




State of Michigan, United States of America
Proclamation

National Day of Prayer
May 7, 2026

- WHEREAS,** National Day of Prayer was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman; and,
- WHEREAS,** the year of 2026 will mark the 75th Anniversary of the observance of the National Day of Prayer, with the theme being GLORIFY GOD AMONG THE NATIONS: SEEKING HIM IN ALL GENERATIONS; and,
- WHEREAS,** the 2026 theme, GLORIFY GOD AMONG THE NATIONS: SEEKING HIM IN ALL GENERATIONS, is based on 1 Chronicles 16:24, “Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples;” and,
- WHEREAS,** the observance of the National Day of Prayer is founded on the constitutional rights of freedom of speech and freedom of religion and can be celebrated by all Americans; and,
- WHEREAS,** the purpose is to pray for the well-being of America and for those in leadership on all levels of national, church, and educational areas of influence; and
- WHEREAS,** it is fitting and proper for the residents of Kalamazoo to collectively take the time to observe a day of prayer and contemplation to acknowledge our freedoms and express gratitude for them. We also recognize the men and women in our Nation’s armed forces, both past and present, because of their service and sacrifice we live in a country where people of all faiths can worship according to the dictates of their conscience.

NOW, THEREFORE, ON BEHALF OF THE 56TH CITY COMMISSION, I DAVID F. ANDERSON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KALAMAZOO, proclaim May 7, 2026, as a National Day of Prayer in Kalamazoo and urge citizens to observe this day in ways consistent with their beliefs and appropriate to its importance and significance.



David F. Anderson,
Mayor