

Program for the Week of May 17 – May 24, 2026

Sunday: *Mite Sunday*

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

Monday:

12:00 Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

Wednesday:

4:00 Outreach Missions
6:30 Vocal Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

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

Sunday Matins is sponsored by Joan Timm in loving memory of Richard and Jeffrey.

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.

Tomatoes, Peppers and Basil, Oh My! The youth will be selling plants on May 17, 24, and 31. Save some space in your garden. \$3 Peppers (bell, jalapeno, chili); \$4 Tomatoes (Roma, slicer, cherry); \$4 Basil; \$8 6-pack Roma.

Youth (grades 7 – 12) meet at the Mankato Christian Academy gym (709 South Broad Street) tonight at 6pm to play volleyball and dodgeball.

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

Today is MITE Sunday. Thanks for bringing your MITES today. The National Mite Goal has in the last year put 1.3 million dollars at work for the Lord. We thank God that the District Mite goal for the 2024-2026 biennium has been met, which means that all mission grants will be funded. Vote TODAY for the new grants, because our delegates will be voting this week for us. 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).

A few appointments still available! Our Savior's is hosting a blood drive for the American Red Cross tomorrow, Monday, May 18th from noon – 5pm. Appointments may be scheduled now at

www.redcrossblood.org or on the blood donor app (enter OSLCMankato). Save a life, donate blood!

Outreach Missions: (formerly Mission Service) will meet on Wednesday, May 20th at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be trimming stamps. 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.

Our Savior's gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following memorials:

- \$50.00 Boiler Replacement; \$20 Undesignated in memory of Nancy Mason

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

LWML Fall Rally will be here at Our Savior. Thanks ladies for heeding the call for workers. Volunteers welcomed, give Bev or Trudy a call.

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.

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

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.

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.

LCMS Stewardship Ministry: 1 Peter 4:10 – “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” God’s grace is His undeserved mercy toward us. What do we have that is not a gift flowing from God’s grace? He means for us to use all these gifts in service of our neighbor. The chief way we serve one another is by supporting the church’s work: bringing more of God’s grace to more of God’s people. That’s what it means to be a steward!

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Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. In this week’s *This is the Life* episode, “Poisoned Banquet” – Vicious rumors look to ruin a nurse’s career and marriage. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Terry Grzybowski from Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Zimmerman, who will present a message titled “We Are Called to Be Witnesses” based on Acts 1:12-26. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

Understanding Difficult Old Testament Passages... Was the universe really created in six days? Why did men live so long? What about all the violence in the Old Testament? Do Old Testament prophets predict current events? You’ll find answers to these questions in a series of interviews with Doctor Reed Lessing and Doctor Andrew Steinmann, co-authors of the new book “Wrestling with God.” You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org/wrestlingwithgod. Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken.

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.

LBT, Lutheran Bible Translators – please keep them in your prayers.

Lutheran Confessions Study – May 28, 2026 from 10am – 2pm with catered meal at noon. St. John’s Lutheran Church, 216 McLeod Ave. North, Plato, MN. Morning session: Rev. Tyson Mastin – “Augustine the Innovator?” Afternoon session: Rev. Paul Strawn – “The Experiential Faith of Martin Luther”.

Lutheran Witness: MN South Supplement - The May 2026 edition of the Lutheran Witness contains the MN South District News insert available on the district website and in the Narthex.

Stay updated with Reporter. *Reporter* is the official newspaper of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Content is prepared by LCMS Communications. Read the latest articles at: <https://reporter.lcms.org/>

SAGACITY – S.A.G.E.S. quarterly newsletter, Sagacity, for April – June 2026 is on the district website and copies are in the Narthex.

District Youth Day – speakers needed. District Youth Day will be held October 10th (10am – 5pm) at Concordia in St. Paul. Speakers and people to lead activities for breakout session (45 minutes) are needed. If you would like to help, complete the form by June 1:

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