

## Program for the Week of October 27 – November 3, 2024

### Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service  
9:00 Breakfast served by 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders  
9:25 Concordia Classical Academy Presentation  
10:30 Divine Service  
4:30 Book Club  
6:00 Youth Campfire @ Anderson's

### Monday:

9:00 Quilting

### Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting

### Wednesday:

1:30 Endowment Board  
4:45 Introductory Choir  
5:00 Reformation Activities  
5:15 Introductory Bell Choir

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  
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

### Friday:

### Saturday:

### Next Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service  
9:00 Coffee Time  
9:25 Sunday School  
9:25 Bible Class  
10:30 Divine Service  
6:00 Open Gym/Game Night

**Holy Baptism:** Bridget Be Treanor, born October 13, 2024, will be baptized today, October 27, 2024, during the 10:30am service. Her parents are Jordan & Erica Treanor. Her sponsors are Drew & Allison Selvestra.

**A hot breakfast** (yes, it includes cheesy scrambled eggs) will be prepared by the 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders this morning. Please join us between services for a delicious meal!

**Did you know Mankato has an LCMS school?** Concordia Classical Academy (CCA), located at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in North Mankato, offers Kindergarteners through 8th graders an education that is rigorous in its academics, classical in its method, and confessionally Lutheran in its theology. This year, 90 students - from Our Savior's, Good Shepherd, and Hosanna Lutheran Churches, as well as numerous other churches in the Mankato area - are attending CCA. On Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, during the Bible Study hour, Our Savior's member and CCA school board co-chair Andrew Bittner will be giving a presentation about the work of CCA and his efforts to invite the area's LCMS congregations to partner with the school's ministry.

**Youth Event:** Grades 7 – 12 are invited to the Anderson home (19353 584<sup>th</sup> Lane, Mankato) for a campfire on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8 pm. The youth will have a devotion, play games, and roast hot dogs, and s'mores. Parents are invited to stay (but not required), there will be a second fire pit just for you!

**As we celebrate the “birth” of the Lutheran Church** we will be putting together Birthday Bags for the ECHO Food Shelf. Last chance to bring any of the following items to the Narthex. **Bags will be put together on the 30th.** If you would like to make a monetary donation to buy supplies for the bags please bring the cash to the church office by October 28<sup>th</sup>. Birthday Bag Items:

- Cake Mix
- Canned Frosting
- Birthday Candles
- Party Plates
- Napkins
- Plastic Forks
- Party Favors
- Small Sized Candy
- Balloons
- Medium Sized Gift Bag

**Early Bird Bible Study** will be discontinuing our Monday morning study. Thank you to all who have been so faithful in attendance at such an early hour. If anyone would like to continue studying Genesis on their own, or are interested in reorganizing this group, please contact Lisa Gahler, 507-340-5126.

**Quilting** meets on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Join us in the Quilting Room (#124/126, in the Library hallway). We sew tops, middles, and backs together and then they are tied. Everyone is welcome to join us, no sewing experience necessary. If you have any questions, please contact Julie at 507-388-7533.

**On Wednesday, October 30th**, starting at 5 PM, we will have activities for all ages centered on the Reformation. Please join us for an evening of delicious German themed food, fellowship, and fun. (All other scheduled practices and classes will occur at that normally scheduled time).

**Ruth/Lydia Bible Study Circle** meets on November 7<sup>th</sup>, Thursday at 9:30. Fellowship with morning treat. Then 9:45am Bible Study: The lesson is *The Lord, My Helper, Keeps Me* on page 18 and 19 of the Fall Quarterly. Psalm 121 read and meditate. Other highlights are for us are Numbers 6:24-26 and LSB 877 “*God Who Made the Earth and Heaven.*”

**OSLC Advent Event:** Women of Our Savior’s, save the date, Thursday, December 5, 4:30 pm. We joyfully look forward to seeing each of you at this event.

**Thank you** for the comforting words and prayers, beautiful cards, and memorials in honor of Lou. I truly appreciate all the support shown to me and our family. I am blessed to be part of our caring Our Savior’s congregation. – Pat Plueger and family

**Options Pregnancy Center** in Mankato has had flood/water damage in their baby store. Mission Service will be collecting new items to help restock the store to help young parents. There will be a display in the Narthex with a list of needed items. We will be collecting donations through November 17<sup>th</sup>. Options Mankato exists to help people in Mankato and surrounding areas with support, assistance, and pro-life guidance when facing an unplanned pregnancy.

**Mission Service** is an hour of fellowship and active service of doing for others, 4:00 – 5:00pm on Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.

**The November Our Savior newsletter**, *The Voice*, will be mailed to all member homes this week.

**S.A.G.E.S.** – Saints Alive Growing Ever Serving. The Minnesota South District Older Adult Ministry, needs a volunteer or 2 from our Savior to serve as a representative. We also need a **representative** from the Arlington Circuit for the District Board. The planning for the May 5 & 6 2025 SAGES GATHERING is continuing with excitement. Respond to S.A.G.E.S. President James Vehling, 651-501-5611, [vehlingj@msn.com](mailto:vehlingj@msn.com), or Delores McGillivray, 507-288-6948, [ddmcgillivray@gmail.com](mailto:ddmcgillivray@gmail.com).

**Samaritans Purse – Operation Christmas Child** – If you wish to fill a box , please take a shoebox from the display in the Narthex and return the filled box by November 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

**Anyone interested in placing flowers** for our worship services in November, please contact Gretchen Zellmer, 507-317-2904.

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

**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: Romans 3:20** – “For by works of the law no human being will be justified in His sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.” The Law of God is good – it’s just that we sinners cannot save ourselves by the Law. Salvation is a free gift of God because that is the only way we could ever be saved. The Law shows us God’s holiness and thus our own sin. And now in Christ we can look at the Law and see it in a new light as well: as a guide for how to live a godly life in thanksgiving to God for His gracious forgiveness in Christ.

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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 Sexton" features a pastor and sexton (church caretaker) with magical powers fighting an eerie duel in a church. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Richard Snow, Nebraska District LCMS President located in Seward, NE, who will present a message titled "Free Indeed" based on John 8:31-36. For more information or to watch the program, go to [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

**The October – December SAGACITY** is here. Be sure to read some of the articles, especially "A Mighty Fortress is Our God". As you read the 4 verses, it covers over 30 scripture passages.

**Paths to Lutheranism Series... Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to stories of guests who have come to Lutheranism from Islam, Mormonism, Atheism, Agnosticism, Eastern Orthodoxy, Roman Catholicism, Pentecostalism and more. You'll find the series at [issuesetc.org/pathstolutheranism](http://issuesetc.org/pathstolutheranism).

**Dr. Jeffrey Gibbs Workshop**, Saturday, November 16, 2024 from 9 am -12:30 pm. Glory of Christ Lutheran Church, Plymouth, presents "Nothing but Christ and Him Crucified". Cost is \$20 per person, students free. Register at: <https://onrealm.org/GloryOfChrist/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=YTU2MTc0ZTA4YTQ4Mi00OTEwLWI2N2MtYjFmNTAwMDY0Y2Vm>

**Immanuel Lutheran School** is having their 44<sup>th</sup> Annual PTL Pork Chop Dinner & Silent Auction. Join them Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 11:30am – 1pm, County Road 25, east of Courtland. 2 chop dinner - \$15; 1 chop dinner - \$12; hot dog meal - \$5. Menu also includes baked potato or potato chips, corn, coleslaw, dinner roll, dessert, and beverage. Take outs available. Everyone is welcome!

**Beautiful Feet Mission Conference 2024** will be hosted by Concordia University, St. Paul, November 7 – 9.

**There is a coloring contest** – by Lutheran Hour Ministries. The pictures and directions are in the Mission Center and need to be mailed by Friday this week, November 1<sup>st</sup>. All students, Preschool to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade are eligible to participate. The Float uses the Reformation Theme with the three Solas (Faith Alone, Grace Alone, Scripture Alone).

**LWML Convention is in Omaha.** We are looking for a Young Woman Representative from our church. Details are on the LWML website. **District:** [www.mnsdistrict.org](http://www.mnsdistrict.org)  
**Church:** [www.oslcmankato.org](http://www.oslcmankato.org), [www.facebook.com/oslcmankato](https://www.facebook.com/oslcmankato), [www.youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)  
**LWML:** [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org), [www.mnslwml.org](http://www.mnslwml.org)

**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 by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

**Holy Communion:** Holy Communion is celebrated today. Our faith is not exclusive, but God says that we should have both unity in the faith we confess (which communion expresses) and the belief that Jesus gives us His body and blood for the forgiveness 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.

**About the Cover:** Martin Luther desired his seal to be a symbol of the firm footing we have in the Gospel. The black cross in the center of a living red heart signifies that Christ's death brings us life. The flower blossoms like the joy and peace of faith in salvation, and the heavenly blue background points to future joy in eternity. It is all surrounded by the golden ring because salvation in Christ is eternal and our greatest treasure (*Luther's Works, vol. 49, pp. 358-59*). In this common Lutheran symbol, we have a reminder of the heart of the Reformation: Christ's cross brings us the eternal and priceless blessings of forgiveness, life, joy, and peace.

**Serving today:**

Liturgist & Preacher ..... Rev. John H. Koopman  
Organist ..... Edith Williams  
Special Music..... Vocal Choir  
Elder of the Day ..... [8:00] Tom Benson; [10:30] Judd Schultz  
Assistant Usher..... [8:00] Kurt Anderson  
A/V Tech ..... Zak Tess