# Prayers to print – May 2023

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

**May 7**

*WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership* – Lord Jesus, we praise you for the privilege you have given to your Church to be your body of believers on earth that shares your love and salvation with the world. Fill us with your Spirit to direct our efforts. We thank you for this year’s WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership where 1,300 people enjoyed Christian fellowship and the sharing of ministry ideas. We ask you to equip us as your people—called workers and lay people, men and women, young and old, and from various cultural backgrounds—as we all share your grace and truth as the perfect solution to the pain and hopelessness in our sinful world. Amen.

**May 14**

*WELS ministerial education schools* – Dear Lord, we praise you for helping us finish another year of training students for your kingdom at our ministerial education schools. As you poured out your Spirit on that first Pentecost, we ask you to pour out your Spirit on our graduates so that they may be equipped to serve you. Wherever you place them, move them to proclaim your life-giving gospel. Help them to trust your guidance and direction as they use the knowledge and gifts you have given to them. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our Great Teacher. Amen.

**May 21**

*Amazing Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Dickinson, N.D.* – Lord of the harvest, we thank you for providing Pastor Joel Prange to serve the new home mission Amazing Grace Lutheran in Dickinson, N.D. We ask you to bless the congregation’s efforts as they connect with people in their community. Give them your strength for the challenges they face. Supply the courage they need to be faithful witnesses of your amazing grace in our crucified and risen Savior. Help them to remember that because you live their labor for you is never in vain. We pray this to the glory of your name. Amen.

**May 28**

*Ukraine* – Lord of the Church, we ask you to look with favor on our brothers and sisters in war-torn Ukraine. You know the challenges they are facing. Help them to overcome their fears as they make you their Refuge and Strength. We thank you for their steadfastness to carry out your mission in these trying times. We ask that you make known your name holy name and let your kingdom come to those who need the peace this world cannot give. We place them into your gracious care and protection. Amen.