

Program for the Week of November 23 – November 30, 2025

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
12:45 Voters' Meeting
4:30 Book Club

Monday:

9:00 Quilting

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

Wednesday:

10:00 Early Bulletin Deadline
6:30 Thanksgiving Eve Service

Thursday:

10:30 Fireplace Room Rental

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Bible Class
10:30 Divine Service
11:30 Decorate for Christmas & Lunch

Holy Baptism: **Ivan Scott Friedrichs**, born October 1, 2025, will be baptized today during the 8:00 service. His parents are Brandon & Elliott Friedrichs. His sponsors are Nick & Jackie Lenz.

Sunday Matins is sponsored by Trudy Wiechmann in response to Romans 10:17 "So faith comes by hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ." ESV

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 this morning, 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.

Join us for Thanksgiving Eve Worship, Wednesday, November 26th at 6:30pm.

There will NOT be a Wednesday Night Meal this week, November 26th. During Advent, beginning December 3rd, the meal will begin at 5:30pm, before the mid-week Advent Service at 6:30pm.

Early Bulletin Deadline: The deadline for the November 30th bulletin is **Wednesday, November 26th**. Please e-mail any submissions to contact@oslcmandato.org or drop off in the church office by 10am on Wednesday

Christmas Decorating: Join us Sunday, November 30th, following the 10:30 service to decorate the church for the season of Advent and Christmas. Lunch will be served when the decorating is completed. Bring the kids, all ages welcome to help!

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.

More Funeral Volunteers are needed. If you would be willing to help serve, clean up, provide a cake or bars, or be a leader, please contact: Judy Mensing (507-420-8196); Mary Bittner (507-469-8052); Gretchen Zellmer (507-317-2904); or Cindy Hobbs (507-995-9894).

Concordia Classical Academy: Our Savior's has pledged \$20,000 per year for three years to support CCA in their mission to provide Christ-centered education. We met our pledge the first year with \$12,814.00 donations from members, \$3,593.00 donation from the Board of Endowment Scholarship Fund, and \$3,593.00 from the undesignated memorials. We are now into the second year and ready to accept donations. Our Savior's has seven members who are students at CCA. Please consider contributing toward this goal.

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

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

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.

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

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

Vanco Mobile: Looking for an easy, convenient way to make your church contributions? You can download the Vanco Mobile Faith app free from the App Store or Google Play Store. Search for Our Savior in Mankato. You can easily make one-time or recurring donations right from the app. If you have any questions, or need assistance, please contact the church office at 507-385-2180.

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

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.

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.

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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-enews>. You can even subscribe to get the e-news delivered right to your inbox.

From the Stewardship Committee: Colossians 1:18a – “And he is the head of the body, the church.” We are part of the Body of Christ; He is our Head. Where He goes, we follow. His thoughts direct our actions. This is how the people of God learn how to give and why they give. Because Jesus gives, indeed He gives all He has.

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’re continuing our series, “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am) with a new hymn of Thanksgiving from the Lutheran Service book each day. Tune into Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am) as we wrap up our study of the Gospel of Matthew with chapters 26-27.

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. In this week’s *This is the Life* episode, “To Take a Life” – A devoted son’s loving father is terminally ill, suffering severely and pleading to die. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. James Norton from Zion and Bethlehem Lutheran Churches in Fall Creek, WI, who will present a message titled “Are You Ready for the End?” based on Malachi 3:18. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

The Faith Once For All Delivered To The Saints... 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 topics include: The Hymnal as Devotional Resource, Why Christians Should Build Cathedrals, Late First-Century Bishop Clement of Rome, The Third Use of God's Law, 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.

Redeemer LWML Annual Christmas Bazaar & Luncheon: Saturday, December 6, 10:30am – 1pm. Cookies (\$6/dozen), crafts, baked goods, and luncheon available. Pre-order cookies available – assorted and/or cut-out. Order deadline November 30th. E-mail: redeemerlwml@newulmtel.net or call Cindy Stabenow at 612-418-5294 with amount and contact information. 700 South Broadway Street, New Ulm. Proceeds from this sale will go to local and global missions.

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.

Dueling Pianos Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 7th at 2pm. The amazing talents of Glenn Henriksen, of The Galaxy 500 Band, and Martin Luther Senior Jayson Matasovsky are teaming up to bring you the CHRISTmas Spirit in song in the MLHS gymnasium. Christmas treats and beverages will be provided. There will also be a "Festival of Trees" contest. Tickets are \$15 when purchased before November 30 online at www.martinlutherhs.com. After that date, they will be \$20 from the MLHS office.

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: On the day of judgment, the Lord will make no mistakes as He plucks up the righteous from among the wicked. Those who are in Christ need not fear. Our deeds are not the basis for our righteousness. Our righteousness depends only on Jesus, who gave us righteousness by dying on the cross to save us from our sins. Because our lives are in Him, we have been set apart as people gifted with His righteousness.

Serving today:

Liturgist.....	Rev. Adam M. Matheny
Preacher.....	Rev. John H. Koopman
Organist.....	Susan Klute
Elder of the Day.....	[8:00] Mike Holub; [10:30] Judd Schultz
Acolytes.....	[8:00] Lydia Bjortomt; Jocelynn Chapman
.....	[10:30] Levi Kitzmann; Endre Anderson
Sacristan	[8:00] Gary Rabenhorst; [10:30] Mark Senne
Usher Team.....	[8:00] Team 2: Jerry Clausen; Brian & Kathy Johnson
.....	[10:30] Team 2: Rob & Cindy Hobbs; Mike Blomquist
A/V Tech	Zak Tess