

## Giving Tree

Gifts are to be returned by this Sunday! Thanks for your generosity!

## Christmas Party

Sunday, Dec. 2  
4-6 p.m.

Senior adults will meet for their Christmas party prior to the Cantata.

## Advent by Candlelight

Monday, Dec. 3, 6:30 p.m.

See you around the table on Monday! If you have any questions, contact Karen Hoff at 278-6655.

## Naomi Circle Bake Sale

Naomi Circle will have their Christmas bake sale on Saturday, Dec. 1 and Sunday, Dec. 2. All proceeds will go to Naomi Circle's missions.

## Christmas Caroling

Saturday, Dec. 8  
Caroling from 2-4 p.m.  
Meal at 4:30 p.m.

Join us as we spread our Christmas joy by singing. After we carol our way around Urbandale and vicinity, we will meet at church for chili and hot chocolate. No need to register, just come and sing. Contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.



*Bringing Jesus Christ to people for the first time and for a lifetime!*



### God's Command

*"Then the Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; he is the one.'"*

1 Samuel 16:12b

## Unlikely Heroes: From Shepherd to King

This week we are going to take a look at another unlikely hero. We are first introduced to David when he was a young boy tending sheep, excluded from Jesse's lineup of sons. But God saw more than a shepherd, more than a young boy, he saw David's heart, thus a new king was anointed for Israel. David serves as a great reminder to all of us—God looks on the heart and not on appearances.

## This Wednesday: Come and Experience Advent

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 12 & 19

Advent is a time to prepare our minds and hearts to receive the greatness of the birth of our Savior. And since our schedules and preferences vary, we have three distinct worship services at three different times. Enclosed in the Weekly Word is a postcard to be used to invite your friends.

12:15 p.m. | Traditional | Sanctuary

This service will offer a traditional worship experience with Advent hymns and songs. If you are around before worship, join us for a soup and sandwich lunch offered at 11:30 a.m. or pick up a sack lunch after worship. A free-will offering will be received for both lunches. Invite your coworkers for a lunch-time event that will encourage them throughout the week.

6 p.m. | Traditional Blend | Sanctuary

This service offers a familiar blend of traditional hymns and songs with multi-instrumental arrangements, drama and special music. Families are invited to start the evening worshipping together before children ages 3 to grade 5 are invited for a special Advent children's educational time. And to complete the evening, cookies and coffee will be served after worship.

7 p.m. | Contemporary Interactive | Family Life Center

Be the first to experience this new worship service. Our band will offer arrangements of seasonal songs, we will study God's Word before breaking into small group discussions. We will explore the use of technology from social media surveys and live conversations via Twitter and text. If you have any techy friends, you will want to invite them to join you.



## Join Us This Sunday

**"Born is the King" Sunday, Dec. 2 at 7 p.m.**

Let's celebrate the wonder of the King of Kings being born in the lowliest of conditions. It's a story you won't want to miss. Invite all your friends and family!



## Special Note for Advent by Candlelight Hostesses

You are welcome to decorate your tables any time between 3:30 and 6 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 2, or any time on Monday, Dec. 3 until 4 p.m. If you have not paid your table fee, please give it to one of the committee members who will be there that afternoon to assist you as needed. Your storage containers may be placed in the Board Room (room 128, just east of the Gathering Place) overnight.



## Scrapbook fellowship

**Friday, Dec. 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.**

**Saturday, Dec. 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Come join the fun. For childcare, contact Carol Wenndt by Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 306-4352 (phone or text) with the date, times (start and finish) as well as the number of children.

## Quilters

**Saturday, Dec. 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

How are you doing on your quilts? Join us for a dose of inspiration. A lot of progress can be made by dedicating a few hours whether you're working on something quick and easy or a more complicated pattern.

## God's Story ... My Story

My family and I have been members of Gloria Dei's community for years. We've been active in youth, missions, Governing Board, kitchen, and educational activities all during this time.

I look back to my early roots in Iowa and see how God has guided me into service here within the church, in my work as a nurse in Mercy's hospice program, and in my participation in Gloria Dei's Stephen Ministry. From playing "crazy eights" and board games with my great grandmother years ago until today, I enjoy ministering to others in all aspects of their lives.



*Cheryl Gilg has been an active member for years.*

Convinced early in life that I wanted to become a nurse, I studied at the University of Iowa and the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha earning my BSN and MSN degrees. God has not only shown me the way to help others as a compassionate caregiver but has been the key architect in building my family consisting of husband Joe, daughter Katie and son Brian. Participating in mission trips has also allowed me to share my faith. Sharing God's story plays an important part in my family's daily activities of witnessing, letting others know how God has been my guide, leader, protector, and mentor. I'm Cheryl Gilg. This is my story...this is God's story.

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**Need help?**  
**Stephen Ministries**  
We have trained individuals to help you in every season of life. Contact Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com.

## LWMLCircles

**Ruth Circle** will meet  
Monday, Dec. 10 at 7 p.m.  
for a Christmas potluck at the  
home of Elaine Mueller, 3205  
Mary Lynn Dr., Urbandale.

**Rebekah Circle** will meet  
Thursday, Dec. 13 at the  
home of Lois Applehons,  
4519 96th St., Urbandale.

**Naomi Circle** will meet  
Thursday, Dec. 13 at Gloria  
Dei Church. Please bring  
your wrapped gifts for our  
foster families.

## Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Saturday, Dec. 1 at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center is for:



Jordan Patrick Schwartz born on April 13, 1998 to Brian Charlet and Jennifer Schwartz. Jordan's spiritual sponsors are Charity Zaragoza and Shannon Schwartz.

## Discovery: New to the Lutheran Faith or Transferring?

Thursdays, Jan. 17, 24, 31, Feb. 7 and Sunday, Feb. 10, 2013

This class is for those who desire to join Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, whether new to the Lutheran faith or transferring from another Lutheran church. We will revisit the basics of our beliefs and be encouraged to grow in our faith in God and service to others. Contact Pastor Robarge for additional information or questions regarding the class at 278-5544, ext. 220 or probarge@gloriadeionline.com.

## Men Who Are Grieving

Saturdays, Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9 and April 13 from 9-11 a.m.

Mercy Hospice in Johnston offers a unique, gender-specific support group for men who have lost a loved one, whether that is a spouse, parent, child or sibling. The group is led by men and the discussion focuses on the issues men most want to talk about. Friends and relatives are welcome to attend with you. The meeting includes breakfast. Please make a reservation by contacting the Bereavement Coordinator at 643-6147 or mcasey@mercydesmoines.org.

## Production Ministry

DVD recordings of the 8 and 9:30 a.m. worship services in the Sanctuary are available. CD recordings of the sermon are also available. Either item can be mailed to shut-ins. Please contact Chris Onsrud at chris@gloriadeionline.com.

Servers		
<b>Officiant/Liturgist:</b> 5:30 p.m. (FLC) Rev. Ron Burcham	<b>Organ</b> Sue Jesse	<b>Hospitality Teams</b> 5:30 p.m.(FLC) Team Two
<b>8 a.m. (Sanctuary)</b> Rev. Ron Burcham	<b>Acolytes:</b> 8 a.m. (Sanctuary) Maille Sheeley	<b>8 a.m. (Sanctuary)</b> Team Two
<b>9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)</b> Rev. Ron Burcham	<b>9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)</b> Kara Krahn	<b>9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)</b> Team One
<b>10 a.m. (FLC)</b> Rev. Phil Robarge	<b>11 a.m. (Sanctuary)</b> Justin Hosch	<b>10 a.m. (FLC)</b> TBD
<b>11 a.m. (Sanctuary)</b> Rev. Ron Burcham	<b>Scripture verses:</b> 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-13 (NIV)	<b>11 a.m. (Sanctuary)</b> Team Two
<b>Preacher</b> Rev. Ron Burcham		

## Let's pray!

Prayer requests can be made on the back of the "Welcome" card located in the pews. Please indicate your prayer request and place the card in the offering plate. We have both e-mail and phone prayer chains available. Call Pastor Phillips in the church office, 276-1700, or Diane Young between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 993-3870 with your request.

## Thanksgivings

- For our families
- For Pastor Phillips and Kim who are celebrating their 16th wedding anniversary

## For the health of

- Stan Knapp
- Tanya Richards
- Greg Fitzgerald
- Charleen Hilterbrand
- Carol Petersen, Peg Petersen-Riddle's sister
- Steve Crouthamel
- Christine Watson
- Stolley Schramm
- Don Zimmerman

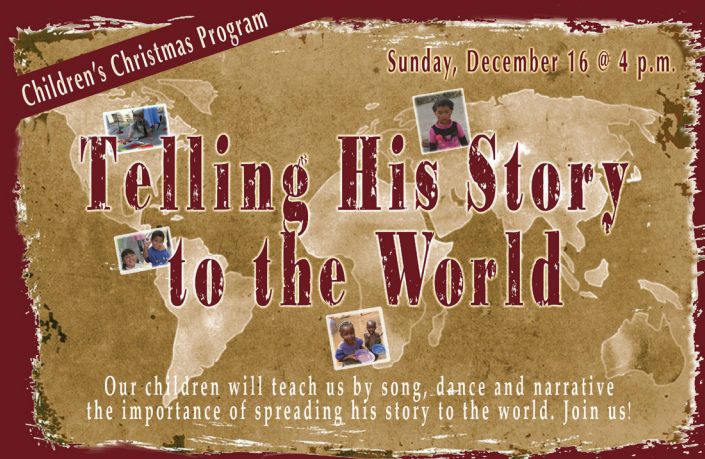
## And for:

- The conflict in the Middle East
- For Donna Scrimager, who is grieving the loss of her daughter, Tara Freeman
- Rain in areas of the country that need it
- Our military

## Prayer ministry

To join the prayer team, e-mail Pastor Phillips at: tphillips@gloriadeionline.com with your name, e-mail address and phone number.

## Children's Christmas Program



**Sunday, Dec. 16 at 4 p.m.**

**Starts in the Sanctuary**

**Invite your friends and neighbors!**

### Overview of the children's Christmas Program:

Travel around the world with the children as they tell about God's great love sent as a baby.

The exciting event begins at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We will travel from the Sanctuary to the Center Wing, the Family Life Center, and back to the Sanctuary. The close of the program will inspire us as we see how we can help around the world.

Following the program everyone is invited to taste desserts from around the world and to visit with those who are involved with missions. In addition, we will have global nativity sets on display.

So grab your family and friends and join us for the sights and sounds from around the world through the voices of our children.

# Join us Christmas Eve!

*Christmas Eve Candlelight  
Worship Services*

*Monday, December 24*

*Family Contemporary Christmas Eve [Family Life Center]  
| 4:00 |*

*Traditional Christmas Eve [Sanctuary]  
| 3:00 | 4:30 | 6:00 | 7:30 |*

*Contemporary Christmas Eve [Family Life Center]  
| 5:30 |*



The story just got better! Jesus was born! We are looking forward to celebrating his birth with you!

## Gloria Dei Youth Ministry Outreaches

### Junior and Senior High Youth

**Wednesdays, Dec. 5, 12 and 19**

On Wednesdays during Advent we will meet from 7-8 p.m. in the Family Life Center for a Contemporary Interactive Advent Worship service. This will incorporate our junior high small groups and The Point for our high school youth.

### Youth Ministry Celebration

**Wednesday, Dec. 5 from 6-7 p.m.**

**Junior and Senior High:** Join us for a Youth Ministry celebration from 6-7 p.m. in the Youth Center. Ice cream and all of the toppings will be served.

### White Elephant Christmas Party

**Wednesday, Dec. 19 from 8-9:30 p.m.**

**Senior High Youth:** Want to have fun? Gut-splitting fun? Then join us for our Christmas party. Bring a gift, for the absurd White Elephant Christmas exchange. Bring a friend. There will be door prizes!

### Senior High Winter Retreat

**Dec. 7-8, 2012 at Riverside Camp, Story City**

“Me and the I AM: A Look at Our Identity” - Join us as we celebrate our uniqueness and at the same time our connected faith in God. We will dig deep into Scripture, find out our unique personality types, celebrate with food and games, be challenged mentally and physically (weather permitting). Friends are welcomed!. We will have music, lessons, outdoor adventures, Bible studies and a lot of fun! Cost is \$30. **Registration and payment deadline is Sunday, December 2.**

## Christmas Program Rehearsal

**Sundays, Dec. 2 at 12:45**

**Sunday, Dec. 9, and Saturday, Dec. 15 at 12:30 p.m.**

Program rehearsals are for ages 2 to 5th grade. You won't want to miss the fun! We need over 100 children! And we need parents to help with the sections, painting sets, fitting costumes, etc.

### Christmas Program Lunch

**Sundays, Dec. 2 and 9 from 12-12:45 p.m.**

Join us for lunch and then stay for the rehearsal. Cost: \$2.50 per person: Dec. 2 - Sloppy Joes; Dec. 9 - Walking Tacos

## Gloria Dei Book Club

For December, our group donated funds for the purchase of “The Story” books for our Giving Tree families, and will not meet in December. For an after-Christmas holiday celebration, our next meeting will be Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2013 at 6:15 p.m. at the home of Darlene Klagas. If you have any questions, send an e-mail to [gloriadeibookclub@hotmail.com](mailto:gloriadeibookclub@hotmail.com).

Our January book will be “Too Far to Say Far Enough” by Nancy Rue. **Review:** Allison Chamberlain has done everything God required of her—but as he continues to nudge her in the third and final book of The Reluctant Prophet series, she is ready to say, “Enough!”

## Tiny Treasures' Program

**Thursday, Dec. 20**

**5:30 p.m. (2- and 3- year old classes)**

**6:30 p.m. (4- and PreK classes)**

Please join us as we celebrate the Christmas miracle through the eyes of our preschool children in the “Miracle in the Manger.”

## Faith Alive Meal

**Wednesday, Dec. 5 from 5-6:15 p.m.**

**Grilled Cheese/Chili, baby carrots** - Enjoy a meal. The cost is \$5 per adult, and \$2.50 per child, children 2 and under eat free.

# Week of December 1-8, 2012

## Saturday, December 1

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1
- 10:00 a.m. Gingerbread Tea
- 5:00 p.m. Naomi Bake Sale
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

## Sunday, December 2

- 7:30 a.m. Naomi Circle Bake Sale
- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 8:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:15 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:50 a.m. Castaway
- 9:50 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Chuck Corell)
- 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 10:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 10:45 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Communion
- 11:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 11:20 a.m. Castaway
- 12:00 p.m. Christmas Program Lunch
- 12:45 p.m. Christmas Program Rehearsal
- 1:00 p.m. Advent Worship Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Senior Adult Ministry Christmas Party
- 6:00 p.m. Girlz of Faith
- 7:00 p.m. Cantata

## Monday, December 3

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
- 6:30 p.m. Advent by Candlelight
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

## Tuesday, December 4

- 9:00 a.m. XYZ (Extra Years of Zest) Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Elder's Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

## Wednesday, December 5

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Advent Lunch
- 12:15 p.m. Traditional Advent Worship
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Traditional Blend Advent Worship
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 7:00 p.m. Contemporary Interactive Advent Worship

## Thursday, December 6

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 2:00 p.m. Home School Choir
- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 5:30 p.m. Fundraiser MAT
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

## Friday, December 7

- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m. MOM's Club of West Des Moines
- 3:00 p.m. Senior High Winter Retreat

## Saturday, December 8

- 8:00 a.m. Giving Tree Pick-Up
- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 8:30 a.m. Gloria Dei Quilters
- 2:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Worship (Nov. 24+25)	Attendance	Communion
5:30 p.m. (FLC)	152	105
8 a.m. (Sanctuary)	97	
9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	327	
10 a.m. (FLC)	74	43
11 a.m. (Sanctuary)	179	
<b>Total</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>148</b>

Thanksgiving Worship	Attendance
Tuesday, Nov. 20	116
Thursday, Nov. 22	138
<b>Total</b>	<b>254</b>

# Week of December 8-15, 2012

## Saturday, December 8

- 8:00 a.m. Giving Tree Pick-Up
- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 8:30 a.m. Gloria Dei Quilters
- 2:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

## Sunday, December 9

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 8:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:15 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:50 a.m. Castaway
- 9:50 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Chuck Corell)
- 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 10:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 10:45 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- 11:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 11:20 a.m. Castaway
- 12:00 p.m. Christmas Program Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Christmas Program Rehearsal
- 1:00 p.m. Advent Worship Rehearsal
- 3:30 p.m. Girl Scout Brownie 541
- 4:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 407
- 4:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 806

## Monday, December 10

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections

## Monday, December 10 (continued)

- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

## Tuesday, December 11

- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 6:30 p.m. Thrivent Board Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

## Wednesday, December 12

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 11:30 a.m. Advent Lunch
- 12:15 p.m. Traditional Advent Worship
- 1:00 p.m. Senior Adult Ministry MAT
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Traditional Blend Advent Worship
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 7:00 p.m. Contemporary Interactive Advent Worship

## Thursday, December 13

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Naomi Circle
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 2:00 p.m. Home School Choir
- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

## Friday, December 14

- 6:00 p.m. Café 923

## Saturday, December 15

- 12:30 p.m. Christmas Program Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Outpouring of Love (Nov. 18-19)	
Weekly General Fund Offerings	\$21,243
Weekly General Fund Offering Budget	\$35,000
2nd QTD Offering	\$254,407
2nd QTD Budget	\$286,000
YTD Offering Total	\$608,958
YTD Offering Budget	\$660,000

Outpouring of Love (Nov. 24-25)	
Weekly General Fund Offerings	\$19,996
Weekly General Fund Offering Budget	\$33,000
2nd QTD Offering	\$274,403
2nd QTD Budget	\$319,000
YTD Offering Total	\$628,954
YTD Offering Budget	\$693,000

# Welcome to Gloria Dei! We are glad you are here!

**Please note: All of our educational times will not be held this weekend.** We encourage families to worship together before children (ages 3-grade 5) are invited to Grace Place on Saturday evenings at 5:50; Sunday mornings at 8:20, 9:50, 10:20 and 11:20. Junior high youth (grades 6-8) are invited to Castaway at 9:50 and 11:20 a.m.

## **5:30 p.m. Saturday | Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center**

This contemporary service offers a unique come-as-you-are worship experience on Saturday evening. A gathering of celebration will be led by our worship team and band in the Family Life Center, inviting worshipers to lift anthems to our God. There will be time for intimacy with God, reflection on his promises and the opportunity to grow as his Word is declared.

## **8:00 a.m. Sunday | Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary**

This worship service is based on traditional hymns and liturgy. The music is organ led with offerings of special music, offertories and communion hymns led by the piano. Our special music groups and choirs perform on a regular basis.

## **9:30 a.m. Sunday | Traditional Blend Worship in the Sanctuary**

This service offers a blend of instruments, from piano and organ to brass and percussion. Large group choirs as well as small group vocal and instrumental ensembles offer special music. The liturgy is specifically designed to enhance the life of the believer, by supporting the current study of God's Word at Gloria Dei.

## **10:00 a.m. Sunday | Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center**

This high-energy service offers a casual setting for those who enjoy a come-as-you-are contemporary environment. A gathering of celebration will be led by our worship team and band in the Family Life Center, inviting worshipers to lift anthems to our God. There will be time for intimacy with God, reflection on his promises and the opportunity to grow as his Word is declared via this video venue.

## **11:00 a.m. Sunday | Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary**

This contemporary service has a unique style of its own as we combine the present day sounds of contemporary music with a worship band in the awe inspiring setting of the Sanctuary. This service includes uplifting songs of celebration as people gather together responding to our God.

## **Other important items**

**Nursery:** Infants to age 3. Located on the lower level with access through the doors in the Narthex. The nursery is staffed during all worship services for children ages 3 and under at no cost to the parent.

**Cry room:** Located in the southwest corner of the Narthex is a room with a full view of the Sanctuary for parents to take their small children.

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## **Weekly Bible reading - 1 Samuel 16:1 (NIV)**

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king."

## **Educational times**

**Children** (ages 2- grade 5)

### **Next Week! Grace Place**

Saturdays at 5:50 p.m.

Sundays at 8:20, 9:50,

10:20 & 11:20 a.m.

### **Faith Alive**

Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

### **Youth** (grades 6-12)

Times vary, check page 5.

### **Adults**

Times vary, check pages 6-7.

## **Communion**

Communion is offered on the first and third Sundays of each month during the services in the Sanctuary and the second and fourth Saturdays and Sundays during the services in the Family Life Center.

A note to our guests and visitors: The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Gloria Dei in the belief and with the confession that this Sacrament is the very body and blood of Christ (The Doctrine of the Real Presence) which is received with the bread and the wine for us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our faith. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and seek to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. If you agree with our beliefs regarding the nature and meaning of this Sacrament and desire to commune with us, you are welcome! For the medical and/or physical needs of members or visitors, non-alcoholic wine will be in the inner circle of each communion tray and will be lighter in color than the regular wine. In addition, gluten-free wafers are available, please alert the elders before the service if possible.