

Program for the Week of September 6 – September 13, 2026

Sunday:

8:00 Matins
8:30 Coffee/Fellowship
9:00 Divine Service
10:20 Bible Class

Monday: *Labor Day*

Office Closed

Tuesday:

9:00 Homeschool Co-op
9:00 Circuit Pastors
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

6:30 Planning Council

7:00 MN Valley Chorale

Wednesday:

6:00 Confirmation
Student/Parent Meeting
7:00 Reformation
Presentation Info Meeting

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

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

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

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in January, please contact Gretchen Zellmer, 507-317-2904 or Missy Schultz, 507-514-2553.

Sunday School starts September 13th! Classes (September 13th – September 27th) will begin approximately 10:20am, following the 9am service. Little Lambs (3yr – K) and Youth (7th – 12th graders) meet upstairs. 1st – 6th graders meet in the Sanctuary. On September 27th, 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 16th! 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

Join us on October 28 for a special Reformation presentation led by our students. Students will research, write, and present their findings about Martin Luther and the Reformation, exploring its history and impact on the Christian Church. An informational meeting for students and families

interested in participating will be held on **September 9 at 7:00 pm** (Following the Confirmation meeting). This is a wonderful opportunity for students to learn more about church history while developing their research and presentation skills. We invite everyone to come and support our students as they share what they have learned! For more information or interest, reach out to Kristen Teigum at Kristenteigum1@gmail.com

Arlington Zone Fall Rally – will be taking place on September 19th at Our Savior Lutheran Church. “See to it That No One Takes You (& your children, grandchildren, fellow Christians . . .) Captive. Registration at 9am, Rally 9:30 – noon, with lunch. RSVP to the church office by September 11th, 507-385-2180. Registration fee is \$10. Guest Speaker is Rev. David Thompson, Director of The Center for Apologetics and Worldviews. Gifts from the Heart: monetary donation to the Center for Apologetics and Worldviews.

Adult men of OSLC: Join us for our annual men’s canoe trip to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCA), September 23–27. Enjoy hiking, fishing, hunting, daily time in God’s Word, and singing praises with brothers in Christ in the beauty of God’s creation. No prior outdoor experience is necessary! The estimated cost is about \$100 per person, including permits, canoe rentals, and travel expenses. Interested? Contact Zak Tess at 920-265-8436 or speak with him after church for more information.

Outreach Missions is collecting supplies for the Samaritans Purse Shoeboxes. Our goal is to put together ten boxes for each age group (40 boxes). Needed: Crayons, colored pencils, pencils, pencil sharpeners, tooth brushes, kids socks, small balls, stuffed animals (or beanie babies). Please see the display in the narthex. If you have any questions, please call Rhonda at 507-389-9726. Thank you!

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

The September Voice was delivered to your home this week. Important news, dates, and times are there for you to put on your own calendar.

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

September Christian Publications: are in the Narthex or Mission Center for you. Mite Prayer Calendar – Lutheran Bible Translators – Lutheran Witness (with MNSO District news) – Portals of Prayer – WOM – Quarterly – Voice for Public Policy, Sagacity (June – September), Lutheran Hour Ministry News, Doorstep News, August Pray for Us, and CPH Fall Sale Catalog. Go to Orphan Grain Train website to see needs and directions for individual donation. Follow along with publication News. Minnesota South District Website <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/> LWML Minnesota South District <https://www.mnslwml.org/> LWML <https://www.lwml.org>

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LCMS Stewardship Ministry: Luke 17:17-19, “Then Jesus answered . . . ‘Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?’ And he said to him, ‘Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.’” Faith and thanksgiving go together. How could they not go together? Our Lord gave Himself for us and we trust Him and His every Word. Once we have this faith, we want to say thank you – it’s only natural. Thus, our stewardship is a natural part of the Christian faith. We thank the Lord with our gifts which enable the church to reach more people with Good News of Christ.

Listen to KFUA.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.KFUA.org for 24/7 on-demand listening. Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUOradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week tune into “The Reign of Heaven Stands Near” on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am) as we look at Matthew 22-23. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am) we begin a new study in Paul’s letters to the Corinthians. On Concord Matters (Saturday, September 12 at 10am), Pastor Brady

Finnern and Rev. Brian Kacheimeier will be unpacking the doctrine of original sin as found in Article 1 of the Epitome of the Formula of Concord.

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week’s *This is the Life* episode, “The Selling Price” features a father and son who face the issue of ethics and how it relates to God’s law. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Jeffrey Williams from Trinity Lutheran Church in Slayton, who will present a message titled “The God Who Forgives” based on Matthew 18:15-20. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

Luther Had Wartburg, We Have Collinsville... 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 interview topics include: The Honesty Crisis, Luke’s Gospel for the Hungry, Lutheran Schools & the Three Estates, The Story of a 16th-Century German City Embracing Lutheranism and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

Needed Now for SAGES Older Adult Ministry – Saints Alive Growing Ever Serving. Mankato Circuit 20 and Arlington Circuit 19 have openings for two or more representatives. View on-line at <https://mnsdistrict.org/sages>. Contact Ernie Freudenburg at ekfreud@gmail.com.

Youth Apologetics 2026: “Identity and Confidence: Who I Am”, Saturday, September 19th, 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 15th.

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>

LBT – Back to the Bible Summit on Wednesday, September 30, 2026 from 10 am to 1 pm. Join the summit online or in person at St. John Lutheran Church (1975 Saint Johns Dr., Woodbury, MN) for deeper conversations with other area leaders. The Summit is free, but registration is required. This gathering brings us together around a question many congregations are quietly asking: What do we do when biblical fluency is declining but interest in Scripture is not. This year’s theme: Empowering your Church through Scripture.