**AUGUST 23** | God, we don't know what tomorrow brings. We offer this uncertainty up to you. You have painted a future that is good, and we trust that in time we will see how you are working in even our hardest moments towards that goodness. Amen. (1 Peter 5:7)

**AUGUST 24** | God, thank you for the gift of worship and the gift of prayer. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before you, our God and Maker. Amen. (Psalm 95:6)

**AUGUST 25** Dearest Lord, help me to use my talents to the best of my ability and for the glory of your Kingdom. Remind me that service to you is not to be measured in comparison to others, but in how I am doing with what you have given me. Help me to reflect your love for mankind through my actions. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen. (Matthew 25:14-30)

**AUGUST 26** | Lord, you ask us to live out suffering. Yet we know a day is coming when our pain will be ended, when we will be reconciled to you. On that day, you will be like a husband to us, attentive and doting, and providing for our every need. We will be like a bride to you, faithful and true in every way. Amen. (Hosea 2:16)

**AUGUST 27** | God, today I feel light and joy even though my life contains struggles. Yet, I hear the birds, the laughter of a child, feel the warmth of the sun, and in this I have joy. I know that you are good every day and in that I have a smile on my face and joy in my heart. Amen. (Philippians 4:4)

AUGUST 28 | We are on a journey, Lord, together with you. When we trust in Christ, when we place our faith in you, we begin a new path in life. We do not know exactly where it will go, but we know that it leads us closer to you, because you are our final destination. Show us the way, Lord, and lead us along the right path. Dark and narrow though it seems, yet with you in the lead we follow wherever it goes. And when we reach the finish, say to us, "Well done, good and faithful servant." Amen. (Psalm 25:4)

**AUGUST 29** Lord, let nothing disturb me, nothing frighten me, for all things are passing; patient endurance attains all things. One whom you possess lacks nothing, for you, God, alone suffice. Amen. (Teresa of Avila, Spanish nun)

**AUGUST 30** | Lord, we experience so much rejection, so much brokenness in our lives. Everywhere we turn, the people around us hurt us and cause us pain. Yet in the midst of our suffering, we recognize that you have reconciled us to yourself through Christ. Therefore, let us show each other grace and be reconciled one to another. Amen. (2 Corinthians 5:19)

AUGUST 31 | Lord, thank you for your incredible world, full of beauty and grace. Help us daily to come to you in prayer, and seek your guidance. Help us slow down, visit with a friend, run in the grass, and see your path for us. Amen. (Psalm 145:5)

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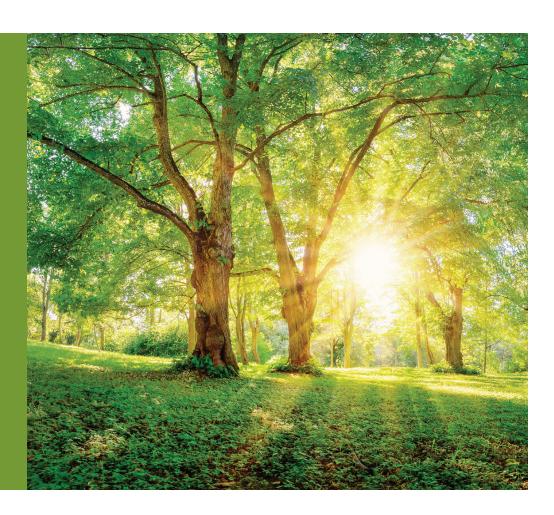
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## Prayer Calendar

August 2025





**AUGUST 1** God, open our hearts to new ideas and knowledge. Let our minds be strengthened and grown by the wonders, majesty, and history of the world you created. Let us be renewed through the wisdom that accompanies understanding. Amen. (Proverbs 1:1-7)

**AUGUST 2** | Gracious God, thank you for your abundant love. As we face difficult decisions, situations, and choices, help us trust that there is nothing that will separate us from your incredible love. In the name of Jesus Christ I pray. Amen. (Romans 8:38-39)

AUGUST 3 | Jesus, our Lord and King, thank you for sending us your Spirit, our Advocate, the Paraclete. You have gone away for a little while, but your Spirit is with us now, convicting us of sin and guiding us into all truth. Let us be filled to overflowing with the fullness of your Spirit, that we may live in God's righteousness that is now available, through the coming judgment, until the time of your return. Amen. (John 16:7)

**AUGUST 4** | Good Shepherd, you only want what is best for us. We are made to follow you and obey your commands. Sadly, there are times when we are led by pride instead. Pride deceives us and leads us astray, taking our focus off you. Forgive us and turn us from this path of destruction and direct our hearts to only seek to worship you. Amen. (Obadiah 1:3)

**AUGUST 5** | Father, use me and abide in my life in such a way that others will see you shining forth in my words and actions. Guide me to break free from the self-centeredness and worldly temptations that prevent me from being your hands and feet in this world. Amen. (Matthew 5:16)

AUGUST 6 | God Almighty, from the beginning, you have shown us how to love, learn, and create order. Students, teachers, administrators, auxiliary and support staff are beginning a new school year and with that comes excitement, uncertainty, joy, sadness, and expectation. God, cover them in patience, wisdom, energy, enthusiasm, respect, protection, discernment, and especially love. We pray with the greatest Teacher in mind—Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Proverbs 18:15)

**AUGUST 12** Lord, help me to do great things as though they were little since I do them with your power; and little things as though they were great since I do them in your name. Amen. (Blaise Pascal, French philosopher)

**AUGUST 13** Lord, today we thank you for placing those in our lives who shepherd us in your Word, show us the green pastures, remind us of the still waters, guiding us along the right paths. Amen. (Psalm 23:1-6)

AUGUST 14 | God, just as you created us in your image, you created in us the ability to cry and to laugh. What precious gifts! Our tears can wash away sorrows or speak for us when we are too moved to speak. Laughter helps us to restore our wounded spirits, lighten our loads, and make each day a little brighter. Thank you for equipping us with these tools to convey our emotions, allowing us to rejoice and demonstrate our love for you Amen. (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)

**AUGUST 15** | Mighty Father, sometimes I forget to walk in your ways. Help me to remember I shall walk in my integrity; redeem me and be gracious to me. Amen. (Psalm 26:11)

**AUGUST 16** | Lord, we sin against you, and we sin against each other. We let each other down, especially the people we love. In grace, you have reconciled us to yourself through Christ. Let us therefore be reconciled to one another. Give us an everlasting ministry of reconciliation, so that we may always forgive each other and so that our relationships may always be restored. Amen. (2 Corinthians 5:18)

AUGUST 17 | Dear gracious and loving God, today I feel overwhelmed with all the details of life. I pray to you and hope to recognize the goodness in my life. May it be in the call of a friend, the smile of a stranger, or the simple calm that can come with a deep breath. Maybe I can even be that goodness to someone else. Let me put you in the center and then all the other items can fall into place. Amen. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

**AUGUST 7** | Lord, today we pray for all the parents of students. Some students will be leaving the comfort of home to go to school elsewhere, and this may bring joy, fear, or grief. Some parents will be teaching children in their homes, and this may bring exhilaration, fatigue, or the need for inspiration. Be with all these parents, and in your infinite wisdom, provide just what they need for the days and weeks ahead. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (1 Peter 5:2-3)

**AUGUST 8** | Lord Jesus, there are times when "reality seems to be more obstacle than opportunity" (Ruth Senter). It is you who has shown me that through chaos, there can be calm, and in tension there can be tenderness. Remind me that through my belief in you, the possibilities are endless, and any obstacle can become an opportunity. With thanksgiving for a life full of opportunities. Amen. (Philippians 1:19-21)

**AUGUST 9** Dearest Savior, help us to believe in the certainty of our faith through your forgiveness of our sins. For you are the Great Artist, who can take our mistakes and use them to change our journeys beyond anything we could ever imagine. "Surrender your blunders to the Lord. He can use them to make the pattern of your life more beautiful" (Corrie ten Boom). In grateful praise and adoration. Amen. (Proverbs 16:1-9)

**AUGUST 10** Dear Lord, thank you for making me unique, with my own blend of personality, ability, and ancestry. Let me never neglect the gift that is in me and help me dedicate my unique talents to further your kingdom on earth. Amen. (1 Timothy 4:14)

AUGUST 11 | Lord God Almighty, we walk around in the dark. Full of fear and dread, we are lost, not knowing where we are or where we should go. Yet you take us by the hand, by the right hand of friendship. You whisper into our ears, "Do not be afraid." Our hearts grow in courage as you lead us through the darkness and bring us into the light. How can our gratefulness ever be diminished? We shall worship you forever, for as long as there are days, for you have rescued us and given us a purpose. Amen. (Isaiah 41:13)

**AUGUST 18** | Lord, we thank you for friends. Bless and keep (name those you consider friends), this special person you created and filled with qualities that have meant so much to me. Thank you for all the times we have shared. Bless our friendship. Amen. (1 Samuel 18:1-4)

AUGUST 19 | Heavenly Father, help us to remember that even in the most difficult of days when we are struggling with personal problems, we can still be of service to others. Through simple tasks like allowing another driver to have the right of way at a stop sign, or giving a kind word to someone in need, we nurture our souls and often find that we have actually received more than we have given. Help us to demonstrate the grace that you have so freely given to us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (Psalm 126:6)

AUGUST 20 | Dear Lord, Paul's letter to Timothy encourages us to pray for everyone! Please help me to avoid being complacent and doubt that my individual prayers don't really matter. Help each of us to earnestly pray for those around us: not just giving lip-service, or emoji hands, but really praying—asking for your wisdom, guidance, and protection, and expressing thanks for those willing to serve as your hands and feet in this world. Help us to consider what you might do when we commit to praying for those around us. Amen. (1 Timothy 2:1-4)

**AUGUST 21** Dear Lord, how do I know your will for me? Please give me the ability to surrender my will, so I can accept your will for me, which is good and pleasing and perfect. Amen. (Romans 12:2)

AUGUST 22 | Loving God, we admit that when we first get angry, hurt, or disappointed we often turn to others and other things first. (List those things you turn to besides God.) Make it increasingly our habit to turn first to you. We praise you for knowing the road ahead of us and graciously leading in the right way. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (Isaiah 45:22)