

Prayers from Various Prayer Calendars

Sunday, April 17

- **LCMS** – For the President of the United States. Ask God to guide him to lead with wisdom to protect the innocent.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Laos – Pray for unity among the new Christian leaders despite their differing ethnicities.
- **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. Lord God, on this glorious day, fill Your people with a holy fear at the resurrection of Your Son, that we would tremble no longer before the grave but rejoice and live in the truth of Your power to save.

Monday, April 18

- **LCMS** – For LCMS military chaplains serving on active duty for the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Saudi Arabia – Pray for protection and growth of local fellowships throughout the country.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Be with our Synod president; our district president; and all our pastors. Keep them faithful to deliver to Your people the apostolic Gospel of Your Son's death, burial and resurrection.

Tuesday, April 19

- **LCMS** – For LCMS Reserve and National Guard chaplains, especially those deployed, their families and their parishes.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Myanmar – Pray for Myanmar churches as they navigate political instability and uncertainty.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Let us hold fast to the Word preached to us, that receiving it with joy we may take our stand in it and be saved by it. Hinder all who would sow doubt into our hearts, and grant us courage to confess its truth in our life and conversation.

Wednesday, April 20

- **LCMS** – For Operation Barnabas, designed to meet the needs of congregations in the event their pastor/chaplain is mobilized. Operation Barnabas also seeks to assist veterans and military families during and after deployment.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Bahrain – Pray that Jesus Christ will be revealed to those persecuting believers.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Bless our president and all who make and administer our laws. Frustrate the forces of evil, and do not let our leaders cooperate with them or further their goals. Guard our armed forces as they stand watch for us at home and abroad. Let them serve with honor and integrity.

Thursday, April 21

- **LCMS** – For all congregations that reach out to members of our military through Operation Barnabas, that they would uphold them in prayer as they help to meet their physical, psychological and spiritual needs through the training they have received and the Lord's provision.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Lebanon – Pray for those ministering to Syrian refugees in the Bekaa Valley.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Have mercy on the sick and those in any need. Let the dawning light of the new creation in Christ sustain them in faith. In accord with Your will, grant them renewed health — a foretaste of their eternal healing in Him.

Friday – April 22

- **LCMS** – For opportunities for LCMS chaplains to spread Christ's message of salvation, hope and restoration.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Sri Lanka – Pray for those reaching out to children.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – Comfort those who mourn with the truth of Christ's empty tomb, that they may abide in the hope of His resurrection. Uphold them in faith as they await the day when You will wipe every tear.

Saturday, April 23

- **LCMS** – For all chaplains returning home, that they would receive a hero's welcome for their sacrifice to this country so that in freedom we can continue to openly worship the one true God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- **Persecuted Christians** – Turkmenistan – Pray the government will recognize the Bible in the Turkmen language.
- **Weekly Prayers of the Church (LCMS)** – We join today in singing eternal alleluias with innumerable angels in festal gathering and we bring these petitions before You, dear Father, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**