

## Program for the Week of March 3 – March 10, 2024

### Sunday:

8:00 Worship  
9:00 Coffee Time  
9:20 Sunday School  
9:20 Bible Class  
10:30 Worship

### Monday:

### Tuesday:

8:30 Circuit Pastors  
5:15 Board of Education  
5:30 Board of Trustees  
6:00 Board of Elders  
6:30 Board of Deacons

### Wednesday:

1:00 Private Confession  
1:30 Midweek Lenten Worship  
4:45 Introductory Bells  
5:20 Handbell Choir  
5:30 Meal

6:00 Private Confession  
6:05 Brass  
6:30 Midweek Lenten Worship  
7:30 Jr. Confirmation  
7:30 Vocal Choir

### Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession  
9:30 Ruth/Lydia Circle  
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

### Friday:

### Saturday:

### Next Sunday:

8:00 Worship  
9:00 Coffee Time  
9:20 Bible Class  
9:20 Sunday School  
10:30 Worship  
4:30 Book Club  
6:30 TSNT

**The Sunday School lesson** this week is “Provided-For-Prophet.” The prophet Elijah warns King Ahab of the severe drought coming. God first sends Elijah to the brook Cherith, where he provides ravens to feed him. When the brook dries up, Elijah lodges with a widow in Zarephath. Despite her limited supply of flour and oil, it never runs out. God supplies just what they need each day. When the widow’s son dies, Elijah raises him back to life through God’s power.

**Today is the last day we are accepting names** from the congregation for our Call List of Pastors. There is a nomination form in the bulletin and there is an online fillable form on our website, [www.oslcmankato.org](http://www.oslcmankato.org). Click on “About”, and then click on “Documents”. The form must be filled out completely and you must put your name on it. According to the District, nominations that do not include the name of the person nominating will not be accepted. Completed forms can be turned into the church office. Nominations will be accepted through Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>. All completed nomination forms will be sent to the District Office and then we will receive our Call List for the Call Committee to review. Thank you!

**About the Cover:** As Jesus set His mind on things that are above, His zeal simply could not allow His Father's house to become an earthly house of trade (see Colossians 3:2). The religious leaders despised the Lord's purpose of the temple and would later seek to destroy the temple of His body, wherein God tabernacle among His people (see John 1:14). Christ was crucified, died, and was buried. But He has been raised for our justification (see Romans 4:25).

**The Lord equips us to serve Him and His people.** Visit a Bible study. Ruth/Lydia Bible Study Circle gathers together on Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am for refreshments, Bible study begins at 9:45am. "Five Stones for Service" on page 22 of the *Winter Quarterly* will be our topic. Where? In the Fireplace Room.

**The Our Savior Book Club** meets from 4:30-6p.m. in the fireplace room on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. In March, we will read *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt, which is the story of a young girl who discovers a spring of water on her family's property that grants immortality. For March 10th, we will read chapters 1-14, and on March 24th, we will discuss chapters 15-25. If you have any questions or would like a copy of the book, talk to Pastor Matheny.

**Are you looking for another opportunity to get into God's Word** with your Brothers and Sisters? We invite you to start your work week off with devotion, prayer, and Bible study with Early Bird Bible Study Monday mornings at 6:30am. Everyone is always welcome, but this is a special invitation as we are starting a new study on March 11th focusing on the book of Genesis. We meet in the Fireplace Room (come on in through the east doors) and wrap up the study at 7:30 for those who need to head off to work. The coffee will be on! If you have any questions, please contact Matt Brand (507-327-5059 or [mattsbrand@gmail.com](mailto:mattsbrand@gmail.com)).

**Communication Hurdles Between Generations** – We'll consider different approaches to communication. What are some of the side effects to changes we've seen? What does the Bible have to say? We'll brainstorm ways to move forward. The cost is \$10 and includes lunch. Sign-up in the narthex or contact Deaconess Lisa. ([lisa@oslcmandato.org](mailto:lisa@oslcmandato.org) or 385-2185) for the Women's Retreat, Saturday, March 16, 9:00am-2:00pm.

**Mission service** met on February 21<sup>st</sup> and put together 44 Healthcare kits. Twenty were given to the Crisis center in Mankato and 24 were taken to The Union Street Shelter in St. Peter. Thank you to everyone who came to help put the kits together and to those who donated the supplies to make this possible!

**Anyone interested in placing flowers** for our worship services in March, please contact Cindy Hoffrogge, 507-340-1942.

**Pick up your News in the Narthex. New:** Spring Quarterly, S.A.G.E.S. Registration Special Edition, Sagacity Jan-Mar, Portals of Prayer (Used Portals of Prayer can be put in the Mission Center to be reused. Thank you.) One Voice for Public Policy, Life Date news from Lutheran for Life, the March Voice (mailed to each home – save for all March church activities) and more.

**From the Stewardship Committee: John 2:16** – “And he told those who sold the pigeons, ‘Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.’” The Lord’s house is not a place to sell, but a place to receive and a place to give. It’s not a place for our schemes and plans. Instead, the church is a place for the Lord’s gracious giving and our faithful sacrifices in response.

**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 search Scripture and hear more LCMS history on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9am), study Isaiah 41 and LSB 420 for Lent on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am), study Deuteronomy 18-21 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am), and enjoy a Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service on March 6 at 11am.

**Main Street Living** airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week’s *This is the Life* episode, “Betrayed” features a man who struggles to do what is right after a reporter uncovers shady dealings in his business. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. David Baumgarn from Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Onalaska, WI, who will present a message titled “God Is In His Temple” based on John 2:13-22. For more information or to watch the program, go to [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) and select the “Twin Cities” tab.

**Go First! Conference**, April 19 – 20 at Concordia Academy in Roseville. Register now. [www.mnsdistrict.org](http://www.mnsdistrict.org), click on the GO First! Tab at the top of the page. Agenda, Vendor list, Breakout sessions, and Registration information is in a folder in the Mission Center.

**S.A.G.E.S. Gathering 34** titled “Finishing Strong” Psalm 71 for Seniors, will be held May 6 – 7 at Country Inn & Suites, Mankato. Featured presenter is President Emeritus of the MN South District, Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy. Six workshops, banquet, and entertainment. Register beginning Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9am. **Our Savior members, call Julie at 507-388-7533 or Trudy at 507-327-7082 before sending in your registration.** Sagacity January-March issue has the registration. It is available in the Narthex or on-line (<https://www.mnsdistrict.org/sages>). Your volunteer help is needed for the decorations. Thank you.

**St. John Lutheran Church of Good Thunder** is having their *Annual All You Can Eat Pancake Supper* on Sunday, March 10, serving from 4 – 7pm. The menu includes pancakes, sausage patties, applesauce, and beverages. It is a free-will donation. (Please use Sherman Street entrance.)

**Camp Omega Events: Man up Retreat** – March 16; **Summer Camp** registration is now open. Remember to pick up your Camp Omega Summer Camp 2024 flyer in the Narthex. Go to: [www.campomega.org](http://www.campomega.org) for more details.

**Join Concordia Classical Academy** on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> from 5-9pm for an evening of fellowship and fundraising at their 17<sup>th</sup> annual dinner auction. This is a black-tie encouraged, adult-only event at Mayo Clinic Event Center at 1 Civic Center Plaza. The event includes dinner, silent and live auctions, games throughout the evening, and new this year is live music by Generation Gap. Tickets must be purchased by April 5<sup>th</sup>. The funds raised will support CCA in continuing to use God’s Word in a Christ-centered education to assist families in training students for Christina lives on earth and for eternity. Tickets can be purchased online at <https://auctria.events/CCASparkleandShine>, by filling out a ticket form, or by contacting Jenean Cherney at [jenean.cherney@gmail.com](mailto:jenean.cherney@gmail.com) or 507-317-3819.

**Kinship Radio’s 2024 Day for Women** will be held at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Mankato on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. More information can be found at [www.kinshipradio.org](http://www.kinshipradio.org).

**Interested in a distinctively Lutheran retreat** that provides the space to rest in God’s Word, time to spend in prayer and the opportunity to learn from some of the brightest theologians in the church? Concordia Seminary, St. Louis invites you to attend *Vocatio: Retreat* — a three-day retreat geared toward college students and second-career men and women who are considering serving as a pastor, deaconess, missionary or chaplain. Registration is free and includes lodging and meals. To register, visit [csl.edu/vocatio-retreat](http://csl.edu/vocatio-retreat) or Google “Vocatio: Retreat Concordia Seminary.” Registration closes March 29.

**Lutherans for Life:** Students in Grades 6 – 8 and 9 – 12, check out the Essay Contest on “Life Shines in Darkness.” Go to: <https://lutheransforlife.org/2024-lutherans-for-life-essay-contest/>

**The Lutheran Laymen’s League Convention** will be on April 13, 2024 at St. Michael Lutheran Church, Bloomington. [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org).

Ladies: Plan on April 13<sup>th</sup> Rally at St. John, Arlington. And the “Walk In Love” Convention here in Mankato on June 20 – 22.

**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 what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?  
-Mark 8:36

**Weekly Discussion Question:**

How do you measure success?

**Holy Communion:** 1 Corinthians 10:16 calls our eating and drinking of the sacramental bread and wine an actual sharing in the body and blood of Christ. As we share this gift of the Savior, we also seek to be faithful to the confession of the Apostles' Doctrine, which Scripture says was shared by those who received the sacrament 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. Adam M. Matheny  
Organist ..... Susan Klute  
Elder of the Day ..... [8:00] Gaylen Lenz; [10:30] Mike Anderson  
Assistant Usher ..... [8:00] Gary Rabenhorst  
A/V Tech ..... Gene Mensing