# Prayers to print –October 2017

*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.*

**October 8**

*Liberia* – Oh Lord of the Church, we praise you for your grace and mercy that you have passed down to us through your almighty Word. In this year celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation we give thanks that you continue to put your Word in the hands of your people throughout the world. We give you thanks and praise for the men who are eager to serve you in Liberia. We ask that you grant the leaders of their congregations strength and resolve to persevere in their pastoral training and that you bless the efforts of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary professors, through the Pastoral Studies Institute, to equip messengers to bring to good news of salvation to the ends of the earth. Amen.

**October 15**

*Scandinavia* – Oh Lord and Savior, when Israel was taken captive you promised to preserve a remnant for yourself. You returned those you preserved to the promised land and thus preserved the promise of a Savior. You also have given us assurance that the gates of Hades will not prevail against your church, which will stand forever. We thank you for the remnant of believers you have preserved throughout the world, especially in those places where Christianity seems to be all but forgotten. Please bless and encourage those believers with whom we share the fellowship of faith in Sweden and Norway. Remind them that you have not forgotten them and cause their hearts to be set afire with your love and grace. In your holy name we pray, Amen.

**October 22**

*Martin Luther College* – Lord of lords, as we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation help us to also celebrate the fact that the spirit of the Reformation lives on! We give thanks and praise for the young people at Martin Luther College who are pursuing a career in public ministry. Give wisdom to the professors who train these students and give zeal and perseverance to the men and women who are training to serve your church. Your Word truly shall endure for eternity and will be carried to the nations by those messengers whom you raise up for faithful service. Amen.

**October 29**

*King of Kings, Little Rock, Ark.* – Heavenly Father, we rejoice with the saints at King of Kings in Little Rock, Arkansas, that a full-time pastor has been assigned to their congregation. Renew in them a burning desire to share the gospel throughout their community and to grow in faith as their new pastor grows in his ministry. Send your Holy Spirit to encourage Pastor Shandor as he embarks on the mission upon which you have set him. Give him boldness to proclaim your Word and confidence that your will shall be accomplished. Amen.