



A Year of Prayer  
A Lifetime of Praying!

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## Prayer Calendar – April 2025

1	Pray for those on the Autism Spectrum, their families, friends, and those who advocate, educate, and celebrate their individuality. Pray we discover those with Autism are Always Unique Totally Interesting Sometimes Mysterious.
2	Pray for accountants, treasurers, and tax preparers as they work long hours helping others get their taxes sent in on time. Pray as Americans, we accept the responsibility of our fair share.
3	Pray for pastors who celebrate birthdays this month: Linda Forray (4/3), Elise Hynek (4/10), George Kaiser (4/14), and Nancy Kauppi (4/16).
4	Pray we are compelled to speak out against all injustice. Instill in us the conviction of standing up for those who are oppressed and staring inequality right in the eye. We know looking the other way feels safer. Give us the strength to say what needs to be said and to do what needs to be done.
5	Pray for those traveling to and participating in the Eco-Summit in Duluth, MN. We are tasked with being good stewards of God's creation. Let Heaven and nature sing!
6	Pray we all find the strength to shift our attitude and become a catalyst for change. Give us the courage to transform what we say to doing something impactful. Talking about whatever "it" is while important needs to become an actionable solution. Let it begin with me.
7	Pray for health and healing in our world. We pray for those who live with chronic illness, malnutrition, pain, and suffering. Bless those who are doing the good they were called to do.
8	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Linda Forray (4/8), Breanne Kinnunen (4/22), and Terry Frankenstein (4/23).
9	Pray we become courageous witnesses to Christ as we walk in faith, hope and charity. Let's find God in the unexpected.
10	Pray we find moments of abundant joy. They are all around us and yet the demands of life and full routines blind us to these blessings. Open us to the wonder of You.
11	Pray for all our Seminary Students, especially Robert Lake, as they continue their preparation for rostered ministry.
12	Pray for those leading and attending the Youth Retreat at Fortune Lake. May God reveal himself in unexpected and powerful ways. May this retreat inspire a journey of faith that is both life-changing and lifelong.
13	On Palm Sunday, our praise is rising. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee. Open our hearts to the good and gladness of God's love. May our hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.
14	Pray we answer this question; "What does God require of you?" May we start with "always be humble and kind." Empower us to begin with these first steps.

15	In this National OT month, we pray for all occupational therapists who bring independence to activities of daily living. Bless their treatment strategies as they support individuals recovering from accidents, illness, and injuries.
16	Pray for all snowbirds who are returning north. Keep them safe on their travels. Prepare all congregations to welcome them back to their family of faith.
17	On this Maundy Thursday, just as Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we pray that each of us may find joy and fulfillment in a life of service to others as disciples of our Savior, Jesus the Christ.
18	On this Good Friday, we lift high the name of Jesus. Christ died once for our sins, that he might bring us to God. May we stand in awe of Jesus' sacrifice and put our trust in him.
19	Pray for pastors who celebrate birthdays this month: Sherry Van Lishout (4/20), J. Michael Mills (4/20), Chrys Hendrick (4/28), Amanda Kossow (4/29), and Bob Patrick (4/29).
20	On this Easter Sunday we pray for all to come together and reflect on the blessings we have and to live in the joy of the resurrection, a celebration of perseverance and triumph.
21	Pray for all families who are traveling during spring break. Bring them safely to and from their destinations and may their time together be one of reconnecting and renewal.
22	Today is Earth Day. Pray for our planet and for all creation. Empower and enlighten us as its caretakers that we responsibly preserve it for future generations by leaving it better than we found it.
23	Pray for those participating in the World Hunger Zoom Meeting. May their voices combine with all people seeking solutions. This requires a combination of efforts, including improving agriculture, providing education, and supporting hunger relief organizations. Give them the perseverance to continue this daunting task.
24	Pray for all who are marginalized as they seek fair and affordable access to health care, housing, and groceries. May we find ways to lift others up and not exploit ways to keep them pushed down.
25	Pray for all people who are victims of bullying in our schools, our workplace, and our community. For those who bully; turn their hearts to you that they may find fulfillment through purpose and not through perceived power and performative threats.
26	Pray for those who have been hurt or harmed by broken promises. Remind them "God of promise that You will show them signs of grace and kindle in their hearts a song of praise."
27	Pray for those who are afraid, for God's love is stronger than their fears. Be not afraid, I go before you always."
28	Pray for those confronted by problems seemingly too big to solve. "Always remember you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, smarter than you think, and loved more than you know."
29	Pray for those participating in Bible study and adult education. Increase their knowledge and understanding of the bible and contemporary Christian issues.
30	Pray for the members of Mbagala Lutheran Church, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and their NGLS mission partner Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rhinelander.