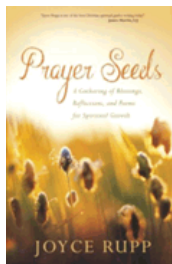


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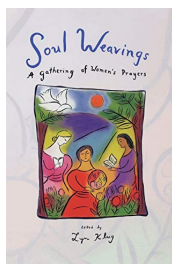
## GO AND... PRAYER RESOURCES

There are so many great prayer resources available in print and online. Here are few favorites named by Nebraska Synod leaders.



### **Prayer Seeds: A Gathering of Blessings, Reflections and Poems for Spiritual Growth by Joyce Rupp**

Joyce Rupp is well known for her work as a writer, international retreat leader and conference speaker. She is author of numerous best sellers on spirituality. A member of the Servite (Servants of Mary) community, she writes with a deep grounding of faith and the common sense that comes with growing up in Iowa. Prayer Seeds is divided into sections by seasons of the church, significant life moments and holidays. You can find a full list of her resources at <https://joycerupp.com> including discussion guides, videos, audios, poems and books. You can also subscribe to her newsletter.

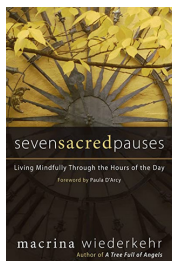


### **Soul Weavings: A Gathering of Women's Prayers - Edited by Lyn Klug**

Lyn Klug is a retreat leader, church musician and author of several books. She has edited three books that each bring rich, strong prayers from across the world. The first in the series is Soul Weavings which reflects on the needs and experiences of women of all ages. They are prayers gathered from historic and contemporary women of faith from points across the globe.

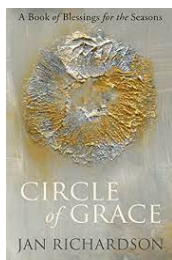
All Will Be Well: A Gathering of Healing Prayers is for all in need of healing and for those who pray for others such as caregivers, counselors, Stephen Ministers, and compassionate visitors.

A Forgiving Heart: Prayers for Blessing and Reconciliation lets readers know they are not alone. The prayers in this book offer understanding and new perspectives, providing healing for our relationship with God, ourselves, family and friends and in our communities and among nations.



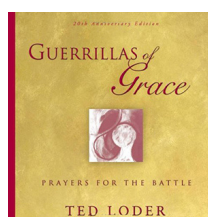
### **Seven Sacred Pauses: Living Mindfully Through the Hours of the Day by Macrina Wiederkehr**

Spirituality & Practice writes, "This inspiring devotional resource will serve as a catalyst to spur your own practice of being present and paying attention to the sacred rhythms of the day." The book is based on the practice of the themes used by many monastics encouraging one to pause and touch the grace of the hour.



### **Circle of Grace: A Book of Blessings for the Seasons by Jan Richardson**

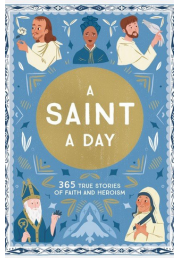
From the introduction: "Within the struggle, joy, pain and delight that attend our life, there is an invisible circle of grace that enfolds and encompasses us in every moment. Blessings that help us to perceive this circle of grace, to find our place of belonging with it, and to receive the strength the circle holds for us." Jan Richardson uses her gifts as author, artist, poet and retreat leader to walk with us on our journeys. You can find her work at <https://paintedprayerbook.com> and <https://www.janrichardson.com/artprints>.



### **Guerrillas of Grace: Prayers for the Battle By Ted Loder**

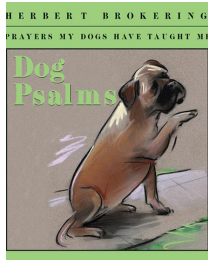
Loder puts words to things we want to say as we encounter the challenges and grace of daily living. He is a retired Methodist pastor, political activist, and grounded in the important work of social justice. Loder is imaginative and intensive in bringing a breath of fresh air to one's prayer life. He has written many books each speaking truth and challenging us in our thinking.

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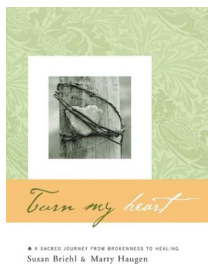
### **A Saint a Day: A 365-Day Devotional Featuring Christian Saints by Meredith Hinds (Author) and Isabel Muñoz (Illustrator)**

This 365-day devotional introduces over 300 saints who did extraordinary things for God. It includes historical stories with a scripture verse and prayer, a short story about the saint, a notable fact and kid-oriented art. A Saint a Day will open the door to a whole new dinner conversation as you share the stories and discuss the saints in your own lives.



### **Dog Psalms: Prayers My Dogs Have Taught Me and Cat Psalms: Prayers My Cats Have Taught Me by Herbert Brokering**

Cat and dog “owners” will appreciate how Brokering explores the similarities in the relationship between dogs and owners and the relationship between humans and God. His descriptions of well-loved canine attributes-including trusting, pleading, loving, guarding-are followed by prayers that explore these traits in our relationship with God. Whimsical and insightful, Dog Psalms is for readers seeking creative expressions for their faith. Brokering was born in Beatrice and grew up in southeast Nebraska. He was a pastor, writer, and composer. “Earth and All Stars” and “Thine the Amen” are two of his best-known hymns.



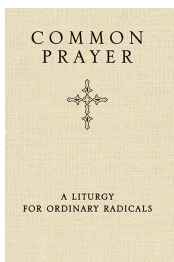
### **Turn My Heart: A Sacred Journey From Brokenness to Healing by Susan Briehl and Marty Haugen**

There is no timeline, map, or direct route to healing. Briehl and Haugen provide resources to help us on our sacred journey as we are drawn into the heart of God. We are invited to become pilgrims. Turn My Heart includes psalms, prayers, songs and simple prayer service for when we are feeling broken and long to be consoled. This is an amazing resource for those who accompany others and for those seeking to find refuge for self when we feel helpless and afraid.



### **Moravian Daily Texts**

Imagine sharing the same devotional with 1.5 million believers in more than 50 languages around the globe. The Moravian Daily Texts has been living this ecumenical dream for many years! First published in 1731 in Herrnhut, Germany, The Daily Texts grew out of a spiritual renewal of the Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum) that dates back to Aug. 13, 1727. Today, more than 280 years after its first publication, the Daily Texts continues its promise of “a daily message from God that is new every morning.” It offers an inspirational connection to the Holy Scriptures every day. Each entry in this beloved daily devotional includes “watchwords”— Old and New Testament verses to accompany readers throughout the day — combined with beautiful hymn texts and heartfelt prayers selected and written by Moravians across North America. This is a resource used by many ELCA Leaders. <https://store.moravian.org/product-category/2023dailytexts/>



### **Common Prayer: A Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals by Shane Claiborne, Jonathan Wilson Hartgrove and Enuma Okoro**

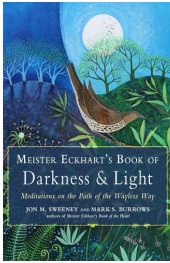
Experience a deeper prayer life through this fresh take on ancient liturgy for believers today. This book designed for individual use as well as a tool for bringing congregations and communities together with the same songs, scriptures, and prayers. It highlights significant dates and Christian heroes in church history and historic dates relate to justice issue. There are morning and evening prayers for each day of the week and a midday prayer to be repeated throughout the year. Songs come from a variety of backgrounds including Taize chants and African spirituals. In addition, there are morning prayers for Holy Week. Ultimately, Common Prayer makes liturgy dance, taking the best of the old and bringing new life to it with a fresh fingerprint for the contemporary renewal of the church.



### **Evangelical Lutheran Worship**

Many of us only tap the Evangelical Lutheran Worship book for Sunday morning hymns. The book is however packed with great resources for individual use. Check out the many resources found in the book including psalms, songs, festivals, prayers and liturgies.

<https://www.augsburgfortress.org/store/category/286455/Evangelical-Lutheran-Worship>



### **Meister Eckhart's Book of Darkness & Light: Mediations on the Path of the Wayless Way By Jon M Sweeney, Mark S Burrows and Meister Eckhart.**

Ready to go deep? This book is not for those wanting a simple path but instead, those looking the “wayless way”. Meister Eckhart’s meditations reveal what it means to love God and find meaning in darkness. Not darkness in general, but your darkness, because it is the one thing you know something about—without facing your darkness, you’ll never know what it means to desire the light. Only when you are in the darkness, Meister says, do you have even the possibility of seeing the light.