



## Concentrated Congregational Prayer

Everyone is aware of the power of prayer. For the next week we ask all of the members and friends of First Lutheran's congregation to join together in prayerful consideration of the work we are being called to do through the Completing our Vision Campaign.

The week of concentrated congregational prayer will culminate in a **prayer vigil from 7 to 8 am on Sunday, October 17.** Please plan to participate in this vigil being held in the chapel at the back of the sanctuary. If you cannot physically be with us, lift your hearts in prayer during that time.

During the week, consider the suggestions on the back of this sheet.

### Pray at all times and in all places.



Use the buckling of your seat belt as a prompt.

Encourage young people to pray a blessing for First Lutheran each time you buckle their car seat or seat belt.

And remember our church in your table grace.

#### *During the half-time of a football game or other event:*

“Guide us as we begin the Completing our Vision campaign. May we be mindful that all we have is yours alone; our time, our talents, our possessions.”

#### *While in line at the grocery store or post office:*

“God of abundance, we praise you for pouring out a large measure of earthly blessings; our table is richly furnished. Help us to be good stewards of all you have provided us.”

#### *As you exercise or enjoy the beautiful outdoors:*

“O God, in your love you have given the people of this land gifts of abundance beyond what our forbearers could imagine. Mercifully grant that we may not be so occupied with material things that we forget our spiritual gifts.”

#### *Waiting at a stop sign or for a traffic light to change:*

“Guide us as we pursue resources needed for the success of Completing our Vision campaign. May we be mindful that all we have is yours alone.”

#### *Make this part of your daily devotions:*

“Teach us to set our hearts on you and not material blessings. Keep us from becoming captivated by our prosperity and grant us the wisdom to use your blessings to your glory.”

#### *As you retire for the evening:*

“Help us to be good stewards as we grow in our faith ministry. May we seek always your will as we work together at First Lutheran.”