



PROCLAMATION National Day of Prayer 2026

- WHEREAS: Throughout the history of America prayers have been lifted up, seeking the Lord in every generation for direction, protection, provision, so that God would be glorified and “Bless America,” resulting in America being filled with His glory, grace, and goodness as He has answered our prayers for over 250 years; and
- WHEREAS: From the first pilgrims’ prayerful covenant with God in the Mayflower Compact to the Declaration of Independence, and in every State Constitution, God is glorified, given reverence and thanks, compelling the prayers of our Continental Congress that formed our nation to continue to flow fervently across America in this generation and in rededication, personally and corporately, to the Creator acknowledged in our Declaration, and placing our “firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence;” and
- WHEREAS: The National Day of Prayer is a Public Law established in the United States Congress in 1952 approved by a Joint Resolution, signed by President Truman and amended by Congress and President Reagan with Public Law 100-307 in 1988, affirming that it is essential for us as a nation to pray and directs the President of the United States to set aside and proclaim the first Thursday of May annually as a National Day of Prayer; and
- WHEREAS: In our city and across America the observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 7, 2026, with the theme, “Glorify God Among the Nations, Seeking Him in All Generations” based on the verse in 1 Chronicles 16:24, “Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.” And

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brandon Bochenski, Mayor of the City of Grand Forks, do hereby proclaim, May 7, 2026, as a **DAY OF PRAYER** throughout our City and I commend this observance to our citizens and request that prayers would be lifted up throughout our City; with every generation seeking the Lord as we rededicate our lives, city, and nation to the glory of God.

Brandon Bochenski
Mayor of Grand Forks