

Prayers from Various Prayer Calendar

Sunday, December 12

- **LCMS** – For patience, as we wait for Christ’s coming, that we might believe God is not slow, but patient.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Kenya – Pray for those sharing the gospel with Somalis living in Kenya.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** - Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Monday, December 13

- **LCMS** – For those who mourn the loss of loved ones, that the promise of the resurrection may be their hope.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Central African Republic – For pastors staying behind to shepherd the remaining believers.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Father, look with compassion upon Your people wherever they suffer for the name of Jesus. Give them wisdom when they are pressured to compromise, provide when they suffer loss, give courage when they are afraid, and strengthen them in the midst of persecution until You deliver them. Preserve them always in the joyful hope that You will restore all that is lost with what cannot be taken away.

Tuesday, December 14

- **LCMS** – For those who are dying, that they may entrust their whole lives unto God who keeps them.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Pakistan – For victims of church bombings who are suffering from injuries and trauma.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Almighty God, as You once sent messengers before the face of Jesus to prepare His way, so strengthen and encourage all pastors and church workers as they make known His saving name. Open the ears of all who hear to rejoice, repent and firmly believe.

Wednesday, December 15

- **LCMS** – For the coming of Christ. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Indonesia – Pray that front-line workers will find creative ways to carry out their ministry.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – O Giver of all good gifts, look upon the households of Your people. Provide companionship for those who are alone, strengthen the bonds of marriage and equip parents to raise their children in love and faith. Grant that our homes may be places of joy, reasonableness, peace and prayer.

Thursday, December 16

- **LCMS** – For faithful reading of the Old Testament, that all who read may see Jesus as the promised Savior.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Syria – Pray through Col. 3:14 for the churches and Christians.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Lord, You set the prisoners free. Remember the incarcerated and grant that they might repent, be freed from the clutches of sin, accept the consequences of their wrongdoing, and learn to live honestly and peacefully. Remember all those who are imprisoned unjustly. Restore their freedom according to Your will, and preserve them in Your grace and the confidence that You know what is true and just.

Friday – December 17

- **LCMS** – For opportunities to proclaim the Gospel, may we be unashamed in our witness.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Somalia – Pray for unity among Somali believers and those working with them.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Father, have mercy upon all those in need of deliverance. Heal them in Your time and according to Your will, and preserve them in the confidence that You will deliver Your people from all afflictions at the resurrection of all flesh.

Saturday, December 18

- **LCMS** – That all Christians might see the needs of their neighbor and love with the love of Christ.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Yemen – For believers who have been forced from their homes and have nowhere to go.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Father, Jesus came eating and drinking with sinners, that He might proclaim the kingdom and welcome them in by the forgiveness of sins. Grant those who partake of His body and blood to be worthy and well-prepared, firmly believing the words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**