

Program for the Week of May 10 – May 17, 2026

Sunday:

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

Monday:

MN State Pastors' Conference
9:00 Quilting

Tuesday:

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1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

6:30 Church Council

Wednesday:

5:45 Handbell Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession

10:00 Bulletin Deadline

6:30 Ascension Service @
Good Shepherd

Friday:

12:00 The Voice Deadline

1:30 Mary Circle Bible Study

Saturday:

Sunday: Mite Sunday

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Sunday School
9:25 Bible Study
10:00 Sundaes on Sunday
10:30 Divine Service
11:45 Voters' Meeting
6:00 Youth @ MCA Gym

Chancel flowers are provided by Mark Wellner in honor of all the mothers in our congregation.

Sunday Matins is sponsored by Doris Emich in loving memory of Ron.

This morning we recognize Jennifer Mangulis as a member of our congregation by Profession of Faith. She will publicly speak her belief in the Faith taught in the Holy Scriptures and confirmed in the Small Catechism. Please greet and welcome Jennifer as your new sister in Christ.

Check it out - the rolling cart in the Narthex. FREE books and items from the library. Help yourself. Thank you, the Library Ladies.

Mary Circle Bible Study meets Friday, May 15th at 1:30pm in the Fireplace room. Our study is "Who is My Neighbor and What Does This Mean?" from the Spring *Quarterly* (second lesson). Hostess: Wanda Schwanke, phone 507-340-6441. Guests and visitors are welcome!

The Deadline for the June 2026 issue of *The Voice* is Friday, May 15th at noon. Please drop off any submissions in the church office or e-mail to: contact@oslcmandato.org. Thank you.

Voters' Meeting on Sunday, May 17th at 11:45am in the Sanctuary. We will discuss the boiler bids and our 2nd year pledge of \$20,000 to Concordia Classical Academy. If you are a confirmed member, age 18 or older, please join us.

Next Sunday, May 17th is Mite Sunday at Our Savior. Time to bring your mites to the Big Box to join with the other mites. Mite Focus Grants for May. See a penny, pick it up for the Mite Box. See the Voice article as it is time to vote for the 2026-2028 grants as listed in the WOM. Vote for 3 of the 17 and place in the box. The National Mite Focus Grants for May are #10, "Healing your Heart – Faith Based Child

Counseling", Lutheran Counseling and Family Services of Wisconsin, (\$100,000), # 11, "Not Alone, Gospel Help for Families in Crisis", Lutheran Family Service, Iowa, (\$92,500) and #30, "Increasing Access to Lutheran Counseling Services", Concordia Counseling, Indiana, (\$100,000). The District Grants for the 2024-2026 Biennium have been met. National Mite Goal, 2025-2027: We're halfway there! 1.3 million dispersed. Thanks for giving.

Tomatoes, Peppers and Basil, Oh My! The youth will be selling plants on May 17, 24, and 31. Save some space in your garden. Hopefully the weather warms up!

The May Youth Event will be held at the Mankato Christian Academy Gym May 17th from 6-8pm (meet there- gym doors off of South Broad Street). We will be playing volleyball and dodgeball! This event will be open to 5th-12th graders.

Appointments Available! Our Savior's is hosting a blood drive for the American Red Cross on Monday, May 18th from noon – 5pm. Appointments may be scheduled now at www.redcrossblood.org or on the blood donor app (enter OSLCMankato). You may also call the church office to schedule, 507-385-2180. Save a life, donate blood!

Outreach Missions (formerly Mission Service) will meet on Wednesday, May 20th at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome! Thanks for Gospel Bracelet workers at home. MOST Ministries appreciate this help. Do you know why they are called Gospel Bracelets? See sample and directions in Mission Center. Call Trudy @ 507-327-7082 if you are interested in a home project.

Bible Retirement. Do you have any tired and worn out bibles or other devotional books that aren't usable anymore and you don't know what to do with them? Bring them to church and we will reverently retire them. Look for the box in the narthex.

The time has come for our beloved church secretary, Sue Hendrickson, to retire. While we will be sad to see her go, the board of Elders are entertaining applications for anyone interested in filling her position. If you or someone you know is interested in the position please submit a resume to the church office. For more information please contact Gaylen Lenz, Randy Burmeister, or Mike Blomquist.

God is SO Good, five confirmands with their smiles, love of the Lord and their labors for Christ are examples for us to find the Joy of Jesus.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in May, please contact Judy Mensing, 507-420-8196.

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

May Christian Publications: In the Narthex or Mission Center for you. Mite Prayer Calendar – Lutheran Bible Translations – Lutheran Witness (with MNSO District news) – Sagacity for April through June – Portals of Prayer – WOM Quarterly – Voice for Public Policy, Lutheran Hour Ministry News, Doorstep News and also see the information on the posters here in church. May Pray for Us Poster.

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.

Arlington Zone Rally was held in Henderson. The new officers for the Arlington Zone are: Diane Frauendienst (Centennial, Henderson) as Vice President, Rachel Hinz (Immanuel, Gaylord) as Secretary (2nd term), and Denise Spletzer (St. Paul's, Green Isle) as Christian Life Chair. Nona Anderson is the MNS District Convention Chair. The Fall Rally is here at Our Savior.

SAGES - Saints Alive Growing Ever Serving met on May 4th & 5th at Town and Country Suites. The Theme was "Living on Purpose with Jesus". New officers: Rev. Bill Pieper, Vice President – Rachel Schwalbe, Secretary. Thanks to Sue Klute for music, to our congregation for the use of the key board and to Pastor Matheny for the closing devotion.

Peace of Christ LWML Convention, June 18-20 in Mankato. The delegates are Vicky Senne 507-317-0948 and Kathy Taylor 507-317-1555. The Alternate is Sue Klute. The Gifts from the Heart will go to The New Freedom Store and the Homeless Ministry: Pigs Eye Lake Encampment. Quilts will go to the Prison

Ministry. Offerings: 1. Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch 2. Lutheran for Life 3. LWML MN South District Mission Grants 4. Orphan Grain Train. Anyone can donate to any of these four by sending their donation with the delegates.

Camp Omega Annual Work Day: May 16, 2026. 7:30am – evening. (Join for any part of the day!) Free – but please register – Meals & Campfire devotions included. Register at <https://campomega.org/> under events or call the office at 507-685-4266.

LERT Training: at Camp Omega. Saturday, May 16, 2026 from 9 am – 12 noon (and all day Work Day).

LCMS Stewardship Ministry: James 1:22 – "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." The Word of God is not merely to be heard, but to be received and believed. Our faith is implanted and strengthened by the Word of God. As Luther said, "Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly." James' epistle encourages us to examine our lives and come to repentance when we are not living out our faith in sincerity.

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Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "The Now Crowd" features a soldier on leave who helps his brother work through struggles in his life. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Keith Grimm from Family of Christ Lutheran Church in Ham Lake, who will present a message titled "Showing Our Love for Jesus" based on John 14:15-21. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

Premier Conference For Lutheran Laity... You're invited to attend the 2026 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference, Friday, June 12 and Saturday, June 13, at Concordia University Chicago. Many speakers including LCMS President Matt Harrison. Registration is \$160 and includes three meals. Reduced room rates, including on-campus dorms, are available. For more information, visit issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.