

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

Children's Christmas Program



Sunday, Dec. 16 @ 4 p.m.

Our children are going to show us the importance of telling his story to the world.

Experience Advent

Wednesday, Dec. 19

Come, let's prepare our hearts for the birth of our Savior.

Traditional Advent
 @ 12:15 p.m.

Traditional Blend Advent
 @ 6 p.m.

Contemporary Interactive
 @ 7 p.m.

Tiny Treasures Christmas Program



Thursday, Dec. 20 at 5:30 p.m.
 (2- and 3-year-olds)

Thursday, Dec. 20 at 6:30 p.m.
 (4-year-olds and PreKs)

2013 Giving Envelopes

Please take a minute and pick up your 2013 giving envelopes on the tables by the north entrance doors in the Narthex.



Earthy Kings Precede Our Heavenly King

The messages of Dec. 15-16 and 22-23: In the messages before Christmas, we will study the Old Testament kings. We will look at a detailed view of King Solomon, who had great wisdom and riches. Unfortunately, he slowly swayed from God to serve other gods. We will also ride the roller coaster ride with Israel and Judah as different kings served God with a pure heart, or disobeyed God, thus causing destruction and pain.

This section of "The Story" is dismal as we watch the ultimate failures of each king. In other words, all mankind seems to veer onto a dark road at almost every intersection. All would be lost if it were not for a loving and forgiving God, who sent us a Heavenly King to redeem us from the evil that plagues us.

So, let's learn from these earthly kings, and then be prepared to meet our Heavenly King, who was born in a meager manger.



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 |

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Christmas and New Year's Eve Schedule

- Saturday, Dec. 22:** Northwind will be held. No Grace Place.
- Sunday, Dec. 23:** All worship services will be held, no Grace Place, Castaway and Bible studies.
- Monday, Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve Services (Church office will be closed at noon.)
- Tuesday, Dec. 25:** Christmas Day Service at 9 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Church office will be closed.
- Saturday, Dec. 29:** Northwind will be held. No Grace Place.
- Sunday, Dec. 30:** All worship services will be held, no Grace Place, Castaway and Bible studies.
- Tuesday, Jan. 1:** Church office will be closed. New Year worship service will not held.

If you have any questions, please call the church office at 276-1700.

Important End-of-the-Year Information

Below are some important year-end reminders regarding your 2012 giving:

To include your giving in the 2012 calendar year:

- Postmark your offering on or before Dec. 31, 2012.
- Go to www.gloriadeionline.com on or before Dec. 31, 2012 and process your contribution using our online giving program through Vanco.
- Place your offering in the offering plate on the weekend of Dec. 29 – 30, 2012.
- Bring your offering to the church office by 3 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 31, 2012.

To include your giving in the 2013 calendar year:

- Postmark your offering on Jan. 2, 2013 or later.
- Go to www.gloriadeionline.com on or after Jan. 1, 2013 and process your contribution using our online giving program through Vanco.
- Bring your offering to the church office on or after Jan. 2, 2013.

Please note that the date on your check does not determine which year your offering is applied. Using the guidelines above will ensure you are getting your offering in the correct year. Year-end statements will be mailed out in January of 2013. If you have any questions, please call Shari Smith at 276-1700, ext. 202.

Don't Leave Today Without Thinking About Hospitality

We are recruiting Hospitality team members for 2013!

Team members can be individuals, couples or families. They will serve together to greet members and visitors, usher by helping individuals find seats, distribute handouts, handle offering and communion dismissal, and assist people at the Welcome Center.

Sign up today at the Welcome Centers. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Robarge at probarge@gloriadeionline.com.

Giving Tree Thank You

We were once again amazed at your generosity through embracing and supporting the Giving Tree.

In total, we served 23 families (63 individuals) with gifts to help them remember that God loves them greatly. We also donated \$725 worth of gift cards for the Adopt-a-family program at the Food Pantry (\$325 was from the Electronics Recycling Drive). For Lutheran Services of Iowa, we donated \$100 worth of gift cards and 212 items, such as books, smoke alarms, fire extinguishers, games, toys, coloring books, and batteries.

A special thanks to Gloria Dei Book Club, for donating "The Story" to our families.

Our prayer is Jesus' name will be glorified by the gifts that you have so lovingly given. ~ Thanks again and God bless you, Lisa Scherer, Lori Martin, Nancy Wiggins and Faith Spark

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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.

Midweek Meal

**Wednesday, Dec. 19 from
5-6:15 p.m.**

Chicken Noodle Soup - The cost is \$5 per adult, and \$2.50 per child, children 2 and under eat free. Midweek meal resumes Jan. 9, 2013.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary is for:



D Delaney Jane Weatherall born on Sept. 7, 2012 to Craig and Sara (nee Swyter) Weatherall. Delaney's spiritual sponsor is Amy Molitor.

Peel-n-Save Coupon Cards

The youth ministry is selling a coupon card for \$10. These coupon cards can be used at local Des Moines restaurants such as: Qdoba, Texas Roadhouse, KFC, Godfather's Pizza, Arby's, Culver's, Burger King and many more. Most of the coupons are a buy one and get one free deal.

If you are interested in purchasing one, please see one of our youth or contact Tim Kightlinger at tim@gloriadeionline.com. The funds raised through these cards will help our teens attend mission trips and other spiritual events.

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 the health of

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

And for:

- The conflict in the Middle East
- Our military
- Safe travels
- Those who are hurting this Christmas

Prayer ministry

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

Servers

December 15 and 16

Officiant/Liturgist:

5:30 p.m. (FLC)

Rev. Ron Burcham

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Rev. Tim Phillips

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Rev. Tim Phillips

10 a.m. (FLC)

Rev. Phil Robarge

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Rev. Ron Burcham

Preacher

Rev. Ron Burcham

Organ

Lynn Hays

Acolytes:

8:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Ethan Richards

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Natalie Wilson

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Luke Sams

Hospitality Teams

5:30 p.m. (FLC)

Team Four

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Four

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Three

10 a.m. (FLC)

TBD

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Four

Scripture verses:

1 Kings 3:5, 7-15 and 1

Kings 11:1-4 (NIV)

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Rev. Phil Robarge

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10 a.m. (FLC)

Rev. Tim Phillips

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Rev. Phil Robarge

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Organ

Lynn Hays

Acolytes:

8:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Kaitlyn Robarge

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Alaina Lampe

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Erin Martindale

Hospitality Teams

5:30 p.m. (FLC)

Team One

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team One

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Four

10 a.m. (FLC)

TBD

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team One

Scripture verses:

I Kings 11:28-33 (NIV)

Discovery: New to the Lutheran Faith or Transferring?

Thursdays, Jan. 17, 24, 31, Feb. 7 at 6:30 p.m. & Sunday, Feb. 10 at 5:30 p.m.

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. Register online today.

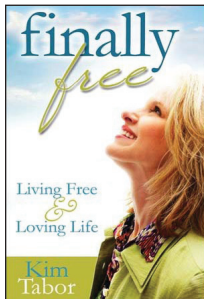
Web Development

We are looking for individuals to volunteer their professional services in a PHP or Drupal project at church. If interested, please contact Karen Kennedy at karen@gloriadeionline.com.

Online Women's Bible Study

Study begins January 6, 2013 and will run for 6 weeks.

Mark your 2013 calendar to join us for an online study on "Finally Free - Living Free & Loving Life" by Kim Tabor. You'll only need the book, a Bible, and access to the web.



Overview: "God has given us freedom—freedom to live our lives in peace and joy. As believers we know about it, we sing about it, and we talk about it, but are we actually free? Just knowing we can be free doesn't make us free. Many continue to be bound by fear, anxiety, depression, addictions, or damaging emotions—perhaps you or someone you love."
~ TaborMinistries.org

For more information: Go to www.laurarath.blogspot.com. See you in the new year!

June 2013 Mission Trip

June 8 to 16, 2013

Project 52 will travel to the small village of Las Charcas, Dominican Republic for a nine-day construction and medical mission trip. Plans include building a baseball field and working at the Las Charcas Medical Clinic.

The total cost of the trip is \$1,925 (including airfare). The deadline to provide an application and make a deposit of \$200 is Jan. 15, 2013. First installment of \$800 is due Mar. 15 and final installment of \$925 is due May 15, 2013.

To sign up or for more information, e-mail Bill Clark at bill@p52.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.

Don't Go Through Life Alone - Get Help and Support

Thursdays, January 10-March 14, 2013, 6:30-8 p.m.

Our support groups are designed to help people who are facing difficult situations. We provide support for adults and children who are experiencing grief or divorce. The individual support groups meet at 6:30 p.m. and conclude at 8 p.m. Childcare is provided.

DivorceCare is a 10-week program for those experiencing the pain of divorce. Register online.

DC4K is a five-week program for children whose parents are divorcing. Register by contacting Pastor Phillips.

GriefShare, a 10-week program, helps those who have suffered the death of a close friend or relative. Suggested donation of \$20 covers the cost of a participant book. Register online.

Stepping Stones (GriefShare for Children)

Children need to process and understand the grieving process. This 5-week course will assist children who have lost a friend or relative. Register by contacting Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com.

Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

Experience Advent 2012

Wednesday, Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. in the FLC

Junior and Senior High Youth: One more week to experience Advent, so join us for this interactive time.

Wednesday evening activities will not be held Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, but will resume Jan. 9, 2013.

Castaway

Sunday, Dec. 16 at 9:50 & 11:20 a.m.

Join us as we discuss "The Story." Castaway School Bible Study will not meet Dec. 23 and 30, but will resume Jan. 6, 2013.

The Well

Congratulations to our 6th grade class for bringing in the most donations last month. In total, we have raised \$2,200.

White Elephant Christmas Party

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

Senior High Youth: Bring a gift, for the absurd White Elephant Christmas exchange. Bring a friend and a snack to share! There will be door prizes!

High School Bible Study

Sunday, Dec. 16 from 9-10 a.m.

We will have some great discussion on "The Story," so join us. No Bible study Dec. 23 and 30; resumes on Jan. 6.

Dinner Theater

Mark your calendars for April 19, 20 and 21, 2013 as the Youth Ministry hosts their annual dinner theater. Casting and rehearsals begin Sunday, Jan. 6 at 12:15 p.m. Casting is open to all junior and senior high youth as well as to adults.

Join us for the fun. If you have any questions, e-mail TK at tim@gloriadeionline.com.

Pre-marriage Class

Tuesday, Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Couples wishing to be married at Gloria Dei in the coming year must take the six-week pre-marriage class designed to help build strong marriages to last a lifetime. To register, go to the adult page on our Web site or call the church office at 276-1700.

Financial Peace University

Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Financial Peace University (FPU) is a 9-week life-changing program that teaches how to achieve your financial goals by eliminating debt and saving for the future. Cost is \$95. Register for this event by going to the adult page on our Web site.

Gloria Dei Book Club

Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2013 at 6:15 p.m.

Join us at the home of Darlene Klages as we discuss "Too Far to Say Far Enough" by Nancy Rue.

Remembering My Baptism

Sunday, Jan. 13 from 4-5:30 p.m.

This event is designed for first graders and a parent. We'll build a faith chest to take home and talk about our baptism and be reminded of what it means to be "squeaky clean through Jesus Christ!" Please register for this event. Cost is \$40 per family.

GirLZ of Faith

Sundays, Jan. 6 and 20 from 6-7:15 p.m.

Girls in grades 4 and 5 are invited to a bi-monthly meeting at the church. It will be a time for fellowship, Bible study, crafts, activities, snacks and tons of fun.

Week of December 15-22, 2012

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

Sunday, December 16

- 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
- 2:00 p.m. Chapel at Glen Oaks
- 4:00 p.m. Christmas Program
- 5:00 p.m. Advent Worship Rehearsal

Monday, December 17

- 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

Monday, December 17 (continued)

- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 4:30 p.m. Lewis Baby Shower
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

Tuesday, December 18

- 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
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

Wednesday, December 19

- 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 20

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitches
- 2:00 p.m. Home School Choir
- 5:30 p.m. Tiny Treasures' Christmas Program
- 6:15 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Tiny Treasures' Christmas Program
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Foundation

Friday, December 21

No scheduled events

Saturday, December 22

- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion

Worship (Dec. 8-9)	Attendance	Communion
5:30 p.m. (FLC)	187	130
8 a.m. (Sanctuary)	165	
9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	341	
10 a.m. (FLC)	80	32
11 a.m. (Sanctuary)	236	
Total	1,009	162
Advent Worship (Dec. 12)		
12:15 p.m. (Sanctuary)	65	
6 p.m. (Sanctuary)	223	
7 p.m. (FLC)	122	
Total	410	

Outpouring of Love (Dec. 8&9)	
Weekly General Fund Offerings	\$58,835
Weekly General Fund Offering Budget	\$35,000
2nd QTD Offering	\$378,366
2nd QTD Budget	\$393,000
YTD Offering Total	\$732,917
YTD Offering Budget	\$767,000

Week of December 22, 2012-January 5, 2013

Saturday, December 22

5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion

Sunday, December 23

8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in the Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Monday, December 24

3:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Traditional Candlelight Worship in the Sanctuary

4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center

4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Traditional Candlelight Worship in the Sanctuary

5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center

6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Traditional Candlelight Worship in the Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Traditional Candlelight Worship in the Sanctuary

Tuesday, December 25

Office Closed

9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Wednesday, December 26

No scheduled events

Thursday, December 27

10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers

6:15 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

Friday, December 28

No scheduled events

Saturday, December 29

5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center

Sunday, December 30

8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in the Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Monday, December 31

6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Tuesday, January 1

Office Closed

New Year's Day - No scheduled events

Wednesday, January 2

No scheduled events

Thursday, January 3

2:00 p.m. Home School Choir

5:30 p.m. Fundraiser MAT

Friday, January 4

9:30 a.m. MOM's Club of West Des Moines

Saturday, January 5

5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center

5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Children's Attendance	Saturday 5:50 p.m.	Sunday 8:20 a.m.	Sunday 9:50 a.m.	Sunday 10:20 a.m.	Sunday 11:20 a.m.
Preschool	4	1	10	10	12
Elementary	17	2	53	23	31
Total Children	21	3	63	33	43

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

Please note: All of our educational times will be held Dec. 15-16; will not be held Dec. 22 and 23, 29 and 30. 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 worshippers 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 worshippers 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.

Weekly Bible reading - 1 Kings 11:1-4 (NIV)

King Solomon, however, loved many foreign women besides Pharaoh's daughter—Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians and Hittites. They were from nations about which the LORD had told the Israelites, "You must not intermarry with them, because they will surely turn your hearts after their gods." Nevertheless, Solomon held fast to them in love. He had seven hundred wives of royal birth and three hundred concubines, and his wives led him astray. As Solomon grew old, his wives turned his heart after other gods, and his heart was not fully devoted to the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father had been.

Educational times

Children (ages 2- grade 5)

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.