

Program for the Week of July 12 – July 19, 2026

Sunday:

8:00 Matins
8:30 Coffee/Fellowship
9:00 Divine Service
10:15 Family Bible Class
4:30 Book Club

Monday:

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting

1:00 Tuesday Bible Study
6:00 LWML Fall Rally Planning
6:30 Planning Council

Wednesday:

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

12:00 The Voice Deadline

Saturday:

Sunday: Mite Sunday

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This morning Peter Bittner and James Bittner will receive First Communion. They have studied the catechism and been examined by our Board of Elders. Please congratulate them, support them in their ongoing instruction, and remember them in your prayers.

Chancel flowers are provided in loving memory of Arlene Bergemann.

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

Fall Rally Planning Meeting: We will meet on Tuesday, July 14th at 6pm in the Library to continue our planning for the LWML Arlington Zone Rally that Our Savior's is hosting on September 19th. If you would like to join us, please come. Volunteers are welcome! Questions? Call Bev Annis, 507-340-0273 or Trudy Wiechmann, 507-327-7082.

Student Scholarships Available Our Savior Endowment Fund has scholarship money available for students in our congregation who will be attending CCA this fall. Scholarship money is also available for post secondary student members of our congregation who plan to pursue a career in full time church work. Application forms need to be completed and submitted to the church office by July 15, for the upcoming academic school year. Forms are available in the church office. Please contact Rob Hobbs, chairperson of the Endowment Board, at 507-340-6313, if you have questions or need more information.

Outreach Missions will not meet in July. Hope to see you in August. Reading our Christian Publication is helpful to understand the work of our missionaries, stamp ministries, home projects. We are continuing to collect stamps, see the directions in the mission center.

The Deadline for the August 2026 issue of *The Voice* is Friday, July 17th at noon. Please drop of any submissions in the church office or e-mail to: contact@oslcmandato.org. Thank you.

Summer Cookout at the Matheny's! You are invited to the Matheny house, 27 Westminster Road in Mankato, on Tuesday, July 21st for a picnic. The Matheny's will provide the meat and everyone else can bring a side, salad, or dessert to share. Arrive beginning at 5:30 and we will pray and begin the meal at 6pm. If it rains that day, we'll postpone to July 23rd. We look forward to an evening of fellowship with you!

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in July, please contact Marcella Eilders, 507-317-4127.

July Mite focus is Grant #13: Reaching God's Children in Haiti – Trinity HOPE - \$61,782. Originally the ministry fed 42 children from one school, now it feeds 65,000 children and staff in over 265 Christian schools across the country. This grant will fund 160,472 meals over two years. Next Sunday, July 19th, the Big Mite Box will be ready to receive your mites from home.

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

Dr. Reed Lessing, Professor of Theology & Ministry, Director of The Center for Biblical Studies at Concordia St. Paul will be at Our Savior Lutheran Church on Saturday, August 15th to speak about his book "Overcoming Life's Sorrows: Learning Through Jeremiah". This is a free event (door offerings will be accepted), lunch and light snacks will be provided. Registration begins at 8am, the event is from 9am – 3pm. Use the QR code to register. Walk-ins are welcome. Books will be available to purchase.



SAGES – Older Adult Ministry – Saints Alive Growing Ever Serving. Mankato Circuit (20) and Arlington Circuit (19) have openings for two or more representatives. Pick up a copy of the July-Sept Sagacity in the narthex, or view online at: <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/sages>. SAGES in person August Board Meeting is at Peace in Arlington on Tuesday, August 3rd at 10am – noon. (Ride needed.)

A Synod Convention Discussion Forum will be hosted by Rev. Mark Loder and Dave Koosman (Litchfield Circuit) on July 13th at 6:00 pm. This is an opportunity for anyone interested to learn about and discuss the proposed overtures to be presented at the Synod convention later this month. The forum will be held by Zoom. Those interested may email revloder@gmail.com for the link to the forum.

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.

July Christian Publications: in the Narthex or Mission Center for you. Mite Prayer Calendar – Lutheran Bible Translations – Lutheran Witness (with MNSO District news) read Talking Points with President Woodford – Portals of Prayer – WOM Quarterly – Voice for Public Policy, Sagacity, Lutheran Hour Ministry News, Doorstep News and also see the information on the posters here in church. July Pray for Us Poster. Go to Orphan Grain Train website to see needs and directions for individual donation. Follow along with publication.

LCMS Stewardship Ministry: Matthew 5:24 – “First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.” Our giving to the Lord’s work is part of our Christian life. The Lord wants us to walk in His ways in all we do. He wants our hearts united to His. It’s not our gift the Lord wants – it is our very selves, in all we think, say and do.

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 tune in for “The Reign of Heaven Stands Near”, our study of the book of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am). On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am) we’re discussing chapter 13 of the book of Acts. Pastor Finnern is beginning a short study on private confession on Concord Matters (Saturday, July 18th at 10am).

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week’s *This is the Life* episode, “A Will to Live” features a man who leaves a large portion of his money to the church and hospital, then has his will contested by relatives. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Shawn Ethridge from St. Paul’s Evangelical Lutheran Church in Fulda, who will present a message titled “The Right Ground” based on Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23. For more

information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

Divorce & Remarriage 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 Dr. Benjamin Mayes, author of the new book “Divorce and Remarriage: Ecclesiastical Discernment and Pastoral Care” at issuesetc.org/divorceandremarriage.

The Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is please to present its annual Summer Noontime Organ Recitals on Tuesdays at 12:10pm. July 14th features Mark DeGarmeaux at Trinity Chapel, Bethany Lutheran College, 730 Luther Drive, Mankato. The recitals are free and open to the public. Visit www.agosiouxtrails.org for more information.

Hit the Greens, Change a Child’s Life. Enjoy 18 holes of golf at the beautiful Valleywood Golf Course, Apple Valley on August 10. Your \$120 green fee includes golf, cart access, taco buffet, and drink ticket. If you’re not a golfer, you can sponsor a Hole of Meal, or just make a donation. All money raised supports Camp Omega’s Endowment Fund to help send children to Camp Omega and experience the love of Jesus. For more information and to register and/or donate, go to: www.campomega.org.

Join Options Mankato for a FUNdraiser for the whole family on July 25 from 11am to 3pm at 1695 Lor Ray Dr, North Mankato. Festivities include face painting, a bounce house, lawn games, food for purchase, and live music. RSVP at optionsmankato.org/hog-roast.

LCC Training Workshop – (Lutheran Church Charities) Spiritual First Aid Training. August 28-29, Fort Dodge, Iowa. Learn the basics of Spiritual First Aid™, a biblically informed framework for crisis care.

Ministry and Discipline in the Midst of the Digital Age. August 12-14, 2026, Messiah Lutheran Church, La Crescent. Speaker: Rev. Dr. David Petersen. Contact: Rev. Mark Meier for more information – 507-895-5673

LCMS: You will be interested to know that LCMS Disaster Response and Training feature new needs and events each week. Please check these out: 1) LCMS Disaster Response & Training, 2) Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) program; 3) The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. <https://www.lcms.org/disaster>; <https://www.facebook.com/LCMSDisasterResponse>; LCMS LERT: www.lcms-lert.org.