OUR SAVIOR'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
Planting Faith - Nurturing Hope - Sharing God's Love

Prayers for the week of November 8, 2026

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

You illumine the church with the hope of your new day. Prepare our hearts and minds for the inbreaking of your kingdom, that we might awaken to your transforming love at work all around us. Bless the new members of this church in finding connections and grace through this church and empower them to be a light to others. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You create and sustain the earth's natural rhythms so that all life might thrive. Show us the wisdom and wonder of nature's balance; make us careful stewards of our common home. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You make justice roll down in all places and among all nations. Encourage all who protect vulnerable communities and help rebuild in the aftermath of conflict...Uphold veterans and those who care for them. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You hasten to heal our wounds and make whole what is broken. Comfort individuals facing a difficult diagnosis and those who are sick, or struggling in other ways. We pray especially for Priscilla Jorve, and those we now mention in our hearts. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You welcome those who have come before us in faith into the joys of heaven. Sustain us by your grace and guide us into the promise of everlasting life. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen.

Announcements

We are excited to welcome new members into our OSL family at all three services the weekend of November 7th-8th.

November 7th and 8th is 'Stephen Ministry Awareness Weekend.' There will be a booth outside the Spiritual Care area where you can find information on receiving a Stephen Minister, or on becoming one yourself.

For more information about the OSL Stephen Ministry program, you are invited to attend the forum at 10am on Sunday, November 15. If you are a good listener or would like to be trained to be a good listener, consider joining the Stephen Series classes starting in January. You will be blessed.

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.

All are welcome to join us for the Outside Our Walls forum on Sunday, November 8th at 10am in the Friendship Room. Todd Smith will join us to share about Charis Ministries, and specifically their Food To You program. The food of the month is peanut butter. If you would like to donate, please bring donations to the bins next to the Church Office.

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. All donors will receive a $15 Scooters gift card!

You are invited to join us to help put up Christmas decorations at Our Savior's on Sunday, November 22nd after worship. We will gather for lunch, provided in the Friendship Room at noon and decorating will be from 12:30-3:00pm. We are also looking for volunteers to help us move Celebrate Center chairs into the round set-up on Monday, November 23rd at 9am. Sign up not required, all are welcome to join and help us prepare our worship spaces and church building for the upcoming Christmas season!

You are invited to join Pastor Michael for our OSL Bible Study: Beyond The Surface! We meet on Tuesdays at 7pm and Thursdays at 11am. Our next three-week session, “Preparing for the Songs of Advent” will meet November 10th & 12th, November 17th & 19th, and December 1st & 3rd. Sign up not required, come when it works for you!

Join us on Sunday, November 15th. Kristi VanDeRostyne, Prevention Services and Program Manager at the Carroll Institute, will be providing education on topics such as substance use disorders, signs of substance abuse, and how to get help. We are looking forward to learning more about this important and prevalent topic.

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.

This is Stephen Ministry weekend at OSL when we lift up the OSL Stephen Ministry program. Are you going through a difficult time—emotionally, spiritually, or relationally? Are you lonely, experiencing a crisis, or simply stressed by everyday life? You don’t have to suffer alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers, ready to listen, care for and encourage you, and provide confidential one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. To find out more, contact Pr. Tim. If you are feeling the call to become a Stephen Minister, prayerfully consider joining the Stephen Series classes starting in January. You will be blessed.

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. 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.

We collected 1,050 items for Feeding South Dakota in October! And because of your generosity and our partnership with Thrivent, they will donate an additional $500 to Feeding South Dakota!

Upcoming Events:

11/07/26: New Member Recognition; Stephen Ministry Weekend
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Blood Mobile at OSL, 8am-12pm; Charis Ministries Forum, 10am
11/13/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 5:30pm
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11/15/26: Carroll Institute Forum, 10am (Friendship Room); Stephen Ministry Forum 10am (Office Conference Room)
11/17/26: The Greater Good, 12pm
11/21/26: Congregational Forum; immediately following 5pm worship
11/22/26: Congregational Forum, 10am; Decorate the Church for Christmas, 12pm-3pm
11/25/26: OSL Community Library Closed; Church Office closing at 2pm
11/26/26: Church Office & OSL Community Library Closed
11/27/26: Church Office & OSL Community Library Closed