

Program for the Week of September 28 – October 5, 2025

Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Sunday School
9:25 Bible Class
10:30 Divine Service
11:45 Special Voters' Meeting
4:30 Book Club

Monday:

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

Wednesday:

Men's Boundary Waters Trip thru 10/5

1:30 Mary Circle Bible Study
4:45 Introductory Choir
5:15 Introductory Bell Choir
5:25 Brass

5:45 Handbell Choir

6:00 Meal

6:45 Devotion

7:00 Jr. Confirmation

7:00 Vocal Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession

10:00 Bulletin Deadline

10:10 Ruth/Lydia Circle Bible Study

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service

9:00 Coffee Time

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9:25 Bible Class

10:30 Divine Service

6:00 Open Gym/Game Night

Chancel flowers are provided by Tom & Theresa McLaughlin in loving memory of Jerry & Lucille Weimert.

Sunday Matins is sponsored by Joan Timm in loving memory of Richard & Jeffrey.

Special Voters' Meeting TODAY! Sunday, September 28th at 11:45am. All confirmed members, age 18 and older, are invited and encouraged to attend this special meeting to discuss the necessary work for the narthex air conditioner unit. The estimated cost is \$16,000, and we are seeking a motion from the Voter's to move forward. The work has been recommended by both the Trustees and the Council.

Don't Forget - September 30th deadline for your 75th history book sharing. You may leave them in the church office, library mail box. Thank you, Dolly Blomquist

Mary Circle Bible Study meets Wednesday, October 1st at 1:30pm in the Fireplace Room. Our study is "Bearing Life's Burdens" on pages 20-21 of the Summer *Quarterly*. Hostess: Wanda Schwanke, phone 507-340-6441. Guests and visitors are welcome!

Welcome to all ladies: The October Ruth/Lydia Bible Study gathers together on Thursday, October 2, at 10:10 for fellowship and a treat, Bible study begins at 10:25am. Our study will be from the Fall *Quarterly* “Let Us Be Your Hands and Feet!” on page 19.

Operation Christmas Child – What goes into a shoebox is fun, what comes out is eternal! Children will hear the Gospel when they receive their shoeboxes and can continue with Bible Study through local church partners. Please see the display in the Narthex – fill up a shoebox, or donate single items. Thank you!

Open Gym/Game Night returns to church next week. Join us at 6pm, Sunday, October 5th in the Fellowship Hall for fun and games. Bring the kids, friends, and your favorite board games. (Note: this is not a drop off event. Kids 6th grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult.)

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in October, please contact Laura Matheny, phone 812-604-5168, or Samantha Tess, phone 507-217-0354.

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

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!

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.

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).

Mankato Life Chain 2025: Sunday, October 5th, 1:30-3:00 PM - Join thousands of pro-life individuals throughout the USA and Canada in a peaceful and prayerful public witness for life. Together, we will remember the babies whose lives have been lost to abortion, witness to the sanctity of life from conception to natural death, and pray for those who are facing an unexpected pregnancy. We will begin with a prayer service at 1:30 PM, followed by the Life Chain itself at 2:00 PM. Participants should meet in front of Planned Parenthood’s Mankato location (340 Stadium Road). Signs will be provided. Please bring your own lawn chair if needed. The event will take place rain or shine. For more information, visit lifechain.org.

Keep up with the events and activities around the Minnesota South District from the District e-news at <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/publications#weekly-enews>. You can even subscribe to get the e-news delivered right to your inbox.

Portal of Prayer, October-December is in the narthex.

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 On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am) we conclude our series “Majoring in the Minors” with the final chapter of Micah, as well as the book of the prophet Nahum! Tune into Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am) for a new study of the Gospel of Matthew. Don’t forget to join us Friday (October 3) for Thy Strong Word’s monthly Free-Text Friday episode. October’s edition will take a look at death – is it our final destination?

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week’s *This is the Life* episode, “The Visit” – A Christian’s response to tragedy becomes a witness to others during war time.. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Ryan Eden from Redeemer Lutheran Church in Winona, who will present a message titled “Hear Moses and the Prophets” based on Luke 16:19-31. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

Promises Of God Series... 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 teachings on God’s promises for you with Pastor Will Weedon of “The Word of the Lord Endures Forever.” You’ll find the entire series at issuesetc.org/promisesofgod.

Information from the Conference Board to all ladies of LCMS A Lutheran Hour Ministry sponsored program on Saturday, October 18, 2025 is at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, 240 Cleveland Ave., Green Isle, MN. Registration (\$5) begins at 9 am, Pre-Rally music, and the Rally Starts at 9:30 followed by brunch. Free will offering for the Lutheran Hour Ministry. **New:** In lieu of bringing items to the rally, we would like each society to gather donation items for something in your local neighborhood/ church/ community. You may share at the rally what you did. Service projects will be made available. Please RSVP to Denise by Saturday, October 11th by calling or texting her at 507-351-3948 or email her at dspletzer1952@gmail.com . **There will be a sign-up sheet on the counter in the Narthex.** “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Galatians 5:14

Our Older Adult Ministry Board needs a contact person/persons to communicate information between the congregation, and SAGES. Volunteers are also needed for the District Board Circuits 19-20. For more information contact Stan Tordsen at: stordsen@yahoo.com

The Lutheran Layman: Expanding Ministry to Grow God's Kingdom, This copy contains LLL District Projects pg. 8, Nurturing Your Faith pg. 9-10, Leaving a Legacy pg. 17, Gospel Adventure pg. 18 Dive into Gospel Adventures this fall "Wild About Kenya" Changing Lives Globally pg. 20-21, 75 Years for LHM Float pg. 22.

October 7th, 2025 is the in-person **District SAGES Board Meeting** at Peace Lutheran Church in Arlington, MN from 10 am to noon. There is a noon lunch hosted by Paulene Wieman, a charter member of SAGES following the meeting. Please consider attending as a guest. Trudy Wiechmann, 507-327-7082, representative for Circuits 19-20 South Crow River. The Sagacity newsletter for October-December is online.

Courtland Immanuel Lutheran School is hosting their 45th Annual PTL Pork Chop Dinner and Silent Auction this Sunday, September 28 at Immanuel Lutheran Church (Country Road 25, east of Courtland) 11am to 1:00pm. The meal includes pork chop or hot dog, baked potatoes or potato chips, corn, coleslaw, dinner roll, dessert and beverage. Cost is: \$15-two chop meal, \$12-one chop meal, \$5 hot dog meal. Take-outs are available. Come and join us and check out the Silent Auction items! Everyone is welcome!

The September Lutheran Witness "A Lutheran Theology of the Body" Also includes the Minnesota South district news and "Why" from district president Rev, Dr. Lucas Woodford. Your very own copy is in the narthex.

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Pastor Appreciation Day October 12, 2025.

2025 MN South Pastors' Wives Retreat October 3-4, Belle Plaine, MN

Celebrating 10 Years of Engaging with Hope. One week left to register for the fundraising Gala! Options Mankato celebrates a decade of serving women and families with compassionate care. Join us for an evening that looks back – and forward. Sunday, October 12th, Social Hour begins at 5pm, dinner served at 6pm, program from 6 – 8pm. Register by September 30th at <https://www.optionsmankato.org/gala>. \$75 per seat, \$500 to sponsor a table.

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

Monthly Memory Verse:

Jesus Christ: The Same Yesterday, Today, and Forever.
Hebrews 13:8

Welcome to Our Savior's Lutheran Church! We are glad that you are here to hear God's Word and share His gifts with us. We thank God that He comes to us again to forgive us our sins and prepare us for eternal life today, and we are grateful that He has brought you here to be with us.

Each week we receive the Sacrament of the Altar where the Lord Jesus comes to us with His body and blood for us to eat and drink. In this sacred meal our Lord forgives our sins and strengthens us to live faithfully in communion with Him and with each other. For us this is a family meal and Christ's expectations of us are important. If you are not an active participant in the Our Savior's family or one of our sister congregations in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod we would ask you to join our family before sharing this sacrament with us. For those not communing we would love for you to join us at the table as a sign of Christian unity. Simply cross your arms over your chest and our pastors will give you a blessing from the Lord. If you have any questions about this or are new here our pastors would love to talk with you. God bless you!

About the Cover: In life and in death, Lazarus was comforted by the Word of the Lord, while the rich man sought only comforts that did not last. The rich man, even after death, believed that Lazarus was there to serve him and his family. His family already had everything they needed to find the comfort of God: the Law and the Prophets. We have everything we need today. Whether rich or poor, true comfort is found only in God's Word made flesh, Jesus, who has indeed risen from the dead.

Serving today:

Liturgist & PreacherRev. Adam M. Matheny
Pianist Suzie Gangi
Special Music Introductory Choir
Elder of the Day..... [8:00] Matt Rottermond; [10:30] Mike Anderson
Acolytes.....[8:00] Wesley Whitmore; Delaney Heitner
.....[10:30] Peter Bittner; Jimmy Bittner
Sacristan [8:00] Kurt Anderson; [10:30] Mark Senne
Usher Team.....[8:00] Team 1: Gary Rabenhorst, Dalton Ling, Lucas Bjortomt
..... [10:30] Team 1: Lon Whitehead, Kathy Whitehead, John Bittner
A/V Tech Zak Tess