

Program for the Week of July 6 – July 13, 2025

Sunday:

8:00 Matins
8:30 Coffee Time
9:00 Divine Service
10:00 Bible Class
6:00 Game Night at Fallenstein Park

Monday:

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Bible Study
2:00 - 8:30 Photo Sessions
6:30 Planning Council

Wednesday:

2:00 - 8:30 Photo Sessions
5:30 Cookout at Pastor Matheny's

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession

9:00 Courtyard Committee
10:00 Bulletin Deadline
2:00 - 8:30 Photo Sessions
4:00 Wedding Rehearsal

Friday:

2:00 - 8:30 Photo Sessions
4:00 Reed/Bloedel Wedding

Saturday:

10:00 – 4:00 Photo Sessions

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Chancel flowers are in celebration of the 9th Anniversary of Pastor Matheny's ordination and installation.

Sunday Matins is sponsored by Doris Emich in loving memory of dear friend Mona Koehler.

Game Night is going on the road! Tonight, **July 6th** at 6 pm, we will meet at Fallenstein Park, 1875 Howard Drive, North Mankato. In case of rain, we will meet at church like usual

Church Photo Directory: We are updating our photo directory – it won't be complete without you! Photo sessions **July 8-12**. Sign up now: www.ucdir.com, church code: mn552, password: photos, or call the church office at 507-385-2180.

Thank you to the Pastors and Congregation of Our Saviors for your thoughts and prayers while I was in the hospital. Thank you to Jesus for watching over me. God knows the plans He has for us – He is the great physician! Many thanks. Kathy Cornish

Cookout at the Matheny's house and you're invited! On Wednesday, **July 9th** (if it rains that day we will push it back to the 16th) Our Savior will have a cookout at 27 Westminster Road in Mankato. The Matheny's will provide the meat and everyone else can bring a side, salad, or desert to share. Feel free to arrive beginning at 5:30 and we will pray and begin the meal at 6:00. We look forward to an evening of fellowship with you!

FUN DAYS PARADE! We've got the candy! Now we need walkers! All members are invited to walk in the North Mankato Fun Days Parade on **July 12th**. Older folks: please speak with Laura Matheny if you are interested in riding on our float! Those interested in walking, please put your name and email address on the sign up sheet in the narthex so we can communicate meeting time and location! Thank you to all who donated to our candy drive and door offering!

Book Club: Will meet **July 13th** and 27th from 4:30 – 6 in the fireplace room.

Mission Service will meet on Wednesday, **July 16th** at 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and help with the projects.

Mary Circle Bible Study meets Thursday, **July 17th** for a picnic lunch at 11am at Country Club Estates Park, 109 Pebble Creek Drive. Bring your own sack lunch to enjoy. Our study will be "What are you putting on?" from the Summer *Quarterly* on pages 14-15.

Issues, "Making the Case" Conference: July 18 & 19, at Concordia University Chicago. Pastor Hans Fiene of Lutheran Satire will be *Making the Case for Jesus*, along with CNN Political Commentator Scott Jennings, journalists Mark & Mollie Hemingway, and others. Registration is \$160. Call Deaconess Lynn Fredericksen at (618) 223-8385. See the flyer on the hall bulletin board for more information.

The National Youth Gathering is just around the corner! We are truly grateful for the support and encouragement we have received from the congregation. We will be traveling from **July 18 to July 24**. Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers during that week!

The Spring Lake Park Pool has been reserved for us on **July 27th** from 6:15-7:45 PM. Bring your friends and family and have some fun. (Weather Permitting)

VBS Wisdom's Workshop – August 4-6, from 6-8 pm, with a free dinner starting at 5:15. No cost for participating. Join us as we grow in the wisdom and understanding found in God's word! We will also learn about light and basic wiring skills. Kids 4 years of age to the beginning of 6th grade. Register no later than July 28th at: www.oslcmankato.org/vbs

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

Our Savior's gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following memorials:

- \$60 Undesignated Fund in memory of Merle Kitzmann
- \$30 Undesignated Fund in memory of Mona Koehler
- \$155 Garden Committee in memory of Mona Koehler
- \$50 Garden Committee in memory of Joan Peterman

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.

There will be several opportunities to teach in next year's Sunday School. If you consider the Christian education of our youth important please consider volunteering. The materials that CPH provides for the curriculum can make the morning easy to plan and execute. If we can't get volunteers to fill these rolls we will have to make changes to the system currently in place. If you are interested please talk to a member of the Board of Ed. Thank you.

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!

Christian Publications LCMS for YOU: June Pray for Us calendar, June Lutheran Bible Translator News, June/July Lutheran Witness, (includes the District news), the Summer LWML Quarterly, the Summer WOM, One Voice for Public Policy, District E-News, Sagacity, Lutheran Layman, and the Portals of Prayer. Find them in the Narthex and Mission Center.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in July, please contact Marcella Eilders, 507-317-4127.

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.

District: www.mnsdistrict.org , Church: www.oslcmankato.org, LWML: www.lwml.org, www.mnslwml.org

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Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "To the End of Time" - a physicist is confronted with the reality of his weapon, the utility of radiation and the blessing of Christian hope. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Brent Klein from Trinity Lutheran Church in Northfield, who will present a message titled "You Have No Accuser" based on Luke 10:1-20. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

You CAN teach laypeople theology... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to recent in-depth interviews about: A Lutheran View of Natural Law, The Problem of Male Friendship, Christian Endurance, Did Martin Luther Remove Books from the Bible? and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

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.) This past week the National Convention, "Growing in God's Grace" was streamed and saved – so you can hear and see all services, keynote speaker, Bible studies, mission speakers, new officers and more.

Mission Mite Grants: We begin anew with Mite Mission Grants approved this week at Convention. The grants approved and their funding available soon. This is a very exciting time as we look to the 2025-2027 Biennium. Give God the Glory. \$2,622,270 was adopted as the mite goal for 2025-2027 Biennium. 32 mite grants were chosen to receive this \$2,622,270.

Lutheran Church Extension Fund – Contact Vincent Grochow, LCEF District Vice President at vince.grochow@lcef.org. YI Accounts are available.

Arlington Zone LWML Board Meeting will be at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, **August 27, 2025** at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Green Isle. They will be hosting the Fall Rally, which will be the Crow River Conference Rally. This includes the McLeod, Litchfield and Arlington Zones.

Faith filled Woman's Retreat at Camp Omega Lodge, Friday evening through Saturday, **September 12 – 13th**. We are pleased to welcome Rebekah Curtis, co-author of *Ladylike: Living Biblically*.

Go First! Registration is now open for the Ministry Conference being held on **September 26-27, 2025** at Redemption Lutheran Church, 927 East Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington. www.mnsdistrict.org. This is for laymen for presenting or attending.

Save the Date for RE-MADE, Minnesota South District Youth Day, Grades 6-12, from 10am – 4pm on October 11, 2025 at Concordia, St. Paul. Registration information coming soon.

Pastors' wives Retreat is Friday evening and Saturday **October 3rd and 4th** at Hometown Inn in Belle Plaine, MN

Moving from Death to Life. Highly informative and inspirational convocation. Kahler Grand Hotel, Rochester, MN. **Oct. 17-18**, www.gracedc.church/convo

May 4 & 5, 2026 – SAGES GATHERING – Save the date now!

Still needed for the SAGES are the church representatives, circuit representatives and volunteer board members.

LWML District Board is asking all ladies to save the Date for the LWML 31st Biennial MN South District Convention, June 18-20, 2026 in Mankato. The Crow River Conference will be hosting the convention, **that means you and your LWML Sisters** from the Arlington, Litchfield and McLeod Zones. So, if you receive a message from Nona Anderson or Jeanie Von Berge asking for your participation, please be ready to serve the Lord with gladness.

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:

You have fixed all the boundaries of the earth;
you have made summer and winter. - Psalm 74:17

Serving today:

Liturgist	Rev. John H. Koopman
Preacher.....	Rev. Adam M. Matheny
Organist.....	Barb Anderson
Elder of the Day.....	Randy Burmeister
Assistant Usher	Kurt Anderson
A/V Tech	Gene Mensing

Holy Communion: In joyful obedience to the teaching of Scripture, it is our practice to determine doctrinal unity for those partaking of the Sacrament. Our practice in no way denies that there are Christians in other denominations. Oneness in doctrine is witnessed to in this celebration. 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: The Lord promises that days of peace for the new Jerusalem will one day come like a river and overflow with the glory of the nations. One day, the river of life will flow in the midst of the new Jerusalem coming down from heaven (Revelation 22:1-5). The promise of this river is made sure by Christ, the true living water who thirsted upon the cross in our stead and has brought forgiveness and eternal refreshment for our souls through His death and resurrection.