

Program for the Week of January 25 – February 1, 2026

Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Bible Class
9:25 Sunday School
10:30 Divine Service
4:30 Book Club

Monday:

9:00 Quilting

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study
7:00 MN Valley Chorale

Wednesday:

4:40 Introductory Choir
5:10 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

Friday:

10:00 Anderson Visitation
11:00 Anderson Funeral

Saturday:

10:30 Exercise Class

Sunday:

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

Ruth/Lydia Bible Study, Thursday, February 5th at 10:25 – 11:30am. Come early at 10:10 for fellowship and treats. Our lesson is “What’s Happening?” on pages 18-19 from the Winter *Quarterly*. Mary Circle is invited to study with us.

Open Gym/Game Night: Join us next Sunday, February 1st from 6 – 8pm for Game Night. Bring your favorite board game. This is a family event. Bring your friends too. Come for a night of fun and games with your church family.

Join the Board of Deacons on Saturday, February 7th at 9:30am to help clean and organize the kitchen. Many hands make light work!

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

Thrivent Choice Dollars: If you have Thrivent products with Choice Dollars to contribute, remember you have until the end of March to direct to the charity of your choosing. We hope you will consider donating your monies to Our Savior’s. Contact your representative or go to www.thrivent.com to get started.

January 2026 MITE Grant Focus #6: Christ Centered Hope for Cancer Patients – Phil’s Friends \$100,000. Mite Sunday at Our Savior is the third Sunday of the month. 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.

Camp Omega Summer Camp – registration is now open. To view the camper opportunities, go to: <https://campomega.org/summercamp/>. Early bird discount if registered and paid in full by March 1st. Scholarships of up to one-half of the registration fee is available from the Thrivent Choice Dollars contributors. Send your receipt to: brianjohnson893@gmail.com for consideration.

SAGES – Living on Purpose with Jesus is gathering theme for the first Monday and Tuesday in May at Town and Country Suites, Mankato. Mary your calendar now for this special gathering. The Sagacity is available in the narthex and on-line, (www.mnsdistrict.org/sages) with Gathering information. Registration forms will be available in February. “SAGES” volunteers from Our Savior Lutheran Church are welcomed.

Basic LERT Training – ages 14+, cost for the class is \$20. Saturday, February 21 from 9am to noon. Grace Lutheran Church, 800 East Silver Lake Drive, Rochester. Contact: pastorbjornstad@gmail.com

From the Stewardship Committee: Matthew 17:8 – “And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.” Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else is secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

The Winter Quarterly with the theme “Live in Peace with one another” is in the Narthex for you, (it includes Bible Studies for all ladies). **The District Winter WOM**, Women on a Mission, is here. June 18-20, 2026, the District Convention is in Mankato. This copy has explanations, needs etc. related to the convention. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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're continuing our study of the book of Genesis with Chapter 8. Tune into Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am) as we continue our series, "The Magnificent 37", a study of the miracles of Jesus. On Concord Matters this week (January 31 at 10am), we're concluding our study of the Lord's Prayer with a look at the 7th Petition – what does it look like for the Lord to "deliver us from evil"?

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "Missing Ingredient" features Bob (Jack Nicholson) and his fiancée Lynn (Susan Crane) who are planning their wedding when she overhears her parents planning to separate shortly after. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. David Kneflekamp from St. Peter and St. Paul Churches in Osseo, WI, who will present a message titled "No Food or Drink" based on Acts 9:1-22. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

The Parable Of The Prodigal Son 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 a series of interviews with Pastor Bryan Wolfmuehler, author of the new book "Finally Free: Three Lessons in the Parable of the Prodigal Son" at issuesetc.org/prodigalson.

Everyone is invited to the Children's Winter Carnival at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School on Sunday, February 1st from 1-3pm. The ML Student Council and National Honor Society students will lead games for children, a bouncy house will be available and prizes will be given out. Parents can relax in the lounge. Cost is \$5/child or \$15/family. Parents are free. 315 Martin Luther Drive, Northrop.

January Christian Publications: In the Narthex or Mission Center for you. Pray for Us Calendar – Mite Prayer Calendar – Lutheran Bible Translators – Lutheran Witness (with MNSO District news)– Sagacity – Portals of Prayer – WOM Quarterly – Voice for Public Policy.

See Posters for the LWML 31st Biennial Minnesota South District Convention The Peace of Christ based on Colossians 3:15-16a, June 18-20, 2026 at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center in Mankato, MN. Mark your calendar now. YWR – Delegates – Guests – for all Our Savior Ladies. There will be an opportunity to help with activities.

Book of Concord – available free online. CPH has launched the Book of Concord online – a free, easy to use website that provides access to the Lutheran Confessions at: www.bookofconcord.cph.org. The CPH version features the text of Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions, the most widely used and trusted version in the LCMS for more than twenty years.

LWML Zone Board Meeting is Sunday, February 22nd at 2 pm at Centennial Lutheran Church in Henderson. Our Savior needs 2 ladies to attend. Call Trudy for more information.

SAGES former treasurer passed away Monday, January 19th. Keep the Richard Swedean family in your prayers. Those of you in LWML know his wife Joyce and she is very comforted in receiving your calls.

Lutherans for Life Essay Contest – for students in grades 6-8 and 9-12. Students will write a life-affirming essay based on the theme "That They May Have Life" using John 10:10. The deadline to submit essays is March 15th. Go to: <https://lutheransforlife.org/2026-lutherans-for-lifeessay-contest/> for contest details.

National Lutheran Schools week: January 25-31, 2026. "Let's Make a Joyful Noise". Psalm 98:4

Expanded CSP Tuition Guarantee. Concordia University, St. Paul is strengthening its commitment to the church through an expanded Church Work Tuition Guarantee, offering \$0 tuition for all students preparing for full-time church work vocations.

Gospel Tech, Faith. Two nights of Tech, AI and the Gospel. St. John Lutheran Church, Laverne, MN. Wed, Jan 28 and Thursday Jan 29th. For more information contact: Jessica Blocker (507)283-2316 or dce@stjohnlaverne.org.

St. John's Lutheran Church, Willow Creek is having a Soup and Sandwich fundraiser on Sunday, February 8th from 10am – 1pm. Menu includes Chili, Chicken Noodle, Broccoli Cheese, Cream of Cauliflower, and Zuppa Toscana, Grilled Cheese and Hot Ham & Cheese sandwiches. A free will donation will be collected and funds raised will go to replacing a failing furnace.