



14 days of Prayer

Day 1: Father, we thank you for your faithful love that never ends and your mercy which never ceases. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lord, you created the heavens and earth and called the stars forth one by one. You made the world to be lived in and enjoyed and not to be a place of empty chaos. You publicly proclaim bold promises; you do not whisper obscurities in dark corners. We thank you for giving the leaders of our Great Plains Lutheran High School the desire to serve and to present this building project to our congregations. We humbly, yet boldly, ask that you would then move the hearts of your people to provide the resources for us to build this addition for our school. May all that we do be pleasing in your sight for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Day 2: Thank you, Father, for your incredible promises. You remind us that unless you build the house, we labor in vain. That is why we can only rejoice with thanksgiving as we marvel at the way our Great Plains Lutheran High School has grown from a very small beginning, decades ago, to the strong and viable school that it is today. We recognize that such growth has been the blessing of your guiding hand through the promises of your Word. So we pray that you will continue to raise up support for this place of instruction and learning so that even more young adults can attend and grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus, their Lord and Savior in whose name we pray. Amen.

Day 3: Lord Jesus, help us to trust Your never failing Word which declares that you will never leave us or forsake us. When we are tempted to be selfish, point us to the cross where we see your selfless love paying for our sins. When we feel stingy remind us of your generous love which is higher than the heavens are above the earth! When greed for things in this world lurks at the door of our heart, replace it with the strong fervor to want to know even more the power of your glorious life, death and resurrection. Then use that power to melt our hearts into generous thanksgiving as we support the *United in Praise* campaign so that even more students can treasure the one thing needful – you, their Lord and Savior. Amen.

Day 4: Holy Spirit, thank you for the providing us with the wonderful facilities you have already given to us at our Great Plains Lutheran High School. You use all that happens in the walls of those buildings as your workshop to not just shape the minds of young people, but to mold their hearts so that they can test and approve your good, pleasing and perfect will. Help them and us all to remain students of the Word you have written for our learning so that we no longer conform to the pattern of this world, but, are instead, transformed by the renewing of our minds so that we can bring forth fruits of faith in our lives that will honor and glorify Christ! In his name we pray. Amen.

Day 5: Father, we pray boldly that Your Kingdom come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Our desire is that first, and foremost, you make our thoughts agreeable to your will, so that, if it is your will, the plans for our *United in Praise* project may succeed. Our desire is for the construction of the entire *United in Praise* building project. Holy Spirit, your Word declares that for lack of advice, plans go wrong; but with many advisers there is success. Thank you for all who have worked diligently on this campaign with the goal of honoring the name of Jesus. Continue to bless visits that are being made on behalf of this campaign so that the gifts and prayers offered for this endeavor will build facilities to proclaim your name. Amen.

Day 6: Lord Jesus, you are vine and we are branches. We know your desire is that all of your children, including our teens, would remain attached to you so that we and they bear abundant fruit in lives of service to you. We beg that your grace would permit the vision of the *United in Praise* proposal to be transformed from a dream into a reality so that these young adults can use these facilities to grow in wisdom, grace and truth. We desire that all who learn about this opportunity give prayerful consideration to the ways you have blessed each of us. Then prompt us all to respond with gifts that are confident and appreciative of your life and death for us. Amen.

Day 7: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, continue to bless the faculty and staff of our Great Plains Lutheran High School. The children of our congregations are recipients of your tremendous blessing as these servants share their time and talents to teach and serve these teens. What is more, we have learned that the faculty and staff have taken a lead in bringing generous gifts of money to support the *United in Praise* Campaign. Thank you for moving their hearts to do so. May your powerful Gospel motivate every member of our Federation to get behind this opportunity. Use these initial gifts already shared to encourage a much larger participation in this monumental event. We must confess that while we are unworthy of all your kindnesses you continue to richly and abundantly supply all that we need today and forever. Use us to glorify your name! Amen.

Day 8: Heavenly Father, you announce to us that sons are a heritage and children a reward from you. As we think of these young people attending our Great Plains Lutheran High School help us to recognize that in that student body are future pastors, teachers, nurses, engineers, and other leaders, not only in Christ's church, but also in this world. Make it our goal to offer them a quality education with facilities that foster a learning atmosphere. Grant each of them the ability to continue to develop spiritually, intellectually, emotionally and physically into the leadership roles you have in store for them during their time here on earth. Most importantly keep them strong in the saving faith until at last they join you and all the saints in heaven. Amen.

Day 9: Holy Spirit, as we look at the challenge to raise literally millions of dollars for the construction of these buildings, it can be daunting. The devil wants to sow seeds of doubt and despair. But you have redeemed us and summoned us by name. You promise that we lack no good thing in Christ. Cause us to trust you boldly to provide all we need in body and life. Open up our hearts and pocketbooks to give joyful gifts for the *United in Praise* effort because we believe that this building addition will enhance the work of training up our youth in the way they should go. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Day 10: Lord Jesus, your mercies fall to us each day as fresh as the morning dew. Forgive us for being fainted-hearted in our prayers and misjudging your rich supply of love and your never-ending power to provide. Cause us to realize that we are coming to the King of the universe who has loved us and made us members of your family. As we trust that grace and power at work in our lives we quickly grasp that we can never ask too much or pray too often. Continue to bless the leadership of our *United in Praise* team. As these leaders fulfill their responsibilities, cause us to support them with gifts that treasure the Gospel and seek to spread it even more at Great Plains Lutheran High School. In your name we ask this. Amen.

Day 11: Heavenly Father, in this day and age many want little or nothing to do with true teaching. We praise you for the many years you have blessed us with schools like Northwestern Lutheran Academy and, more recently, our Great Plains Lutheran High School. At these schools hundreds of young people, bought with the blood of your Son, have been able to sit at the feet of teachers who care about them. Give your wisdom, to our faculty as they prepare for school each day. Keep all who study the truth of your Word safe from the lies of this world. Help each of us to treasure your Word so that we are prepared to give an answer to everyone who ask us to give a reason for the eternal hope we have in Jesus, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

Day 12: Lord Jesus, you are the good Shepherd. With a shepherd's heart, you yearn for lost lambs and sheep. You sought us out when we were astray. You willingly gave your life for your flock that we might be yours forever. Protect all of us, especially our young people, from those who do not enter by the sheep pen by the gate, but who by force, deception and false teaching seek to harm your sheep. Continue to fill parents with a love for training their children in your Word and, where possible, cause them to use Great Plains Lutheran High School to assist them with this responsibility. As these young people grow up in a world that is often confused and cold and misleading, help them find secure footing on the foundation of your sure and certain Word. Precious Savior, we boldly ask this because you have made us members of your eternal fold in heaven. Amen.

Day 13: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We pray for our Great Plains Lutheran High School. Grant that it may be a secure nurturing place for our teens. Thank you for the parents, members and leaders who have sacrificed much for the welfare of our young adults. We especially ask that you raise up yet another generation of congregational leaders from our midst. Curb our materialism and, instead, invite us to bring forth substantial gifts which will demonstrate our desire to grow in our trust and faith in you. Above all, guard our faith and draw us ever closer to you. We thankful hearts we pray. Amen.

Day 14: Almighty God, when Moses called on the Israelites to gather offerings for the construction of the Tabernacle your grace moved them to give generously. Generations later when Solomon undertook the construction of the Temple you again moved the hearts of your people to supply all that was needed. Today we ask that you would send your Holy Spirit among us to enable us to go forward with our *United in Praise* effort. In view of your mercy prompt us to respond with joyful and generous gifts like those who have gone before us. In our Savior's Name we ask these things. Amen.