

## Program for the Week of September 29 – October 6, 2024

### Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service  
9:00 Coffee/Fellowship  
9:25 Sunday School  
9:25 Bible Class  
10:30 Divine Service

### Monday:

### Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting  
10:00 S.A.G.E.S. Zoom Meeting  
5:15 Board of Education  
5:30 Board of Trustees  
6:00 Board of Elders  
6:30 Board of Deacons

### Wednesday:

4:45 Introductory Choir  
5:15 Introductory Bells  
5:30 Brass  
5:45 Handbell Choir

6:00 Meal  
6:45 Devotion  
7:00 Jr. Confirmation  
7:00 Vocal Choir

### Thursday:

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

### Friday:

### Saturday:

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**Chancel flowers** are provided by Tom & Theresa McLaughlin in loving memory of Jerry & Lucille Weimert.

**Additional flowers** are provided in joyful celebration of the marriage of Hailey Wintheiser and Jacob Winch.

**The Early Bird Bible Study** will not be meeting the next three weeks. We will resume on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Free! Items from the Sunday School Office.** Please stop in the East Meeting Room (right off the back parking lot) and see if there are any items you can find a use for. The items will be removed and the room cleaned out on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Ruth/Lydia Bible Study Circle** meets on October 3rd, Thursday at 9:30. Fellowship with morning treat. Then 9:45 Bible Study: A Reason to Celebrate. Find the study in the Fall Quarterly on page 17. With the new year beginning, we welcome you to join with us to study God's word. (October is Reformation Month so bring topics to share – and also ideas for Our Savior 75 years next year.) The closing hymn # 738, "Lord of all Hopefulness".

**Mission Service delivered 36 Baby layettes** and 8 boxes of supplies to Global Health Ministries. Thank you to the helpers who came to put the kits together and for all the donated supplies.

**75th Anniversary of Our Savior Lutheran Church** – Back in 1950, papers were filed to formally form Our Savior Luther Church. Next year marks the 75<sup>th</sup> year of blessings that God has continued to bestowed on our congregation and its ministry. 75 years is something that we should celebrate and are creating a committee to discuss ideas. The Church Council had a few, but felt that it would be better to have other congregational input. If you would like to join in on the fun and brainstorming ideas, please contact Council President Dan Gahler.

**Endure. 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans.** There's still time to sign up! This opportunity is for all youth who will be 14 by the date of the gathering (or entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade) and are not yet 21 by that date. The LCMS Youth Gathering is July 19, 2025 – July 23, 2025 in New Orleans. Our next meeting will be on October 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 (after 2<sup>nd</sup> service). Lunch will be included. We will be finalizing our registration. Please bring the youth participation form (I have extras if needed) and your \$100.00 deposit. If you have any questions please contact Rhonda Prince 507-521-0690.

**Operation Christmas Child:** What a privilege we have to share the Good News of God's greatest gift, Jesus Christ, with children in the U.S. and around the world. Please see the table in the narthex for information on how to donate a single item or fill up a shoebox. We will be using all the donations to put together shoeboxes at Mission Service in October.

**Open Gym and Game Night:** We will have an open gym and game night the first Sunday of each month from 6 – 8 pm. This is for all ages and will involve a short devotion. Our first night will be Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Please bring games (board games/card games, etc) to play. Use the back parking lot/door. Note, this is not a drop off event. Children 6<sup>th</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

**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.

**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.

**The October Voice** will be in your mailbox this week. This is information for YOU.

**OSLC Advent Event:** Women of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, please add to your calendar: Thursday, December 5, 4:30pm. We joyfully look forward to this event. Additional information will be out in late October.

**Thank you** to everyone who supported us as we welcomed Ezra into our family. The meals, prayers, and outpouring of kindness were such a gift and our hearts are grateful. - Michael + Karee Bless

**A Congregational Treasurer** will need to be elected in November for a two year term beginning January 2025. An individual may serve a maximum of 2 two year terms as Treasurer. This work involves accounting for the expenditure of money from the treasury, approval of payroll, and compiling an annual budget for congregational approval, based on proposed budget figures submitted by the Boards of Deacons, Education, Elders and Trustees. If you are interested in serving the congregation as Treasurer, or if you know someone who may be interested, or if you have questions about this, please call Doug Haeder at (952)374-9667.

**Anyone interested in placing flowers** for our worship services in October, please contact Laura Matheny, 812-604-5168, or Samantha Tess, 507-217-0354.

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

**Your copies in the Narthex:** The Lutheran Witness with MNSO insert, Pray for Us Calendar, The Quarterly, The WOM (Women on a Mission), The Lutheran Layman, The Public Policy, The Sagacity. In the Mission Center: September 24<sup>th</sup> Minnesota South E-News, Lutheran Bible Translators, and MOST Ministries 35 yr newsletter.

**Next S.A.G.E.S. Board Meeting** -by Zoom on October 1, 2024 from 10 am – noon. Needed: a volunteer or 2 from Our Savior to serve as representatives for the older adult ministry. Also needed from **Arlington Circuit, S.A.G.E.S. representatives for the District S.A.G.E.S. Board.**

**Watch 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.

**From the Stewardship Committee: Mark 9:45** – “And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell.” So what is causing us to sin? Lust? Greed? Fear? Better to cut it off! We need the Lord's help to do this — and you are in the right place this Lord's Day to receive that help through Word and Sacrament!

**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 we will continue our study of Numbers on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am), and discussing the third and fourth chapters of Revelation on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am). Tune into the Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9am) for a conversation with the director of Project 24 in Kenya, a special story in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, and the October edition of Searching Scripture from The Lutheran Witness.

**Main Street Living** airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "The Deadly Pen" features a businessman who struggles with the guilt of another man's death. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Jeffrey Williams, from Trinity Lutheran Church in Slayton, who will present a message titled "Salt" based on Mark 9:38-50. For more information or to watch the program, go to [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

**A Lutheran View of Depression...** You can listen to the audiobook, "I Trust When Dark My Road: A Lutheran View of Depression" by Pastor Todd Peperkorn at [issuesetc.org/depression](http://issuesetc.org/depression). The audiobook is produced by Lutheran Public Radio based in Collinsville, IL. LPR produces radio talk shows, podcasts, and 24/7 sacred music and talk stations.

**LCEF** – Thanks Kai Larson for your service. Welcome Carole White, Team Lead – District Solutions as the interim to support the district. 515-240-2229, [carole.white@lcef.org](mailto:carole.white@lcef.org)

**Bethany Lutheran College** presents the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Reformation Lectures, October 31 – November 1. Our Synod President Matthew Harrison will present The LCMS Perspective of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Seminex. Also presenting are Dr. Mark Braun on The WELS Perspective, and President Glenn Obenberger on The ELS Perspective. Register online: [www.blc.edu/reformation-lectures](http://www.blc.edu/reformation-lectures). For further information contact Elsa Ferkenstad at 507-344-7354 or [elsa.ferkenstad@blc.edu](mailto:elsa.ferkenstad@blc.edu).

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**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:**

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you,  
for the glory of God. – Romans 15:7

**Holy Communion:** : In obedience to God's Word, we celebrate the Lord's Supper frequently. Unlike Baptism, this Sacrament is to be received again and again for the strengthening of our faith. 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.

**About the Cover:** The devil and his demons have already been cast down from the courts of heaven by St. Michael and his angels! The devil can no longer accuse because Christ's righteous blood shed upon the cross covers all of our sin. Moreover, what a comfort it is to know that the angels of our Lord of Sabaoth fight for us and that any accusations of the tempter that we face today are nothing the fleeting attempts of a conquered foe whose "time is short" (Revelation 12:12). The final victory on the Last Day by our Lord of Sabaoth is a forgone conclusion.

**Serving today:**

Liturgist & Preacher ..... Rev. John Koopman  
Organist/pianist..... Suzie Gangi, Tobin Gangi  
Special Music..... Handbell Choir  
Elder of the Day .....[8:00] Tom Benson; [10:30] Mike Blomquist  
Assistant Usher.....[8:00] Gary Rabenhorst  
A/V Tech ..... [8:00] Gene Mensing; [10:30] Dale Bergemann