

Our Saviour's & Balsamlund Lutheran Church; ELCA E-News



For September 14, 2025

DAILY BIBLE READINGS 9/14/25—9/20/25

SUNDAY Titus
MONDAY Numbers 17-20
TUESDAY 1 Chronicles 25-29
WEDNESDAY Psalm 108-110
THURSDAY Proverbs 23-24
FRIDAY Amos 1-4
SATURDAY John 16-18



OSLC Address: 401 2nd Street SE, PO Box 195,
Sebeka MN 56477

Balsamlund Lutheran Church Address:
19550 490th St, Aldrich MN 56434

OSLC Email: oslcclca@wcta.net

OSLC Office: 218-837-5831

Janet Eckman SAM Email: jre227@yahoo.com

OSLC Website: www.oslcsebaka.org

Facebook: [oursaviourssebaka](https://www.facebook.com/oursaviourssebaka)

OSLC WEEKLY CALENDAR

9/14 Time after Pentecost —Lectionary 24

9am Fellowship

9am Sunday School

10am Worship / Second Offering for Sebeka-
Menahga Backpack Program

9/17 Wednesday

9am Quilters

Janet Eckman SAM, is out of the office

5:15pm Council Committee Meeting

9/21 Time after Pentecost—Lectionary 25

9am Fellowship

9am Sunday School

10am Worship / Holy Communion / Steinke Baptism

BALSAMLUND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

If you know of someone who would like a visitation, please let the office or Janet Eckman SAM know and we will accommodate the request in the best possible way.

Confirmation Classes begin September 24th at 6:30pm in the church basement, every 4th Wednesday of the month until Spring.

OSLC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Fellowship Hall Reservations: Every first Sunday of the month is reserved for the 4H at 4pm; September 21, 11am-4pm for Baptism family celebration; September 24, after 4pm, for Sebeka Blood Drive setup; September 25, Sebeka Blood Drive is Noon-6pm, Hall is reserved 11am-7pm.

Adult Choir Singers Needed! Please let the office know if you would like to join. Tenor voices are especially needed. We like to sing the 'Borning Cry' song at Baptisms and practice for the Christmas season will begin soon. Bring your best voice forward! The tenor section carries the songs through, without it we are incomplete.

OSLC Fall Bazaar is October 11th. 9am-12:30pm This is a **BIG** fundraiser, it brings in money for Our Saviour's W/ELCA Ladies through many generous donations and for OSLC Ministries. We encourage **EVERYONE** to participate. Sign-up sheets for donations & working shifts are on the table in the Fellowship Hall nearest to the door from the outside. Think about what talents and items you have and how they may contribute to the Fall Bazaar. Let's all share in God's autumn blessings and make this year our best bazaar yet! Special Thank you to Steve Quale for donating 2 quarters of beef.

If anyone would like to make a monetary donation to the Fall Bazaar, you can make a check payable to: OSLC WELCA and note your envelope and/or drop by the office or mail it or drop it in the Sunday offering plate. Thank you!

September's Second Offering: Sept 14th is for the Sebeka-Menahga Backpack Program. Other months will follow same protocol as last year. Watch the list on the bulletin Board on the west end of the Fellowship Hall wall.

Front page photo: Courtesy of Janet Eckman SAM

As the leaves begin to turn and cooler breezes sweep in, we notice how the season shifts. Summer's warmth gives way to fall air. Change can be beautiful, but it can also leave us feeling unsettled or even a little lost—like sheep wandering from familiar pastures.

In our Gospel for Sunday, Luke 15, Jesus tells of the shepherd who leaves ninety-nine sheep to search for the one that has strayed. He also speaks of a woman sweeping her house for a single lost coin. Both stories end with joy and celebration: "Rejoice with me, for I have found what was lost." God's heart delights in seeking and saving us, even when we drift or feel far away.

Fall is a season of gathering—harvest, warm meals, cozy evenings. It's also a good time for spiritual gathering: to come back to God, to remember we are known, valued, and loved. Just as the shepherd notices one missing sheep, God notices each of us. Cooler days and lengthening nights can invite us to slow down, reflect, and let ourselves be found again.

Lord, thank You that You never give up on me. In seasons of change, remind me I am never forgotten or overlooked. Help me rest in the joy of being found, and guide me to share Your seeking love with others. Amen.

In Faith,

Janet Eckman, SAM

