

Program for the Week of April 27 – May 4, 2025

Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Confirmation Reception
10:30 Divine Service – Confirmation
1:00 Fireplace Room Rental
4:30 Book Club

Monday:

9:00 Quilting

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

Wednesday:

1:30 Endowment Board
4:45 Introductory Bell Choir
5:30 Handbell Choir
6:00 Meal

6:45 Devotion

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
9:00 Courtyard Committee
10:00 Bulletin Deadline
10:10 Ruth/Lydia Circle

Friday: *Office Closed*

11:00 Westerlund Visitation
1:00 Westerlund Funeral

Saturday:

Sunday

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Sunday School
10:30 Divine Service
6:00 Open Gym/Game Night

Chancel flowers are provided in honor of our Confirmand, Charlotte Doering.

Sunday Matins is sponsored by Don & Karen Fischer in appreciation of their children and grandchildren.

Quilting meets Monday, April 28th from 9am to noon in the Quilting room (#124/126). Join us to sew tops, middles, and backs together and then tie. No experience is necessary.

The Courtyard Committee will meet Thursday, May 1st at 9am to start spring clean-up. Please join us! - Cindy, Bev, Gretchen

Ruth/Lydia Bible Study meets Thursday, May 1st at 10:10am for fellowship. Bible study starts promptly at 10:25 – 11:35. Our study is “Confessing what we believe” on pages 14 and 15 of the Spring *Quarterly*.

Our Savior’s has been showing love for 75 years and we continue to do this. Check out the tree in the narthex with random acts of kindness ideas attached. We invite you to take one and show love by doing that act of kindness. This will continue throughout the year so we can show love all year long!

Our Savior's is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, May 19th from noon to 5pm. You may schedule your donation appointment now on the Blood Donor App or on-line at www.redcrossblood.org (enter: OSLCMankato) or call the church office, 507-385-2180. Save a life! Donate blood.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in May, please contact Judy Mensing, phone 507-387-4908.

National Youth Gathering Fundraiser: Join Our Savior's youth for some pizza and fun at Pizza Ranch on Monday, May 12th from 4:30 – 8pm, 1551 Tullamore Street, Mankato. The youth earn 10% of all sales and all donations go directly to our youth. We would like to thank everyone who came out in February to support us. We made \$305.04 from the sales percentage and \$361.37 in donations! Thank you for your support! If you have any questions, please contact Rhonda Prince at 507-521-0690.

Prayer Shawl: If you, or someone you know, may find comfort in a Prayer Shawl, please call Marcella B. Eilders, 507-317-4127.

S.A.G.E.S. is collecting cards: Cheer, Thinking of You, Comfort, and Notecards. A box will be in Mission center for cards that are in your card stack that you haven't used or will not be used. Please bring them in by April 30th. Thank you.

Watch our services on YouTube, livestreamed, or view later at your convenience. Access from our website www.oslcmankato.org or from YouTube (www.youtube.com), search for our channel, oslcmankato.

Your copies of the Spring (April – May – June) Quarterly and (District News) WOM are in the Narthex for you to take today.

Lutheran Witness: MN South Supplement: The April 2025 Edition of the Lutheran Witness contains the MN South District News insert. Pick up a copy in the narthex, or view district website, <https://www.mndistrict.org/publications>.

Thank you, from the youth of Our Savior's for supporting our fundraisers at Easter. We raised \$205 on the Easter Garden and \$654 donations were received for the Easter Breakfast. Your generous support is greatly appreciated!

For you in Mission Center and the Narthex: News from Synod, District, Local churches, and Newsletters from LCMS.

E-News for the ladies, go to: <https://mnslwml.org/newsletters> (this is the Minnesota South site), or <https://lwml.org> (this is the national site.)

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "Gates of Glory" features Thomas, who recounts his experience and doubt and belief as he meets the risen Jesus. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Brent Klein from Trinity Lutheran Church in Northfield, who will present a message titled "Locked Doors" based on Acts 5:12-32, Revelation 1:4-18, and John 20:19-31. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

Listen to KFUE.ORG, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. All programs are archived at www.KFUE.org for 24/7 on-demand listening. Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week we wrap up our study of 2 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am) and continue straight on into a study of 1 Kings! On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am), we continue our study of Genesis, discussing chapters 10-13. Don't forget to tune in on Friday (May 2nd at 11am) for Free-Text Friday, Thy Strong Word's "wild card" episode, which airs on the first Friday of every month!

Book Of Philemon Bible Study... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of Philemon. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

SAGACITY – S.A.G.E.S. Quarterly newsletter for April – June is available in the narthex or on the district website. [Pick up your copy now.](#)

One Voice for Public Policy – "The Continuing Assault on the Constitution and Parental Rights in Education". View online at: <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/public-policy> or pick up a copy in the narthex.

Growing in God's Grace: The Winter Quarterly or LWML website for the LWML National Convention., www.lwml.org/convention. Delegates to the National Convention "Growing in God's Grace", in Omaha, Nebraska on June 26-29, 2025 will be Miriam Elbert and Rachel Hinz from Immanuel, Gaylord. Plans to stream Convention for us at Our Savior's coming soon.

ALL Our Savior Members may VOTE: The new ballots for Mission Grants have now been completed with **42** choices. These are posted in Mission Center by the door so you (ladies of Our Savior) can choose the ones you would like our delegates to vote for. The clip board is on the counter for you to vote and votes will be given to the delegates.

District: www.mnsdistrict.org **Church:** www.oslcmankato.org,
www.facebook.com/oslcmankato, www.youtube.com **LWML:** www.lwml.org,
www.mnslwml.org

SAGES = Saints Alive Growing Ever Serving. **SAGES Gathering XXXV** – Overcoming Life's Sorrow, May 5-6, 2025 at Country Inn & Suites, 1900 Premier Drive, Mankato. Key note speaker: Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing. Banquet entertainment. Gracenotes Family. Registrations sheets are in the narthex. Check this out! Men – women – single – married, all older adults you know (50 and up)!! Workshops and their titles and information are in the Sagacity. Are you a SAGE? Learned and ready to share God's word of comfort. **Registration is closed. There may be a waitlist.**

Peace Lutheran's annual Women's Luncheon. Saturday, May 17, 2025. Will be held at 514 Freedom Dr., Arlington. Cost is 25\$ per person. www.peacearlington.org

St John's Willow Creek will be having a Soup and Sandwich Fundraiser for the cost of our furnace on Sunday, April 27th from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Kinship Radio 2025 Women's Conference at Hosanna Lutheran Church will be on May 3rd. Get your tickets at www.kinshipradio.org.

The Center for Apologetics and Worldviews - Annual Apologetics Conference. "UNSURPASSED CHRISTIAN APOLOGISTS." The Legacies of John Warwick Montgomery, C.S. Lewis, and Early Church Apologists. June 18 - 19, 2025, at Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato. This conference is FREE to attend, but please register at www.apologeticscenter.org/events.

Basic LERT Training: LCMS Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) training equips you to serve with confidence and care so you're ready when disaster strikes. Training will be Saturday, May 10th from 9am – 2pm at Cross View Lutheran Church, Edina. Cost is \$20 per person (age 14 and up). For more information or to register, go to: www.bit.ly/EdinaLERT . Questions? Contact Rev. Kristian Bjornstad, 507-369-8705.

New LCEF District Vice President, MN North & South Districts, Vincent Grochow, vince.grochow@lcef.org, 952-223-2163.

Welcome to Our Savior’s Lutheran Church! We are Christians gathered around the unchanging Word and Gifts of Jesus Christ which give forgiveness and salvation now and forever. Our Savior has more than enough blessings for everyone and promises that He will turn no one away. Please let us know who you are and how we can serve you by completing a registration card found in the seat backs and placing it in the offering plate at the entrances to the sanctuary.

At Our Savior Lutheran Church we live to make Christ known.

Monthly Memory Verse:

And if Christ has not been raised,
your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.
1 Corinthians 15:17

Holy Communion: In the Lord’s Supper, the Risen Christ is at once the Giver and the Gift! By His promise, His very body and blood are really present; and thereby we come into immediate contact with the exalted Christ! As we do so, witness is also given to oneness in doctrine by those who receive the Sacrament together. Those who understand the meaning of communion and wish to receive it today are asked to review the statement on the back of the registration card.

About the Cover: Jesus stood among His disciples to show them His hands and side. The marks of the nails showed that the Jesus who was crucified is the very same Jesus who has been raised and lives. Thomas was not there the first time Jesus appeared among His followers, but he wanted to verify with his own eyes and hands that Jesus lives. Jesus’ hands still bear the marks of His love for us through His sacrifice upon the cross.

Serving today:

Liturgist.....	Rev. Adam M. Matheny
Preacher.....	Rev. John H. Koopman
Organist.....	Edith Williams
Elder of the Day.....	[8:00] Randy Burmeister; [10:30] Mike Anderson
Acolytes.....	[8:00] Elijah Matheny; Jesse Matheny
.....	[10:30] Jimmy Bittner; Peter Bittner
Assistant Usher	[8:00] Gary Rabenhorst
A/V Tech	Zak Tess