



Enemy's Toolbox

There seems to be a growing attitude that says we cannot help who we are. We will trace it back to a bad gene, a poor family background, or maybe a traumatic experience when we were young. Whatever the reason, we give in to our desires or at the very least we don't put much effort into living for God. It is time to take personal responsibility for our actions. This week we will learn how God gave us his Spirit, which means we no longer have to live according our flesh, but by the Spirit.



Plan on being a part of "The Story" next week

We are extremely jazzed to begin "The Story" next week. Here is what to expect at next week's launch: Pastor Burcham will present an overview about God's greatest story and show specific avenues of how you and your family can be involved. Books will also be available in the Family Life Center and the Narthex for a suggested donation of \$6. This church-wide effort will also include every ministry at Gloria Dei. So, don't miss next week!



Do you want to find out more?

Visit "The Story" web page @ www.gloriadeionline.com

Fall worship begins Saturday, Sept. 8 and Sunday, Sept. 9

- 5:30 p.m. Saturday | Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center
- 8:00 a.m. Sunday | Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday | Traditional Blend Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday | Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday | Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

Weekend educational times

Grace Place will be offered at each worship service, Castaway will be held during the 9:30 and 11 a.m. worship services and senior high Bible study will be held at 9:30 a.m.

Midweek educational times begin Wednesday, Sept. 12

Midweek Meal (5:00-6:15 p.m.)

Children and Adults (6:00-7:00 p.m.)

- 6:00-6:15 p.m. Children's Ministry opening in the Family Life Center
- 6:15-7:00 p.m. Children's Faith Alive classes and adult classes

Youth, Adults and Choir (6:45-8:00 p.m.)

- 6:45-7:15 p.m. Youth Ministry opening in the Family Life Center
- 7:15-8:00 p.m. Junior high small groups, The Point, and adult classes
- 7:00-8:00 p.m. Choir (begins Sept. 5)

Discovery Class New Member

**Thursdays, Sept. 20,
27, Oct. 4, 11 and
Sunday, Oct. 14**

This class is for those who desire to join Gloria Dei, 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. Please register for this class. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Robarge at probarge@gloriadeionline.com.

Education Ministry Partners needed

Children's Ministry:
We are in need of ministry partners for Wednesday evenings, Saturday evenings, and Sunday mornings. Contact Alice at aburress@gloriadeionline.com or DeAnn at deann@gloriadeionline.com today.

Youth Ministry:
We need you to join our small group ministry team. Please contact Tim Kightlinger at tim@gloriadeionline.com.



Project updates

Lots of work happening around here

If you look around, you can see all the wonderful progress occurring each day. Here is a summary of the work being done:

Center Wing: Painting of the exterior walls of the center wing has been completed. The application of new vinyl on the moveable walls was started this past Thursday and is progressing rapidly. Carpet is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

Masonry Project: Demolition of the EIFS on the north face of the Family Life Center has been completed. Brick has been moved onto the scaffolding but actual brick laying has not begun.

Shingle Project: The asphalt shingle project on the Sanctuary and Narthex roofs has been completed.

Other Projects: The replacement of the windows in the office wing will be completed on Friday, Aug. 31 and Saturday, Sept. 1. The replacement of the clouded windows behind the stained glass is scheduled to start on Sept. 10.



Bricks will soon be laid on The Family Life Center

Marriage courses at Gloria Dei

We believe strong marriages don't automatically happen; it takes a concerted effort to build a relationship that makes our homes "heaven on earth." So, look over these two offerings and select one, we believe they will equip you with the necessary tools to build a tremendous marriage.

Marriage Bible Study (Love and Respect)

Wednesdays starting Sept. 12 from 6:15-7:15 p.m. Learn what motivates men and women in this 14-week study from the book "Love and Respect" by Dr. Eggeriches. Bill and Lesli Clark will lead this study. Please register for this event on our Web site. Contact: Pastor Robarge at probarge@gloriadeionline.com.

Marriage Enrichment (Marriage Built to Last)

Thursdays, Sept. 6-Oct. 11, 6:30-8 p.m. This class will share biblical principles and practical ways to keep a marriage healthy and growing. Pastor Tim Phillips and his wife, Kim, will be the facilitators. Please register for this event by going to our Web site. Cost of \$10 covers a book for each participant. Contact: Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com.

LWML

Mary Esther Circle will meet Thursday, Sept. 13 at 9 a.m. at the home of Melva Wenndt, 3601 Western Hills Dr., West Des Moines.

Miriam Circle will meet Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. at the home of Bonnie Scheideman, 731 34th Place, West Des Moines.

Naomi Circle will meet Thursday, Sept. 13 at 9:30 a.m. at Panera Bread at Westtown Parkway in West Des Moines.

Ruth Circle will meet Monday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. at the home of Leanna Hansch, 5011 Lower Beaver Rd., Des Moines.

UCAN help

Gloria Dei has partnered with Urbandale Community Action Network (UCAN) to help develop a tutoring program for Urbandale middle-school (grades 6-8) students in math, social studies, language arts and science.

You do not have to be an expert in any of these subjects—only a willingness to help Tuesdays from 3-5 p.m. starting on Sept. 11. If interested, contact Mary Polson at 278-3936 or info@urbandalenetWORK.org.

Thank you

A sincere thank you for your cards, calls and remembrances in honor of our 50th wedding anniversary. We are truly blessed to have you all in our lives.

-Ken and Carol Andresen

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Wednesday, Aug. 29 at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary was for:



J Jack Curtis Dawson born on November 6, 2007 to Craig and Cindi (nee Palmer) Dawson. Jack's spiritual sponsors are Ryan and Jody Person and Jason Badtram.



M Max Palmer Dawson born on February 14, 2012 to Craig and Cindi (nee Palmer) Dawson. Max's spiritual sponsors are Ed and Jacki Vaske, and Kayla Badtram.

Altar flowers



The flowers on the altar in the Sanctuary on Sunday, Sept. 2 are placed by Jim and Barb Miles in honor of Barb's mother.

Senior Adult Ministry

Mark your calendars! The Senior Adult Ministry is planning a New England fall foliage tour from Oct. 3-15, 2013. The highlights include: a motor coach round trip tour, 12 nights lodging, 20 meals, tours of Boston City, White Mountains, Calvin Coolidge homestead, Norman Rockwell studio and museum, JFK library, coastal Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Vermont, Massachusetts and Rhode Island and much more.

A \$200 deposit is required with balance due 60 days prior to the tour date. The cost is \$1,899 for double occupancy, \$1821 for triple occupancy, etc. For reservations, contact Margaret at 223-1468. For more details, call Eloise Rinderknecht at 225-2225.

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

- The 45th wedding anniversary of Wendell and Carol Dickey on Sept. 3

For the health of

- Stan Knapp
- Charleen Hilterbrand
- Craig and Cindi Dawson's infant son, Max
- Carol Petersen, Peg Petersen-Riddle's sister
- Steve Crouthamel
- Emma Anderson
- Mary Kuefner
- Vicki Giesselmann
- Christine Watson
- Kory and Penny Schramm and their unborn child

And for:

- Our military
- Those who are affected by the storm
- Our nation and world

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

<p>Officiant/Liturgist: 5:30 p.m. (FLC): Rev. Phil Robarge</p> <p>7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary): Rev. Phil Robarge</p> <p>9 a.m. (Sanctuary): Rev. Phil Robarge</p> <p>10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary): Rev. Phil Robarge</p>	<p>Preacher Rev. Phil Robarge</p> <p>Organ Rhonda Christensen</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Scripture verses: Romans: 8:1-14 and Mark 10:42-45 (NIV)</p> </div>	<p>Hospitality Teams Northwind (FLC) Team One</p> <p>7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary) Team One</p> <p>9 a.m. (Sanctuary) Team Three</p> <p>10:30 a.m. (FLC) TBD</p> <p>10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary) Team One</p>
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Adult Opportunities starting this week!

We have an abundance of opportunities to choose from this fall. Take a few minutes, peruse the offerings, pray and then be ready to learn and grow!

Financial Peace University

Tuesdays, Sept. 4-Oct. 30, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Financial Peace University (FPU) is a nine-week life-changing program that teaches how to achieve your financial goals. To register, go to the adult page on our Web site and click on the FPU link. Cost is \$95. Contact Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com.

Lifelight Bible Study

Sundays, Sept. 9-May 5, 9:50-10:50 a.m. An in-depth journey through the Bible using materials from the Lifelight series. Childcare is provided. This fall they will begin studying 1 and 2 Samuel. Facilitator: Chuck Corell. Contact Pastor Robarge at probarge@gloriadeionline.com.

33 The Series: Volume 2: A Man and His Design

Wednesday, Sept. 5 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. @ OverTime

Saturday, Sept. 8 from 7:30-8:30 a.m. @ Gloria Dei

Join us for a six-week study. Every man must understand and come to grips with the defining moments and key relationships that have shaped his unique story. Suggested donation for the book is \$20. Contact Bill Clark at BillClark@mchsi.com or register online at www.gloriadeionline.com.

Online book study

A 10-week online study on “The Shelter of God’s Promises” by Sheila Walsh will begin Sept. 2. Laura Rath will lead this online study by offering a suggested reading schedule for the week, posting thoughts on the reading and encouraging the participants to post their comments as well. For more information, visit Laura’s blog at <http://www.laurarath.blogspot.com> or e-mail Laura at laurajrath@gmail.com.

Support Groups/Care Night

Thursdays, Sept. 6-Nov. 8, 2012, 6:30-8 p.m. 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. Please register by going to our Web site or contact Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com.

DivorceCare Support Group: DivorceCare is a 10-week program for those experiencing the pain of divorce.

DC4K (DivorceCare for Kids): DC4K is a five-week program for children whose parents are divorcing.

GriefShare: GriefShare, a 10-week program, helps those who have suffered the death of a close friend or relative.

Stepping Stones (GriefShare for Children): This 5-week course will assist children who have lost a friend or relative.

Small groups and studies

“The Story” small group studies will be offered starting Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 16 at 9:15 and 10:45 a.m.

Tuesday afternoon Bible study from 2:30-4 p.m. We are gearing up to study the book “Radical” by David Platt starting Sept. 4.

Pastor’s Bible study on Wednesdays from 10-11:30 a.m. Join this ongoing group as we study the Lectionary Series.

Men’s Bible study on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 a.m. We have lots of coffee, prayer, study and discussion. Join us at anytime.

If you are interested in joining any of these groups, contact Pastor Robarge at probarge@gloriadeionline.com.

Women’s Bible Connections

Monday Sept. 10 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. or 6:30-8 p.m.

Connect with other faith-filled women on Monday mornings and evenings as we study “James: Mercy Triumphs” by Beth Moore.

If you would like to join this study, please contact Lisa Scherer, 490-4108 to order a book for \$18. Starts Sept. 10, 2012.

Gloria Dei book club

Join the book club as they discuss “The Note II: Taking a Chance on Love” by Angela Elwell Hunt on Wednesday, Sept. 5 at 6:15 p.m. in the cry room.

Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

Castaway

Castaway will begin next Sunday, Sept. 9 from 9:50-10:30 a.m. and 11:20-noon in the Youth Center.

Junior High (grades 6-8)

Small groups start Wednesday, Sept. 12 from 6:45-8 p.m. Sign up on the bulletin board.

Apostles' Creed Retreat begins Sept. 7 at 5 p.m. and ends Sept. 8 at noon.

Acolytes: Sign up on the bulletin board to serve as an acolyte.

Senior High Ministry (grades 9-12)

Senior High Bible study begins next week in room 133 from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

The Point resumes Wednesday, Sept. 12 from 6:45-8 p.m.

Mission trip to Racine, Wisconsin will be from June 15-22, 2013. A \$100 deposit is due by Sept. 9. Want more information? Check out the bulletin board.

National LCMS Youth Gathering is being held July 1-5, 2013. Registration and a \$100 deposit are due by Sept. 9. For more information, see the bulletin board.

Third Grade Bible Highlighting

Wednesdays, Sept. 12-Oct. 10, 6:15-7:15 p.m. Third grade students and parents are invited to take a 5-week journey through the Bible, highlighting important Scripture passages. Bibles are given to students to highlight and make their own as they listen to how God is leading them.

Preteen Girls

The Real You: Moms and Preteen Daughters: Sunday, Sept. 9, 6-7:15 p.m.

This event is designed specifically for girls in grades 4 and 5, and their moms or an important female. We'll look at how we remain true to God while being real in school, at home, and with friends. Register for this event on our Web site. Cost is \$10 for mom and daughter.

GirlZ of Faith: Sunday, Sept. 16, 6-7:15 p.m. Girls in grades 4 and 5 are invited for Bible study, crafts and lots of laughter. No registration needed.

Preteen Boys

Sleuth Truth: Dads and Preteen Sons: Sunday, Sept. 9, 6-7:15 p.m. This event is designed specifically for boys in grades 4 and 5, and their dads or an important adult male. Become a detective for the evening and journey together to uncover the truth! Register for this event on our Web site. Cost is \$10 for dad and son.

BoyZ of Faith: Sunday, Sept. 23, 6-7:15 p.m. Boys in grades 4 and 5 are invited for Bible study, hands-on activities and yummy snacks. No registration needed.

Register your child

If you have not registered your child on our KidCheck program, take a moment to go to Gloria Dei's website at www.gloriadeionline.com. Click on children, then follow the link to register. Children must have a name tag to attend Grace Place and Faith Alive.

Register today at www.gloriadeionline.com

Fall Schedule

(starts Sept. 8-9)

5:30 p.m. Saturday
Contemporary (FLC)
Grace Place will be offered.

8:00 a.m. Sunday
Traditional (Sanctuary)
Grace Place will be offered.

9:30 a.m. Sunday
Traditional Blend
(Sanctuary)
Grace Place, Castaway and senior high Bible study will be offered.

10 a.m. Sunday
Contemporary (FLC)
Grace Place will be offered.

11 a.m. Sunday
Contemporary (Sanctuary)
Grace Place and Castaway will be offered.

Wednesday schedule (starts Sept. 12)

5-6:15 p.m.
Midweek meal

6-7 p.m.
Faith Alive

6:45-8 p.m.
Jr. and Sr. Youth educational times

Week of September 1-8, 2012

Saturday, September 1

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

Sunday, September 2

7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion

Monday, September 3 (Labor Day)

8:00 a.m. Office closed

Tuesday, September 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
 6:30 p.m. Premarriage Class
 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

Wednesday, September 5

10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
 6:00 p.m. Book Club
 7:00 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
 7:30 p.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 2 (off-site)

Thursday, September 6

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitches
 6:30 p.m. DivorceCare
 6:30 p.m. GriefShare
 6:30 p.m. Marriage Built to Last

Friday, September 7

9:30 a.m. MOMs Club of West Des Moines
 5:00 p.m. Kevin Martens and Amy Gronauer Wedding Rehearsal
 5:00 p.m. Apostles' Creed Confirmation Retreat

Saturday, September 8

7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 2
 3:00 p.m. Kevin Martens and Amy Gronauer Wedding
 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Project 52 Mission Trip

Project 52 is proud to announce that we have partnered with Lighthouse Projects in the Dominican Republic and are committed to providing for the needs of families in the community of Los Alcarrazos and showing them the love of Jesus Christ.

Join us as we travel to Los Alcarrazos to help build a home, visit Compass Point School and other activities from Feb. 22-March 2. The cost is \$1,750 and includes airfare, lodging and meals. A \$200 deposit is due this weekend. For more information, contact Bill Clark at 491-8543 or bill@p52.org.

Items needed

UCAN (Urbandale Community Action Network) needs Kleenex and disinfecting wipes for the schools. Please place those items in the "UCAN" bin in the Narthex. Contact - Ruth Ebke at 371-8646.

Urbandale Food Pantry is requesting shampoo during the month of September. Please place your donation in the "Urbandale Food Pantry" bin that is located in the Narthex.

Worship (Aug. 25-26)	Attendance	Communion
Northwind	144	107
7:45 a.m.	110	
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	292	
10:30 a.m (Sanctuary)	227	
10:30 a.m. (FLC)	66	20
Total	839	127

Outpouring of Love (Aug. 25-Sept. 1)	
General Fund Offerings	\$20,427
First QTD Offering	\$222,592
First QTD Budget	\$254,000

Week of September 8-15, 2012

Saturday, September 8

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 2
- 3:00 p.m. Kevin Martens and Amy Gronauer
Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the
Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, September 9

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in
Sanctuary
- 8:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:15 a.m. "The Story" Adult Small Group Study
- 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. Lifelight Bible Study
- 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 Small Group Study
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the
Sanctuary
- 11:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 11:20 a.m. Castaway
- 4:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 407
- 6:00 p.m. Sleuth Truth: Dads and Preteen Sons
- 6:00 p.m. The Real You: Moms and Preteen Girls

Monday, September 10

- 9:30 a.m. Moms' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Tuesday, September 11

- 7:00 a.m. Johnston School Special Election
- 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. Premarriage Class
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 6:30 p.m. Thrivent Board Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

Wednesday, September 12

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Faith Alive Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. "The Story" Adult Small Group Study
- 6:15 p.m. Third Grade Bible Highlighting
- 6:15 p.m. Love and Respect Study
- 6:45 p.m. Junior High Small Group
- 6:45 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 7:00 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 2
(off-site)

Thursday, September 13

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitches
- 6:30 p.m. DivorceCare
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare
- 6:30 p.m. Marriage Built to Last

Friday, September 14

- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship

Saturday, September 15

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 2
- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the
Family Life Center

Freedom for Youth

Is your small group, Bible study group, Circle or family looking for a way to serve others in the community?

The first Monday of each month members of Gloria Dei have an opportunity to serve elementary youth and their tutors by providing and serving a meal from 5-6 p.m. Meals prepared for 60 people will be served at the Freedom For Youth Campus, 2301 Hickman Road, Des Moines.

Your group decides what to prepare and serve. Some meals that are popular with the kids are: pizza/fruit; hot dogs/veggies/fruit/dessert; chicken nuggets/corn/apples. The group also provides drinks and tableware. Prior to the date you sign up for, Freedom for Youth will contact you to confirm and review the details of your meal.

Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex or you can contact Diane at diane@gloriadeionline.com to sign up your group. Have more questions? Please contact Pastor Phillips or the church office at 276-1700.

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

Starting next week, we will begin our new worship schedule!

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.

Weekly Bible reading - Romans 8:7-11 (NIV)

The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness.

**Educational times resume
Sept. 8 and 9.**

**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.
Join us in Sept. 12.

Youth (grades 6-12)

Times vary, check page 5.

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.