

PRAYING FOR PEACE

A Women of the ELCA Initiative for May 2026



Each day of May at 10:00 am CDT a prayer will be posted on our Facebook account.

Prayers for May 21 -May 31:

May 21: Lord, you promise to give strength to your people and bless them with peace. Please bring your blessing of peace quickly. Amen.

May 22: God, who is our salvation, remind us that you are our rock, our fortress, the ground of our peace. Amen.

May 23: God of mercy, we cast all our cares and sorrows upon you. Bind up the broken hearted and help us to console each other in comfort and peace. Amen.

May 24: Almighty, Loving God, I pray for peace and hope for all who are suffering and for the many people who line in war zones. God, help world leaders find a way to stop the wars. Amen.
Adapted from Carol Berglund's prayer in *Just Prayers*.

May 25: God of peace, we remember past wars in our nation's history. We mourn every soldier who has died in battle. We pray too for every soldier who still suffers injuries to body, heart, mind, or spirit. In your mercy, Amen.

May 26: May every leader think carefully before putting any soldier in harm's way. Let our desire for peace awaken your Spirit, triune God, that the Spirit may breathe down on every one of us so that war is no more. Amen.

May 27: As the days grow longer, we rejoice in your light, O God. May your light help us see more clearly that we may love each other as you love us. Amen.

May 28: Spring unfolds even in the most Northern states. Buds open. Trees stretch their limbs to the sun. May our hearts unfold and open to your peace. Amen.

May 29: God, provide us with peace. Let us feel your presence and love. In Jesus' name, Amen.
Adapted from Gwendolynn Edwards prayer in *Just Prayers*.

May 30: Dear Lord, enable us to greet each day and each situation confidently, knowing you are with us. Help us to hear and see people's needs. Inspire our actions, ideas and energy to make a difference for others. Amen.
From Trish Pecuch's prayer in *Just Prayers*.

May 31: Dear God, we have prayed for 31 days this May. We are desperate for peace. Show us your mercy. Amen.