



A Year of Prayer
A Lifetime of Praying!

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Prayer Calendar – August 2021

1	Pray for pastors who celebrate birthdays this month: <i>Jared Howard (8/1), Paul Raappana (8/6), Diane Srutowski (8/6), John Ansell (8/10), Bucky Beach (8/11), Brahm Semmler Smith (8/11), Cori Johnson (8/13), and Jim Duehring (8/18).</i>
2	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: <i>Molly Eversoll (8/3), Kelly Ylitalo (8/9), Rell Spickerman (8/16), Diane Srutowski (8/17), Bill Jacobson (8/19), John Ansell (8/21), and Joe Daiker (8/21).</i>
3	Pray for members of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lutherville, MD; St. Paul Lutheran Church, Myersville, MD; St. Paul Lutheran Church, Newark, DE; and St. Paul Lutheran Church, Smithsburg, MD.
4	Pray for farmers, ranchers, and migrant workers as they harvest crops and care for animals that provide food and raw materials for clothing and other resources. May the harvest be plentiful and may their work be safe and rewarding.
5	Pray for high school students as they begin practices for fall sports – may they be safe and healthy as they compete.
6	Pray for women who give children up for adoption and families who adopt children into their homes.
7	Pray for congregations in transition , especially <i>Faith Lutheran Church, Three Lakes, WI, and their Interim Pastor John Kuziej.</i>
8	Pray for Licensed Lay Ministers who celebrate their birthdays this month: <i>Sharon Babbitt (8/25).</i>
9	Pray for men and women in the armed forces and their families who miss them and sometimes struggle in everyday life without those they love.
10	Pray for our NGLS Staff as they meet today and coordinate ministries within our Synod.
11	Pray for our Synod Candidacy Committee as they meet today and continue their work with candidates for ministry in our Synod.
12	Pray for school administrators, teachers, coaches, and staff as they enter this school year and adapt to the many changes that last year brought into being. May they make wise decisions that keep all staff and students safe and healthy and enable learning in wonderful and creative ways.
13	Pray for pastors who celebrate birthdays this month: <i>Jesse Brown (8/21), Matt Lamb (8/23), Sue Johnson (8/23), Andrea Fluegel (8/24), and Eleanor Russey (8/27).</i>
14	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: <i>Gene Wickman (8/23), Craig Mansur (8/28), Devon Barrix (8/28), Dave Christenson (8/29), and Doug Norquist (8/30).</i>

15	Pray for all of our ELCA Seminaries and for <i>all ELCA congregations to encourage members to consider a career as Ministers of Word and Sacrament (Pastors) or Ministers of Word and Service (Deacons).</i>
16	Pray for Bishop Finegan and other area church leaders as the Marquette Area Judicatory leaders meet today.
17	Pray for doctors, nurses, medical teams, and scientists as they continue their research and their work in caring for the most vulnerable among us.
18	Pray for all rostered leaders and their families who will be attending the Seeking Shalom Event at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp today through August 20. May they be blessed and refreshed for the ministries in which they serve.
19	Pray for animal shelters and their staff members as they heal and comfort God's creatures and find them permanent and loving homes.
20	Pray for families who are taking "children" to college for the first time and missing them already. May these young adults be safe and industrious in their studies and find a faith community in their new homes.
21	Pray for parents and students as they prepare for a new school year. May they enter with positive attitudes and cooperative spirits.
22	Pray for congregations making plans for the fall , adapting to current circumstances in their communities and around the world.
23	Pray for teachers, bus drivers, administrators and staff as they prepare their rooms, offices, and vehicles for the new school year.
24	Pray for the members of Kinondoni Lutheran Church, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania , and their NGLS Partner Congregation, Bethel Lutheran Church, Ishpeming .
25	Pray for our NGLS Staff as they meet today and coordinate ministries within our Synod.
26	Pray for our Synod Endowment Board as they meet today and make decisions for how to use these funds wisely to glorify God and spread the Good News.
27	Pray for members of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Upperco, MD; St. Paul Lutheran Church, Thurmont, MD; St. Paul Lutheran Church, Walkersville, MD; and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Clear Spring, MD.
28	Pray for all our ELCA seminary students , <i>especially those from our Synod: Lance Crevier, Wade Crevier, Lon Hider, Pat Kempf, Krystle Moraska, Melissa Salminen, and Sarah Sleeter.</i>
29	Pray for Pastor Rita Chirala and the members of Faith Lutheran Church, Sault Ste. Marie , as she is installed into her on-going ministry as their Pastor.
30	Pray for our Synod World Hunger Committee members as they meet today and continue to lead our efforts to feed the hungry and care for our global neighbors in need.
31	Pray for God's Work, Our Hands planning teams as they put the final touches on plans for ministry projects around their communities and the world.

"We pray for congregations in the Delaware-Maryland Synod as part of our domestic partner synod relationship."