

Program for the Week of July 30 – August 6, 2023

Sunday:

9:00 Worship
10:00 Coffee Time
10:20 Bible Class
10:20 Sunday School

Monday:

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
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

Thursday:

8:30 Garden Committee
9:30 Ruth/Lydia Circle Bible Study
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

9:00 Worship
10:00 Coffee Time
10:20 Bible Class
10:20 Sunday School
10:00 LLL/YAH Meeting
10:00 Visitation Team Meeting
6:15 Pool Party

Last week in Sunday School we talked about Peter preaching at Pentecost. This week he heals a lame man and speaks boldly of Jesus to the religious leaders. This is the same Peter who denied knowing Jesus a few weeks ago, but the Holy Spirit has changed him.

About the Cover: The scribe who has been disciplined for the kingdom of heaven cherishes Scripture like the treasure that it is. The Word of God is not given so that it might be stored away behind lock and key but frequently opened and shared. Christ has given us the gifts of His promises of forgiveness and life in His cross and resurrection for the sake of the world. The Lord grants us the opportunities to share these treasures with those who do not yet know.

Ruth/Lydia Bible Study meets August 3rd in the Fireplace Room at 9:30 for fellowship and refreshments with 9:45 Bible study, "Be Assured" on pages 18-19 of the Summer Quarterly.

Lutheran Hour Ministry (LHM) and Lutheran Layman League (LLL) information: Julie and Trudy need the former LHM and LLL members to help make some final decision on the LHM donations. A brief meeting will be held immediately after church on Sunday, August 6th in the chapel. You will still be able to go to Bible Class.

Visitation Team! (Those who visit others in our congregation.) We will have a quick meeting next Sunday, August 6th, after the 9:00 service, in the Narthex. You will still be able to go to Bible Study or breakfast after.

VBS is just around the corner. Don't forget to register your kids, sign-up to help, or invite someone to participate. You can stop at the table in the narthex or contact Deaconess Lisa Brand (lisa@oslcmandato.org)

We are bringing back a favorite! The Vacation Bible School students will be filling birthday bags for the Echo Food Shelf. If you would like to contribute the items needed are: medium size birthday gift bags, cake mix, canned frosting, birthday candles, party plates, plastic forks, and party favors. Items can be placed by the display in the narthex through August 8. Thank you.

Check out the library – need a rainy day activity? (Now is a good time to pray for rain from heaven.) We have more puzzles added to the puzzle shelf. Pick out a good one! And, of course, we have books. We have a nice variety of interesting books to read. Be sure to check out the FREE cart while you're there. A little reminder . . . Be sure to check if you might have some books that need to be returned to the library. Questions? Dolly Blomquist, 388-4594. Please leave a message. Thank you.

Mission Service = members and donations dedicated to helping others. The monthly VOICE has a page with immediate needs to complete projects. Orphan Grain Train always has a list on their website, local needs, different kits, Global Health website etc. We also need: blue, yellow, and white pony beads for the Gospel Bracelets.

Your August News (VOICE) will arrive at your home this week – save for dates and church activities, and information for all ages of your family this month.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in August, please contact Theresa McLaughlin, 507-388-7647, or Cindy Hobbs, 507-243-3232.

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

The 2024 LWML Minnesota South District Convention needs nominations for the ballot. Needed are: VP of Christian Life, VP of Human Care, VP of Servant Resources, Treasurer, Nomination Committee Members – one from each conference and two Pastoral Counselors. Additional information and nominating forms are found in the Summer WOM – Women on a Mission 2023.

LWML 2023 Convention. Go to the website: www.LWML.org/2023-convention. Listen to the missionary speakers and all or any sessions from the convention. View all the Grants for 2023-2025. Start saving to attend the 2025 Convention in Omaha, Nebraska.

Stay informed with Christian Literature – pick up your copies. Lutheran Witness, Public Policy, Summer Quarterly, the large print Quarterly, the WOM, the Lutheran Layman Magazine, July Sagacity, Public Policy, coloring pages, and other new materials are available in the Narthex and the Mission Center.

S.A.G.E.S. Older Adult Ministry, MN South District will meet at Peace Lutheran, Arlington, August 1st from 10am to noon, followed by lunch. This is your call to join me, Trudy Wiechmann, Representative. 507-327-7082.

Arlington Zone LWML Board meeting is Wednesday, August 30th at 7pm. It will be held at St. John's in Arlington.

From the Stewardship Committee: Matthew 13:45–46 – “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.” Indeed, Jesus redeemed us, purchased us back from sin and death, with all that He had. We belong to Him now. Our generosity ought to imitate the out-sized generosity of Jesus

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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, “The Selling Price” features a father and son who face the issue of how ethics relate to God's law. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Kent Borglum from St. John's Lutheran Church in Montevideo, who will present a message titled “Closing Thoughts About the Kingdom of Heaven” based on Matthew 13:44-52. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

Summer Noontime Organ Recitals presented by the Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Tuesdays at 12:10pm. Recitals are free and open to the public. A free-will donation will be accepted. The series continues on August 1st with performance by Kraig Windschitl at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 South 2nd Street, Mankato. Visit www.agosiouxtrails.org for more information.

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:

Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven.
Matthew 18:4

Weekly Discussion Question:

How is Jesus an example of humility?

Holy Communion: The Lord's Supper is God's intrusion into our lives! As Lutherans, we humbly acknowledge the mystery of the real presence of Jesus' body and Jesus' blood for our forgiveness. Here Jesus comes to us in a way He has not promised to do elsewhere! As we celebrate this Sacrament, we also humbly acknowledge the Bible's concern for doctrinal oneness by those who receive it together. 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. Dennis O'Neill
Organist Edith Williams
Elders of the Day Randy Burmeister; Judd Schultz
A/V Tech Zak Tess