

Program for the Week of March 23 – March 30, 2025

Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Sunday School
9:25 Bible Class
10:30 Divine Service
12:00 Youth Curling
4:30 Book Club

5:25 Handbell Choir
5:30 Meal
6:05 Brass
6:00 Private Confession
6:30 Midweek Lenten Worship
7:20 Jr. Confirmation
7:20 Vocal Choir

Monday:

9:00 Quilting
10:00 Rabenhorst Visitation
11:00 Rabenhorst Funeral

Thursday:

9:00 Private Confession
10:00 Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday:

10:00 Staff Meeting
1:00 Tuesday Bible Study

Friday:

1:00 Mueller Funeral

Wednesday:

1:00 Private Confession
1:30 Midweek Lenten Worship
4:45 Introductory Choir
5:05 Introductory Bell Choir

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

8:00 Divine Service
9:00 Coffee Time
9:25 Sunday School
9:25 Bible Class
10:30 Divine Service
11:45 Bob's Retirement Reception

Sunday Matins is sponsored by Joan Timm in loving memory of Richard & Jeffrey.

Our Savior's has been showing love for 75 years and we continue to do this. Check out the tree in the narthex with random acts of kindness ideas attached. We invite you to take one and show love by doing that act of kindness. This will continue throughout the year so we can show love all year long!

March Youth Event: The Mankato Curling Club is reserved for our March Youth Event March 23rd from 12-3pm. We will have lunch and a curling lesson and then have some time to play. Meet at 600 Hope St, Mankato, MN 56001 at noon. Please bring a clean pair of athletic shoes (carried into the club to keep dirt and salt off the ice), wear warm, loose fitting clothing (the rink temperature is about 40F- we suggest dressing in layers- stretchy or loose fitting pants that allow for freedom of movement and modesty, jeans are not recommended) and gloves, and bring a water bottle if desired. This event is open to youth grades 5- 12 (sorry for previous typo)! Waivers are required for each participant and are available on the youth board in the church hallway.

Sunday, March 30, 2025 at 11:45 we are having a lunch reception for Bob Baker, who is retiring from his custodial position at Our Savior's. Please join us in the Fireplace Room to show our appreciation to Bob for his dedication and hard work for the last 2 years. He has been a blessing to OSLC as he served our congregation's needs!

Birthday Card Shower!!! Jean Beetsch is turning **95** on Monday, April 14th. Help her celebrate her **BIG DAY** by sending her some birthday wishes to: 507 West 8th Street, Mankato, MN 56001. – Thank you from Jean's family

The Spring Quarterly is here. Pick up your copy in the Narthex.

Anyone interested in placing flowers for our worship services in March, please contact Cindy Hoffrogge, phone 507-340-1942 or Kathy Whitehead, phone 507-388-4891.

April Youth Event (Grades 7-12): We will have a Progressive Dinner Sunday, April 13th. A multi-course dinner with each course served at a different house. We are looking for volunteers who would like to host our 7th – 12th grade youth for part of the meal the evening

Volunteers wanted for our April Youth Event! Our April Youth Event will be a Progressive Dinner – a multi-course dinner with each course served at a different house. We are looking for volunteers who would like to host our 7th – 12th grade youth for a part of a meal the evening of April 13th. If interested or want more details, please contact Michelle Rottermond, 507-317-8338.

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 or from YouTube (www.youtube.com), search for our channel, oslcmankato.

The Spring Quarterly and the Spring WOM is here. Pick up your copy in the Narthex.

From the Stewardship Committee: Luke 13:3 – “No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.” The season of Lent is all about repentance: turning back to the Lord, away from our sins, in faith. We know that it is only in the Lord that we can find salvation. So, we do well in this season of repentance to examine ourselves, asking questions like, “What is trying to keep me away from Jesus?” “What is a temptation I face?” “What is a sin I need to repent of and leave behind?” Then we turn to the Lord for the strength to leave these sins behind, and for the courage to follow Him in faith and faithful living.

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 for 24/7 on-demand listening. Have a question or comment? Find us at @KFUEradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week we wrap up the book of 1 Samuel and begin 2 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8am). Tune into Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11am) as we continue our study of Hebrews, covering chapters 7-9.

Main Street Living airs each Sunday at 9am on WFTC Channel 29/9-2. This week's *This is the Life* episode, "Hand of God" – Making opportunities from problems. The worship service begins at 9:30am with Rev. Jeffrey Williams from Trinity Lutheran Church in Slayton, who will present a message titled "But I'm Not as Bad as He Is" based on Luke 13:1-9. For more information or to watch the program, go to www.mainstreetliving.com and select the "Twin Cities" tab.

Book Of Ecclesiastes Bible Study... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon recently started a study on the Book of Ecclesiastes. You can listen on-demand at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

For you in Mission Center and the Narthex: News from Synod, District, Local churches, and Newsletters from LCMS.

Lutheran Witness: MN South Supplement: The March 2025 Edition of the Lutheran Witness contains the MN South District News insert, including President Woodford's talking point, "Be Who You Are". Pick up a copy in the narthex, or view district website, <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/publications>.

SAGACITY – S.A.G.E.S. quarterly newsletter for January – March 2025 is available in the narthex or on the district website.

E-News for the ladies, go to: <https://mnslwml.org/newsletters> (this is the Minnesota South site), or <https://lwml.org> (this is the national site.)

Lutheran Hour Ministries MN South LLL, – District Convention: Saturday, April 5, at Concordia University, 1282 Concordia Ave., St. Paul. Registration opens at 9 am, Convention begins at 9:30 am. The Lutheran Hour Rally begins at 6:30 pm. Register at www.lhm.org/mnso-III The Lutheran Hour Rally Features Rev. Dr. Zeigler, speaker of The Lutheran Hour.

Arlington LWML Zone Spring Rally will be Saturday, April 12, 2025, 8:30 am to noon. St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 63924 240th Street, Gibbon, MN. Registration opens at 8:30 am (\$5). RSVP for lunch to Trudy Wiechmann 507-327-7082 or Bev Annis 507-340-0273 by April 2, or sign up in the Narthex. Gifts of Love: undies (men, women or children) to be given to the Orphan Grain Train. Guest speakers Darlene Fretham and Doyle Benson. See poster in Mission Center.

SAGES Gathering XXXV – Overcoming Life's Sorrows, May 5-6, 2025 at Country Inn & Suites, 1900 Premier Drive, Mankato. Keynote speaker: Rev. Dr. R. Reed Lessing. Banquet entertainment: Gracenotes Family. Registration sheets are in the narthex. Register now, the deadline is April 15. Check this out!

Growing in God's Grace: Register now by using the Winter Quarterly or LWML website for the LWML National Convention, www.lwml.org/convention. Contact Trudy Wiechmann 507-327-7082 or Bev Annis 507-340-0273 to make plans for going to the Convention and staying at the Convention. **Delegates to the National Convention** "Growing in God's Grace", in Omaha, Nebraska on June 26-29, 2025 will be Miriam Elbert and Rachel Hinz from Immanuel, Gaylord. All Our Savior Members may VOTE: The new ballots for Mission Grans have now been completed with **47** choices. These are posted in Mission Center by the door so you (ladies of Our Savior) can choose the ones you would like our delegates to vote for. The clip board is on the counter for you to vote and votes will be given to the delegates. Any ladies interested in attending please call contacts this week.

One Voice for Public Policy – "Reaching Out to Our Communities". New blog available. View on-line at: <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/public-policy>, or pick up a copy in the narthex.

The Spring Rummage and Bake Sale will be held at Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, 315 Martin Luther Drive, Northrop on Thursday, March 27, 4-8pm, Friday, March 28, 8am – 8pm; and Saturday, March 29, 8am to noon (\$3 bag sale). Proceeds support the ongoing exemplary educational services provided by MLHS. www.martinlutherhs.com.

District: www.mnsdistrict.org **Church:** www.oslcmankato.org,
www.facebook.com/oslcmankato, www.youtube.com **LWML:** www.lwml.org,
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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:

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
Psalm 51:1

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.

About the Cover: Ancient Israel repeatedly grumbled in the wilderness. Nevertheless, the Lord rescued the Israelites through the Red Sea and continued to provide for them as He led them to the Promised Land. In our epistle, Paul tells us that these events serve as examples for us to hold fast to our merciful Lord, who does not abandon us. There is no temptation so great that our Lord cannot overcome it. He provides the way out because He has already won the victory by His cross.

Serving today:

LiturgistRev. Adam M. Matheny
Preacher Rev. John H. Koopman
OrganistSusan Klute
Special Music..... Vocal Choir
Elder of the Day [8:00] Gene Mensing; [10:30] Andrew Bittner
Acolytes[8:00] Jesse Matheny; Henry Matheny
..... [10:30] Jimmy Bittner; Peter Bittner
Assistant Usher..... [8:00] Kurt Anderson
A/V Tech Zak Tess