

Program for the Week of November 16 – November 23, 2025

Sunday: *Mite Sunday*

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Sunday School
9:25 Bible Class
10:30 Divine Service
6:00 Youth Servant Event

Monday:

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

Wednesday:

4:00 Mission Service
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
6:30 Stephen Ministries

Friday:

4:00 The Voice Deadline

Saturday:

Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Sunday School
9:25 Bible Class
10:30 Divine Service
11:30 Annual Dinner
12:30 Voters' Meeting
4:30 Book Club

Chancel flowers are provided by the family of Betty Jane Scott in joyful celebration of her birthday. Thanks be to God for 94 years.

Today is MITE Sunday – Our November Focus is Mite Grant #4. The perpetual call for Pastors and teachers \$100,000 LCMS office of Pastoral Education, US. There is a monthly Prayer Guide for daily use (pick up your copy), each day you can add a coin to your small home mite box. This small box of coins can be put in the large mite box at church on the 3rd Sunday.

Youth, grades 7th – 12th, meet in the Fireplace Room at 6pm tonight for a servant event. Then we'll enjoy some time in the youth room/gym.

The youth will be putting together activity kits for teens for the CADA House at their November Youth Event. We are looking for donations for craft/activity supplies- please see the table in the narthex to see hearts with requested items! If able, take a heart and returned the donated item to church by November 16th. Note- due to lack of storage space at the CADA house, please only bring the requested donations. Reach out to Michelle Rotterdam with any questions. Thank You!

Mission Service will meet on Wednesday, November 19th at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and help with the projects.

The Deadline for the December 2025 issue of *The Voice* is Friday, November 21st at 4pm. Please drop of any submissions in the church office or e-mail to: contact@oslcmandato.org. Thank you.

Annual Dinner: Let the Youth of Our Savior's serve you dinner before the Annual Voters' Meeting. Following the 10:30 service (around noon) make your way to the Fellowship hall to enjoy a pork tenderloin meal including potatoes, carrots, salad, rolls and a variety of desserts. A free-will offering will be collected. Proceeds will benefit youth activities.

Annual Voters' Meeting. Join us Sunday, November 23rd at 12:45pm in the sanctuary for our regular Voters' Meeting. We will be electing officers and board members and approving the 2026 budget. All confirmed members, age 18 and older, are encouraged to attend.

Battery operated candles needed. If you own battery operated candles and are willing to allow us to use them for the Advent Event, please place them in the tote in the Mission Center by December 3. You may take them home after the event or we will place them back in the tote for pick up. Your help is appreciated!

New date – Ruth/Lydia Bible Study. New day for December. December 11, 2025 the 2nd Thursday at 10:10, meet in the fireplace room for Bible study followed by Christmas lunch. Our lesson will be in the Fall Quarterly page 22. "We have received Grace upon Grace". Amazing Grace.

Kids Christmas Recital- The Sunday School Christmas Program is happening December 21 at 9am. Before the service will feature Kids! Do you like to sing, play the piano or another instrument? Choose a Church Christmas song, learn it and play it for the recital. Please contact Suzie Gangi if you are interested! 507-341-4173 or suzie@oslcmandato.org

Volunteers Needed- We need volunteers to sing or play instruments for pre-service music for the Christmas Eve Services 3:00 and 5:00. You can do one service or both! Anyone is encouraged to participate, young or old! Contact Suzie Gangi if you are interested, 507-341-4173 or suzie@oslcmandato.org

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

Thank you Veterans for your service.

An Advent Invitation for the Ladies of Our Savior. **Who:** Women of Our Savior Lutheran Church. **What:** Advent Event – Spiritual, Fellowship, Social. **Where:** Our Savior Lutheran Church, Fellowship Hall. **When:** Thursday, December 4th, 2025 beginning at 4:30p.m. Please bring one appetizer or dessert food item to share. Register soon, registration sheet in the narthex or by calling/texting Nancy Benson at 507-322-8565.

We are grateful and thankful for the care and support our church family at Our Savior's provided during Denny's surgery and long recovery. Progress is slow but steady. Thank you to Marcella for the prayer shawl. It was well used. Every call, text, and prayer continues to be very appreciated. God is good! Denny and Gretchen Zellmer

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in November, please contact Gretchen Zellmer, phone 507-317-2904.

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!

WS Transportation (420-4503 or 388-0708) will provide rides to services for our members who call and arrange pick up times. This benefit is not limited to weekend services only. You may arrange a ride for a mid-week services and activities, such as choir practice, any of our meetings and other special services, i.e. Lenten services. Please call one-half to one hour ahead of time. This benefit is provided by the Taxi Fund.

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.

SAGES District Board meeting by ZOOM on Tuesday, December 2nd from 10-12. To attend notify Trudy at 507-327-7082.

Orphan Grain Train: If you have OGT donations, call Trudy to arrange for delivery, 507-327-7082

From the Stewardship Committee: Luke 21:6 – “As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” Everything in this world is headed for the graveyard, but some things are also destined to rise from the grave. On that Day of Resurrection — as we look back on our earthly life — what will we see? What will have really mattered? This is a good question to ask ourselves in this season of the church year that focuses on The Last Things.

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 begins a new series “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” studying some of the hymns of thanksgiving in the Lutheran Service Book on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am). Tune into Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am) as we study chapters 22-25 of the Gospel of Matthew. On Concord Matters (Saturday, November 22 at 10am) we’ll begin a discussion of the Lord’s Prayer as found in the Large Catechism.

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week’s *This is the Life* episode, “Old Smiley” features Charlie who learns that his “Happiness God” from the Orient is not what it seems to be. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Brent Klein from Trinity Lutheran Church in Northfield, who will present a message titled “What Lasts Forever?” based on Luke 21:5-36. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

Your Lifeline To The Lutheran Worldview... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent subjects include: How to Resist the Devil, The Importance of Family Meals, Critical Theory on the Right, Why Marriage 101 Should Be a Required College Course and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

Portals of Prayer, November Lutheran Witness, Sagacity, Pray for Us calendar, Talking Points from President Woodford and November Mite Grants Focus are in the narthex or Mission Center. Lutheran Bible Translators: Support November Lutheran Bible translators through prayer. The November Lutheran Witness: MN South Supplement is available on the district website or in the narthex.

A new One Voice for Public Policy is in the narthex, “Begotten, Not Made”, written by Scot Missling, Public Policy Advocate for the Minnesota Districts.

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).

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

CSP Christmas Concert: A worship celebration featuring the choral and instrumental ensembles of Concordia University, St. Paul on Saturday, December 6th, at 3:30 pm, St. Michael’s Lutheran Church (9201 Normandale Blvd., Bloomington) See brochure on bulletin board.

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

Monthly Memory Verse:

“¹³And I heard a voice from heaven saying, “Write this:
Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.”
Revelation 14:13

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: Jesus was carried out of His disciples’ sight by a cloud at His ascension. One day, He will make His powerful and glorious return in a cloud. Jesus is God’s presence coming to dwell among His people for all time. Even now, Jesus dwells among us when we are gathered around His Word and Sacrament. His presence is here to deliver the benefits of what He accomplished for us by His death and resurrection: forgiveness of sins and eternal life.

Serving today:

Liturgist.....	Rev. John H. Koopman
Preacher.....	Rev. Adam M. Matheny
Organist.....	Barb Anderson
Special Music	Vocal Choir
Elder of the Day.....	[8:00] Gene Mensing; [10:30] Andrew Bittner
Acolytes.....	[8:00] Delaney Heitner; Jackson Ling
.....	[10:30] Peter Bittner; Jimmy Bittner
Sacristan	[8:00] Kevin Hermanson; [10:30] Mark Senne
Usher Team.....	[8:00] Team 1: Gary Rabenhorst, Dalton Ling, Lucas Bjortomt
.....	[10:30] Team 1: Lon & Kathy Whitehead, John Bittner
A/V Tech	Joel Maunula