



Prayers for the weekend of October 4, 2026

Seeking the light of God's love in our own lives, and in the lives of others, we lift up our prayers for those in need.

God of every generation, we pray for your church. Where there is division, bring healing, where there is need, bring renewed hope and commitment, where there is joy, let us share it with others. Hear us, O God, **Your mercy is great.**

God of every creature, bless and protect the earth and all those who dwell within it. Be with our farmers during this season of harvest. Bless them with favorable weather and safety in their work, as they provide food and resources for all your people. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of the nations, bring peace to war-torn areas of the world, and shelter for displaced people and refugees. Raise up wise and compassionate leaders who will work for the good of all. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of every comfort, you made us in your own image. Grant healing and relief to all who are sick or suffering. We pray especially for Jon Voight, Shirely Martens, Delaine Shay, and for all those we name in our hearts before you. We pray also for Richard Moe, upon the death of his wife, and for Lori and Terry Tendler and family upon the death of Lori's mother, and for the families of Jason Brinker, Carol Prouty, Arlys Stanga, and Marchi Lingert, as they mourn their deaths. Comfort them with the promises of Christ's eternal gift of love, and life. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of every truth, you draw us nearer to you through your holy word. We give thanks for teachers of the faith. Fill their hearts with your Spirit, that they inspire others with your truth. 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

Reminder that Sunday, October 4th, we will have just one service at 8:45am in the Sanctuary. This service will be a blended service and will allow for a time together to welcome Angela Denker, who will be speaking in the Celebrate Center at 10:15.

Interested in becoming a member? Want to know more about Our Savior's? Sign up at the Welcome Desk or contact the Church Office and join us at 10am between worship services on October 11, 18 & 25 for our next new member session.

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We are excited to continue partnering with Susan B. Anthony (SBA) by supporting the staff who go above and beyond in their classrooms! Stop by the Library and pick an apple to see items on a teacher's wish list! All items purchased can be returned to the Library for delivery to SBA!

Attention musicians – Our Savior's has openings in all of our music teams. Our Savior's Choir, Celebrate Band, Bells of Our Savior's, Cantors, and Instrumentalists are wonderful ways to share your musical gifts in worship ministry. All are welcome and you can give any of these teams a try at your convenience. To get more information contact Gene LeVasseur, our Director of Worship.

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.

As a new school year begins for Augustana students, we are excited to continue our partnership with Augustana's Campus Cupboard and Campus Closet! Help us serve students with necessary food and clothing items by dropping off the listed nonperishable foods, hygiene items and warm clothes at OSL.

Pastor Michael's Bible Study, Beyond The Surface, continues this week. Tuesdays at 7pm and Thursdays at 11am.

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.

You're invited to join us for Friendship Club on October 6th at 11:00 AM for a presentation by an educator with Alzheimer's Association of South Dakota. The education topic is "Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia." This is a great opportunity to learn, ask questions and share your own experiences with Alzheimer's disease and Dementia. Lunch will follow the presentation at 12:00 PM. We hope to see you there!

You are invited to Augustana Library Associate's FREE Fall Author event at OSL! Join Author Amy Frykholm in the Celebrate Center on Tuesday, Oct. 6, at 7:30pm, with a book signing afterwards. Seating is general admission. The event is free. Donations support Augustana Library Associates programming.

The OSL Church Office will be closing at 1pm on Thursday, October 8th, for a Staff Retreat.

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.

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 are invited to join us for a book talk with our OSL Community Librarian, Kristie Schreck, on Thursday, October 15th at 1pm. We will be discussing the book *There's No Place Like Hope*. Sign up in the OSL Library!

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. Each weekend broadcast offers worship, comfort, and encouragement to those who are homebound, facing health challenges, traveling, or living far from Sioux Falls. 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:

10/04/26: Angela Denker Roundtable Discussion, 10:15am

10/05/26: The Greater Good, 12pm

10/06/26: Friendship Club 11am, Friendship Club Lunch 12pm; Bible Study with Pastor Michael, 7pm

Augustana Library Associations Fall Author Event, 7:30pm

10/08/26: Bible Study with Pastor Michael, 11am

Church Office closing at 1pm for Staff Retreat

10/09/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 5:30pm

10/10/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 4:30pm

10/11/26: New Member Class, Session 1, 10am

River Clean-Up with Friends of the Big Sioux River (Spencer Park), 1:30pm

10/12/26: Church Office & OSL Community Library closed for Indigenous Peoples' Day

10/15/26: A Book Talk with Kristie, 1pm

Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 5:30pm