

## Program for the Week of May 21 – May 28, 2023

### **Sunday:** *Mite Sunday*

8:00 Worship  
9:00 Coffee Time  
9:15 Bible Class  
9:20 Sunday School  
10:00 Sundaes on Sunday  
10:30 Worship  
11:45 Voters' Meeting  
12:45 Sunday School Teachers

### **Monday:**

6:30 Early Bird Bible Study  
7:00 Young Adult Bible Study

### **Tuesday:**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study  
7:00 Worship Service on KTV

### **Wednesday:**

2:00 Worship Service on KTV  
5:15 Find Your People Class

### **Thursday:**

9:00 Private Confession  
10:00 Bulletin Deadline  
5:30 Potluck/Bible Study  
6:30 Daring to Hope Class

### **Friday:**

1:30 Mary Circle Bible Study

### **Saturday:**

### **Next Sunday:**

8:00 Worship  
9:00 Coffee Time  
9:15 Bible Class  
10:30 Worship  
4:30 Book Club

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

**About the Cover:** The Christian faith is historical. God has acted in history through Christ's death and resurrection to bring us real comfort. In the choosing of Matthias, it was of great importance that one who heard and saw Jesus crucified and risen be the twelfth apostle. The Lord has preserved this eyewitness testimony of the apostles in order that without seeing we may believe that Jesus is the Christ and have life in His name.

**Today, Sunday School students study "A Returning Truth."** Banished to the island of Patmos, John receives a revelation of the new heaven and new earth. In this climax to the Book of Revelation, John describes the indescribable – the Lamb of God in His glory with His people in their eternal home. As a family you could discuss, "How does God reassure us concerning His return on the Last Day?"

**Today is Mite Sunday.** Place your Mites from home in the large Mite Box in the narthex. The featured National grant for May is #22 – Lutheran Bible Translators Mission Vehicle Fund - \$70,000. Find out more at: [www.lwml.org/2021-2023-mission-grant-22](http://www.lwml.org/2021-2023-mission-grant-22). The Minnesota South District focus grant is #10 – Twin Cities Blind Fellowship Outreach - \$5,000. Last month your mites contributed \$100.70.

**Voters' Meeting**, TODAY following the 10:30 service in the Sanctuary. All confirmed members, age 18 and older, are welcome and encouraged to attend. We will hear an update from the Call Committee, and hear from the Trustees on the roof project.

**Young Adult Bible Study** will meet Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7pm in the Fireplace Room. Late high school through early-ish work force are invited to join us. Contact Karee at 507-381-3826 or [kbless@blc.edu](mailto:kbless@blc.edu) with any questions.

**Potluck Dinner & Bible Study:** Join us at 5:30pm on Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> in the Fireplace room for a potluck dinner and fellowship. Then, from 6:30 – 7:30pm we'll study the Scriptures together. This month we'll study some Psalms. See you there! If you have questions, please contact Pastor Matheny.

**Please join Our Savior's family for Faith Night at the Moon Dogs**, Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, at 5:05pm. \$5 per ticket, add a meal voucher for \$4 more (hot dog, chips, & pop). Handicap seating available. Sign up in the Narthex or call Lindsey Marso at 507-382-6168. Sign-up deadline is Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Join us for our annual spring backpacking trip** June 8-11! We will be hiking a portion of the beautiful Superior Hiking Trail that runs from Duluth to Canada along Lake Superior. Some camping experience is helpful, and being able to hike with a loaded pack a must, but no specific backpacking experience necessary. Don't worry if you don't have the gear, as we have extra to lend. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Matt Brand ([mattsbrand@gmail.com](mailto:mattsbrand@gmail.com)) or Lisa Gahler for more details. Looking forward to an adventure!

**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 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, for more information at 507-340-6313.

**Supplies needed:** Gallon size Ziplock bags, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, gently used washcloths and hand towels, Travel size: body wash, lotion, shampoo, and conditioner. Please bring any supplies to the Mission Center. Thank you! – Mission Service

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

- \$20 Building Fund, \$50 Youth, and \$10 Undesignated in memory of Steven Baker.

**Mission Service** met on May 17<sup>th</sup> and put together 30 Healthcare Kits which will be delivered along with men's socks to the shelter in Saint Peter. Thank you for all the supplies donated and to everyone who came to help!

**Remember to choose** your 8 from the new 45 Mission Mite Grants for 2023-2025.

**Anyone interested in placing flowers** for our worship services in May, please contact Judy Mensing, 507-420-8196.

**Christian Reading Materials** are for you, the Spring Quarterly, the large print Quarterly, the WOM, the Lutheran Layman Magazine, the April Sagacity, coloring pages and other new materials are available in the Narthex and the Mission Center.

**Thrivent Choice Dollars:** It's that time again to start thinking about our children or grandchildren attending Camp Omega or other religious based camps. Thrivent Choice Dollars here at Our Savior Lutheran Church can offer scholarships up to \$250 per child to help defray the costs of these camps. Feel free to contact Brian Johnson at 779-4264 with any questions.

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

**District Retreat:** Mark your calendar now, September 16<sup>th</sup>, at the new Omega Lodge at Camp Omega.

**Orphan Grain Train** is in need of Disaster Relief items; please bring them to the Mission Center. Items needed: Duct tape, large tarps, bleach, mosquito nets, body wipes, paper towels, toilet paper, garbage bags, Ziploc bags (for storing cell phones), paper plates, non-perishable food in cans, bags of rice, peanut butter, new socks, bug spray, bas or boxes of rags/towels for cleanup. Thank you.

**From the Stewardship Committee: 1 Peter 5:7** - "Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting your anxieties on him, because He cares for you." We have a Father in heaven who really cares for us and loves us. That is the basis of generosity, because such knowledge spells the end of worry, which is the source of all tightfisted greed.

**Main Street Living** airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "No Place to Hide" features a pastor who must face the death of his wife, and cannot find comfort. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Kirk Lee from Immanuel Lutheran Church in Parker's Prairie, who will present a message titled "Under the Mighty Hand of God" based on 1 Peter 5:6-11. For more information or to watch the program, go to [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

**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](http://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 study Revelation 4-7 on Sharper Iron's "Come Lord Jesus!" (weekdays at 8am), study 1 Samuel 17-21 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am), and hear how our Lutheran theology is for the instruction and consolation of a disturbed conscience on Concord Matters (May 27<sup>th</sup> at 10am).

**All are welcome to join Concordia Classical Academy** for its groundbreaking ceremony on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:30am. Following the graduation service, we will have a short time of fellowship and then continue to the groundbreaking ceremony. We hope you can join us!

**Martin Luther High School** is pleased to invite all to the 38<sup>th</sup> Baccalaureate and Commencement Service for the Class of 2023 at 2pm on Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> in the Lutheran Activity Center at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School. Commencement speaker is Pastor John Henry. Salutatorian is Sutton Bohlsen and the Valedictorian is Jakob Fischer. The Class Verse is "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble." Matthew 6:34.

**Perennial Plant Sale, Bake Sale, and Rummage Sale:** Immanuel Lutheran School, 50605 478<sup>th</sup> Street, Courtland. Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8am to 8pm, and Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8am to 2pm. \$5 bag sale on Saturday. This is a fundraiser for the school. We appreciate your support!

**Apologetics and Worldviews Conference** at Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato. *A Culture of Deception? Equipping Christians with Truth & Love in Tumultuous Times*, Wednesday, June 21 (7-9pm) and Thursday, June 22 (10:30am – 2:30pm) in person or anywhere via livestream video. You are invited to this free event. Topics: Equipped with Words and Works of Love in an Angry and Frightened World; Equipped for the Worldview Battlefield in the Classroom and the Workplace; and Equipped to Steer Difficult Conversations toward Truth and Gentleness and Respect. For more information, visit: [www.blc.edu/apologetics2023](http://www.blc.edu/apologetics2023).

**Camp Omega Annual Work Weekend** – May 26 – 28. Join others in preparing Camp Omega for the arrival of over 1600 children and adults for summer camp programming. Entire families are encouraged to participate in a weekend of fun, fellowship, and service. Camp Omega staff will lead the youth and children in age-appropriate service projects and recreational activities. The FREE weekend begins with check-in on Friday at 7pm and ending late Sunday morning. However, you are encouraged to join for any part of the weekend as your schedule allows. Register at: <https://campomega.org/event/annual-work-weekend-2/>

**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:**

For sin will have no dominion over you,  
since you are not under law but under grace.  
Romans 6:14

**Weekly Discussion Question:**

How is being under grace different?

**Holy Communion:** On the night before He tasted death by crucifixion, Jesus did not say, "This is myself", but "This is my body" and "This is the new testament in my blood". By His promise, His true body and true blood are really present in a manner which He bids us to eat/drink for the remission of sins. 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 ..... Barb Anderson  
Special Music..... Introductory Bells  
Elder of the Day ..... [8:00] Gaylen Lenz; [10:30] Judd Schultz  
Acolytes ..... [8:00] Caleb Rottermond; Elijah Matheny  
..... [10:30] Isabel Buesing  
A/V Tech ..... Matt Brand