

## **Prayer Calendar - June 2024**

1	Pray for all people to see the power in kindness. On this "Say Something Nice Day," warm our hearts to overflowing so that we may share a kind word, a helpful hand, or a comforting touch.
2	Pray for pastors and LLM who celebrate birthdays this month: Lauri Maki (6/3), Nick Johannes (6/6), Elaine Hendrickson (6/12), Terry Frankenstein (6/14), Mike Markwell (6/17), and Melinda VanderSys (6/18).
3	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Fran Strong (6/4), David Van Kley (6/4), Ken Michaelis (6/5), Mike Markwell (6/5), Peter Vorhes (6/6), Keith Kolstad (6/7), Ron McCallum (6/8), David Echelbarger (6/10), Micah Cavaleri (6/12), and Lee Goodwin (6/14).
4	Pray for neighborhood connections as we pursue more outdoor opportunities. Pray we see the power of a smile, a casual wave, or a simple conversation as we venture outside for yardwork, walks and longer days.
5	Pray on this "World Environment Day" that we recognize the Earth is one thing we all share. Help us to cherish our resources and preserve clean air, clean water, and tillable land for today and all our tomorrows.
6	Pray for those who are enriching their faith through Dwelling in the Word via Zoom. May the power of scripture equip them to live fully for God.
7	Pray for members of the Synod Council as they gather for a retreat through June 8 <sup>th</sup> . Be with them, Lord, during this mindful break as they set aside specifically to withdraw from life's daily challenges to rest, reinvigorate and transform.
8	On this Best Friends Day, we pray each of us has that special someone who understands our past, believes in our future, and accepts us just the way we are.
9	Pray we are not deterred on our path to Jesus as we encounter barriers, detours, and obstacles. Keep us steadfast on our journey.
10	Pray for those participating in the Lifelong Faith Formation meeting via Zoom as they gather to share their own faith journey while identifying innovative strategies to encourage others to practice their faith and continue to connect to something greater than ourselves.
11	On this "World Day Against Child Labor," pray for children subjected to the abuse, exploitation and neglect associated with this atrocity. Bring those who traffic our children to justice.
12	Pray for the World Hunger committee as they meet via Zoom to discuss, develop, and implement effective and sustainable solutions to addressing our world's hunger needs.
13	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Michael Laakko (6/15), David Jensen (6/17), Maxine Gray (6/17), Earl Bergh (6/19) George Olson (6/19), Jon Magnuson (6/19) Matt Lamb (6/21), and Alex Ross (6/21)
14	Pray that when our plates are full and we're being pulled in many different directions, that we remember to make room in our hearts for God and for others. When we are not listening, don't give up on us. Whisper in the quiet or shout in the chaos. We want and need to hear our Lord.

15	Pray for all older Americans. Pray we respect and honor our elders accepting their wisdom and guidance on our own life journey. Protect them from those who intentionally inflict physical, emotional, psychological, or sexual abuse. Save them from neglect, abandonment, financial exploitation, and those who commit healthcare fraud or abuse.
16	Pray for all fathers and those like a father to someone. May these men lead by example in their guidance, their love and mentorship. Pray for those who long to be a father and those who grieve the loss of a child.
17	Pray for the congregations of Gloria Dei Lutheran (Arnold, MD), Good Shepherd (Bel Air, MD), Good Shepherd (Frederick, MD), Good Shepherd (Wilmington, DE), Grace English (Lutherville, MD), Grace of God (Millsboro, DE), Grace Lutheran (Easton, MD), Grace Hartford Rd (Baltimore, MD).
18	Pray for pastors who celebrate birthdays this month: Dean Marin $(6/22)$ , Breanne Kinnunen $(6/22)$ , Kay Richter $(6/22)$ , Jon Magnuson $(6/25)$ , Bill Jacobson $(6/25)$ , and Duane Priebe $(6/29)$ .
19	On this Juneteenth Day, pray we never forget the significance of ending slavery in this country. Freedom is a fundamental right for all of God's people.
20	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Raymond Korry (6/22) Tim Johnston (6/22) Stephen Gauger (6/25), John Kuziej (6/25), Eleanor Russey (6/25), Wally Leno (6/26), Dean Marin (6/26), Philip Johnson (6/26) and David Johnson (6/26).
21	Pray for those considering ministry and a God-given desire to do something significant. Be with them as they discover who they are and who they are meant to be. Guide them, Lord, toward their destiny.
22	Pray for all who are preparing for marriage or celebrating their anniversary. May God bless their relationship with love, courage, forgiveness, and peace. May they learn to give a little more each day to the growth and longevity of their union.
23	Pray for all those who are travelling. Keep them safe and may they seek opportunities for worship and remember in God there is a welcome and our churches have room enough for everyone inside.
24	Pray for members of Magogoni Lutheran Church, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and their partner congregation Christ the King Lutheran Church, Escanaba, MI.
25	Pray for those with a broken heart and spirit. While they may get lost, help them to keep moving forward where they will find comfort, peace, and wholeness in our Loving Creator's arms.
26	Pray for those who are living with the effects of PTSD. Nurture them, engage them and guide them toward a healing of their hearts and minds. Strengthen them in body and spirit that they may find reason to take on each new day.
<b>2</b> 7	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Lauri Maki (6/28), David Murphy (6/28), Paul Raappana (6/29), and Alex LaChapelle (6/29).
28	Pray for those participating in the Youth Team retreat. Bless this time of fellowship and focus as they find clarity, peace, and spiritual renewal.
29	Pray that at the end of the day, we can truthfully look back and say, "I made someone's life better, healthier, safer or warmer."
30	We pray that we will love people more than things, the truth more than lies and good more than evil.