

Program for the Week of October 18 – October 25, 2026

Sunday: Mite Sunday

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:20 Bible Class
10:30 Divine Service

Monday:

Fall Pastor's Conference

Tuesday:

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9:00 Homeschool Co-op
7:00 MN Valley Chorale

Wednesday:

4:40 Introductory Choir

5:10 Introductory Handbells

5:25 Brass

5:45 Handbells

6:00 Meal

6:45 Devotion

7:00 Jr. Confirmation

7:00 Vocal Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession

10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

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

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

Liturgical Colors of the Season: Red is the color of zeal (fire) and martyrdom (blood).

October Youth Group- 7th-12th graders- join us at the Anderson's Home (19353 584th Lane Mankato) Sunday, October 25th from 6-8pm for a campfire. There will be goodies to roast over the fire and games to be played. Please bring a camp chair if you can. Parents are welcome to stay also! If weather is uncooperative, we'll meet at the church instead; any changes will be communicated on the GroupMe chat.

October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month. There's a table set up in the narthex with free resources and information on a number of topics, including miscarriage, infertility, abortion, and others. In addition, in honor of this, we're collecting donations for Options for Women.

Join us on October 28 for a special Reformation presentation led by our students. Students have researched and will present their findings about Martin Luther and the Reformation, exploring its history and impact on the Christian Church. We invite everyone to come and support our students as they share what they have learned!

It's time to celebrate our secretary! Sue Hendrickson has faithfully served our congregation in the church office for the past 20 years. How incredible! We will be having a luncheon in Sue's honor on November 1, 2026 after the second service. Please come and celebrate Sue, her dedication to this congregation, and her retirement.

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

2027 Church Council Opportunities available for your talents – Consider being on the November Voter's meeting ballot. Have you ever wondered how our church governing body worked? Or do you have thoughts and ideas that you would like to get more involved with in the church? If so, please prayerfully consider using your skills in blessing us with your knowledge and input. If you have any questions at all, please talk to Council President Dan Gahler, call him at 507-995-3634, or contact any other board member. Thanks for your consideration.

The National Mite Focus Grant for October are #17 Mobilizing After School Care for Teens — Our Place After School Care Inc., Hastings, Nebraska — \$69,500 and #27 Teaching Christ to the Physically Handicapped — Lutheran High School of Greater New Orleans, Louisiana — \$12,000. **District Grant is #10**, "Bibles for our Hispanic Families", Lutheran Heritage Foundation...\$12,000.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in October, please contact Laura Matheny, 812-604-5168 or Samantha Tess, 507-217-0354.

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.

Youth Overnight – November 20-21, 2026 from 6pm to 3pm at St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, 314 4th Ave. NE, Waseca. Cost: \$25 per person OR \$100/congregation (more than 10 people - \$10 per person). Youth in grades 6-12. Questions call Rev. Michael Grannis at 952-686.3046

Thank you for supporting the youth at the October Pizza Ranch Fundraiser! Look for another one in January or February!

Thank you to everyone that donated to our Youth Room couch fund! We have a new couch that we look forward to using!

Free Piano- The former St. Johns church in Rapidan has an Everett piano that is no longer being used and they would like to donate it to someone. Please call Bev Annis at 507-340-0273 if you are interested.

From the SAGES Board: Volunteers are invited to represent Our Savior Lutheran Church in Mankato. Also, from Arlington-Mankato Zone, the Board need 1-2 volunteer to be on the District Board. Respond to Ernie Freudenburg at ekfreud@gmail.com

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

- \$80.00 Undesignated, \$130 Endowment, \$50 Scholarship Fund, \$105 Women's Ministry, \$1,000 Debt Reduction, \$100 Building Fund, and \$870 Boiler Fund in memory of Dolly Blomquist
- \$10.00 Building Fund in memory of Arlene Bergemann
- \$1,040 Undesignated in memory of Butch Mason
- \$100 Building Fund, \$145 Undesignated, \$20 Wednesday Night Meals, \$25 Boiler Fund in memory of Tim Brunz

LCMS Stewardship Ministry: Isaiah 55:2 – “Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?” What Isaiah says here is reminiscent of what Jesus says about putting our earthly wealth in places “where moth and rust destroy” (Matthew 6:19). Where we put the money God has given us to manage says a lot about how we actually view life. What do your spending priorities say about what you think is truly important in life?

October Delegate Meeting, The Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School October delegate meeting will be held on Sunday October 25 at 1:00 pm in the music room. All delegates, pastors and interested persons are welcome to attend.

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 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at

8 am) a continuation of Job 3. Join us on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 am) will study Paul's letters to the Corinthians, 2 Corinthians 7-11. Don't forget to listen to Concord Matters this Saturday (10/24 at 10 a.m. CT)—Pastor Brady Finner and Rev. Dennis McFadden will be unpacking the doctrine of good works as found in Article 4 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, “Some People Need Help, Sergeant”, features an amputee from a Veteran's hospital who must learn that hurting others will not help him. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Ben Hollingsead from St. John Lutheran Church in Aitkin, who will present a message titled “Whose Image Do You Bear?” based on Matthew 22:15-22. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

The LWML 42nd Biennial National Convention will be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, from Thursday, July 8, through Sunday, July 11, 2027 and the LWML Minnesota South District is offering motor coach transportation for attendees Seating is limited to 55 seats. Reserve yours ASAP, call Roxanne Pieper at 952-393-5973 or email peepshome@gmail.com.

A Lutheran View of Depression- October is National Depression Education and Awareness Month. You can listen to the audiobook, “I Trust When Dark My Road: A Lutheran View of Depression” by Pastor Todd Peperkorn at issuesetc.org/depression. This audiobook is produced by Lutheran Public Radio, Inc., based in Collinsville, IL. LPR, Inc. produces radio talk shows, podcasts, sacred music and talk stations, books, audiobooks, conferences, hymn recordings and videos.

Congratulations to the Concordia Classical Academy of North Mankato as they received the National Lutheran School Accreditation for quality Christian education.

Bethany Lutheran College and Bethany Lutheran Theological Seminary present The 58th Annual Bjarne Wollan Teigen Reformation Lectures. Did Luther have an agenda? Luther's Liturgical Writings. Thursday, October 29th, beginning at 10:30am – Friday, October 30th, ending at 3:30pm. For more information or to register to to: www.blc.edu/reformation-lectures.