

## St. Luke's Prayer Calendar

January 2019

### **Tuesday, January 1 – New Year's Day**

Dear Lord, We thank you for a new year. Psalm 90:12 says "Teach us to number our days aright that we may cultivate and bring to you a heart of wisdom." I pray that we might live 2019 with purpose and with hearts seeking God, studying His word, and praising him for our blessings. Amen.

### **Wednesday, January 2**

As Psalm 65 says, "You who answer prayer, to you all people will come." Lord, we thank you for all the wondrous blessings you bestow on us every day! As we start a New Year, we recall that "You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance." Help us to keep our life centered in your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ so that we may share the abundance with others that you so freely give to us. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

### **Thursday, January 3**

"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with Thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations." Psalm 100

### **Friday, January 4**

Heavenly Father, we thank you for a fresh start and new beginnings. You provide us with so many blessings each day. Help us to be mindful of your provision and ever grateful. Amen.

### **Saturday, January 5**

Dear Heavenly Father, Thank you for our many blessings as we enter into 2019. Please help us to remember that everything we have is because of you and your grace. Amen.

### **Sunday, January 6**

Dear Lord, as this new year begins let me look back at last year and celebrate all my accomplishments. And when I remember the hard times, disappointments, and hardships, let me see where you were with me and grew me. Thank you for loving me unconditionally. I am now filled with new hope knowing that you will be with me through it all. Amen.

### **Monday, January 7**

O Lord, how good and pleasant it is when your people live together in unity! Heal the divisions in our city; bind up the rifts in our country; bring us together as one people. Amen.

**Tuesday, January 8**

Thank you, God, for the joy we feel when surrounded by family. The time we have with each member is fleeting. Help us to cherish each and every moment that we are able to spend with loved ones. We praise you for those opportunities! Amen.

**Wednesday, January 9**

Dear God, with a new year comes new opportunities. Open our hearts to be ready to share your power and your love with others. Nudge us with the Holy Spirit to be ready to respond and share our faith. Strengthen our awareness of the needs of others and lead us daily to serve. Amen.

**Thursday, January 10**

Lord, we pray for those who are struggling with addiction; may they find freedom from their struggles in 2019. God give them the strength to seek the help that they need and the courage to face their addiction. Amen.

**Friday, January 11**

Father God, I pray that you would help me with my ever growing anxiety; give me peace about the things that I cannot control. Help others who struggle with anxiety as well so that we can face tomorrow. In your name, Lord Jesus. Amen.

**Saturday, January 12**

Lord, we give thanks for all the blessings and abundance bestowed upon us in this country. And, we pray that all children are not hungry anywhere in the world and that we in our country learn to respect each other.

**Sunday, January 13**

Dear Heavenly Father, as we begin a new year strengthen our prayer life. Help us to be able to share our dreams, our fears, our circumstances, our hopes, our concerns, our requests, and our joys. Be with us even when words fail and hear our hearts. Let us remember that you have told us that in every situation we can come to you by prayer and petition and give you our requests with thanksgiving. Thank you God for hearing our prayers. Amen.

**Monday, January 14**

Most Gracious God, as the new year begins, we know that our days will be filled with the same mundane tasks as before. Let us serve others gladly and see the blessing we give to others as we serve. Thank you for letting us be the ones to carry your grace to others. Amen.

**Tuesday, January 15**

Dear Lord, We pray for our loved ones who are battling cancer; help the doctors in their diagnosis and treatment of this horrible illness. Give those who are sick the endurance to fight and surround us with your love. Amen.

**Wednesday, January 16**

Dear God, give those who are struggling comfort in their suffering and peaceful hearts in their worry and stress. Make us mindful of the needs of others around us, so that we might serve them. In Christ's name, Amen.

**Thursday, January 17**

Heavenly Father, I ask that you would be with those who are facing serious illness and trials. Give them wisdom and strength for the next step in their journey and may they be lifted up and find peace and comfort in your presence. And, help us to reach out to each person we meet and let them see your light shine within us. In the name of Thy dear son, Jesus, Amen.

**Friday, January 18**

Gracious Heavenly Father, hear our prayer. Bless the members of our long time small group that they may find the camaraderie, the scripture studies, and caring friendships leading us to a deeper understanding of our purposes in the faith. Thank you for your never-ending love that surrounds us as we live our faith out loud. In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

**Saturday, January 19**

Lord Jesus, protect our marriage as it has been going through difficult times lately. Help each of us to see our own wrongdoings and take the small steps needed to mend our relationship. I also pray for other people who are struggling in their marriage, send your love and grace into their hearts as well. Amen.

**Sunday, January 20**

Dear Heavenly Father, we are reminded with the new year another year has passed. With this new year help us to be good stewards of our time. Let us grow in our love for you and let us be better at serving you and others who need to know you and your love. Help us to use our days wisely. Amen.

**Monday, January 21 – MLK Day**

Heavenly Father, today we remember Dr. King and celebrate his life. Thank you for his example of making a difference through love not hate. We pray that you would help us to love others as you have loved us. Let us continue your great work that he was a part of. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

**Tuesday, January 22**

God guide us in the new year and help us to be the people that you are calling us to be. Bless this nation, our church, and each of her members so that we may be a blessing to others. Amen.

**Wednesday, January 23**

Faithful God, we have big dreams and goals to develop new habits for this year, but it is hard to stay on course. Grant us self-discipline to develop our inside out habits so that we may draw closer to you. Amen.

**Thursday, January 24**

Father in Heaven, Christmas was amazing, and it was powerful to be in your divine presence. But, now, we are back to our daily routines, and it is easy to get caught up in the ways of the world. We pray that you would help us to make this year different; help us to prioritize and focus on you so that this may be the Year of our Lord. Amen.

**Friday, January 25**

Heavenly Father, captivate me with your presence and set my heart on fire for you. Give me the courage to boldly take the next step in my journey of faith. Let me be a part of your legacy. Amen.

**Saturday, January 26**

Lord, grant me the wisdom to know that your love is all I have ever needed. Grant me the courage to share my faith story and proclaim the good news to others. Grant me a heart that shares your love with others through service and generosity. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

**Sunday, January 27**

Dear God, we are blessed in so many ways. You give us such a beautiful world to see every day with sunrises and sunsets so amazing, no one could have painted them but you! Help us to see the beauty in every day, in every circumstance, and in every person we meet. Make our hearts truly grateful. Be with those who are having difficulty seeing the beauty in your world today. Amen.

**Monday, January 28**

Dear God, we take great pride in setting human goals and achieving them, but somehow, we remain unfulfilled even after achieving our goals. Help us to learn that true fulfillment is found only in you, in your presence, and in your love. When we experience your divine presence, we realize that we want and need more of you. Grant us the gift of your powerful presence in all that we do. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

**Tuesday, January 29**

God of light, shine your light on me so that I may see your truth. Shine your light before me so that I may see your path of righteousness. Shine your light in me so that I may be your light to others. Amen.

**Wednesday, January 30**

Heavenly Father, use my mouth to speak your words of wisdom and love. Use my mind to think thoughts of your compassion and understanding. Use my heart to share others burdens. Use my hands to make a difference for others in your name. Amen.

**Thursday, January 31**

Heavenly Father, you are the King of Kings and we are your children. Help us to know that we are royalty and that we have access to your almighty power. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.