

Program for the Week of February 22 –March 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:

1:00 Private Confession
1:30 Midweek Lenten Service
4:40 Introductory Choir
5:00 Introductory Bell Choir
5:25 Handbell Choir
5:30 Meal
6:00 Private Confession
6:05 Brass
6:30 Midweek Lenten Service
7:20 Jr. Confirmation
7:20 Vocal Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

Saturday:

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

At this time the Board of Trustees is looking to hire a custodian to look after our facility. The position involves cleaning and minor maintenance of the building, and outdoor lawn care and snow removal. If you are interested or know someone that may be interested. Please contact any of the Trustees for more information. The Trustees contact information is available on the back of the monthly calendar.

We will be hosting a CPR and AED (defibrillator) training for adults, here at OSLC. The date is Tuesday, March 3, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. There is no cost for this class. This is in cooperation with our new church safety initiatives. If you have any questions and to register, contact Dale Bergemann, 507-317-8989, or emt460db@gmail.com.

March Youth Event: (5th-12th Graders) The Mankato Curling Club is reserved for our Youth Event March 15th 12:00-2:30pm. We will have lunch and a curling lesson and then have some time to play. Meet at 600 Hope St, Mankato, MN 56001 at noon. Please bring a clean pair of athletic shoes (carried into the club to keep dirt and salt off the ice), wear warm, loose fitting clothing (the rink temperature is about 40F- we suggest dressing in layers- stretchy or loose fitting pants that allow for freedom of movement and modesty, jeans are not recommended) and gloves, and bring a water bottle if desired. Waivers are required for each participant and are available on the youth board in the church hallway. Suggested chip in amount for this event is \$10.

Annual Easter Garden: The Youth are once again sponsoring an Easter Garden. Order forms are available in the Narthex. The plants will be displayed Easter Sunday and then may be taken home following the late morning service or picked up the following week. All proceeds benefit Youth activities.

Women's Retreat: Invite your friends, sisters, and daughters and join us March 20-21 for this year's women's retreat. Friday evening we will gather for a fun filled social event and on Saturday, we will host author and pastor's wife Christa Petzold. She will lead us in discussion on Gathered by Christ: the Overlooked Gift of Church. Find the registration forms in the narthex! Speak to Laura Matheny, Samantha Tess, or Mary Bittner with questions! We look forward to spending this time with you!

February 2026 Mite Grant Focus #7: Light of Jesus Christ to unwed homeless mothers. A place of refuge ministries of South WI, Inc., Wisconsin. Assisting women and unborn children with physical and spiritual care. \$75,000. More information in the Narthex and Mission Center and also special prayers. **Mite Grant #22** is also featured: Redeeming Life, new moms and babies Transition Home, redeeming Life Outreach Ministries, Illinois, \$100,000.

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.

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

Gardeners: Save some space in your garden (yes, we know it's only February)! The OSLC Youth will be selling a variety of tomatoes, peppers, and basil in early May.

The Our Savior LWML's turn to host the Fall Rally in 2026, The Spring Rally is in HENDERSON.

SAGES Gathering XXXVI, May 4 and 5, 2026. "Living on Purpose with Jesus". Country Inn and Suites, Mankato. Keynote: Rev. Greg Finke. More details are available on the district website.

Write your Mission Grant proposal for 2026-2027 now.

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.

February 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, and more.

LWML 31st Biennial Minnesota South District Convention "The Peace of Christ", based on Colossians 3:15-16a, is June 18-20, 2026 at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center in Mankato, MN. For all Our Savior Ladies, there will be an opportunity to help with activities.

LWML Zone Board Meeting is today, February 22nd at 2 pm at Centennial Lutheran Church in Henderson. We need 2 delegates from Our Savior to the convention. Call Trudy for more information. 507-327-7082.

LCMS Stewardship Ministry: Matthew 4:7 – "Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written.'" Jesus defeats Satan in our place, not by using His power as God, but by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity. Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles, but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to them. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory: on the Word of God alone.

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us at @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am) we pick up our study of Genesis with Chapter 21! Tune in for Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am) as we look at chapter 11 of the book of Numbers. We'll be concluding our study of Baptism as laid out in Luther's Large Catechism on Concord Matters (February 28th at 10am). What does it look like for believers to walk in their Baptisms daily?

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "Cell of Hope" features Flag Washington (Lawrence Hilton-Jacobs), who came to Christ while in prison gets a new cellmate Jimmy Stricklin (Richard Dinitri) who is obnoxious. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Ben Hollingsead from St. John Lutheran Church in Aitkin, who will present a message titled "Tempted but Triumphant" based on Genesis 3:1-21. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

Minnesota State Bible Bowl 2026 is on The Gospel of John and will be on April 18, 2026 at 8:30 am. 3-4 members to a Team competition is a fast paced verbal competition. The Individual competition is a 50 question written multiple-choice test. Contact Rev. Rudy Mauer. See complete info on Youth bulletin board. Who can compete? LCMS church youth in grades 7-12.

Poehler Lecture Series. "Called to Care: Faith, Joy, Resilience, and the Healing Power of Nursing", with speaker Kendra Saal. Thursday, April 16, 2026, 11 am, Buetow Music Center Auditorium, Concordia University, St. Paul.

Homeschool Conference: The homeschool families of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Carlisle, Iowa are hosting our fifth annual homeschool conference on Saturday, May 9, 2026, 8:30 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. The conference, *We All Believe in One True God: Cultivating Lutheran Unity*, features Rev. Jason Braaten, from Immanuel Lutheran Church in Tuscola, Illinois, as our keynote speaker. There is no charge to attend this event, however, we will accept free will donations at the conference or through our website. Lunch and snacks are provided, and limited childcare will be available. Find additional information and complete your registration on our website: holycrosscarlisle.org

Minnesota South LLL Convention: Saturday, April 11, Trinity Lutheran Church, 412 N. Main St., Janesville.