# Prayers to print – November 2019

*Any of the following prayers can be copied and pasted into your bulletins, newsletters, e-mails, etc. to encourage members to pray for their synod’s ministry work.*

**December 1**

*Prison Ministry* – Lord Jesus, you bring “freedom for the prisoners.” We pray that you would bless the efforts of WELS Prison Ministry to share this good news through letters, biblical resources, and Bible studies. Open the hearts of all who hear your Word to understand our depravity before you, our great need for a Savior, and the wonderful victory you have given us through your death and resurrection. Amen.

**December 8**

*Bluffton, S.C. mission* – O Holy Spirit, thank you for the many resources that you have provided in recent years to fund new missions in North America. Continue to encourage Pastor Eric Janke as he works with Risen Savior Lutheran Church in Pooler, Ga., to reach out in nearby Bluffton, S.C. Give our brothers and sisters wisdom in their planning and optimism as they share their faith. Open hearts to welcome the gospel message that Jesus is the risen Savior who has conquered the enemies of sin, death, and hell. Amen.

**December 15**

*Martin Luther College mid-year graduation* – Lord Jesus, as Martin Luther College produces another class of mid-year graduates, lead us to see them as precious gifts from you to your church. According to your will, give these workers, who have said, “Here am I send me,” places to serve somewhere in your vineyard. Give them wisdom and eagerness to teach lambs and sheep about you, the Good Shepherd. If your will is that some of them must wait for a call or assignment, give them patience and encouragement that you do all things well for the benefit of your church, which you have purchased with your holy precious blood. Amen.

**December 22**

*Rising Son Ministry Center* – Heavenly Father, thank you for the blessings of a team ministry approach for reaching college students in Oshkosh, Wis. For decades you have used the Rising Son Ministry Center to serve thousands of students. Thank you for giving the members of Martin Luther Church a willingness to specifically designate one of their pastors to devote half of his ministry time each week to reaching even more college students in an area that is densely populated with young adults. Bless the efforts of all Christian college students to continue to let the light of their faith shine in an environment where often they can be persecuted. Amen.

**December 29**

*Philippines* – Holy Spirit, you are blessing the proclamation of law and gospel in the Philippines so that, in less than two years, we are training local men to be pastors. Encourage and equip Pastor Alvien De Guzman as he teaches two men enrolled in seminary training. Thank you for the technology that permits us to offer other classes to these candidates for ministry. Give students and teachers alike the boldness needed so that all may confess your name clearly to lost souls to grow your kingdom. Amen.