

## Program for the Week of July 28 – August 4, 2024

### Sunday:

8:00 Matins  
8:30 Coffee/Fellowship  
9:00 Divine Service  
10:00 Bible Class  
10:00 Summer Sunday School  
6:15 Pool Party

### Monday:

6:30 Early Bird Bible Study  
5:15 Meal  
6:00 Wisdom's Workshop

### Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting  
5:15 Meal  
6:00 Wisdom's Workshop

### Wednesday:

1:30 Endowment Board

5:15 Meal

6:00 Wisdom's Workshop

### Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession  
9:00 Garden Group  
9:30 Ruth/Lydia Circle Bible Study  
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

### Friday:

### Saturday:

### Next Sunday:

8:00 Matins  
8:30 Coffee/Fellowship  
9:00 Divine Service  
10:00 Bible Class  
10:00 Summer Sunday School  
11:45 Special Voters' Meeting  
6:30 Youth @ Rotterdam's

**About the Cover:** The waters of judgment covered the whole world. However, the Lord in His mercy saved those on the ark. The Lord set the rainbow in the sky for the world and Him to see as a sign of His covenant of mercy. The Lord continues to give us the signs of His mercy in His Word and Sacraments. They waters of Holy Baptism are life-giving and a sign of His promise to us that we are saved by the washing of regeneration that unites us to Christ.

**Pool Party Tonight at Spring Lake Pool** (weather permitting). Our Savior's has reserved the pool on Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:15-8:15 PM with concessions available for the first hour. Everyone welcome! Invite your friends and family for an evening of fun!

**Book Club** meets tonight, Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 6pm in the Fireplace Room. We will continue our discussion of Willa Cather's *Death Comes for the Archbishop*, pages 174-226. If you have any questions or interest, please speak with Pastor Matheny.

**TSNT** will not meet tonight, Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. Bring your family and friends to the Spring Lake Park pool from 6:15 – 8:15pm. Free admission! Concessions available to purchase the first hour. All ages welcome!

**Wisdom's Workshop: Woodworking Edition this week!** Kids 3 years of age to beginning 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to VBS Monday through Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>, 6:00 – 8:00pm. We will learn basic woodworking skills as we grow in the wisdom and understanding found in God's Word. There is no cost to participate. Supper is served each night starting at 5:15pm. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors!

**Ruth/Lydia Bible Study Circle** meets on August 1<sup>st</sup>, Thursday at 9:30. Fellowship, drink and treat. The Bible study begins at 9:45 to 11. (That special cream cheese treat in July was great.) In August we will begin with last month's lesson p. 16. Consider a right attitude. How Jesus corrected His children? Continuing on to "A Steadfast Faith", and the first Article blessings on pages 18 & 19. Special hymns for these lessons are LSB 602 "The Gifts Christ Freely Gives" and LSB 794, V 182, "The Lord my God be Praised". Increase our circle, see you on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August.

**Our Savior's 7th-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth** are invited to the Rottermond house (128 Cougar Dr, Mankato) Sunday, August 4th from 6:30-8:00pm for dinner and yard games- for sure a cornhole tournament (with prizes!!). We'll also have an opportunity to review some Bible study material options to use in class this fall. Please RSVP via text or email so I know how much food to make. Look forward to seeing you there! 507-317-8338 [mjrottermond@hotmail.com](mailto:mjrottermond@hotmail.com)

**Mission Service** will meet on Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to come and help with projects. 41 Healthcare kits were made in July and distributed locally to The Reach and The Crisis Center. Thank you to everyone who came to help with the project and for all the donations we received to make the kits.

**Handbells:** Calling anyone interested in ringing handbells! Our Handbell Group could use a few more members starting this fall and we'd love for you to join us. Basic music reading ability is helpful, but no prior handbell experience is needed - you'll learn all the techniques as you go. For more information, reach out to Joe angi: [jagangi@gmail.com](mailto:jagangi@gmail.com)

**Our Savior's** is sponsoring a blood drive for the American Red Cross on Friday, August 23 from noon to 5pm. You may schedule your donation appointment now on the Blood Donor App or on-line at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org), or call the church office, 507-385-2180. Save a life! Donate blood.

**Are you contributing to Our Savior Lutheran Church through your Thrivent Choice Dollars?** Please join us in the fellowship hall October 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm for a meeting to discuss and decide how your contributions will be used at Our Savior Lutheran Church.

**Anyone interested in placing flowers** for our worship services in August, please contact Theresa McLaughlin, 507-779-9294, or Cindy Hobbs, 507-995-9894.

**Shut in card volunteers:** Looking for volunteers to send out cards in August, and December of 2024 and January .2025 Sign up sheet is on the LWML bulletin board in the courtyard hallway. Thank you Dolly Blomquist [blomdart@hickorytech.net](mailto:blomdart@hickorytech.net), 388-4594 (please leave a message).

**Young Adult Bible Study Update:** First of all-- HUGE thank you to everyone that has come and supported the Young Adult Bible Study for the last two years. We have truly loved connecting with all of you. Due to some new life adventures for core members and general attendance, we have decided it is best to pause the group at this time. If anyone is interested in self-study materials in the meantime or would like to keep the group's momentum, feel free to contact Karee Bless at 507-381-3826. Stay tuned for future updates on the group's return.

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

**The Voice** will arrive in your mailbox this week. Watch for all the church daily notices.

**Attention members of Our Savior Lutheran Church;** It's that time again to start thinking about potential special projects that are not included in the Church's budget. Please submit any projects, and/or ideas to the office before Friday October 4<sup>th</sup> to be considered by the Thrivent members at the October 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Feel free to contact Brian Johnson at 779-4264 with any questions.

**Please note . . . KTV Public Access** is no longer in operation. Our Savior's worship service will not be broadcast on Tuesday and Wednesday on the local channel. You can still watch on our services on YouTube, livestreamed, or view later at your convenience. Access from our website [www.oslcmankato.org](http://www.oslcmankato.org) or from YouTube ([www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)), search for our channel, oslcmankato.

**July focus on Mite Grants** #13 and #16 are both for Kenya. Water- Word- Children. Our prayers are needed along with financial help. Give God the Glory. To learn more visit: [www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-13](http://www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-13) and [www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-16](http://www.lwml.org/2023-2025-mission-grant-16)

**Lisa Kamrath**, our MNS President wrote of needed volunteers. "Elected officials create the new committees every biennium." If you feel God calling you to be part of a committee, please reply back to her email. You are not committing to being on a committee, you are letting a Vice President know of your interest. [Lisakamrath82@gmail.com](mailto:Lisakamrath82@gmail.com) The committees are: Christian Life, Communications, Gospel Outreach, Human Care, Servant Resources, Young Women's, Heart to Heart, and Bylaws. The deadline for the nominations is August 15, 2024.

**From the Stewardship Committee: Ephesians 3:20** – “Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think ...” We often shortchange God by failing to remember what Paul says here: God can do far more than what we can think or ask. His power, and His love, are without bound and without measure. So why do we fear to follow His Word? Isn't it in fact fear that keeps us back from a life of joyous generosity and open-handedness? But God is able to do everything far more abundantly! So let us not be afraid to take the Lord at His Word and live according to it.

**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 finish studying Zechariah and begin studying Malachi on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am), continue studying the Gospel of Luke on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am), and hear stories from across the LCMS on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:30am).

**Money Talks (Stewardship Workshop)**. Tuesday, August 20, 2024 from 2-5 pm. Registration \$25 for on Campus or online, Concordia University, St. Paul. Contact Jane Wilke at 651-641-8393, [jwilke@csp.edu](mailto:jwilke@csp.edu)

**A Divided Nation** – A letter from Rev. Dr. Lucas V. Woodford is posted on the Bulletin Board, and can be found on the district website, [www.mnsdistrict.org](http://www.mnsdistrict.org), and in the Lutheran Witness insert.

**The July, August, September Sagacity Newsletter** of S.A.G.E.S. is now online and copies are in the Narthex.

**Main Street Living** airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, “Stranger at the Door” – Having given up a baby for adoption 22 years before, a man shows up on a woman's steps saying he is looking for his mother. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Dennis Brech from Trinity Lutheran Church in Currie, who will present a message titled “Trust Him in All Troubles” based on Mark 6:45-51. For more information or to watch the program, go to [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) and select the “Twin Cities” tab

**Unanswered Bible Questions... Issues, Etc.**, a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio, will have Pastors Bryan Wolfmueller and Brian Kachelmeier respond to your unanswered Bible questions. You can submit your question via email: [talkback@issuesetc.org](mailto:talkback@issuesetc.org), Facebook: [facebook.com/issuesetc](https://facebook.com/issuesetc), or the Issues, Etc. Comment Line: (618) 223-8382. You can listen to the interview at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

Visit the District Website: [www.mnsdistrict.org](http://www.mnsdistrict.org) for all the district information.

**S.A.G.E.S. District Board Meeting** will be at Peace Lutheran in Arlington, 514 Freedom Drive on August 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 am – noon with lunch served. The new officers will be installed. Please consider being a representative either from your church or on SAGES Board. Volunteers are important.

**Arlington Zone LWML – CHANGE** – The Board will meet on August 28, 2024 at Immanuel, Gaylord, MN at 7 pm.

**Growing in God's Grace** 2 Peter 3:18. 41<sup>st</sup> Biennial Convention, Omaha, Nebraska, June 26-29, 2025. Yes, 2025. Prepare now (save by making yourself a little mite box for Omaha 2025) Do you or a friend desire to be a nominee for ballots?

**District Mission Gifts at Work.** Anyuak Lutheran Mission. The Anyuak Lutheran mission is committed to welcoming and assisting new immigrants, especially those from Ethiopia and South Sudan, assimilate to life in America. To support this and other district missions, please go to: [www.mnsdistrict.org/donate](http://www.mnsdistrict.org/donate)

**Lutheran Night at the Twins.** Monday, August 12 with Kansas City Royals. For more information contact Ryan Thomson 612-659-3582

**The Sioux Trails Chapter** of the American Guild of Organists presents its annual Summer Noontime Organ Recitals at 12:10pm on Tuesdays. The series continues July 30<sup>th</sup> at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, with a performance by John Stender. The recitals are free and open to the public. A free will donation will be collected. For more information, visit [www.agsiouxtrails.org](http://www.agsiouxtrails.org).

**Holy Grounds** is an ecumenical, community-based breakfast program located at Centenary Methodist Church. We serve approx.. 100 meals six days each week (Monday through Saturday) between 9 – 10am. Our guest are among the most vulnerable in our community – folks that lack housing, without enough funds to make it to the end of the month, struggling with addiction, and folks who feel alone and isolated. If you have 90 minutes available once a week (8:45 – 10:15am), please consider giving it a try. You can sign up at <https://www.mankatocentenary.org/holy-grounds>, click on the volunteer link. Come and join our small, but might group of dedicated servants. **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:**

Faithful are the wounds of a friend; Profuse are the kisses of an enemy.  
Proverbs 27:6

**Weekly Discussion Question:**

How has God been faithful to you?

**Holy Communion:** The Lord's Supper. "In this Sacrament, the forgiveness of sins is not only preached, proclaimed, and promised, but here at the same time Christ gives His Christians His very body and blood as a pledge of it" (Walther). 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  
Pianist ..... Joel Maunula  
Elder of the Day ..... Tom Benson  
Assistant Usher.....Gary Rabenhorst  
A/V Tech ..... Zak Tess