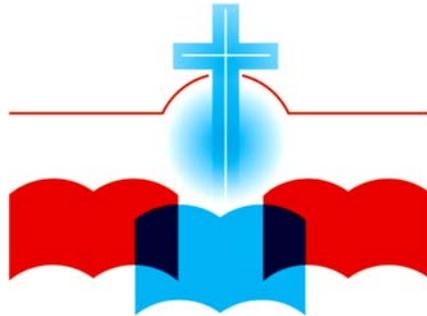


# MESSENGER

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## Back to School

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“It’s that time of year again. Backpacks and crayons are on sale at Walmart. The yellow buses are making their rounds again. Parents are trying to adjust to a new daily routine—and so are their children. It all means one thing: it’s back to school time.

Personally, I like this time of year. Although I certainly enjoy the summer months, with the more relaxed schedule they bring, it’s also exciting to see the halls of our school bustling with students again. There are lots of new names and faces to get to know (50+ new students and four new teachers!). It’s encouraging to think that these students are here not only learn reading, ‘riting, and ‘rithmetic, but also to grow their relationship to a Savior who loves them and has given his life for them. It is that knowledge of God’s love in Christ that makes our children “wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus” (2 Timothy 3:15).

But of course, it’s not just children who benefit from that kind of Christian education. So do

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**From the Pastor’s Pen**

adults, including pastors and teachers. The new school year brings with it a regular diet of morning devotions, weekly chapel services, faculty Bible studies, circuit study clubs, and pastoral conferences.

This year, the Mount Olive pastors will go “back to school” by attending a number of satellite courses offered by Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary on the campus of Fox Valley Lutheran High School. We are looking forward to the chance to deepen our knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and their application for our lives and ministries.

How about you? Have you considered going “back to school” this fall? Could you benefit from a better understanding of what God has to say to you in the most important Book of all?

This month, Mount Olive will again offer a full menu of Bible studies for your personal growth. You'll find everything from a meaningful review of what Lutherans believe and teach (Bible 101) to a deeper dive into our most treasured Psalms (Pray, Praise and Give Thanks), to a practical study of a challenging, yet comforting doctrine (Predestination). In addition, there are studies designed for men, women, seniors, and small groups.

All of these offer not only the opportunity to grow in your faith and knowledge of God’s grace, but also to do so in the company

**Mount Olive Family News**

of fellow believers—people who often have the same or similar doubts, fears, and questions that you have (and who might also offer better comments or real life applications than the leader does!)

The bottom line is this. There is no better time than now to commit yourself to the best kind of ongoing education. Sign up for a Bible class in the narthex on our Mount Olive website at [www.mountoliveappleton.com](http://www.mountoliveappleton.com).

Don't worry, you don't have to bring your crayons or lunch box. Just bring a eagerness to learn and an appetite for the Word!

Eager to grow along with you,  
*Pastor Robb Raasch*



Baptism—May 24, 2019  
Affirmation—August 18, 2019

**Malachi Beschta**

Son of  
Chase and Kelly Beschta



## Mount Olive Family News

## Thank You Note



# September

## BIRTHDAYS

**Carol Frailing**  
September 4

75

**Vivian Huisman**  
September 8

93

**Merlin Stuebs**  
September 13

81

**Donna Woelz**  
September 14  
84

**Shirley Schutt**  
September 18  
90

**Keith Ploetz**  
September 22  
93

**Joan Strelow**  
September 22  
84



A warm thank you to the volunteers that helped sort, date and shelve food items for the Apple Valley Food Pantry. On August 11th, Jeannie Feavel, Bryan & Kris Reising, Megan Beyer, Barb Kempen, Sam, Nathan & Ann Wood, Keegan & Alissa Murphy, Jason & Julie Sieg, Lew & Yolanda Tesch, and Bob & Barb Luedtke organized the many donated food pantry items for distribution to approximately 25 area WELS churches. Mount Olive has always been very generous donating food items and gifts of money to support members going through times of difficulty such as job loss, medical emergency, or any event in which a monthly delivery of pantry items and a grocery gift card would help an individual or family through a challenging time. What a blessing to be able to feed the physical needs along with the spiritual needs of our church families. If you know of an individual or family that would benefit from receiving monthly deliveries, please share their name and situation with one of the pastors.

*Bob & Barb Luedtke*

## Fall Bible Studies



### Spiritual Growth Opportunities

Fall 2019

#### **Predestination: Chosen in Christ**

Why are you a believer and the next person isn't? Was it something in you or something in God that made the difference? God's election, or predestination, is one of the simplest - yet most easily misunderstood - teachings of Scripture. This discussion-oriented Bible study will lead you to a greater understanding of, and appreciation for, your election in Christ!

Leader: Pastor Raasch  
Time: 9:25-10:15 a.m.

Date: Sundays, beginning Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>  
Place: Fellowship Hall

#### **Pray, Praise and Give Thanks**

Believers have treasured the Psalms for more than 3 thousand years. This Bible study will dig into the following psalms: 1, 2, 23, 46, 51, 73, 103, 110, and 139. We'll gain equipment for living by overhearing ancient Israelite songs written by God himself.

Leader: Pastor Nathan Wordell  
Time: 9:25-10:15 a.m.

Date: Sundays, beginning Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>  
Place: Church Sanctuary

#### **Bible 101**

Do you ever feel like it's time to get back to the basics of the Bible? Do you feel unequipped to answer even the fundamental questions people ask about your faith? Are you interested in learning more about what the Bible teaches, and what our church believes? Interested in becoming a member of Mount Olive? If any of these questions describe you, then **Bible 101** is for you! This relaxed, conversational study will meet on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings with the same session being taught on both of those days to give people the flexibility to attend whichever session best fits their schedule.

Leader: Pastor Prieue

Place: 8<sup>th</sup> grade room

Date/time: Sundays, beginning September 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:15-10:15 a.m. or  
Thursdays, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

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**Fall Bible Studies****The Book of Hebrews**

Christians persevere! That is the message of the book of Hebrews. This book offers God's people an excellent review of God's plan of salvation. It opens the door to a greater understanding of Old Testament prophecies. To study the book of Hebrews broadens one's knowledge of Old Testament history and worship as well as emphasizes that all people are saved by grace alone in Christ. This mid-morning Bible Class continues to gather new faces and old friends for a bite of pastry, a cup of coffee, and a thought-provoking discussion of God's Word.

Leader: Pastor Zank      Date: Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 9:30-10:30 a.m.      Place: Fellowship Hall

**Breakfast Bible Study**

This early-bird special offers a bite of the Bread of Life along with your cup of coffee or stack of pancakes. Join us at Mary's Restaurant as we discuss how the God's timeless truth still impacts our everyday lives.

Leader: Pastor Raasch      Date: Tuesdays, year-round  
Time: 6:30-7:30 a.m.      Place: Mary's on North Richmond

**Men's Bible Study**

Where does a man go to grow in his role as a Christian husband, father, man of God? Where can he be intellectually challenged, spiritually fed, genuinely encouraged, and yet still receive a bit of good natured ribbing? The answer: Mount Olive's Men's Bible Study. Before you do anything else on Friday, stop in to recharge your batteries with your brothers in Christ.

Leader: Paul Kolell      Date: Fridays, beginning Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 6:30-7:30 a.m.      Place: Fireside room

**Authentic Christianity**

This monthly women's group will read through the book *Authentic Christianity* by Gene Vieth. The Lutheran tradition embodies a framework of Christianity that uniquely addresses the postmodern condition. It does so not by making up a new approach to church or to the Christian life. Rather, it does so by being confessional, sacramental, and vocational.

Leader: Kathy Kolell      Date: First Saturday, beginning Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 8:30 a.m.      Place: Copper Rock on Edgewood Dr.

**Life Groups – Applying God's Word to Life**

Various sessions available throughout the week. See a pastor for details.

**SISTERS Small Groups**

This eight-week Bible study will explore how the Holy Spirit changes people through the uncomfortable delays of life—waiting for test results, a child, a life-changing decision to be made. Learn more about this Bible study series on page 11.

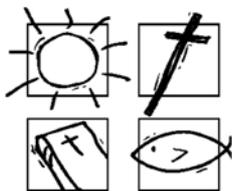
**Sunday School**

**Sunday School begins  
September 8th  
9:15-10:15 a.m.**

Join us for another exciting year of Sunday School on Sunday, September 8th. In Sunday School, we'll dive into God's Word with Bible story learning, review, and activities. Students go beyond basic learning with a variety of activities that reinforce the lesson. With crafts, games, music, drama, and more, each Sunday will bring a fun way to remember and reinforce what we've learned.

Register for Sunday School online at [www.mountoliveappleton.com](http://www.mountoliveappleton.com). There is no cost to attend, materials are provided at no cost, and membership is not required. Everyone is welcome!

Questions about our Sunday School program? Contact Pastor Wordell at [pastor.wordell@mountoliveappleton.com](mailto:pastor.wordell@mountoliveappleton.com) or at 920-739-9194.

**FFC**

**Families Focused on Christ  
September 8th  
4-6 p.m.**

Families Focused on Christ (FFC) is a new family initiative being developed at Mount Olive. Our first family event will take place on September 8th from 4-6 p.m.

At the event, you'll hear more about our Families Focused on Christ initiative, learn how to receive Pastor Wordell's home devotions, eat pizza, and enjoy fellowship with other families.

Please bring along your children ages 3K-8th grade for organized, fun activities.

All are welcome! Please invite family and friends to join us at our first Families Focused on Christ event. Register online at [www.mountoliveappleton.com](http://www.mountoliveappleton.com).

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*Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.*

Proverbs 22:6



## Summary of Council Meeting on August 19, 2019

President Kolell called the meeting to order.

Pastor Wordell lead the devotion, *Romans 8*.

### **Minutes**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the July Council minutes. Motion carried.

### **Membership Changes**

#### **Transfer In**

- M/M Ryan (Angela) Anderson (2 children) from Trinity Lutheran, Neenah, WI
- M/M Matthew (Shayne) Clausen (1 child) from Beautiful Savior Lutheran, Fayetteville, NC
- Reagan Clausen from Beautiful Savior Lutheran, Fayetteville, NC

#### **Transfer Out**

- M/M Michael (Kari) Mapes to St. Peter Lutheran, Freedom, WI
- Carson Mapes to St. Peter Lutheran, Freedom, WI
- Macy Mapes to St. Peter Lutheran, Freedom, WI
- M/M Todd (Sandy) Secor (3 children) to Immanuel Lutheran, Greenville, WI

#### **Release**

- M/M Mark (Jamie) Ellis

#### **Remove**

- Jordan Dahlke

A motion was made to approve Membership changes. Motion carried.

### **Pastors' Report**

- Pastors will be attending satellite seminary courses at FVL on October 21-23.
  - Cost will be paid by Pastoral education budget.
  - No travel will help reduce costs.
- There is a WELS leadership event in Chicago in January. *continued*

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**Church News****Pastors' Report continued**

- Life Groups are starting; leader training will be offered.
- Pastor Wordell
  - Visited non-WELS students coming to Mount Olive.
- Pastor Zank
  - Back from Synod convention

**Board Reports**

- A Families Focused on Christ event is scheduled for September 8th.
- We are running out of classroom space. What is our next option for more space in the next couple years?
- Mount Olive will be at Oktoberfest again this year. Please sign up to volunteer.
- Our Fall Festival will be October 26th, with Trunk or Treat and Chili cookoff events.
- One- year call windows will open for three teachers starting on October 15th.
  - We are looking ahead to next year and putting together a plan for early October.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the board reports. Motion carried.

**July Financial Report (First month of our Fiscal Year)**

A motion was made and seconded to approve financial report. Motion carried.

**Mount Olive Vision**

- No updates.

**Ministry Plan Calendar**

- We are patiently waiting for updates.

**Building Expansion**

- No updates.

**Announcements**

- The next council meeting will be held on Monday, September 16, 2019
- There will be a Voters' meeting on Tuesday, October 15th at 7 p.m. in the church.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Gregory M. Schmidt, Secretary*

## Church News



## Featured This Month

### Adult Nonfiction

*The Questions Christians Hope No One Will Ask: (With Answers)*  
by Mark Mittelberg.

Presented here are the top ten inquiries that Christians most fear being asked by non-believers. These questions were obtained through a national poll conducted by the Barna Group, a Christian polling firm based in Ventura, California. Objections to faith include evolution, abortion, homosexual practices, pain and suffering, and hell, among others. The author is careful throughout the book to remind readers that the purpose of any conversation with those who have objections is not to win arguments but rather to win hearts. The real mission is not to convince people they are wrong about this or that issue but to lead them to Christ, who can transform their lives, not just change their minds.

### Child Nonfiction

*Colors I See in Church,*  
by Julie Stiegemeier.

Each page of this board book describes a different color used in the various worship ceremonies throughout the year. A simple one sentence description tells how these colors relate to Jesus and to each of us. Ages 2 - 5.



### To Protect Your Privacy

Before placing materials back on the shelves, the librarians blot out your name and phone number entered on the card when you check out materials.

### Our Church Library's Internet Link

To find our library online, click the "Member's Page" heading on [www.mountoliveappleton.com](http://www.mountoliveappleton.com). Within the "Quick Links" section, select "Church Library Access." You will be taken to the church library's website where you can do a custom search or click the "New Materials" button to see what's been recently added to the library.

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Return all materials to the "Book Return" slot at the check out counter.  
**Come check us out!**

**Church News**

## Roll Out the... Egg Rolls!

On Saturday, August 10th, over a dozen members of our Mount Olive family gathered in the fellowship hall to do mission work in Hanoi, Vietnam. How? By making egg rolls from the Hmong family recipe of our second grade teacher, Petra Thao. It was the “genuine article”. Several members of Petra’s family also joined in to help!

Rolling out the eggrolls is part of our joyful support of our mission partner, for 2019, the WELS Hmong Outreach in Vietnam. We want to help reach the \$2 million goal to acquire land (done!), cover construction costs (underway), and fund initial operating costs of the theological training facility in Hanoi, Vietnam.

Petra would like to thank all the egg roll “eaters” as well: “THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped us with the eggroll sale! Without your time and dedication, we would not have been able to make this fundraiser successful. Thank you also to our Mount Olive families and friends for ordering eggrolls! We received positive and immediate feedback from members who even asked if we had extra eggrolls! That was truly exciting for us!

We ended up selling over 1,000 eggrolls which raised \$1750.00 for our mission partner!” We cannot wait to see how God will bless his people in Vietnam through these generous gifts. To him be the glory!

*Mount Olive Mission Partner Committee*



Sarah Sehloff, Joan Mueller, Petra Thao and Kerri Kleist

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*Connecting People with Missions and Missions with People*



# SISTERS

## **Annual SISTERS In Christ Retreat—Saturday, September 7th**

The Annual SISTERS In Christ Retreat takes place on Saturday, September 7th from 8:15–11:00 a.m. This year, we're going to have a little different format. We'll start our retreat off with a brunch! Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. in the Atrium followed with a brunch in the fellowship hall. Enjoy some egg bake, muffins, fruit, coffee, and juice while visiting with the other attendees. Our program will start at 9 a.m. with a prayer and then follow up with our presenters. Our theme for this year is "Praise God for a Living Hope," based on Philippians 4:6— *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.*

Our presenter, Pat Freer, will be discussing, *Lord I was "hoping" for a different journey! How do we continue to hope in turbulent times?* In this presentation, we will discuss dealing with the diagnosis of a life-threatening disease and the difference between what we hope for in this life in contrast to the "Living Hope" in our Savior Jesus Christ.

Please RSVP for the retreat by September 5th so enough food can be prepared. Sign-up through the Mount Olive SISTERS Facebook Page or on sign-up sheet located in Atrium. There will be a free-will offering at the retreat.

## **SISTERS Fall Bible Studies**

### **Waiting: A Bible Study on Patience, Hope and Trust**

This eight-week Bible study will explore how the Holy Spirit changes people through the uncomfortable delays of life—waiting for test results, a child, a life-changing decision to be made. Each of the eight chapters focuses on a woman in the Bible and her story of waiting. From Sarah to Martha, the stories of these biblical women will be applied to readers' lives. Contact the following leaders to enroll:

- Beth Flatau (920-213-0780) - Tuesdays in her home - Start date September 17<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m.
- Leah Needham (920-205-5743) - Wednesdays at church - Start date September 18<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m.
- Kerri Kleist (920-740-5901) - Wednesdays in her home - Start date September 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

**Group News**

Summer is almost gone and many of us still have memories of a great international convention in Des Moines, IA. Now it's time to share all the ideas and things we learned.

Mount Olive's Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) is once again looking forward to a busy and exciting year of "sharing Jesus with the world" through home and world missions. The theme for the year will be "2020 Vision for Missions, We live by faith, not by sight," 2 Cor. 5:7.

At each meeting, we will be sharing articles from the new Prayer Calendar which have been written by missionaries and their wives serving in the United States and overseas. We'd love to have you join us for an hour of mission news, mission projects, and wonderful fellowship.

Our first meeting is on September 10th at 6:00 p.m. in the Mount Olive School library. We'll spend a little time talking about the recent annual convention in Des Moines, IA, and share news of the upcoming rally in Sturgeon Bay on October 26, 2019. We'll also talk about some program ideas for the 2019-20 year with you.

Praise God for the wonderful opportunity we have to serve him through LWMS.

Upcoming dates to remember:

**September 10, 2019—LWMS meeting, 6:00 PM, Mount Olive school library**

October 8, 2019—LWMS meeting with guest speaker, 6:00 PM, Mount Olive teen room

October 26, 2019—Paperland Circuit Fall Rally at St. Peter, Sturgeon Bay

November 12, 2019, 6:00 p.m.—“Girls’ Night In” Missions/Mount Olive School work night

June 25-28, 2020—LWMS International Convention, Athens, Georgia

**2020 Vision  
for Missions**

**We live by faith,  
not by sight**

**2 Cor. 5:7**

Group News

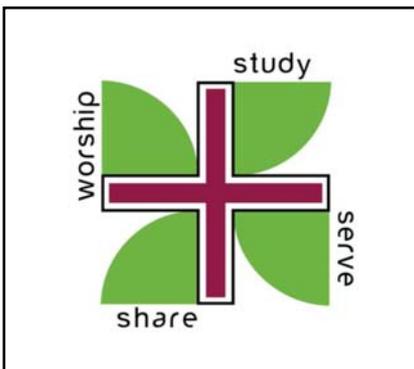


# Ladies Aid

Ladies Aid is an organization for women of all ages. We enjoy fellowship and service for our congregation and the Lord. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month but do not meet in January or July. Our meetings take place in the afternoon to make it easier for some of our older members to attend. Please consider attending as a guest or joining Ladies Aid. We would love to welcome you.

Our next Ladies Aid meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 4th, at 1:30 p.m. in the Mount Olive Fellowship Hall.

**Please join us for Christian fellowship on Wednesday, September 4th, at 1:30 p.m. in the Mount Olive Fellowship Hall.**



## ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild's next meeting is Monday, September 16th at 1:30 p.m. in the Teen Room.

**September Team**

- Marion Hinz
- Bonnie Krueger
- Mary Vick
- Edith Priebe
- Sue Behnke

AN OUTREACH OF YOUR WELS UNITED CONGREGATIONS

**Sunday, September 15th**, is our September collection date. The groceries collected at Mount Olive are delivered to the Apple Valley Food Pantry, housed at St. Matthew, Appleton. Bags of groceries are then prepared and delivered to needful families in our congregation and community.

If you would like to assist with this ministry of love, please contact Bob Luedtke (731-0968).

Please consider donating this month to the Apple Valley Food Pantry.

## Mornings with Mommy



Do you have children preschool age or younger?

Are you looking for a fun, creative, and educational experience for your child?

Would you like to spend time with other moms?

***If so, join us at Mornings with Mommy!***

Mornings with Mommy is a unique blend of story time, playdate, and learning center that combine to meet the needs of young children.

### Upcoming Sessions



**September 6**

**Things that Go**



**September 20**

**At the Farm**

**Pack your diaper bag and join in the fun!**

Register at [www.mountoliveappleton.com/mwm](http://www.mountoliveappleton.com/mwm). The cost is \$3/family/session. Space is limited to 20 children. Our sessions take place in the

Mount Olive Teen Room. Sign-in begins at 8:15 a.m. For more information, contact Casie Liebhard at [mwm@mountoliveappleton.com](mailto:mwm@mountoliveappleton.com).

## School News



# Mount Olive Lutheran School

## Mustang News

Volunteers play a big part in keeping the many programs of Mount Olive School running smoothly. Special help is needed for the school's hot lunch program. Parents, grandparents, and retirees—if you can afford to give about 2 1/2 hours of your time, the kitchen team could use your to help serve the hot lunch to the students. For more information and scheduling, please call Stacy in the school office at 739-9194.



### September 2

No School—Labor Day

### September 12

ELC Parents Workshop, 5:30 p.m.

CEA Parent Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

### September 25

Community Parents Night - “*Screenagers*,” 6:30-8 p.m. @ FVL

### September 27

Staff Day - No School

### **Community Parents Night—Watch a special screening of *Screenagers***

Are you watching kids scroll through life, with their rapid-fire thumbs and a six-second attention span?

Physician and filmmaker Delaney Ruston saw that with her own kids and learned that the average kid spends 6.5 hours a day looking at screens. She wondered about the impact of all this time and about the friction occurring in homes and schools around negotiating screen time-friction she knew all too well. *Screenagers* reveals how tech time impacts kids' development and offers solutions on how adults can empower kids to best navigate the digital world and find balance.

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**Mount Olive Evangelical Lutheran School assists parents with Christian training of children for life and eternity, provides academic excellence in the light of God's Word, and reflects the light of Jesus in the community and beyond.**

**FVL News****FVL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT TO THE  
FEDERATION****August 2019****FVL MISSION**

Fox Valley Lutheran High School, in partnership with families and Federation churches, provides students with a Christ-centered education, preparing them for lives of service and for eternity.

**SCHOOL NEWS**

- The 2019-20 school year begins soon! Interim Principal Alan Nolte will greet students at the orientation days on August 19-20. The first day of school is August 21st. Mission Advancement Director Jeff Loberger will be assisting Mr. Nolte in school leadership responsibilities during the year. The FVL Board of Regents is looking to receive a proposal from a special ad hoc committee on FVL's future leadership structure in August. This would allow any needed recommendations to go to the General Board in September.
- Enrollment for the year looks to be in the range of 670. More information will be shared on the exact numbers in our September report. This year could mark the largest enrollment ever at FVL!
- This school year 205 students received vouchers through the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. This is up from 172 in 2018-19. What a blessing for our families to be a part of this program!
- Repair work has been completed on our vandalized soccer and football fields. We are looking forward to hosting home games on campus this fall!
- LED lighting has been installed in the FVL Commons to save energy and provide brighter lighting for this much-used space. New doors have been installed at both main entrances to maintain campus security.
- FVL's 2nd Annual Giving Day is set for Tuesday, September 17th. The goal will be to raise needed money for the *Let the Children Come* mortgage payment due at the end of October. The annual payment amount is \$475K and the FVL Federation currently needs to raise another \$260K to meet that responsibility. Gifts can be given online, through the mail, or in person. Your gift is needed! Donate online at [fvlhs.org](http://fvlhs.org).

**STAFFING NEWS**

- Our new faculty members Mrs. Katelynn Dorn (Science), Mr. Matthew Foxen (English), Mr. Seth Jaeger (Phy Ed), and Miss Sarah Emmrich (Guided Studies) will be installed in our opening service on the morning of Wednesday, August 21.
- Mrs. Krista Davis has been named Interim Director of Operations after the departure of Mrs. Martha Baldwin who has taken a position at Pillars, Inc., an Appleton non-profit that assists the homeless. *continued*

## School News

### STAFFING NEWS (continued)

- New Business Office staff members are Mrs. Tammy Fick (Business Manager) and Mrs. Jenny Koch (part-time Business Office Assistant). Mrs. Dawn Stiller is the new Guidance Office Assistant.
- Enrollment Assistant and FVL Schools Promotions Coordinator Mrs. Rylee Kohls has stepped down and interviews are taking place to replace her position in the FVL Enrollment Office

### COCURRICULARS

- The fall sports seasons begin soon and coaches are looking forward to strong participation numbers again this fall. Check [fvlhs.org](http://fvlhs.org) for game times and locations.
- FVL Homecoming will take place the week October 7-12. Special alumni events are planned at the football game on Friday, October 11th and on campus the morning of Saturday, October 12th.
- FVL Theatre's fall play will be the family favorite *Cheaper by the Dozen*. Public performance dates will be October 17 (7 p.m.); October 19 (4 p.m.); and October 20 (2 p.m.) Watch for ticket info in mid-September.

### FINANCIAL UPDATE

- Congregational offerings for operations totaled \$103,235 for June and \$924,732 for the year. The annual commitment was \$983,101.
- Contributions to *Let the Children Come* stood at \$225K at the end of July. Our October 31st payment is \$475K. We need your generous gifts to meet this deadline for the FVL Federation.
- FVL's SCRIP program is looking ahead to another strong year of helping parents use purchases of everyday items to help drive down tuition costs. Everyone who makes use of the SCRIP program helps provide tuition assistance to many families. Please consider helping others by using SCRIP.

With You, Serving Jesus -  
Principal Alan Nolte



### Holy Land Tour



You are invited to join a 10-day tour to the Holy Land. The tour dates are April 28th-May 7th, 2020.

Many places of the Bible will "come alive" for you...Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Sea of Galilee etc. The tour host will be retired pastor Eugene Kock, who has been to the Holy Land twenty-seven times.

For more information, please contact Pastor Kock at [pastorkock@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorkock@yahoo.com).



### Divorce Care



DivorceCare® is a thirteen-week course designed to help adults heal from the pain of divorce and separation. Using video teaching and group discussion, this class has been a huge turning point for people walking the road of divorce recovery. If you walked through a divorce recently or many years ago, this group can help you heal from those hurts in a biblical and gentle way.

DivorceCare will be hosted by Immanuel-Greenville. The next session will take place Tuesdays, September 17th-December 17th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The cost is \$20 for the workbook.

DivorceCare® support groups are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. You will learn how to heal from the deep hurt of divorce and discover hope for your future.

To register, call 920-757-5639 or visit [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org).



## Tuition Assistance



*Mount Olive*  
Lutheran School

### Tuition Assistance Fund

Families who seek financial assistance to provide for their children's education at Mount Olive Lutheran School receive support from contributions to the Tuition Assistance fund. Through your support to this fund, we were able to provide assistance of \$18,568 to families who have applied for financial aid.

On-going contributions are needed to help us continue to provide assistance each school year. Your continued support of Mount Olive's Tuition Assistance fund will help give children the opportunity to receive an academically excellent education and instill Christ-centered values that will stay with them throughout their entire lives.

Please prayerfully consider contributing to Mount Olive's Tuition Assistance fund. In your September offering envelopes, you will find a designated Tuition Assistance fund envelope.

Whatever you are able to give will be greatly appreciated and make a difference!

WITH AN  
**EDUCATION**  
**impact**

## Memorials & Gifts



**Memorials  
& Gifts**

### FORWARD IN FAITH

- \$40.00** Pat Bellin, Lori, and Luanne in memory of their mother and grandmother, Margaret Rehfeldt
- \$25.00** Lillian Court in memory of Ed Court
- \$60.00** Pam Gruber in honor of Merlin & Elaine Putz's 60th wedding anniversary
- \$40.00** Kaleb & Abby Farragh in memory of their great-grandmother, Margaret Rehfeldt
- \$25.00** Family & friends in honor of Merlin & Elaine Putz's 60th wedding anniversary
- \$25.00** LaWellyn & Yolanda Tesch in memory of William Lemke
- \$25.00** Nancy Wunderlich in honor of Merlin & Elaine Putz's 60th wedding anniversary

### HMONG OUTREACH

- \$600.00** Family & friends in memory of Bob & Claire Weimer's son, Luke

### SCHOOL DESIGNATED

- \$1000.00** Fred Zwicker in memory of his mother

### WORKER TRAINING

- \$200.00** Lois Hoenecke in memory of Doris Sehloff



**SCRIP**

**Mount Olive SCRIP is a fundraising program for everyone who wishes to support Mount Olive's ministry.**

School has begun and that means that our SCRIP Desk is switching back to regular hours. We are open on Mondays and Fridays before and after school as well as on Sundays between the services. If you have not enrolled in SCRIP yet, take some time to talk with one of our volunteers to learn more about the SCRIP program, its benefits, and new online shopping options. Start using SCRIP today!

**SCRIP DESK HOURS**  
**MONDAY & FRIDAY**  
 7:45-8:15 A.M. & 2:45-3:15 P.M.  
**SUNDAY**  
 9:10-9:25 A.M. & 10:10-10:25 A.M.

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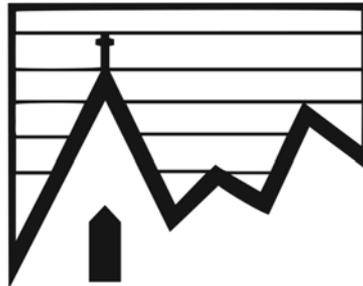
**More information about Mount Olive's SCRIP program can be found at:**  
[mountoliveappleton.com/scrIP](http://mountoliveappleton.com/scrIP).

## Financial Update



Mount Olive's  
**FINANCIAL UPDATE**  
 July 2019

- July offerings were \$33,551 **lower** than budgeted.
- Tuition was \$22,707 **higher** than budgeted.
- Other income was \$12,497 **lower** than budgeted.
- Total income was \$23,341 **lower** than budgeted.
- Total expenses, before FVL/Synod distributions and WPCP reserve allocation, were \$10,063 **lower** than budgeted.
- The net loss for July, including FVL/Synod distributions of \$20,448 was (\$40,696). This compares to a budgeted loss of (\$27,419) before the WPCP contingency expense of \$10,025 is calculated.



## Financial Update

# Mount Olive Evangelical Lutheran Church

## Appleton, Wisconsin

### GENERAL FUND INCOME STATEMENT

*For the YTD ending July 31, 2019*

	Actual	Budget		
	Year to Date	Year to Date	Variance	% Change
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
Offerings	97,660	131,211	-33,551	(25.57)
Tuition & Fees	27,162	4,455	22,707	509.70
Other Income	2,503	15,000	-12,497	(83.31)
<b>Total Revenues:</b>	<b>127,325</b>	<b>150,666</b>	<b>-23,341</b>	<b>(15.49)</b>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>				
Operating Expenses	147,574	167,662	-20,088	(11.98)
FVL/Synod Distributions	20,448	20,448	0	0.00
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>168,022</b>	<b>188,110</b>	<b>-20,088</b>	<b>(10.68)</b>
<b>General Fund Cash</b>	<b>-40,697</b>	<b>-37,444</b>	<b>-3,253</b>	<b>(26.17)</b>
<b><u>Transfers</u></b>				
Transfers In	0	0	0	0.00
Transfers Out	0	0	0	0.00
<b>Total Transfers:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>-40,697</b>	<b>-37,444</b>	<b>-3,253</b>	<b>0</b>

### COMPARATIVE GENERAL FUND INCOME STATEMENT

*For the YTD ending July 31, 2019*

	2019	2018		
	4 weeks	4 weeks	Change	% Change
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
Offerings	97,660	125,226	-27,566	(22.01)
Tuition & Fees	27,162	3,646	23,516	644.98
Other Income	2,503	15,089	-12,586	(83.41)
<b>Total Revenues:</b>	<b>127,325</b>	<b>143,961</b>	<b>-16,636</b>	<b>(11.56)</b>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>				
Operating Expenses	147,574	123,136	24,438	19.85
FVL/Synod Distributions	20,448	20,750	-302	(1.46)
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>168,022</b>	<b>143,886</b>	<b>24,136</b>	<b>16.77</b>
<b>General Fund Cash</b>	<b>-40,697</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>-40,772</b>	<b>(28.33)</b>
<b><u>Transfers</u></b>				
Transfers In	0	0	0	0.00
Transfers Out	0	0	0	0.00
<b>Total Transfers:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>-40,697</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>-40,772</b>	<b>0</b>

**Volunteer Schedules**

# September Schedule



## USHERS

### September

#### Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Gary Meyer, Captain  
 Glen Vick, Todd Lettau,  
 Tony Hess, John Knapp

#### Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Mark Toll, Captain  
 Mark Tollefson, Paul Kolell,  
 Scott Rademacher,  
 Glen Lueddecke

#### Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Jesse Vander Heyden, Captain  
 Ken Richmond, Justin  
 Slominsky, David Gauvin, Derek  
 Kritzer.

#### Monday 6:00 p.m.

John Hoh, Captain  
 Bruce Thede, Roger  
 VandenLangenberg



## AUDIO-VISUAL TEAM

### September

- 31 - Alex Krueger
- 1 - 8 a.m. - Josh Lecker
- 1 - 10:00 a.m. - Noah Schuff
- 3 - Doug Van Straten
- 7 - Steve Priebe
- 8 - 8 a.m. - Cody Manske
- 8 - 10:30 a.m. - Jerry Evansen
- 9 - Scott Krueger
- 14 - Erick Nason
- 15 - 8 a.m. - Micah Medema
- 15 - 10:30 a.m. - Noah Schuff/  
Gabriella Schmidt
- 16 - Doug Van Straten
- 21 - Connor Graham
- 22 - 8 a.m. - Zach Thede
- 22 - 10:30 a.m. - Gabriella Schmidt
- 23 - Aaron Tollefson
- 28 - Kenzie Mielke
- 29 - 8 a.m. - Josh Lecker
- 29 - 10:30 a.m. - Autumn Kaddatz
- 30 - Scott Krueger

Volunteer Schedules

# September Schedule



**Sept. 1** 8 a.m. - Richard & Kay Van De Weghe, Lynn Page  
10:00 a.m. - Thomas & Lori Kriplean, Martin & Linda Dalke

**Sept. 8** 8 a.m. - Dorothy Lee, Richard & Marion Hintz  
10:30 a.m. - Jaqueline Dorow, Doug Mantei

**Sept. 15** 8 a.m. - Judy & Bailie Korth, Tom Ermers  
10:30 a.m. - Corey & Jamie Zorowski, Darwin & Irene Hinz

**Sept. 22** 8 a.m. - Mark & Carol Schmidt, Louise Ebert  
10:30 a.m. - Steve & Liana Collins, Glen & Mary Vick

**Sept. 29** 8 a.m. - Mark & Deb Toll, Kent & Charlayne Kiesling  
10:30 a.m. - Bryan & Jennifer Hass, Randall & Valerie Kruescher



**Sept. 1** 8 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.  
Ed Stern  
9:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Elaine Bartel

**Sept. 8** 8 a.m. - 10 a.m.  
Schroeder Family  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Connie Bode, Sarah Raasch

**Sept. 15** 8 a.m. - 10 a.m.  
Medema Family  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Randy & Kristin Kohlsteadt

**Sept 22** 8 a.m. - 10 a.m.  
Gloria Krenger, Karen Thomas  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Connie Bode, Norene McKown

**Sept. 29** 8 a.m. - 10 a.m.  
JoAnn & Jenni Klemp  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Mike & Louise Kesting



# UPCOMING EVENTS

See Inside for Details

- September 2 - Church Office Closed & MOL School—No School
- September 2 - No Evening Worship Service (moved to Tuesday)
- September 3 - Regular Church Office Hours Begin (M-F 8 a.m.-4 p.m.)
- September 3 - Worship Service w/ Lord's Supper (Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.)
- September 4 - Ladies Aid Meeting (1:30 p.m.)
- September 6 - Mornings with Mommy—"Things that Go"
- September 7 - Mount Olive SISTERS In Christ Retreat (8:15 a.m.)
- September 8 - Regular Church Service Hours Begin (8am & 10:30am)
- September 8 - Sunday School (9:15 a.m.)/Bible Classes (9:25 a.m.) Begin
- September 8 - Bible 101 Sunday Morning Class Begins (9:15 a.m.)
- September 8 - Families Focused on Christ (FCC) Event (4-6 p.m.)
- September 10 - LWMS Meeting (6 p.m.)
- September 12 - MOL School—ELC Parents Workshop (5:30 p.m.)
- September 12 - MOL School—CEA Parents Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- September 12 - Bible 101 Thursday Evening Class Begins (6:30 p.m.)
- September 13 - Men's Bible Study Begins (6:30 a.m.)
- September 15 - Apple Valley Food Pantry Pick Up
- September 16 - Altar Guild Meeting
- September 17 - SISTERS Bible Studies Begin
- September 20 - Mornings with Mommy—"At the Farm"
- September 25 - Community Parents Night—"Screenagers" (6:30 p.m.)
- September 27 - MOL School—No School
  
- October 5 - "Authentic Christianity" Bible Class Begins
- October 8 - LWMS Meeting w/ Guest Speaker (6 p.m.)
- October 26 - Paperland Circuit Fall Rally
  
- November 12 - "Girls' Night In" Missions/Mount Olive Work Night



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