



# CHRIST MEMORIAL CHURCH PRAYER GUIDE Summer 2025

Sundays, June 8, July 13, August 17 & August 24 10:50am-11:30am in CMC's Chapel

## **PRAISE**

Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.
Psalm 29:1-2

Spend time praising God for all his attributes: holy, omnipotent (all powerful), full of love for all he has made, Creator of all, omnipresent (present everywhere), immutable (never changing), Lord of Lords, majestic and eternal.

Spend some time in quiet reflection before the Lord.

#### **CONFESSION**

Confess silently or out loud.

Lay before him the sins that come to mind, asking him to wash you and cleanse you, clothing you in his robes of righteousness.

Confess the sins of our world, our nation, our church, our community.

Ask for God's strength and grace in areas where change is needed. Ask God to cleanse and renew. Remember to thank him for his full forgiveness in Christ, through his blood. Rejoice in the freedom of being washed from our sin.

### **THANKSGIVING**

As a church, we have much for which to be thankful! God is leading us through the wilderness.

Thank God for Pastor Stan, Pastor Suzanne, and Pastor Judy and for their faithful leadership.

Thank God for our new mission statement and the working of his Holy Spirit here!!

Continue in thanks for all God has done and is doing.

Thank God for all the work of the Transition Team for this past year plus!

#### INTERCESSION

Continue to pray for healing for our church family from past hurts and disappointments. May those who still struggle with the past be released and given new hope for the future. May we trust totally in God's Holy Spirit to refresh us as we keep our eyes fixed on him. Make us completely ready, Lord, to enter into the new life you offer us!

VBS – Pray for God to work mightily through our Vacation Bible School on June 16-20! Pray for empowered leaders. Pray for open hearts in the children. Pray for protection and blessing on all who participate.

Jamaica Youth Mission Trip – July 26 to August 2 Pray for the leaders and students going on this trip. Pray that God will mightily use them to bless those they are going to serve in Jamaica. Pray for God's protection and that his Spirit will be on all who are on this team.

Lead Pastor Search Team (Mary Deur, Nick deVries, Bill French, Marlene Holstine, Jessica Huizenga, Cyndi Nykamp, David Steenwyk, Emily Young, and Dirk Start w/Pastors Suzanne Hart & Stan Mast) Lord, we lay before you this very important search team. Bless each step of their work. Lead them to the one you have chosen to serve as our next Lead Pastor. Unify this group in your Spirit. Strengthen them as they serve. Give them your clear wisdom and discernment. Prepare the heart of the one you have chosen and their family members as well. Speak into their hearts your direction for them.

Next-Gen Director Search Team (Schuyler DeVries, Matt Stout, Jane Finn, Rachel Bartsch, and Brad Prince w/Pastor Suzanne Hart) May this group become unified in their search efforts. Clearly lead them as they seek the person you have chosen for this work. Guide them in all aspects of this search. Bless their work and protect each one of them.

Our Consistory, including special prayers for the new members onboarding and all of our church staff. (See separate handout.)

Fall Programs – Be praying for all the upcoming activities that will be starting up this fall. Be specific and name those that come to mind. Pray that these may not just be "programs" but that they will be avenues for living into our mission of being Rooted in Christ, Real in relationships, and Reaching out to all in Jesus' name.

