



Prayers for the weekend of August 30, 2026

Together with all of God's people, we join our hearts in prayer for the church, the world, and for all according to their needs.

God of love, we pray for the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of Grace, we pray for the well-being of your creation. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, floods, fires, storms, and other disasters. We pray especially for the people of Nepal who are suffering from the flash floods that have ravaged their country. Comfort those who mourn, bring healing to the injured, and provide for those who have lost everything. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of the nations, guide all those in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another, and work together for the good of all people everywhere. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence, war, and natural disasters. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of healing, we pray for all who suffer in mind, body or spirit. Ensure that all people have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to those who are hospitalized or have requested our prayers, Rob Lowe, and those whom we name in our hearts before you. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of blessings, bless the marriage of Mallory Molstad and Nathan Anderberg. Surround them with your love, and guide them with your Spirit as they begin this new chapter in their life together. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of wisdom, guide our congregation as we serve you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Help us to remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our Sunday school students, OSL Kid's Club kids, confirmation students, and our teachers and mentors as we learn together of your great love. Fill us with your Spirit, and a new year of learning soon begins. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

The Friendship Club trip to the USD National Music Museum in Vermillion is Tuesday, September 1st, and you can still sign up! Sign up at the Welcome Center or by calling the church office by Monday, August 31st! Cost is \$60.00, which covers your bus fee and admission to the museum. We will eat lunch at OSL on Tuesday at 11am, then leave for the museum at noon. We will return to the church around 4:00.

OSL is putting together a new church directory and could use some help. Contact the Church Office if you would be willing to offer your skills to finish up the directory work and show other members how to update their information.

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Kickoff Sunday is coming up on September 13th! The 80th Anniversary celebration continues with a free breakfast served at OSL that morning from 9:30am-11am! Wear your favorite team jersey, or a favorite band shirt, favorite color, etc, in honor of Kick-Off! There will be a Ministry Fair in the Gathering Place, stop by any of the tables to find out more about how you can become involved!

Do you like to work in the kitchen? The Food Ministry team is looking for additional volunteers for Sunday, September 13th! We will be serving breakfast to the congregation, so extra hands will be needed to help serve, wash dishes, and clean-up. Please call the Church Office if you would like to help out!

Our Savior's is currently looking for a creative and caring person to fill the position of Wedding Coordinator here at church. The coordinator meets with wedding couples before the wedding to help plan for the service and is in attendance on the days of the rehearsal and wedding. Total time commitment is usually 6-8 hours per wedding. There are approximately 3 to 7 church weddings per year. Please contact the Church Office if you are interested.

Confirmation at OSL begins on Wednesday, September 9th! All 6th-8th grade students are invited to join us for a year of learning, growth, community and fun! Sunday School begins Sunday, September 13th. Please take a moment to register your child(ren) for the 2026-2027 Sunday School year! We ask families to register each year so we have the most up-to-date contact, allergy, and family information. Contact Madeline to sign up!

OSL now has an online shirt store! Lots of colors, styles, and sizes to choose from. Order and pay directly through the company's website and select "pick up at Our Savior's Lutheran" to avoid shipping fees. Orders will be printed at the end of each month, with delivery following approximately three weeks after. We will notify you when your order arrives. If you would like help ordering shirts, we will have a table set up on Kick-Off Sunday (September 13) and OSL staff will be available to walk through ordering online with you. Please bring a credit or debit card for payment.

We're excited to introduce something brand new at Our Savior's Lutheran Church this fall: OSL Kids Club! Beginning Wednesday, September 9, we'll be launching an 11-week after-school program for children Preschool (fully potty trained) through 5th grade. Kids Club will meet every Wednesday through November 18, from 3:30pm-5:30pm and is free for OSL members and friends. Volunteers are needed - retired folks are invited to join Madeline for lunch at OSL in the Gathering Place on Wednesday, September 2 at noon to learn about Kids Club and the many ways you can be part of it. Come enjoy lunch and discover how simply showing up, learning a child's name, and sharing a little bit of life together can make a lasting difference!" If you have questions about OSL Kids Club or would like to learn more, please contact Madeline.

In 1975, pastor and clinical psychologist Dr. Kenneth Haugk trained nine laypeople as the first Stephen Ministers—congregation members who provide one-to-one emotional and spiritual support to those going through difficult times in life. OSL has been a Stephen Ministry congregation since 1988 and has trained over 300 members to serve as Stephen Ministers. A Stephen Minister offers a listening ear, the ministry of presence, confidentiality, and a caring heart as they walk with you through whatever challenge you may be facing. For 38 years, Stephen Ministers at OSL have followed the motto, "Christ caring for people through people." They don't tell you what to do, and they don't judge. They simply stand beside you, listening and caring. Don't hesitate to reach out. To learn more and request a Stephen Minister, contact Pr. Tim

Upcoming Events:

09/01/26: Friendship Club, lunch at 11am; bus leaves at Noon for USD National Music Museum

09/02/26: Kids Club Volunteer Luncheon

09/03/26: Faith & Ferment at Roundhouse Brew Pub

09/13/26: Kick-Off Sunday; 80th Anniversary Celebration Free Breakfast 9:30am-11am

Festive Worship time returns to 11:00am

09/17/26: Book Talk with Pastor Michael & Kristie, 1pm

09/22/26: The Greater Good, 12pm

09/26/26: Women's Retreat, 9:30am-3:00pm

09/27/27: Augustana Choir & Augustana Bach Collegium in Concert, 7pm in the Sanctuary