



Prayers for the weekend of October 18, 2026

Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.

Living and true God, you inspire us to share the message of the gospel. Give your spirit of love to seminarians and those beginning their lives in ordained ministry. We gave thanks for those entering the discernment process and for the South Dakota Synod leadership who journeys with them in that walk. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We give you thanks for the majesty of our oceans. Protect the abundant life within them and sustain all those who work to preserve them. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We seek your wisdom in all things. Direct all who hold positions of authority around the world, that they act with compassion, seeking the good of all. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those suffering from injury, grief, or other ailment. Heal all those who are injured, sick, or suffering, especially Shirley Martens, Arlene Johnson, Shirley Schafer, Lowell Arens, Paul Jahr and those that we name in our hearts at this time. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We ask your blessing on those who do the quiet, unseen work of the church. Today we lift up to you the ministry of Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center and Pastor Daniel who has joined us today in sharing their work. Encourage them in their work of faith and labor of love. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We thank you for our ancestors who have been called home to you. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

Next weekend (10/25/26) we celebrate the Lutheran Reformation! We invite you to wear red.

Interested in becoming a member? Want to know more about Our Savior's? Join us at 10am between worship services on October 18th & 25th for our new member sessions.

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Audio and TV operators are needed for worship services. Training will be provided and your schedule is flexible to match your availability. Having good hearing and a spirit to serve is all that is needed. Contact Gene LeVasseur, Director of Worship, to give it a try.

All are welcome to join us for a forum on Sunday, October 18th at 10am in the Friendship Room. Discover how God is at work through the ministry of the Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center, and learn how you can support this ministry through prayer, giving, or a visit.

We are collecting blankets and warm clothes to donate to the Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center. You are invited to bring in new or gently used warm winter items to share with our neighbors there. Please drop them off at OSL before October 18th.

Join us for a day of cleaning up the outdoor spaces at OSL before the cold weather sets in! Come to OSL on Tuesday, October 27th, from 8:30am-12pm. Pizza will be served afterwards. No sign up required, just come join the fun and serve our Church together in a practical way!

The congregation is invited to a confirmation class on Wednesday evening, October 28 at 6 PM in the Celebrate Center. The pastoral staff will be present as a panel as we talk about Martin Luther's Teaching on living humble, powerful lives. Come and think about your life as we talk about being both "sinner and saint"---always at the same time! We'll be done by 7 PM.

Two volunteers are needed to help with Bingo Night at Susan B. Anthony Elementary on Friday, October 23rd, from 6:30-8:30pm at SBA. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Church Office at 605-336-2942.

OSL is providing cookies and bars for the staff at Susan B. Anthony on Wednesday, Nov. 4th. If you are able to donate, please contact the Church Office 605-336-2942, or sign up at the Welcome Desk. Donations must be dropped off at OSL by Tuesday, November 3rd.

You are invited to volunteer with OSL at our Augustana Hockey Parking Fundraisers for the 2026-2027 season! This is a great way for all ages to serve together and help raise funds for OSL programs and partner organizations. Sign up at the Welcome Center or call the Church Office.

Kids Club has officially started, but registration is still open! Kids Club meets Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 PM for children Preschool–5th grade. Each week includes music, art or gym, Bible stories, activities, snacks, and lots of opportunities to build relationships with kids and adults of all ages.

Rejoice Circle would like to issue a challenge to all OSL groups and members: gather 500 non-perishable food items for feeding South Dakota in the month of October. If we can do it, Thrivent will donate \$500 to Feeding South Dakota. It's a win-win! Bring items to the back counter in the Gathering Place at OSL for collection.

You're invited to join us for Friendship Club on November 3rd at for a presentation by OSL member, Dr. Greg Schultz, who will be speaking about his medical mission work in Central America. The presentation will be in the Friendship Room at 11:00 AM, followed by lunch in The Gathering Place at 12:00 PM.

Join us for a Congregation Forum on Saturday, November 21, following worship, or Sunday, November 22, at 10:00 a.m. Bring your questions and be part of the conversation and fellowship as we gather. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mark your calendars! The Blood Mobile will be returning to OSL on Sunday, November 8th from 8am-12pm! Your donation can make a lifesaving difference for patients and families right here in the Sioux Falls community. Please consider giving blood and helping save a life. Schedule your donation time at the link below.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church's TV Ministry is a meaningful extension of our worship ministry, bringing God's Word, music, and message of hope to those who are unable to join us in person. Through this ministry, lives are touched by God's Word in ways we may never fully know. We invite you to celebrate a special occasion, honor a loved one, remember someone dear, or support this important ministry by sponsoring a weekend broadcast for \$250. Sponsors are recognized by having their name, or the name of the person being honored or remembered, included in the broadcast credits and printed in the weekend bulletins. A TV Ministry sponsorship is a lasting way to share faith, hope, and love while helping others stay connected to worship and the church family. To sponsor a broadcast, please contact the Church Office at 605-336-2942 at least two weeks before your desired weekend. Thank you for helping us reach hearts, strengthen faith, and share the love of Christ with our community and beyond.

Upcoming Events:

10/18/26: Forum: Pine Ridge Reconciliation, 10am; New Member Class, Session 2, 10am
10/21/26: 9th Grade Confirmation Banquet, 6pm
10/25/26: New Member Class, Session 3, 10am
10/27/26: Outdoor Clean-Up Day, 8:30am
10/28/26: Confirmation Class – open panel, 6pm
10/30/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 5:30pm
10/31/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 4:30pm
11/01/26: Confirmation Service, 8:45am; New Member Recognition (all services)
11/03/26: Friendship Club 11am; Friendship Club Lunch 12pm
11/08/26: Blood Mobile at OSL, 8am-12pm
11/13/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 5:30pm
11/14/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 4:30pm
11/15/26: Carroll Institute Forum, 10am