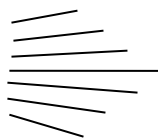




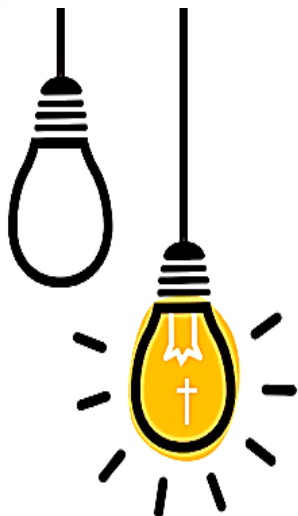
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VOICE



The monthly newsletter of Our Savior Lutheran Church
1103 N Broad St., Mankato, MN 56001

JULY 2024



Wisdom's Workshop

True Wisdom is Found in Christ

Woodworking Edition

Join us as we grow in the wisdom and understanding found in God's word and learn basic woodworking skills as we craft two projects.

Kids 3 years of age to the beginning of 6th grade
July 29-31, 6-8 PM, and free dinner will be provided starting at 5:15 PM
No cost for participating

Our Savior Lutheran Church
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Please register no later than July 22nd at
www.oslcmankato.org/vbs

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Office hours are Monday through Friday (except holidays) from 8:00 am to noon and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Unless there is an activity or event taking place, please use the Broad Street entrance by the mailbox.

In case of emergency or urgent need, our pastor is available at all hours and all days by calling his cell phone. Please use the office phone for other business. Please also remember that Sunday morning and other worship times are not for bringing church business to other members or staff but for focusing upon the Word and gifts of God. "The seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work." - Exodus 20:10

“Faithful are the wounds of a friend;
Profuse are the kisses of an enemy.”
-Proverbs 27:6

Everyone loves to hear themselves complimented. We like to hear others say how great we are. In fact we enjoy it so much that we do not even give much care if our complimented knows what they are talking about! In this proverb the Lord warns us that our craftier enemies will be well aware of this all too human weakness and they will exploit it to our harm.

Contrast that kind of behavior with that of a true friend. It is all too difficult to tell our friends things that we know they do not want to hear. It is uncomfortable to criticize in meaningful ways the ones we love and it is perhaps even more uncomfortable to receive meaningful criticism from those who are near to us. The Lord here is instructing us to wisely hear and value the criticism we hear from those who care for us (and prudentially offer it to them in return!) while discounting or discarding the compliments that our enemies might use to butter us up.

This proverb is a wonderful illustration of how our Lord treats us. While our world (which is our enemy) would simply affirm us in all our ways and all our thoughts and tell us that we are perfect just the way we are, that is not what the Lord does. The world would affirm you and encourage you to only affirm the actions of others only because the world does not really love you. The Lord on the other hand truly does love you. That is why He calls you to repent. He urges you by His Word to turn from your wicked ways, to amend your life, and to receive instead His ways of life and salvation. All this our Lord does out of His fatherly divine goodness and mercy and because in truth He is your dearest friend.

Planning Council

Minutes of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Mankato
May 14, 2024

Members Present: Dan Gahler, Zak Tess, Valerie Elliott, Rob Hobbs, Steve Annis, Judd Schultz, Judy Hendley, Joel Maunula and Pastor Adam Matheny.

Members Absent: Bev Clark, Doug Haeder, Denise Painter, and Missy Schultz.

1. President Dan Gahler called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.
2. Opening Prayer was lead by Pastor Matheny.
3. There was no public/congregational Presentation.
4. Bible Study: Luke 5 led by Zak Tess. Next month will be Luke 6.
5. Additions/Approval of the Agenda: Motion made and seconded to amend the agenda to add under New Business item A: Summer Worship Schedule and item B: Second Pastor's Office Remodel, motion carried.
6. Council Minutes: Motion made and seconded to approve the April 9, 2024, Planning Council minutes as presented, motion carried.
7. Pastor's Report: Pastor Matheny noted confirmation went well.
8. Treasurers Report: President Dan Gahler presented the April report from Doug Haeder, noting the proper accounting entries for the additional payments toward long term debt. Motion made and seconded to approve the April Treasurer Report as presented, motion carried with one vote opposing. February and March reports will be brought to the next Council meeting.
9. Unfinished Business
 - A. Discuss undesignated donation of \$6,000 tabled from last month: Discussion centered around the use of donation for building improvement(s). Motion made and seconded to approve use of the donation

for the second Pastor's office remodel project, motion carried.

B. Reminder of May 19th Voters' Meeting

C. Update on Call committee progress: Judd Schultz reported the Call committee received the list from the District President, have started virtual interviews with candidates and will present the committee's top choices at a special meeting.

10. New Business

A. Summer Worship Schedule: Judd Schultz presented the summer worship schedule of Matins 8:00am - 8:30am and Divine service at 9:00am with fellowship time between services. The schedule would start the first Sunday in June and continue through Labor Day. Motion made and seconded to adopted the summer worship schedule as presented, motion carried.

B. Second Pastor's Office Remodel: Motion made and seconded to proceed with second Pastor's office remodel in the similar style of the first Pastor's remodel, motion carried.

11. Board Sharing: Trustees: Replacing water heater for kitchen. Elders: No additional items. Endowment: Reviewed investment position, which will stay the same; applications for scholarships are due July 15th and missionary currently supporting will be retiring. Education: youth meeting went well, future activities to be planned, VBS will be 3 days and 2 hours each evening and looking at summer Sunday school for families. Deacons: not presented.

12. Closing Prayer: Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

13. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. Next meeting is June 11, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Valerie Elliott, Secretary
OSLC Planning Council

Planning Council

Minutes of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Mankato June 11, 2024

Members Present:, Zak Tess, Doug Haeder, Valerie Elliott, Rob Hobbs, Steve Annis, Denise Painter, Judy Hendley, Joel Maunula, Rhonda Prince and Pastor Adam Matheny.

Members Absent: Dan Gahler, Judd Schultz, Bev Clark, and Missy Schultz.

1. Vice President Zak Tess called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.
2. Opening Prayer was lead by Pastor Matheny.
3. There was no public/congregational Presentation.
4. Bible Study: Luke 6 led by Zak Tess. Next month will be Luke 7.
5. Additions/Approval of the Agenda: Motion made and seconded to approve the agenda as presented, motion carried.
6. Council Minutes: Motion made and seconded to approve the May 14, 2024, Planning Council minutes as presented, motion carried.
7. Pastor's Report: Pastor Matheny pleased with how Sunday summer schedule is going.
8. Treasurers Report: Doug Haeder presented the revised February and March reports and May report and answered questions. Motion made and seconded to approve the revised February and March Treasurer Report as presented, motion carried. Motion made and seconded to approve the May Treasurer Report as presented, motion carried.
9. Unfinished Business
 - A. Update on Call committee progress - Pastor Matheny provided an update, noting all candidates have been interviewed and the next step is a Special Voters' Meeting.
 - B. Status of Warranty on Organ - Tabled

- C. Update on 2nd office remodel - Steve Annis provided update, project is progressing well.
10. New Business - None
 11. Board Sharing: Trustees: Replacing water heater in kitchen next week; painting from roof project is complete; insurance premium has increased; and looking at sump pump improvements. Endowment: Have not received any scholarship applications yet and adopt a student (at seminary) is graduating, plan to continue to be part of program. Education: VBS will be July 29-31 and July 10th plan to advertise in the neighborhood. Deacons: Need volunteers for Sunday donuts and coffee; August 23rd blood drive; church picnic was successful; meals for VBS already set up and August 25th is block party. Elders: not present.
 12. Closing Prayer: Closed with the Lord's Prayer.
 13. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm. Next meeting is July 9, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Valerie Elliott, Secretary
OSLC Planning Council

Voters' Meeting

Our Savior Lutheran Church of Mankato
Sunday May 19, 2024
Attendance 43

1. The meeting was called to order by President Dan Gahler at 11:48 am.
2. Opening Prayer was led by Pastor Adam Matheny.
3. Motion Made and seconded to approve the agenda with the removal of the words Annual Review after Treasurer's report. Motion Carried.
4. Motion Made and seconded to approve the Minutes of the January 21, 2024, Voters Meeting and the Minutes of the April 14, 2024, Voters Meeting. Motion Carried.

5. Pastor Adam Matheny reported that the summer worship schedule is changing as follows effective June 2, 2024, through September 1, 2024, 8 am we will have the order of Matins at 8 am, followed by a period of fellowship (Coffee) with Divine Service at 9 am, a bible class will follow allowing families to be “built together”.
6. The Treasurer’s report was presented by Doug Haeder, we have used some specific donations to pay down our mortgage. He also reminded the congregation that his term of office is up this year and if you or someone you know could do the job to please speak with him.
7. Unfinished Business:
 - a. The roof repair was finished in January 2024 and is now totally completed. What is not is the fund-raising portion we need about \$3500.00 to complete that.
 - b. Denise Painter reported on the Art Project, they have met with the artist to work out final details, he will start in June working in the chapel, a schedule will be posted so you may come and watch the progress and ask questions. The \$4000.00 down payment has been made, the total cost of the project is covered by donations.
 - c. A call Committee update was presented by President Dan Gahler, interviews are being conducted and we should expect to have a special voters meeting in June 2024 to start the call process.
8. We closed by all standing and saying the Lord’s Prayer.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM by President Dan Gahler.

Respectfully Submitted
Mel Hendrickson
Acting Secretary, OSLC Planning Council

Treasurer's Report Commentary Period Ending May 31, 2024

Income and Expense Summary

	Current Month	Y-T-D
Income	\$31,252.23	\$234,173.16
Operating Expenses	-\$45,465.51	-\$244,830.85
LCEF Mortgage Principal Payment	-\$1,055.19	-\$11,195.75
Net for Period[†]	-\$15,268.47	-\$21,853.44

[†]Positive net value indicates we received more than our expenses, a negative number indicates that we have spent more than we have received for that period (deficit).

Cash Summary

	Amount	Notes
Checking Account	\$30,845.07	Daily checking account Pioneer Bank
Savings Account	\$204,510.71	Interest Savings account Pioneer Bank
Joyful Response	\$1,961.59	Joyful Response deposits and loan payments
Library Fund	\$20,107.12	Certificate of Deposit
Accounts Receivable	\$0.00	
Total Cash Assets	\$257,424.49	
Dedicated Accounts	-\$167,134.83	Amount of our cash balance designated for specific activities
Other Liabilities	-\$5,154.52	Accruals for HSA pmts, youth, etc.
Available Cash Balance	\$85,135.14	\$100,403.61 last month

Long Term Debt (LCEF Mortgage)

Current Balance	\$209,819.50
Monthly Payment	\$1,845.99
Interest Rate (Variable Annually)	4.500% (Aug. 2023-Jul 2024)
Pay-off Date (Pay-off Amount)	7/2036 (\$6,260.83)

Additional Comments:

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Haeder, Treasurer



The church office will be closed
Thursday, July 4th
in observance of Independence Day.

In Memoriam

John Scott Kawell

April 12, 1955 ~ May 25, 2024

Accessions & Losses

Accessions:

Ted Nibbe; Faith Lutheran Church, Branson, MO; LCMS;
June 11, 2024

Losses:

Seth Hoscheit, Hudson (age 5); Released by request, no
transfer; May 28, 2024



Wedding

Lisa Ann Harstad & Mark Lloyd Wellner

June 22, 2024

Bible Study Circles

- WELCOME ALL -

,A new day in July for Ruth/Lydia Bible Study Circle. We will gather together to study God's Word in the second Thursday, Thursday, July 11th with refreshments at 9:30am in the Fireplace Room. At 9:45am our study will be "Speak the Truth in Love", pages 16 and 17 in the Summer Quarterly.

Mary Circle Bible Study: Watch the bulletin for date of our next meeting. Guests and visitors always welcomed!

The Summer Quarterly is in the Narthex for you. The summer theme is "Growing in Christ's Love" Ephesians 4:15-19.



The Our Savior's book club meets from 4:30-6 in the fireplace room on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. We read good books and then discuss them together from our shared Lutheran perspective. This month we will

continue our discussion of Willa Cather's *Death Comes for the Archbishop*. We will read pages 127-173 for our July 14th meeting and pages 174-226 for our July 28th meeting. If you have questions or interest in any of this please speak with Pastor Matheny.

TSNT meets Sunday
July 14th and 28th at
6:30pm in the

Fireplace room. We
will begin with time

in God's Word, and then play games together. All
youth in grades 7 - 12 are invited!



Men's Bible Study



ATTENTION MEN! The men of Our Savior gather in the fireplace room on the second Thursday (July 11th) from 7:30-8:30 of each month for study together. If

you are interested in this please speak with Pastor Matheny.



Articles for the August 2024 VOICE are due by Friday, July 19th at 4pm. You may drop-off submissions in the office, or e-mail to: contact@oslcmankato.org.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Our Savior Endowment Fund has scholarship money available for students in our congregation who will be attending CCA this fall. Scholarship money is also available for post secondary student members of our congregation who plan to pursue a career in full time church work.



Application forms need to be completed and submitted to the church office by July 15, for the upcoming academic school year. Forms are available in the church office. Please contact Rob Hobbs, chairperson of the Endowment Board, at 507-340-6313, if you have questions or need more information.



“It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High” Psalm 92:1

Summer Special Music! - Volunteers are needed during the summer months to provide special music for our worship services. If you have any interest in providing special music, please contact Suzie Gangi.

Blessings,
Suzie Gangi
suzie@oslcmandato.org
507-341-4173



507-317-4127.

If you would like to knit or crochet a shawl, there is yarn available, call Marcella.



Thanks to Pastor Matheny and everyone for the prayers and support for my brother, Wallace Meyer, as he came to the end of his earthly life recently. The past two years of his life were a great challenge for him, and we are grateful he is now in his heavenly home.

God bless you all -
Ron Meyer

Potluck Dinner & Bible Study

Are you looking for an opportunity to get to know your brothers and sisters in Christ at Our Savior better? Would you like to share a good meal and enjoy interesting conversation? Would you like to study God's Word in a relaxed environment where you are free to ask tough questions and get the feedback of a knowledgeable and experienced group? Then the Potluck Bible study is for you! We gather on the fourth Thursday of each month (July 25th) at 5:30 in the fireplace room to share a potluck meal together. Then at 6:30 we read God's Word together.

Let's Invite the Neighbors!



Help us get the word out to our neighborhood about our new VBS format called Wisdom's Workshop. On July 10 at 6:30pm, we'll distribute invitations by hanging them on doorknobs. We could use your help. A bigger group will make things go quickly, and we'll end with a snack.



Ladies of Our Savior

"Walk in Love" . . . as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us . . . Ephesians 5:1-2

Look forward to an exciting report from our delegates to the convention. If only all the ladies from Our Savior could have attended!! Our Savior delivered 48 boxes to the Orphan Grain Train, Gifts of the Heart. Thank you everyone!

Volunteers (*your name here*) needed to bring ideas and offer to plan activities. Serve the Lord with Gladness.

Many changes for the LWML! Report coming by August. Read about New Endowment Fund in WOM.

Thanks for Mites. New boxes available, including children boxes. Are you a missionary?

The June/July *Lutheran Witness* has Christian reading and faithful encouragement. Thanks be to God for His people serving with Gladness. Are you serving with Gladness? What a blessing. See the article in the Minnesota South insert by Lisa Kamreth on page 4 - Serving with Gladness! Yes, these articles have meaning for us. Have you heard the statement "I began reading and couldn't stop"? Thanks be to God for the written world!

Bible Reading Plan - July

After the Fall, something new entered our world – pain and suffering. There became pain in childbirth and pain in working the ground. Both could be described as pain in labor. In the Bible, pain often refers to something not just physical but includes more of a deep emotional sense. We may use the word suffering in this way. It could be either or both. Think of the things Job endured – loss of family, in his own body, and the scorn of others. He hurt. Think of the suffering that Jesus went through – the reject in addition to the physical. Pain and suffering is a part of our earthly life.

The Bible describes the worst pain as a woman in labor. War is described as the beginning of birth pains for the end times. A time of enduring and straining. The rich man wants Lazarus to ease his agony in hell. Heaven is the place where the suffering ends. There is relief. In the meantime, the Church labors for new children to be welcomed into the Kingdom. For the Christian, suffering is temporary and may be part of our witness.

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Mission Service

Mission Service will meet on Wednesday, July 17th at 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and help with the projects.

Able Light - Developmental Disabilities (Bethesda)



AbleLight

600 Hoffman Drive
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800-369-4636

www.ablelight.org

Lutheran Bible Translators
monthly calendar in the
Mission Center for you.



Orphan Grain Train + Orphan Grain Train
Dedication & Convention

2024. Friday, September 13th at New Servant Center, 606 W. Phillip Avenue, and Saturday, September 14th at Midtown Event Center, 1102 Riverside Blvd, Norfolk, NE 68701. Includes meetings. What about an overnight trip to Norfolk? Coordinator needed. Call Trudy at 507-327-7082. For more information go to www.ogt.org.

POBLO - *People of the Book Lutheran Outreach Ministries*
Prayer requests:

- For USA that the Lord may heal our land
- Ministry outreach and growth
- Missionaries in the front lines
- Christians persecuted around the world
- Churches in America



Watch Our Savior's Sunday Worship



Our Savior's Sunday 8am and 10:30am worship is livestreamed. Go to: www.oslcmankato.org and click on the "Livestreaming & Videos" menu item. From there you can go directly to YouTube to watch the service, view the Order of Service, and keep up with church activities in the Bulletin Announcements.

Watch Tuesday at 7pm or Wednesday at 2pm on the Public Access Channel KTV (Consolidated Communications channel 507, Spectrum Cable channel 181).



LWML Mites

Mites for Missions

Mite Sunday is July 21st

July focus is on two mite grants:

#13 Water and the Word, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya, \$80,000. This grant will help provide clean water and pastoral care to students in 12 rural elementary schools. To learn more, visit www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-13.

#16 Care for Street Children of Western Kenya, Capstone Ministries, \$50,000. Capstone Ministries helps reunite street boys with their families, and provides emotional and spiritual counseling to the parents. To learn more, visit www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-16.

Minnesota South District new Mite Grant projects were adopted along with a new 2024-2026 goal. The delegates will report on this in future publications.

The monthly District Mission Gift Project is the Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran Mission Church of Southern Minnesota. To support this and other district missions, go to: www.mnsdistrict.org/donate



Our Savior's is sponsoring a blood drive on Friday, August 23 from noon to 5pm. Schedule your donation appointment now on the Blood Donor App or online at www.redcrossblood.org.

The need for blood is critical in the summer. All who donated at our April drive are eligible to donate again. Please consider helping with this life saving mission!

Psalms Workshop
July 8 – 10
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Truman

How should we read the Psalms? How are they organized and why are they so important for worship and pastoral/diaconal care?

Explore the Psalms with Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Pulse from Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne.

To register, go to: <https://ctsfw.regfox.com/ce-2024-truman-minnesota>



Young Adult
Volunteers for 2025
LCMS Youth
Gathering

YAVs serve as role models and servant leaders at the LCMS Youth Gathering while working in the convention center, stadium, hotels, and off-site events. The YAV application opens July 15 and will remain open through December 31, 2024.

For more information go to:

<https://www.lcmsgathering.com/volunteer/#YoungAdultVolunteer>

Young at Heart / S.A.G.E.S.

Young at Heart is Our Savior older adult ministry and
Saints Alive Growing Ever Serving

(S.A.G.E.S.) is the District older adult ministry (50+)

LHM Lutheran Hour Ministries

LLL Lutheran Layman's League



(S.A.G.E.S. = Saints Alive, Growing, Ever Serving)

Representatives are encouraged from each congregation and also each circuit.

The new S.A.G.E.S. officers, Secretary, Ernie Freudenburg, and Vice President, Pat Urban, will be installed at the August 6th Minnesota South Board Meeting to be held at Peace Lutheran, 514 Freedom Drive, Arlington. Interested in attending? We can carpool. Contact Trudy, 507-327-7082. Lunch served after the 10am – noon meeting.

Planning for the 2025 Gathering on the first Monday and Tuesday of May is in process.

Thanks to all the supporters of Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) with your prayers, financial support, and more.

www.lhm.org • www.mnsdistrict.org/sages

Pray for us calendar is in the Narthex.





“We are each created in God’s image regardless of our abilities. He has called us to be His witnesses in the world. We are blessed for life – that we might be a BLESSING – glorifying Him in all we do. Because He has redeemed ME, my response to His everlasting love is to seek to do His will in all things and seek to serve. All His children, regardless of age (pre-born to wise with age), could seek to share God’s love with each and every soul God has created.”

*Lori Solyom, Director of Development
Voice of Care*

A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life ~

www.lutheransforlife.org

From the Stewardship Committee: *The Rewards of Godliness*

It’s no secret that you can’t bribe your way into heaven. No amount of good works will impress God enough to open heaven’s door for their sake. “For the wages of sin is death” (Rom. 6:23) and the person who “keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it” (James 2:10). Rather, salvation is “the free gift of God ... in Christ Jesus” (Rom. 6:23).

So, your good works won’t earn you the reward of heaven. But does that mean that there are no rewards at all? Consider what the Small Catechism says in the “Close of the Commandments”:

What does God say about all these commandments?

He says, “I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third

and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments.” (Ex. 20:5–6)

What does this mean?

God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands. (SC II)

God promises to bless you in keeping His commandments. What might these blessings be? Well, consider what Paul says about keeping the Fourth Commandment: “Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ‘Honor your father and mother’ (this is the first commandment with a promise), ‘that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land’” (Eph. 6:1–3).

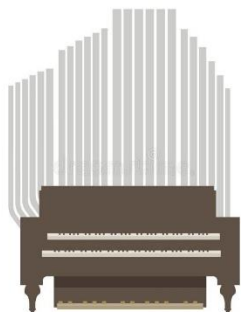
And think about what your life would be like if you went around stealing (breaking the Seventh Commandment), telling lies about people (breaking the Eighth Commandment), and generally being cruel to those around you (breaking all the commandments!). That is obviously not a blessed way to live. In fact, you’d be miserable living that way.

And Jesus says more about what is in store for those who make sacrifices for His sake: “Jesus said to them, ‘Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of Man will sit on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for My name’s sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life’” (Matt. 19:28–29).

So don’t grow impatient in doing good. Follow the Lord who has freely given you everlasting life.

Heartland LCMS Singles Retreat

Join us at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca (near Iowa City, IA) the weekend of July 19-21 for a time of indoor and outdoor recreation, Bible studies, fellowship, and the opportunity to meet other Lutheran singles from the Midwestern states. The conference is open to ages 21-41. \$100 per person for two nights and four meals. Please register at <https://www.faithwinterset.org/registration/>



Summer Noontime Organ Recitals *Tuesdays at 12:10pm in Mankato*

The Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is pleased to present its annual Summer Noontime Organ Recitals each Tuesday, 12:10pm, through August 13.

The series begins the month at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau Street, Mankato, with performances by:

- David Mertesdorf on July 2nd
- Grace Kunkel on July 9th

Midmonth the series moves to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 South 2nd St with performances by:

- Thomas Andrews on July 16th
- Kaleb Schmidt on July 23rd
- John Stender on July 30th

The recitals are free and open to the public. Visit www.agosiouxtrails.org for more information.

Summer Sunday Morning Schedule

Through September 1, 2024

8:00 Matins

8:30 Coffee/Fellowship

9:00 Divine Service

10:00* Bible Class

10:00* Summer Sunday School

**Following the 9am service*

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July 2024

Our Savior Lutheran Church, Mankato, Minnesota

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
	6:30 Early Bird Bible Study Pastor Matheny vacation	5:15 Board of Education 5:30 Board of Trustees 6:00 Board of Elders	10:00 Early Bulletin Deadline	Independence Day Office Closed		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
8:00 Matins 8:30 Coffee/Fellowship 9:00 Divine Service 10:00 Bible Class 10:00 Summer Sunday School	6:30 Early Bird Bible Study Lisa @ Ft. Wayne	10:00 Staff Meeting 1:00 Tuesday Bible Study 6:30 Planning Council	6:30 Door Hangers	9:00 Private Confession 9:30 Ruth/Lydia Circle 10:00 Bulletin Deadline 7:30 Men's Bible Study		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
8:00 Matins 8:30 Coffee/Fellowship 9:00 Divine Service 10:00 Bible Class 10:00 Summer Sunday School 4:30 Book Club 6:30 TSNT	Endowment Fund Scholarship Deadline 6:30 Early Bird Bible Study	10:00 Staff Meeting	4:00 Mission Service	9:00 Private Confession 10:00 Bulletin Deadline 7:00 Young Adult Bible Study	4:00 The Voice Deadline	
Mite Sunday 21	22	23	24	25	26	27
8:00 Matins 8:30 Coffee/Fellowship 9:00 Divine Service 10:00 Bible Class 10:00 Summer Sunday School	6:30 Early Bird Bible Study	10:00 Staff Meeting 1:00 Tuesday Bible Study		9:00 Private Confession 10:00 Bulletin Deadline 5:30 Potluck Meal / Bible Study		
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
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