

Program for the Week of January 1 – January 8, 2023

Sunday:

9:00 Worship
10:00 Bible Study

Monday: *Office Closed*

10:30 Fireplace Room Rental

Tuesday:

8:30 Circuit Pastors
5:15 Board of Education
6:00 Board of Elders
6:30 Board of Deacons
7:00 Board of Trustees
7:00 Worship Service on KTV

Wednesday:

2:00 Worship Service on KTV
5:15 Grief Discussion Group
5:15 Introductory Choir
5:50 Introductory Bells
6:00 Meal
6:45 Devotion

7:00 Jr. Confirmation

7:00 Vocal Choir

7:30 Handbell Choir

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession

9:45 Ruth/Lydia Circle

10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

8:00 Worship

9:00 Coffee Time

9:15 Bible Class

9:20 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

11:30 Christmas Undecorating &
Lunch

4:30 Book Club

6:30 TSNT

About the Cover: From one year to the next and “from the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!” (Psalm 113:3). There is so much wrapped up in the name *Jesus* (“the Lord saves”). Where the Lord’s name is, there He is present to save. Praise be to the Lord, who, through His cross, eternally saves – placing the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit upon us in Holy Baptism.

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

Wednesday Night Meals resume this week, January 4th. Meal begins at 6pm, followed by Devotion at 6:45pm. Join us for a good meal and good fellowship. Everyone is invited.

Ruth/Lydia Bible Study Circle on Thursday, January 5th, gathers together at 9:30am for morning beverage and fellowship. 9:45am Bible Study found in the Winter Quarterly on page 15, Dilemmas and Decisions. Come, you are welcomed. Bring a friend.

Take down Christmas Decorations next Sunday, January 8th following the 10:30 service. We will put the decorations away for another year, and then enjoy lunch together. All help is greatly appreciated, please join us!

In January the Book Club is reading selected short stories by American author Flannery O'Connor. For our January 8th meeting we will read, *Revelation*, *A Good Man Is Hard to Find*, and *Enoch and the Gorilla*. For our January 22nd meeting we will read, *Everything That Rises Must Converge*, *The Partridge Festival*, and *The Barber*. We will meet in the fireplace room and discuss those short stories from 4:30-6. If you have any questions, or to pick up copies of those stories please speak with Pastor Matheny.

Hot Chocolate + Fellowship: Young adults are invited to join us in the fireplace room at 7PM on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month as we begin our study and discussion on the minor prophets. We would love to see you on January 9th! Contact Karee with questions: 507-381-3826, kbless@blc.edu.

Learning Handbells! We're looking for a few more ringers for our Introductory Handbell group! Have you ever wanted to give them a try? Anyone third grade and up – including adults – are welcome to join the group. We'll teach you what you need to know to play the handbells. Childcare can be provided if needed. Rehearsals start up again on January 4th. Contact Edith Williams, eawillia4@gmail.com, or Suzie Gangi, suzie@oslcmandkato.org, for more information.

Supplies needed for Mission Services Projects: Toothpaste, deodorant, combs, travel size shampoo, body wash and lotion, and gently used washcloths. Please drop of any donations in the Mission Center. Thank you! Mission Service workday is Wednesday, January 18th at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall. See you there!

Our Savior's Worship Service is livestreamed on our website www.oslcmandkato.org or from our YouTube channel also named oslcmandkato. The weekly Sunday service is broadcast on the local Public Access channel, KTV (Spectrum Cable channel 181, Consolidated Communications channel 7), on Tuesday at 7pm and Wednesday at 2pm.

Mission Center and Narthex have new materials added each week that are filled with information for all LCMS members.

Coats in the Mission Center (former Card Shop) are for anyone who needs a coat or someone you know who is in need. Free to be used for warmth in this cold weather. Please take it today. There are also several scarves.

Copies of October/November/December Sagacity is available in the Narthex. Pick up a copy. Copies are available for all members of Our Savior.

Pick up your Winter Quarterly and the District WOM. Summer Convention 2023 included also bus information, shirt order, registration (check deadlines for lowest costs) and more. YWR (Young Woman Representative) is chosen to represent the District to go to the National Convention. All information and application forms can be found on the LWML MN South website. Go to: www.mnslwml.org, click on Faith & Service, select Young Women. The deadline for submitting application is January 15th.

Hear The Lutheran Hour every Sunday on radio station WCCO (830) at 6:00 a.m., KDHL (920) at 6 p.m., or KJLY (107.1) at 6 p.m. You can also listen any time on your computer at www.lhm.org. Click on “Hear This Week’s Sermon”.

From the Stewardship Committee: Luke 2:21 – “And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.” There it is: the shortest Gospel lesson of the whole Church Year. It is for the festival of the Circumcision and Name of Jesus. What more do you need to know than the name of Jesus — “the Lord saves.” That’s who Jesus is: the Lord who saves us sinners. That simple Gospel message is the foundation of our faith and the strength to live out our faith.

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. The Twelve Days of Christmas programming continues through January 8, with special music, readings, and greetings for the season. Regular programming resumes January 9!

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week’s *This is the Life* episode, “The Other Wiseman” features another Magi who, making his journey to the Christ child, encounters others and shows kindness along the way. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Daniel Voth from Immanuel Lutheran Church in Grand Forks, ND, who will present a message titled “Our Exodus”, based on Matthew 2:13-23. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

Lutherans for Life event coming on January 21st at Waconia, MN. The District President, Rev. Dr. Lucas Woodford is presenting the topic, “Wonderfully Made: The Devine Value of Being Human”. Contact Corinne Allen at narrfarm@aol.com or 612-599-0021 for more information. Are you planning to attend? Can we car pool? Sign up in the narthex or call 507-327-7082.

The Tournament of Roses Parade, A New Day with Jesus Lutheran Hour Ministries float will be on TV on January 2 at 8am Pacific Time.

Welcome to Our Savior's Lutheran Church! We are Christians gathered around the unchanging Word and Gifts of Jesus Christ which give forgiveness and salvation now and forever. Our Savior has more than enough blessings for everyone and promises that He will turn no one away. Please let us know who you are and how we can serve you by completing a registration card found in the seat backs and placing it in the offering plate at the entrances to the sanctuary.

At Our Savior Lutheran Church we live to make Christ known.

Monthly Memory Verse:

The fear of the LORD prolongs life, but the years of the wicked will be short.
Proverbs 10:27

Weekly Discussion Question:

The note in the Lutheran Study Bible explains “fear of the Lord” as “a reverence for the Lord prompted by love”. How do you show reverence?
What does love motivate you to do?

Holy Communion: Luther once said, “Word and Sacrament are the manger and swaddling clothes into which it has pleased Christ to lay Himself”. Just as the shepherds were told where to find Jesus then, so also we are told where to find Him still today. He is no longer in the humble manger; but by His own promise, He is in the humble means of bread and wine with His true body and blood. As we received His gift, the greatest gift we can give to others is a loving witness to the truth of His Word. Those who understand the meaning of communion and wish to receive it today are asked to review the statement on the back of the registration card.

Serving today:

Liturgist & Preacher Rev. Adam M. Matheny
Organist [6:30] Susan Klute; [9:00] Edith Williams
Special Music..... [6:30] Sarah Bjornstad, violin
Elder of the Day [6:30] Gene Mensing; [9:00] Mike Holub
A/V Tech [9:00] Gene Mensing