



# The Loop

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

"Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever." Amen.

## Second Sunday after the Epiphany

- Isaiah 62:1-5
- Psalm 128
- 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
- St. John 2:1-11



### *Our Church Members*

Ellen Stumer, Lenore Sande, Kathie Ruesch, Charlie Thies, Karen Thies, Darlene Ommen, Marylynn Skeehan, Lois Schliske, and Kathy Pelepchan.

Jim Ellenberger, recovering from surgery.

Pam McClain, for health issues.

Alice Harris, recovering from hand surgery.

### *Our Friends and Family*

Roger, Diane Asmus' brother, who was injured in a fall and has pneumonia. We also pray for Diane and Duane as they travel to be with Roger.

Roxanne, Nancy McWhirter's sister-in-law, recovering from surgery.

Bev Findley's brother, who is fighting an infection.

Bob Wood's son, Ryan, for healing.

Elizabeth Belier, daughter of Rita and John (Trinity's birth mother), as she is having complications with her pregnancy.

### *Those Mourning*

Peace and comfort for the friends and family of

## NEW CHRISTMAS TREE

A new Christmas tree for the Sanctuary has been purchased to replace the 30-year-old tree that has, sadly, seen better days. This is a slightly smaller but more manageable tree and will still fill the area that it currently occupies. This tree has been generously paid for courtesy of the Mt. Olive Wanderers.

However, the funds in the Christmas Decorating budget have been depleted so we are asking for donations to replenish these funds for future purchases. Checks should be made out to Mt. Olive and designated to "Christmas Decorations."

Thank you to all who came to decorate and undecorate Mt. Olive and to the Wanderers for purchasing a new tree for our Sanctuary!

Blessings,  
Kathy Leising, Sandra Sall, Natalie Sowl, Keith Einspahr

## Wanderers

The Mt. Olive Wanderers announce two tours for 2025.

Pigeon Forge & the Smoky Mountains  
(9 days/\$1415 ppdo)  
April 26-May 4.

Atlantic City, Cape May, and Philadelphia  
(11 days/\$1805 ppdo)  
September 12-22.

Detailed information is available in the Wanderers' notebook at the ARK.

Questions? Please call Phyllis Eifler, 303-333-6893.

Joanne Dahmer, former member of Mount Olive, at her death on January 3rd.

Peace and comfort for the friends and family of Anita Schulenburg, who passed away on December 18th.

Peace and comfort for Karen Montross at the loss of her mom.

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## God's Servants

This Sunday: January 19, 2025

### Ushers

Mike Brown  
Dennis Opl

### Greeters

Phyllis Eifler (10:45)

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## CHILDREN'S Sunday School

Children are welcome to join us each Sunday morning at 9:30.

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### Youth Confirmation

Our youth confirmation class meets on Sundays from 12-1:15 pm.

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### Bible Talk

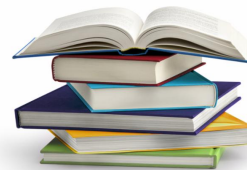
Join us on Wednesdays at 10 am.

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Back to the 1960's potluck  
Saturday, February 8, 2025  
Noon

Mt. Olive's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration



### Book Club

We meet the first Wednesday of each month from 5:45-6:45 pm. Please join us.

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*Shelterwood* by Lisa Wingate

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*Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus

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*The Sewing Girl's Tale: a Story of Crime & Consequences in Revolutionary America*  
by John Wood Sweet

Questions? Please contact Jennifer at  
[djcjklekamp@msn.com](mailto:djcjklekamp@msn.com) or 303-564-8531.

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### Help make Mt. Olive Beautiful!

The MOLC Landscape Committee needs plain corrugated cardboard (i.e., no shiny pictures) to smother existing grass along our Iliff Avenue face so that new plantings will be able to "take". Please ask for cardboard at grocery stores, restaurants, and elsewhere. Please remove tape and labels by applying a wet rag for about an hour, and leave it at the west end of Mt. Olive, by the pallets.

Thank you! And be looking forward to a more beautiful Mt. Olive this spring.

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continues with a 1960's potluck on Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Parish Hall. In the 1960s, it seemed like every church event included a potluck. So, bring your favorite potluck dish (if it's a recipe from the 1960s, that's even better). Dress in 1960s clothing – bell bottoms, vests, tie dye, flower power etc. We'll listen to 60s music, and we might even try to dance The Twist, The Mashed Potato or The Locomotion.

Come join us for some groovy fun. We're going to party like it's 1965!

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## Year-Round Gift Ideas

You can help us collect items year-round for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Click [here](#) for a month-by-month guide.

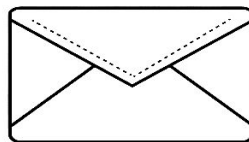
January suggestions: hats, gloves, and scarves

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## Hearing Amplifiers

Hearing amplifiers are available to use during the worship service. Headphones or earbuds can be used depending upon your need. Pick up and drop off the devices by the hearth. Headphones and earbuds will be cleaned weekly after use. Each amplifier has a universal port if you wish to plug in your own headphones or earbuds. Contact Kristine Van Dyke for assistance or questions.

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## Giving Envelopes

If you use Giving Envelopes, please check your mailbox for your 2025 envelope box. If you want to use Giving Envelopes, please contact Kathy Pelepchan at [finance@mtolc.org](mailto:finance@mtolc.org) or call 720-837-6816. We have 13 extra boxes of



## Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Feb 15<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 8:50-4:30 pm  
Augustana Homes  
(5088 E. Dakota Ave, Denver, CO 80246)

Please check out the website for our Holy Hammers group:  
[www.holyhammersdenver.com](http://www.holyhammersdenver.com)

To volunteer, please visit this link:  
<https://vhub.at/HolyHammers>

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The church office will be closed on Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

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## AURORA INTERFAITH COMMUNITY SERVICES

Donations of non-perishable items for the food bank can be placed in the bin in the coat closet. Thank You!

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Address: 11453 E Wesley Ave., Aurora, CO 80014

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Questions? Comments? Click "reply" to The

envelopes for use. Thank you!

Loop email to contact the church office directly.

[Give Online](#)

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Please send items to be included in The Loop by 1pm each Wednesday to [office@mtolc.org](mailto:office@mtolc.org)

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