family.

The flowers by the communion rail on the pulpit side are in loving memory of Arnie Skaar on the anniversary of his birth, given by his wife, Carol, and family.

The flowers on the altar in the Serley Chapel are in loving memory of Alan Adair - husband, father and grandfather, given by Jan Adair, Thomas Adair, Jon, Kristi, Jack and Ryan Zentner.

Next Sunday - The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday morning worship services will be at 9, 10, 11am and 12noon. Pastor Lose will be preaching. 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.

Anna Helgen will be officially installed as a Mount Olivet Associate Pastor during the 12noon service at Minneapolis. Welcome Pastor Helgen!

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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 11, 2018

Minneapolis Campus

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