

Mount Olive Prayer List (Pastor Kleckner)
Week of January 1/17/2021

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- For the **Jeff Rains** family's recovery from COVID-19.

Prayers for healing and protection:

- For **everyone** who continues to suffer in health, economics or otherwise from the COVID-10 pandemic.
- For the **pastoral staff of Shepherd of the Valley** who are grappling with COVID-19.
- For **Dale (and Donna) Foltman** who have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus.
- For **Ryan**, young husband and dad, a relative of Lori and Ken Discher, who recently suffered two cardiac arrests and was without oxygen for a time, and his wife Ariel and three young children, that the Lord would restore him to full health without ongoing complications and that he and his family might have comfort and peace until the day of healing arrives.
- For **Ernest Yonkers**, the father of Pastor James Yonkers and the grandfather of Jamie Yonkers who is continuing to suffer from cancer but now has entered into hospice care.
- For **Kathy Logsdon**, a former member of Mt. Olive's Recorder Consort, who continues to undergo treatment for a recurrence of cancer.
- For the **Rev. Dr. David P. Meyer**, the father of Mount Olive's Dr. David Meyer, who is suffering with stage 4 melanoma.
- For **Lucas McNeeley; Dale Foltman; Dale Curtice** and his friend, **Bill Nelson**; Joan Koch's brother, **Bill**; John Light's **girlfriend**; **David West**; **Joan Erickson**; **Debbie Holseid**; **Gretchen Versteeg**; **Michael Sturgeon**; **Kathryn Sprecher**; **Sandi Jones**; **Matthew Wallace**. and **Ken and Lori Discher's** relative undergoing chemo treatments.

Other Prayers:

- That Jesus would grant His resurrection peace and comfort to **anyone** who has **lost a loved one in death** to COVID-19 or other diseases, injuries, or conditions, including the **family and friends of Alvin Coles** and **family and friends of Betty Kooker**, Dale Curtice's former boss' wife.
- That the Lord would give guidance and direction to **Becky Pillack** as she contemplates changes in her life now without the daily responsibilities of caring for her father.
- That the Lord would guide and protect all of the administrators, teachers, students, and their families of Mount Olive Lutheran School, including especially **Heather and Mark Cassill** and their son **Henry**; **Lucretia Manyango** and her children **Winston and Lulu**; **Amy Clark** and her daughter **Sophia**; and **Rebecca and Ralph Chido** and their children **Nina, Dominic and Titus**. We thank the Lord for the blessings with which He has filled these families' lives, and we ask that He would supply any of their needs.
- That the Lord would protect and provide for **all the members of the Mount Olive Lutheran faith community**, church and school, as well as members of the broader community, who continue to "shelter in place" during the pandemic.
- That the Lord would **quickly bring an end to the pandemic**, whether He does that miraculously or medically, and toward the latter that He would bless the production, delivery and administration of the COVID-19 vaccines.
- That the Lord **would bring about honesty and justice in our nation** in the governance of our country.
- That the Lord would **bless and guide the transition into office** of President-Elect **Biden** and Vice President-Elect **Harris** and also the **remaining acts** of service of President **Trump** and Vice President **Pence**.
- That the Lord would protect **against persecution and death all who call upon the name of Jesus**.

Prayers for Mount Olive and its Ministries:

- That the Lord would help **each of us** see where He is at work in the networks of people around us so that through each of us, living as God's beloved, redeemed children, the Good News of the Gospel – Forgiveness and Eternal Life – can be shared and more people moved to become members of the Lord's family – forever!

Prayers from Various Prayer Calendars

Sunday, January 17

- **LCMS** – For all missionaries around the world, who leave family and friends to travel to a foreign land to share the Gospel with those who have not heard. Pray that God would grant them safety, wisdom and strength.
- **Persecuted Christians** – India – Pray for church planters/pastors taking the gospel to unreached people groups.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Lord, You have called us into the fellowship and priesthood of Your Son, Jesus Christ. By His incarnation and great work of salvation, heaven is opened to us in Him. Give us boldness to cling to Your faithful call, that Your deliverance would not be hidden but spoken freely in all the world.

Monday, January 18

- **LCMS** – With thanksgiving for all the faithful brothers and sisters in Christ who support the work of LCMS missionaries through their prayers and gifts.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Burkina Faso – Pray Christians stand boldly for Christ as they endure persecution.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Gracious God, preserve Your Church here and throughout the world. Send forth laborers into Your harvest and sustain those You have sent, especially our Synod president, our district president and our circuit visitor. Make all Christians bold in confession and unwavering in prayer.

Tuesday, January 19

- **LCMS** – That God would raise up indigenous pastors, deaconesses and other church leaders to reach out to their own communities and share His Word.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Somalia – Pray for the establishment of open, visible churches in Somalia.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Father, give us courage and constancy to treasure Your gift of marriage. Preserve Your people in true chastity: the married in honorable faithfulness to one another, and the unmarried in honorable purity, for You have bought us with the price of Your Son's blood to glorify You in our bodies.

Wednesday, January 20

- **LCMS** – That partner churches around the world would continue to teach Christ's Word in all its truth and purity.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Ethiopia – Pray for Christians who are persecuted by non-Christians in Ethiopia.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – God, every lawful authority comes from You. Uphold our nation with its leaders. Preserve in wisdom and honor Joseph, our president-elect; Kamala, our vice-president-elect; Kim, our governor; and all public servants, including our armed forces, police and first responders. Send peace in our time.

Thursday, January 21

- **LCMS** – Thanksgiving for all past missionaries. Thanks be to God, the seeds they planted continue to bear fruit.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Uzbekistan – Pray that pastors and leaders will lead by example.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** - God, bring healing, comfort, strength, patience and certainty to all in need. Receive our thanks for Your constant watch and merciful kindness. In sorrow and joy, do not let our eyes be drawn from the marvel of Your kindness in Jesus, by whose grace and forgiveness we receive every blessing.

Friday – January 22

- **LCMS** – That God would raise up more missionaries to serve at home and abroad, according to His will.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Laos – Pray that the 60 unreached people groups in Laos will hear the gospel.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Holy Lord, renew the gift of Your Holy Spirit this day. Work in us true contrition to lament and abandon our sins.

Saturday, January 23

- **LCMS** – Lord, open the hearts and minds of people so that Your grace-filled message can be spread far and wide.
- **Persecuted Christians** – China – God will protect Christian children, who are forbidden to attend Sunday school.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – All these things and whatever else we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died, rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**