

## Program for the Week of September 13 – September 20, 2026

### Sunday:

8:00 Matins  
8:30 Coffee/Fellowship  
9:00 Divine Service  
10:20 Bible Class  
10:20 Sunday School  
4:30 Book Club

### Monday:

9:00 Quilting

### Tuesday:

9:00 Homeschool Co-op  
10:00 Staff Meeting

1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

7:00 MN Valley Chorale

### Wednesday:

4:00 Outreach Missions  
4:40 Introductory 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:

12:00 The Voice Deadline

### Saturday:

9:00 LWML Zone Rally

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**Holy Baptism:** Avery James William Lemmon, born February 3, 2026, will be baptized this morning, September 13, 2026. His parents are Logan & Catherine Lemmon. His sponsors are Lawrence Mashuga Jr. and Stephanie Rathman.

**Chancel flowers** are provided by Julie Schlichting in loving memory of Don.

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

**Sunday School** starts this morning, September 13<sup>th</sup>! Classes (September 13<sup>th</sup> – September 27<sup>th</sup>) will begin approximately 10:20am, following the 9am service. Little Lambs (3yr – K) and Youth (7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders) meet upstairs. 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders meet in the Sanctuary. On September 27<sup>th</sup>, ALL students and parents meet in the sanctuary for information on the Christmas Service. Parents, check your e-mail for more information, or pick up a schedule in the narthex.

**Wednesday Night Meals** resume September 16<sup>th</sup>! All are invited to come have a good meal and enjoy good fellowship. The meal begins at 6pm. At 6:45pm the pastor leads us in a short devotion. A free-will donation is accepted (suggested donation of \$3 per person.)

**College Student Addresses Wanted!** Our Savior would like to maintain contact with our college students who are away from home right now in order to offer them our encouragement and support to remain faithful to their Lord during their college years. If your child or grandchild, who is an OSLC member, is away at college, please supply us with their mailing address. You may drop this off at the church office or email Pastor Koopman at [pastorjohnkoopman@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjohnkoopman@gmail.com)

**Arlington Zone Fall Rally** – coming up Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 to noon, here at Our Savior. Join your sisters-in-Christ to learn about “See to it That No One Takes You (& your children, grandchildren, fellow Christians) Captive” Colossians 2:8. If you haven’t registered yet, do so by MONDAY by calling 507-385-2180. This includes a morning snack and a noon lunch.

**The Youth Room couches** have seen A LOT of kids come and go and have heard MANY discussions and Bible stories being read. We are looking to replace one of the oldest couches and are taking a door offering to help with the expense, any amount, no matter how small will help. Thank you!

**New Member Welcome!** To recognize and welcome our 22 new members this year, the Board of Deacons invites you to a special meal on Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. The meal begins at 6pm, but come early for social time. This is a great opportunity to connect with your brothers and sisters in Christ. We look forward to seeing you.

**In Defense of Life.** Join fellow Christians to peacefully stand in defense of life at a Prayer Vigil and the Life Chain on Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, on the sidewalk outside of Planned Parenthood, 340 Stadium Road. Prayer Vigil begins at 1:30pm, Life Chain at 2pm.

**Altar Guild Meeting:** We will have our annual Altar Guild Meeting on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Meet in the Fireplace Room. Please use the East parking lot entrance. Looking forward to seeing you! If you are not a member and are interested in seeing what we do to serve the church, please join us.

**Outreach Missions** will meet this Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and help with the projects.

**Mite Sunday** – Next week September 20<sup>th</sup>, bring your mites from home. Mite focus this month is #16 – The Teaching of Lutheran Pastors in West Africa, \$86,000.

**Operation Christmas Child is Here!** What a privilege we have to share the Good News of God's greatest gift, JESUS CHRIST, with the children in the United States and around the world! Please see the table in the Narthex for information on how to donate a single item, or fill up an entire shoebox. Don't forget to pray for the children who will receive these gifts.

**Anyone interested in placing flowers** for our worship services in September, please contact Cindy Hobbs, 507-995-9894.

**SAGES** – MNS District Sages Board will meet on October 6<sup>th</sup> at Camp Omega. Volunteers are invited to represent Our Savior Lutheran Church in Mankato. Call Trudy at 507-327-7082 or the president Ernie Freudenburg at [ekfreud@gmail.com](mailto:ekfreud@gmail.com) for more information

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

**LCMS Stewardship Ministry:** Matthew 6:25 – “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on.” Our anxieties and fears all come down to one thing: worrying that we will not have what we think we need. But God is our loving heavenly Father. He will always care for us, His will is always best, and He actually knows what we really need. That confidence should set us free from worry and make us free for service according to the callings God has given us.

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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, “No Laughing Matter” features a woman who must learn to deal with her past to help someone else in her present. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Jeffrey Ross from Zion Lutheran Church in Brainerd, who will present a message titled “A River, Not a Dam” based on Matthew 18:21-35. For more information or to watch the program, go to [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

**Your Lifeline To The Lutheran Worldview...** Issues, Etc. is a podcast and radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent subjects include: Social Emotional Learning, The False Masculinity of the Tate Brothers, Gloria Steinem's Legacy, The Gay Rights Movement's Anthropological Problem and more. You can listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider

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**Youth Apologetics 2026:** “Identity and Confidence: Who I Am”, Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 2pm, doors open at 8:45am. Free admission. Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 404 W. Franklin St., Morristown, MN. Contact Zak Tess, if interested. RSVP deadline is September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Be sure to go to the Minnesota South District LWML website** to see the September e-News, which has many different types of cards you can download and send: <https://www.mnslwml.org>

**C.S. Lewis is renowned worldwide** for his *Chronicles of Narnia* and his various apologetics works, but his contribution to literary studies as a philologist and literary critic have often gone unappreciated. Join us on September 18 at 6 p.m. in the YFAC choir room at Bethany Lutheran College and listen to scholar and seminarian Matthew Schleusener present on one of these unappreciated pieces. In *An Experiment in Criticism*, Lewis asks a simple question: Instead of evaluating which books are good, should we instead evaluate the way we read them?

**Basic LERT Training:** Saturday, October 3, 2026, from 9 am to 12 pm at Peace Lutheran Church, 400 Franklin St. SW, Hutchinson, MN 55350. Contact: [pastorbjornstad@gmail.com](mailto:pastorbjornstad@gmail.com)