

Program for the Week of November 3 – November 10, 2024

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

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:

4:45 Introductory Choir
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
9:30 Ruth/Lydia Circle
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

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There is still time!! The Reformation photo booth is still set up in the Fellowship Hall for pictures today. Make sure to use some of the fun props too!!

Open Gym / Game Night tonight from 6 – 8pm. All ages welcome, 6th grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. We'll have a short devotion, and then play games. Bring your favorites.

Ruth/Lydia Bible Study Circle welcomes visitors, guests and all seeking to study God's word on November 7th, 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 for us are Numbers 6:24-26 and LSB 877 "*God Who Made the Earth and Heaven*".

The Christmas service is fast approaching, and we need a cover for the bulletin! We want your participation! We are inviting congregants of all ages and artistic abilities to, please, submit a piece (or two!) of original artwork, based on John 1 or the hymn Now Sing We Now Rejoice. The deadline for submissions is December 1st. The cover dimensions are 7" wide, 8 ½" tall. Please place your pieces in the designated box in the narthex - make sure to sign your piece! We look forward to seeing the array of creativity within our church body! If you have any questions speak with Laura Matheny or Terrin Boozikee.

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 17th. Options Mankato exists to help people in Mankato and surrounding areas with support, assistance, and pro-life guidance when facing an unplanned pregnancy. Thank you!

Warmth Drive- The youth event this month will focus on the Reach Youth Resource Center in Mankato. The Reach Youth Resource Center is a part of the Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota and supports youth experiencing homelessness and at-risk youth in the Mankato area. As a part of this focus, we will be doing a warmth drive- collecting winter hats, mittens/gloves, scarves, and hand warmers. Please bring donations to the bin in the narthex by November 17th.

Mission Service is an hour of fellowship and active service of doing for others. 4:00-5:00 on Wednesday, November 20th. We meet in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

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 11th. Thank you.

Annual Youth Dinner- The youth will serve their annual youth dinner Sunday, November 24th between the 2nd service and the annual voter's meeting (around noon). This year's menu includes roast pork tenderloin with potatoes and carrots, salad, rolls, and a variety of desserts. Please join us for this free will offering event- proceeds benefit youth activities, including the 2025 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

You are invited to Our Savior's Advent Event! Who: Women of Our Savior's Lutheran Church; **What:** Advent Event – Spiritual, Fellowship, Social; **Where:** Our Savior's Fellowship Hall; **When:** Thursday, December 5th, beginning at 4:30pm. Registration deadline is Monday, November 25th. Sign-up sheet in the Narthex and the church bulletin board. Any questions, please contact Nancy Benson, 507-345-1015.

Save the date!!! December's Youth Event (open to grades 3rd-12th) will be our annual pizza party and Christmas Lights Scavenger Hunt on Sunday, December 15th from 6-8pm! We will need extra adults for this even- each vehicle will need a driver and second adult. Please talk to Michelle Rottermond if you're able to help.

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.

Sunday, January 12th from 6 – 8pm. January's youth event will be held at the MSU rock climbing wall. We need to know how many climbers we will have so please sign up by December 22nd in the Narthex. Cost for this event is \$15 (financial assistance available if needed). Waiver forms will need to be completed by parent in advance. Pick up a form when you sign up, or from the Youth Bulletin board.

Watch our services on YouTube, livestreamed, or view later at your convenience. Access from our website www.oslcmankato.org or from YouTube (www.youtube.com), search for our channel, oslcmankato.

Pray for November MITE Grants. Grant #19 Tanzania Children's Homes – Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania, Africa - Protecting Albino Children - \$74,500. Grant #25: Bringing God's Word in India – India Bible Translations Project - \$100,000. The Mission Grant stories are in the Narthex.

YOUR copies in the Narthex or Mission Center. 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, Minnesota South E-News, Lutheran Bible Translators, MOST Ministries and Orphan Grain Train. **District:** www.mnsdistrict.org
Church: www.oslcmankato.org, www.facebook.com/oslcmankato, www.youtube.com
LWML: www.lwml.org , www.mnslwml.org

From the Stewardship Committee: “**With angels, archangels, and with all the company of heaven ...**” When we gather around the altar of the Lord in His house, we pray and praise God with “all the company of heaven.” Those we have lost in the Lord are not truly lost to us — they have simply entered their rest with the Lord. As we gather to worship our Lord, we gather along with them. On the Last Day everything that God has given into the care of our stewardship will fade away — everything except our brothers and sisters in Christ. Caring for one another in love and grace is our highest calling.

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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 Priceless Book" – Money and health troubles on the farm lead a father to God's Word for comfort. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Gregg Coop from Prince of Peace Lutheran church in Baxter, who will present a message titled "Blessed Are You" based on Matthew 5:1-12. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

Karaoke For Lutheran Hymns... You can sing hymns like "For All the Saints," "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come," "Abide with Me" and more. Lutheran Public Radio has produced YouTube videos of almost 50 hymns with text and music featuring the Lutheran Public Radio Choir. Sing along at lutheranpublicradio.org.

LHM Mobile App. Access Lutheran Hour Ministries' Daily Devotions and sermons from The Lutheran Hour, season-themed devotions during Advent and Lent. Inspirational Scripture-based messages at your fingertips every day. Available everywhere you download the app! www.lhm.org, www.mnsdistrict.org/sages

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 May 5 & 6, 2025 SAGES GATHERING is continuing. FYI – the SAGES passage is Psalm 92:14. "They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green." The Mission of SAGES

Dr. Jeffrey Gibbs Workshop – Saturday, November 16th from 9am – 12:30pm. It will be held at Glory of Christ Lutheran Church, 4040 MN-101, Plymouth. Theme: *Nothing but Christ and Him Crucified.*

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

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:

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.
Colossians 3:17

Holy Communion: “While it is true that through Baptism we are first born anew, our human flesh and blood have not lost their old skin. There are so many hindrances and temptations of the devil and the world that we often grow weary and faint, at times even stumble. The Lord’s Supper is given as a daily flood and sustenance, so that our faith may refresh and strengthen itself and not weaken in the struggle but grow continually stronger.” (Luther) 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 cathedral portal on the cover is filled with the imagery of Revelation; Christ is surrounded by the heavenly host: four living creatures (four Gospel accounts), the twelve apostles, angels, and the twenty-four elders (God’s Old and New Testament people), and royalty on the columns. It could keep going out from there to include all of the saints that have gone before us in faith and await the resurrection. We saints who are still on this earth receive peace from heaven through Christ the Door (John 10:7), who has opened to us eternal life through His cross and resurrection.

Serving today:

Liturgist Rev. John H. Koopman
Preacher Rev. Adam M. Matheny
Organist Barb Anderson
Elder of the Day [8:00] Randy Burmeister; [10:30] Mike Blomquist
Assistant Usher..... [8:00] Kevin Hermanson
A/V Tech Gene Mensing