







A Year of Prayer  
A Lifetime of Praying!

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## Prayer Calendar – November 2020

1		On this <b>All Saints' Day</b> remember with thanksgiving those extended family, friends, pastors, and teachers who have gone before us and pray for those who are grieving the loss of loved ones. Pray also for all the “new saints” among us who have been baptized in recent months.
2		Pray for <b>pastors who celebrate birthdays this month:</b> <i>Katherine Finegan (11/03), LaVonne Stephenson (11/09), George Candea-Kromm (11/11), Mike Laakko (11/13), and Warren Geier (11/13).</i>
3		Pray for <b>all voters and elected officials</b> as citizens of the USA go to the polls today. May we all vote and lead in accord with God’s ways and wisdom.
4		Pray for <b>pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month:</b> <i>Jennie Johnson Wrege (11/09), Tom Skrenes (11/16), and Steven Anderson (11/28).</i>
5		Pray for <b>all congregations in the process of calling rostered leaders and all pastors and deacons who are looking for new calls.</b> May God guide them in the midst of their discerning.
6	 <i>Celebrate Families</i>	November is <b>National Adoption Month.</b> Pray for families touched by adoption – those who have adopted a child, those who have given a child to others through adoption, those who grieve due to miscarriage or infertility, and those who wonder what their next steps will be.
7		Pray for <b>Faith Lutheran Church, Sault Ste. Marie, and their Pastor Rita Chirala,</b> as they continue to work with the U.S. Immigration System so that Pastor Rita will receive her Visa to work in the United States.
8		Pray for the members of <b>Luther Chapel Lutheran Church, Jefferson, MD; Messiah Lutheran Church, Baltimore, MD; Messiah Lutheran Church, Sykesville, MD; and Mt. Joy Lutheran Church, Gettysburg, PA.</b>
9		Pray for <b>all First Call Pastors and Deacons,</b> especially those gathering online for an educational event November 9-11.
10		Pray for <b>Licensed Lay Ministers who celebrate birthdays this month:</b> <i>Andy Hill (11/28).</i> Pray for our <b>Synod Missioner who celebrates a birthday this month:</b> <i>Lori Ward (11/28).</i>
11		On this <b>Veterans Day, we pray for all the brave men and women who have served in our armed forces.</b> We thank them for defending our nation, its people, and standing up for oppressed people everywhere. We ask God to heal those who are facing PTSD and other physical and psychological injuries.
12		Pray for <b>pastors who celebrate birthdays this month:</b> <i>Christina Forsythe (11/14), Earl Bergh (11/20), Tom Wickstrom (11/22), David Van Kley (11/25), Molly Eversoll (11/29), and Lisa Ubbelohde (11/29).</i>
13		Pray for <b>all hunters</b> – may this season be safe and successful.
14		Pray for <b>all seasonal workers</b> who come into new situations and face challenges and impatient customers or clients. May we all be more kind and considerate as we work together during this busy season.

15	Pray for <b>congregations in transition</b> as they seek rostered leaders, discern where God is calling them, and continue ministry during this time of transition, <i>especially First Lutheran, Gladstone, and their Administrative Interim Pastor Dennis Mayette; and First Lutheran, Iron River, and their Administrative Interim Pastor D.J. Rasner.</i>
16	Pray for <b>all seminary students, especially Melissa Salminen</b> , as they prepare for rostered leadership in our Church.
17	Pray for <b>ecumenical partnerships across our Synod and throughout the ELCA</b> . May we always celebrate our unity in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.
18	Pray for <b>children who are victims of bullying</b> by others; that their teachers, counselors, and especially other children will help to support them.
19	Pray for <b>our Synod Endowment Fund Board</b> as they meet via ZOOM today to plan and make decisions for the use of these funds for ministry.
20	Pray for <b>prayer ministries</b> across our synod – prayer services, prayer chains, prayer shawls, prayer beads, and the many other ways that prayers are lifted up to God for those in need and those who rejoice.
21	Pray for the members of <b>Azania Front Cathedral, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania</b> , and for their <b>NGLS partner congregation Messiah Lutheran Church, Marquette</b> .
22	 <p>On this <b>Christ the King Sunday</b>, we pray that we may follow our Lord and King faithfully and fully ... even to the cross ... and give our whole lives to carrying out his mission in our world.</p>
23	In these days of emphasis on stewardship, we pray that <b>we may become better stewards of all that God has given us</b> : our planet and its resources, ourselves, our time, our talents, and our possessions; all signs of God’s gracious love.
24	Pray for <b>all who grieve during the holidays</b> due to broken families, lost loved ones, or other situations. May we all reach out to those who are lonely or hurting during these times when the pressure to be joy-filled is so great.
25	Pray for the members of <b>Mt. Joy-Harney Parish, Gettysburg, PA; Mt. Moriah Lutheran Church, Smithsburg, MD; Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church, Clear Spring, MD; and Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church, Rocky Ridge, MD</b> .
26	 <p>We <b>give thanks this day for the blessings God has bestowed upon us</b> – the blessings we see around us in our daily lives; our health, families, and friends; the blessings that we overlook; and most of all the blessings of hope which we have in our Lord, Jesus Christ.</p>
27	Pray for <b>generous hearts</b> on this “Giving Tuesday” – that all ministries will be blessed to the glory of God in the work that they do for God’s people.
28	Pray for <b>prisoners and their families</b> as so many gather to celebrate the holidays. May they find comfort in God’s loving arms.
29	On this <b>First Sunday of Advent</b> light a candle and pray for our Lord’s presence to come more fully into your life and the lives of all people.
30	Pray for <b>all who travel</b> during this holiday season. May they celebrate safe arrivals and safe returns home.

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