

# PRAYER STATIONS

#### Prayer Station I

#### Stained glass cross on front wall of church

"Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain."

Psalm 127:1

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, the cross at the front of the building signifies to all that we are your church. I pray that all who see it come to know and worship you. Amen!

# Prayer Station II

#### Wooden cross in front of main entrance

"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into the harvest fields."

Matthew 9:37-38

PRAYER: Dear Lord, I pray that all who enter your house will be filled with your grace and be fully equipped to go and work at bringing people to know you. Amen!

# **Prayer Station III**

#### **Narthex**

"And God said, 'Let there be light,' and there was light."

Genesis 1:3

PRAYER: Dear God, the narthex will be opened up and brightened. May we reflect that openness and brightness as we gather to greet members, friends and guests in this room. Amen!

#### **Prayer Station IV**

#### **Sanctuary**

"This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live in the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin."

1 John 1:5-7

PRAYER: Dear Lord, as we enter your sanctuary may our hearts be overflowing in joy and love as we shine with the light of your Gospel truth and become a living and faithful sanctuary. Amen!

#### Prayer Station V

#### Right outside aisle of nave (lighting)

"When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said 'I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

John 8:12

PRAYER: Almighty God, we give thanks for shining light on us even during the nighttime. We pray that the new lighting within the church will encourage more to participate in evening services and other activities. Amen!

#### Prayer Station VI

#### **Baptismal Font**

"All Authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20

"Peter replied, 'Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off---for all whom the lord our God will call."

Acts 2:38-39

PRAYER: Gracious Father as we make the Baptismal font to be the center of our chancel, let it be a reminder to each of us that your gift of the Holy Spirit is alive and working faith in us every day, guiding us to live godly lives and preparing us for life eternal. Amen!

#### **Prayer Station VII**

#### **Communion rail**

"Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take and eat, this is my body.' Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, 'Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

Matthew 26:26-27

PRAYER: Dear Lord, we give thanks for the plans to make the communion rail accessible to all as we celebrate your Supper in unity with one another. Amen!

#### **Prayer Station VIII**

#### **Organ**

"Speak to one another with Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord." Ephesians 5:19

PRAYER: Dear God, let us use the instruments you have gifted us with to make music in honor and praise of your name only. We give thanks for Mr. Bartel and his gift of playing the organ that you have provided. May others who share this gift be willing to help when needed. Amen!

# **Prayer Station IX**

#### **Altar**

"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift."

Matthew 5:23-24

PRAYER: Most Merciful God, we come to your altar to receive forgiveness and bring our gifts as a thank offering for your grace. Amen!

#### Prayer Station X

#### **Piano**

"It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night."

Psalm92:1-2

PRAYER: Most Gracious Lord, help us to use this beautiful piano that was donated by Mrs. Lois Walther to your glory as we praise your holiness with godly music. Amen!

# **Prayer Station XI**

#### **Chancel storage closets**

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it."

1 Corinthians 10:26

PRAYER: God, we give thanks for the paraments, banners, flowers, etc., that adds an appealing look for our worship. We are grateful for the added space that will make it easier to take care of storing everything properly. Amen!

# **Prayer Station XII**

#### **Choir seating**

"Praise the Lord. Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the saints."

Psalm 149:1

PRAYER: Lord, we give thanks and pray for all members of the choir and the hard work of Doris Bruns, our choir director. May new voices heed your call to join in proclaiming your gospel and singing your praises. Amen!

# **Prayer Station XIII**

# Left outside aisle of nave (windows)

"For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ."

2 Corinthians 4:6

PRAYER: Jesus, you are the light that always shines bright in this world. We offer our thanks for the new windows that will let the light shine in but also protects us from the rain, wind, snow, heat and cold. Amen!

# **Prayer Station XIV**

# Sunday school classrooms (young adults, senior, junior & 5/6 grades) \*Old fellowship hall

"Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

Deuteronomy 11:18-19

PRAYER: We pray that you be with each teacher and student as they come faithfully to read, study, learn and believe in your Holy Word. We ask for hearts to be opened for more volunteers to help teach as well as attend Bible studies. Amen!

#### **Prayer Station XV**

# **Sunday school opening (choir room)**

"Do you hear what these children are saying?' they asked him. 'Yes,' replied Jesus, 'Have you never read, from the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise?"

Matthew 21:16

PRAYER: Abba, we give thanks that through your little ones we are able to see the power of grace that comes only from you. Help us to watch over them, protect them and teach them your truth with the love that Jesus has for each one of them . Amen!

# **Prayer Station XVI**

#### **Pastor Wenck's office**

"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you."

Hebrews 13:17

PRAYER: Father, we give heartfelt thanks for your faithful servant, Pastor Wenck, who you have called to preach the "Good News" of the gospel to all your people. Bless him with strength, health and encouragement as he continues to speak your truth. Amen!

#### **Prayer Station XVII**

#### **Church secretary office**

"For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building."

1 Corinthians 3:9

PRAYER: Lord, help us to always remember and show appreciation for all the administrative work that Wilma fulfills throughout the week. May we make her job an enjoyable one as we help where ever the need might be. Amen!

# Prayer Station XVIII

#### **Conference room**

"If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus."

Philippians 2:1-2, 5

PRAYER: Let us pray together that as meetings and/or Bible studies are held in this room, we will conduct ourselves with the love, truth and gentleness of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Chris. Amen!

#### **Prayer Station XIX**

#### **DCE office (Hailey)**

"I commend to you our sister..., a servant of the church..... I ask you to receive her in the Lord in a way worthy of the saints and to give her any help she may need from you, for she has been a great help to many people, including me."

Romans 16:1-2

PRAYER: Dear Father, we lift Hailey, our DCE, up to you in prayer, asking that you will send volunteers to help support her to fulfill your calling as she reaches out and teaches the youth and children bringing the family together to serve you and one another. Amen!

#### Prayer Station XX

# New fellowship hall (Adult Bible studies, dinners, meetings, social gatherings)

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me."

Revelation 3:20

PRAYER: Giving thanks to you God, our loving Lord, who has provided a spacious fellowship hall where your family comes together to enjoy meals, games and Bible studies. We not only are able to connect with you but it allows us to connect with one another. Amen!

# **Prayer Station XXI**

#### **Pastor Thoe's office**

"Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding."

Jeremiah 3:15

PRAYER: Almighty God, you continue to bless Grace Lutheran Church with men who stand only on your truth. Thank you for being with and seeing Pastor Al through his long hours of studying while he still worked a full time outside job. May we always be an encourager, supporter and servant to the men you anoint to be pastors. Amen!

#### **Prayer Station XXII**

# Sunday school classrooms (pre-k, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> , 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> grades) \*New fellowship hall

"Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it."

Proverbs 22:6

PRAYER: Sweet Jesus, help us to bring the little ones to you by being examples in showing the love and hope you give. Amen!

#### Prayer Station XXIII

#### **Nursery**

"People were also bringing babies to Jesus to have him touch them."

Luke 18:15

PRAYER: Precious Savior, you have shown how great your love is for all mankind. God the Spirit works faith in all people. You have said we must become like children, trusting and believing completely in the Father's plan. We are all helpless babies when it comes to trying to earn our Salvation, but we receive it freely through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Thank you for making life important and possible for everyone. Amen!

# **Prayer Station XXIV**

#### **Kitchen**

"Feed my lambs. Take care of my sheep. Feed my sheep."

John 21:15, 16, 17 (parts of the scripture)

PRAYER: Lord, it is really an added blessing when a church is equipped with a kitchen and people willing to cook, clean, set-up and serve meals. Thank you for this special ministry of outreach. Amen!

# **Prayer Station XXV**

# **Playground**

"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

PRAYER: As we welcome the neighborhood children into the playground, let us also welcome them and their families to worship with us. Pray that our own children as well as ourselves will be a Christ-like servant to those watching and listening to them. In Jesus name, Amen!