



A Year of Prayer
A Lifetime of Praying!

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Prayer Calendar - September 2023

1	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Cori Johnson (9/7) Grant Van Lishout (9/8) Nancy Kauppi (9/10) and Sherry Van Lishout (9/12)
2	Pray for pastors who celebrate birthdays this month: David Murphy (9/6), Gene Wickman (9/6), Bishop Emeritus Thomas Skrenes (9/8) Judy Kirchoff (9/9) Rell Spickerman (9/10) George Olson (9/12) Steven Solberg (9/14) and Deacons Arlene Rajala (9/13) Karen Anne Hanson (9/19) and Jon Babbitt (9/19)
3	Pray for our community food pantries. Bless the donors, volunteers, and recipients. Bless the generosity of their shared treasure, their gift of time and give those receiving the comfort of knowing God will provide.
4	On this Labor Day, we pray for all workers in our country who provide skills and services. May they live their faith while making a living and know that God is with them. May they be compensated fairly and respected as the valuable resources they are.
5	Pray for the Finance Committee as they meet to determine the most impactful ways to use our financial resources. Grant them wisdom and humility as they provide oversight of the plentiful blessings God has given us.
6	Pray we find joy in helping others. May we have generous hearts and be cheerful givers. Let us give without expecting praise or reward.
7	Pray for the Synod Council/Synod Dwelling in the Word Bible Study. Bless their time together, focus their minds and open their hearts.
8	Pray for the Synod Council as they meet in Ishpeming through September 9 th . Pray for each person who brings their ideas, their vision, and their voice. Pray they trust in God to guide them from inspiration to the implementation of their recommendations.
9	Pray for Temeke Lutheran Church in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania and their NGLS partner congregation Gloria Dei Lutheran in Hancock.
10	Pray for Pastor David Murphy as he is installed at Our Savior's in Marinette. Bless his ministry, his leadership, and his ability to bring hope and peace to his congregation. Pray for those attending the Conference 7 Fall meeting. Refocus their hearts, strengthen their intentions and assure them that where two or more gather in God's name, God is there.
11	Pray for those grieving the loss of a beloved pet. We give thanks for their unconditional love, the happiness they brought us and their faithful loyalty.
12	Pray for the congregations of St. Peter, Keedysville, MD; St. Peter, Ocean City, MD; St. Phillip, Baltimore, MD; St. Phillip, Wilmington, DE; St. Stephen Arbutus, Baltimore, MD; St. Stephen, Wilmington, DE; The State Project (Charles Waverly Mission) Wilmington, DE; Tree of Life, Middleton, Odessa DE; and Trinity, Boonsboro, MD,
13	Pray for the World Hunger Committee as they meet to identify the most impactful strategies for bringing nourishment to the world's impoverished. We pray for an end to hunger and food insecurity.
14	Pray for those participating in the Congregational Leader's Workshop via Zoom. Instill in them the power to accomplish good deeds and lead by example in their enthusiasm for God's word.

15	Pray students at all levels have the courage to ask for assistance and support if they encounter academic, emotional, or social challenges. Give their instructors, coaches and guidance counselors calm and patient hearts to effectively uplift those who struggle.
16	Pray we learn to slow down and worry less. Remind us of these words, “Be not afraid I go before you always. Come, follow me and I will give you rest.”
17	Pray for those participating in the Leadership Support Committee meeting. May their discussions be guided by God and their strategies be strengthened by their faith. Pray for those attending the Fall Theological Conference at Fortune Lake. May it bring opportunities for rest, study, and reflection.
18	Pray for those who struggle through sleepless nights. May their restlessness be calmed, their minds relaxed and their hearts at peace.
19	Pray we welcome the spirit of fall and the majesty of God’s creation. Bless us as we transition from the glory of summer to the crispness of fall. As the seasons change, “The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest.”
20	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Julie Belew (9/22) Kay Richter (9/23) Greg Mileski (9/24) Tim Vadis (9/27) Kari Vadis (9/28) and Deacon Noreen Stevens (9/20)
21	Pray for the Worship Committee as they meet to coordinate and integrate the blessings of God’s word, the gifts of our music and the fellowship of faith that strengthens our souls.
22	Pray for pastors celebrating birthdays this month: Mary Weinkauff (9/22) Paul Heykes (9/26) Dave Christenson (9/27) Dave Tielbar (9/28) Peter Vorhes (9/28) and Lee Goodwin (9/29).
23	Pray for those attending Faithful Innovations at Fortune Lake. May they recognize their talents, their shared objectives, and their ongoing commitment to inspiring their congregations and ministries.
24	Pray for Pastor Bre Kinnunen as she is installed at Immanuel Lutheran in Negaunee. Bless her as she becomes their spiritual leader through her thoughts, words, and deeds.
25	Pray for women entrepreneurs who bring their unique vision, their compassion and creativity to products and services. Bless their endeavors, their advocacy and mentoring of future business leaders.
26	On this National Voter Registration Day, pray all citizens exercise their privilege of voting to facilitate representation across a wide variety of Americans.
27	Pray we find ways to care for and support others. May we find a way to welcome them when others have turned them away. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow, and peace is understood.
28	Pray for Bishop Finegan as she attends the Conference of Bishops through September 30 th . Bless the opportunities for learning, for laughing and for shared problem solving.
29	Pray that in times of trouble, we know we can turn to God in all things, and God will find a way to ease our burdens and reveal our options. Bless us with patience and optimism.
30	Pray all political leaders embrace compassion, understanding and peace as their true legacy.

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