



Holy Week and Easter

We will soon spend our time remembering the last week of Jesus' life, which ultimately culminated in his resurrection from the dead. So, mark your calendars to worship with us in remembrance of the week that changed history as well as our lives forever.

Maundy Thursday with Communion, April 5

Traditional worship at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Traditional worship at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Contemporary-blend worship at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Good Friday Services, April 6

Traditional worship at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary

H3 family worship at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center

Traditional worship at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Contemporary-blend worship at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Easter Worship, Saturday, April 7

Contemporary worship at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center

Contemporary-blend worship at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Easter Worship, Sunday, April 8

Traditional worship at 8 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Contemporary worship at 9 a.m. in the FLC

Traditional worship at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

H3 worship at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center

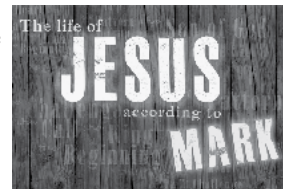
Contemporary worship at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary



A two-week overview of the message series

March 17 and 18 - "The Life of Jesus According to Mark - The Mountain"

(Scripture: Mark 9:2-10) Once Jesus announces that he must suffer and die, he leads Peter, James and John to a high mountain. After reaching their destination, something miraculous occurs—Jesus was transfigured before them and his clothes shimmered. A few more events occurred before a cloud enveloped the disciples and a voice declared, "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" An incredible mountaintop experience, don't you think? Can you imagine what they must have felt like? Let's put ourselves in this mountaintop experience to see what we can learn.



March 24 and 25 - "The Life of Jesus According to Mark - The Trap"

(Scripture: Mark 10:17-27) Let's pretend we are the rich young man who runs and falls on his knees before Jesus. Obviously we respect Jesus because we bowed and asked him how to inherit eternal life. However, Jesus' response to "sell everything and give to the poor" saddened us. But why? Author Timothy Keller in "Kings Cross" writes it is because "you have put your faith and trust in your wealth and accomplishments. But the effort is alienating you from God. Right now God is your boss; but God is not your Savior, and here's how you can see it: I want you to imagine life without money. I want you to imagine all of it gone. No inheritance, no inventory, no servants, no mansions—all of that is gone. All you have is me. Can you live like that?"

Tough question, right? So let's take a few minutes (or hours) to ponder this question and see if we believe Jesus is truly all we need and desire.

VBS

March 19-21 from 9-11:30 a.m.

Join us as we learn how everything is possible with God, because of his great love. Haven't registered? No problem, register today online.

Spring break schedule

Weekends

Grace Place, Castaway and Senior High Bible Study will not meet March 17 and 18: will resume March 24 and 25.

Wednesdays

Faith Alive and the youth will meet Wednesday, March 21 and 28

Lenten services

Wednesday, March 21 and 28 at 12:15 & 6 p.m.

Midweek meal

Please join us from 5-5:45 p.m. on Wednesdays during Lent. Cost is \$5 per adult, \$2.50 per child or youth (2 years and under eat free).

March 21: Walking Taco

March 28: Bacon Cheeseburger Rollup

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study at 9:10 and 10:15 a.m. will not be held Sunday, March 18.

Governing Board updates

The Governing Board has continued to review the results from the recent congregational survey and found several themes that emerged. In response to “What they liked about the plan?” members responded that they were excited to be able to reach more people with the Good News of Jesus Christ through having multiple campuses, they like the planned repairs and improvements to the Aurora campus and the space that would be gained by the second campus.

In response to “What concerns did they have with the plan?” members responded the current debt, physical location/site limitations to the second site, and having enough volunteers. In response to “What are the biggest challenges for the next 1-2 years?” members responded space needs, the repairs to the Aurora campus, and debt.

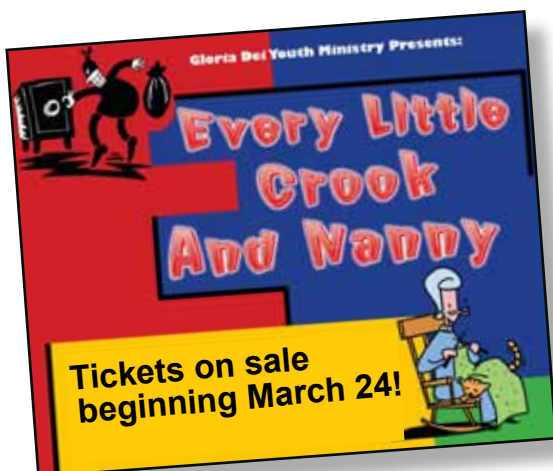
The Governing Board, in response to the survey, decided at the March meeting to put together a short-term fund drive to raise the money for needed repairs and projects. In addition, a long-term allocated fund for future maintenance or repairs of the facility beyond the scope of the annual budget will be started. Lastly, money raised over and above the amount needed to complete the repairs will go toward paying down our current debt.

Going forward, the Board is considering a plan that will direct the offerings from the building fund envelopes and any gifts designated for the building to the long-term allocated fund for future maintenance or repairs of the facility beyond the scope of the annual budget. The Board will act on this consideration at the April meeting.

More information regarding the short-term fund drive and building repairs will be available in the coming weeks. In the meantime, any questions or concerns can be directed to a Governing Board member or e-mailed to GovBoard@gloriadeionline.com.

Youth prepares for dinner theaters

“Every Little Crook and Nanny” Tickets will be available to purchase March 24-25 and March 31-April 1 before and after worship services. They can also be purchased weekdays in the youth office by contacting Tim Kightlinger or Lisa Gibson. Ticket prices are \$10 adults; \$7 for children under 10 years old and \$7 for adults over 55. Free childcare is available.



Performance times:

Friday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m.
(doors open at 6 p.m.)

Saturday, April 14 at 6:30 p.m.
(doors open at 6 p.m.)

Saturday, April 21 at 6:30 p.m.
(doors open at 6 p.m.)

Sunday, April 22 at 12 p.m.
(doors open at 11:30 a.m.)

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Gloria Dei's Book Club

Please plan to join us
Wednesday, April 4 at 6:15 p.m.
in the Cry Room to discuss
“One Simple Act: Discovering
the Power of Generosity,” by
Debbie Macomber.

Questions? Please e-mail
gloriadeibookclub@hotmail.com.

Ways to help

Urbandale Food Pantry -
Consider donating deodorant in
March to the “Food Pantry” bin
in the Narthex.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, March 25, 2012 at the 9 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary is for:



L Larkyn Jaye Cooper born on August 25, 2011 to Kenneth and Mandy (nee Baudler) Cooper. Larkyn's spiritual sponsors are Nathan and Stefanie Hoevelkamp (abstentia).

Altar flowers



The flowers on the altar in the Sanctuary on Sunday, March 25 are provided by Don and Deb Franzen with thanksgiving to God for the many blessings received as they celebrate their 40th anniversary on March 25.

Thrivent Choice

If you designated Thrivent Choice funds to Gloria Dei last year, please go online to designate your recurring direction for 2012. Thrivent does not automatically roll over 2011 recurring directions to 2012; you must set it up for 2012. Simply log on to www.thrivent.com and click on the Thrivent Choice link or call 1-800-847-4836 and state "Thrivent Choice."

Servers

March 17 and 18

Officiant/Liturgist:

5:30 p.m. (FLC):

Rev. Ron Burcham

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Rev. Phil Robarge

9 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Rev. Phil Robarge

10:30 a.m. (FLC):

Rev. Tim Phillips

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Rev. Ron Burcham

Preacher

Rev. Ron Burcham

Organ

Sue Jesse

Acolytes

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Eric Abens

9 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Alisha Rusch

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Jade Miller

March 24 and 25

Officiant/Liturgist:

5:30 p.m. (FLC):

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Organ

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Acolytes

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Anna Miller

9 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Marisa Sullivan

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Justin Hosch

March 17 and 18

Hospitality Teams

Northwind (FLC)

Team Two

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Two

9 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Five

10:30 a.m. (FLC)

TBD

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Two

March 24 and 25

Hospitality Teams

Northwind (FLC)

Team Three

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Three

9 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team One

10:30 a.m. (FLC)

TBD

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Three

Scripture readings:

March 17 and 18: Mark 9:2-10 (NIV)

March 24 and 25: Mark 10:17-27 (NIV)

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 Don and Deb Franzen celebrating their 40th anniversary

For the health of:

- Steve Crouthamel
- Ellie McGee
- Jane Kesse and family
- Molly Woodley
- Matt and Jennifer Woodley
- Sue Anderson
- Jim Esslinger
- Brenda Barron
- Ed Mautz
- John Biondi
- Tom and Carol Beedle
- Charleen Hilterbrand
- Rudy Petersen
- Stan Knapp
- Jennifer Ohrart
- Bruce Hill's mother

And for:

- Our youth and their families
- For June Reed and family, who are grieving the loss of June's father

Prayer ministry

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

GirlZ of Faith get a glimpse from a special guest

Learning the application of God's Word is not a new concept to the preteen girls in GirlZ of Faith. Most weeks, they write meaningful scripture verses on index cards, so that they can remember God's heart and embed his truth into their own hearts. The girls are also familiar with the wonderful truth of how God places dreams in the hearts of his people. Admittedly, most examples are forged by adults, until 12-year-old Jade Miller, came to speak to them. Jade and her parents, Chip and Daff Miller, are members of Gloria Dei.

The girls hovered around three computers while Jade shared how God placed a desire in her heart to write a book a few years ago. This dream will be completely fulfilled in the next few weeks, when "Sybil's Ride of Courage" is published. This historical fiction is based on a true story about a teenage girl and her father's horse during the American Revolution. Together they rode out for 40 miles through the dangerous wilderness to warn the militia about the British troops who landed in Connecticut and threatened American



homes and soldiers. Written in first-person, Jade was able to close her eyes and get lost in Sybil's life to show her courageous and patriotic qualities. Barnes and Noble will feature this young author in a book-signing event this summer.

Although the book was discussed, Jade spent most of her time with the girls by encouraging them to be their best for God. She reveals on her blog (www.mightygirlowa.blogspot.com) the importance for each teen to strive for the stars and think beyond themselves.

"The girls enjoyed her immensely," said DeAnn McCue, Director of Children's ministry. "They started to talk about the dreams that are on their hearts and God's promises to them. To see God at work within these girls is truly amazing."

If your children are in grades 4-5, please consider bringing them to GirlZ of Faith or BoyZ of Faith where they can further explore God's great desire for their lives. For more information, go to our Web site at www.gloriadeionline.com.

Spring studies not to be missed

Women's Bible Connections

Starts Monday, April 16 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 6:30-8 p.m.

"Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" by Joanna Weaver



This 12-week study shows women how to blend intimacy with Jesus and service for him together. It's an invitation from Jesus to every woman who feels she isn't godly enough, good enough or struggles with the busyness of life. Jesus' invitation that he extended to the two sisters of Bethany applies to every woman.

If interested, contact Lisa Scherer at scherer_family@q.com or call 490-4108.

Men's study - 33 Series

Preview Wednesday, April 4 at 7:30 p.m. at OverTime, 4810 86th Street, Urbandale.

Starts Wednesday, April 11 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at OverTime and Saturday, April 14 at 7:30 a.m. at the church.



The 33 Series is based on a DVD series that concentrates on the qualities of Jesus, who lived for 33 years. The DVD presentations as well as discussion will help to encourage men to live like Jesus to their families, work and community. Suggested donation for the book is \$15.

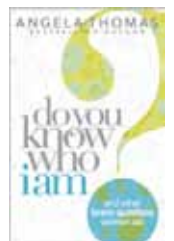
If interested, please contact Bill Clark at BillClark@mchsi.com or call 491-8543.

Women's online study

April 29-July 21

"Do You Know Who I Am?" by Angela Thomas.

This 12-week study will look at Angela Thomas' heart questions to God. In each chapter, she asks a different question, such as: Do you know I am afraid? Do you know I am lonely?



Angela's innate ability to connect with women on both an emotional and spiritual level reveals that the secret to being known and loved lies in an intimate understanding of who God is.

If interested, go to Laura Rath's blog at www.laurarath.blogspot.com.



Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

Contact: Tim Kightlinger
tim@gloriadeionline.com

Senior high (9-12)

Bible Study Sunday at 9 a.m.

March 18: Bible Study will not be held.

March 25: Join us for discussion on "Life of Jesus: The Trap."

The Point - Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

March 21 and 28: We will have worship at 6 p.m. followed by discussion of "Shaped by the Cross."

Junior high (6-8)

Castaway - Sunday 9 & 10:30 a.m.

March 18: Castaway will not meet.

March 25: Join us for discussion on "Life of Jesus: The Trap."

Small Group - Wednesday from 6-7:15 p.m.

March 21 and 28: Students in grades 6-7 meet in small groups to discuss "Shaped by the Cross." We will have worship at 6 p.m.

The Well

"Sacrifice a little, so someone can have a lot." The youth ministry students have been challenged to raise \$5,600 to build a well in Niger, Africa.

If you would like to help, contact TK.

Dinner Theater

Tickets will be available to purchase March 24-25 and March 31-April 1 before and after worship services. They can also be purchased weekdays in the youth office by contacting TK or Lisa Gibson. Ticket Prices: \$10 adults; \$7 under 10 and over 55. Free childcare is available.

Friday, March 30 from 5-7:30 p.m.

The Children's Ministry and Tiny Treasures invite you and your friends for spring fun. There will be some special visitors, including local author Rebecca Janni, who wrote the popular children's story, "Every Cowgirl Needs a Horse." The cost will be \$10 per family, which includes dinner.

Free meal and good family times

Sunday, March 25 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Come to Incredible Pizza, 3799 NW 86th Street, Urbandale, on Sunday, March 25 for lunch. It is open to all church members. The only requirement for the free lunch (per family) is to show them the Weekly Word. So grab a Weekly Word, read it, and then head over for a free lunch.

Honduras mission trip

The Honduras mission trip is looking for cash donations for items to be purchased in Honduras. If you are interested, please put your cash donation or check in the offering plate with "Honduras" in the memo line. You can also donate online (www.gloriadeionline.com) by clicking on "To give online today" link. Thank you for your support!

Additional items needed in March for the Honduras mission are hair pretties, combs, hair gel and lice killing shampoo. Please place items in the "Honduras" bin in the Narthex.

Men's softball

Calling all men 16 years and older to play on Gloria Dei's softball team. The cost is \$25, and the games begin in April on Monday evenings. For more information, contact Tim Kightlinger at 278-5544, ext. 212.

Week of March 17-24, 2012

Saturday, March 17

- 12:00 p.m. Senior Adult Ministry Event
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center (No Grace Place-Spring Break)
- 6:30 p.m. Klinefelter Small Group

Sunday, March 18

- 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
- 10:30 a.m. H3 Worship Service in Family Life Center
- 1:00 p.m. VBS setup
- 2:00 p.m. Chapel at Emeritus

Monday, March 19

- 9:00 a.m. Spring Break VBS
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Tuesday, March 20

- 9:00 a.m. Spring Break VBS
- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Study

March 17 and 18: Bible reading - Mark 9:2-10 (NIV)

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

Worship (March 10-11)	Attendance	Communion
Northwind	178	118
7:45 a.m.	77	
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	233	
10:30 a.m (Sanctuary)	299	
10:30 a.m. (FLC)	81	24
Total	868	142

Wednesday, March 21

- 9:00 a.m. Spring Break VBS
- 12:15 p.m. Lenten Midday Traditional Worship in Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Lenten Blended Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:00 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 7:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 7:30 p.m. Quest for Authentic Manhood

Thursday, March 22

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers

Friday, March 23

- 6:00 p.m. Tyler Dern and Alanna Eng Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, March 24

- 11:30 a.m. Wedding Party Luncheon
- 4:00 p.m. Tyler Dern and Alanna Eng Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They kept the matter to themselves, discussing what "rising from the dead" meant.

Lenten Worship	
Lenten, March 14	336

Outpouring of Love (March 11-17)	
General Fund Offerings	\$33,771
3rd QTD Offering	\$321,036
3rd QTD Budget	\$349,000

Week of March 24-31, 2012

Saturday, March 24

- 11:30 a.m. Wedding Party Luncheon
- 4:00 p.m. Tyler Dern and Alanna Eng Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, March 25

- 7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Castaway
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Lifelight Bible Study
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m. H3 Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion
- 10:50 a.m. Castaway
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 12:00 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal
- 2:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 659
- 6:00 p.m. Grief Support: Life Hurts...God Heals

Monday, March 26

- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Tuesday, March 27

- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Restorative Justice
- 6:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Study

Wednesday, March 28

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 12:15 p.m. Lenten Midday Traditional Worship in Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Lenten Blended Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:00 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 7:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale

Thursday, March 29

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 2:00 p.m. Celebration Home School Choir
- 5:00 p.m. Restorative Justice
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Friday, March 30

- 5:00 p.m. ABC Play with Me
- Preschool Family Event

Saturday, March 31

- 2:00 p.m. Langebartels Bridal Shower
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

March 24 and 25: Bible reading - Mark 10:17-27 (NIV)

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

"Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.'"

"Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."

Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"

The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?"

Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."

Week of March 31-April 7, 2012

Saturday, March 31

- 2:00 p.m. Langebartels Bridal Shower
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, April 1

- 7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Castaway
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Lifelight Bible Study
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 10:30 a.m. H3 Worship Service in Family Life Center
- 10:50 a.m. Castaway
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 12:00 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal
- 12:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 1:30 p.m. Lynn Hays Piano Recital
- 6:00 p.m. Boyz of Faith
- 6:00 p.m. Grief Support: Life Hurts...God Heals

Monday, April 2

- 8:00 a.m. Iowa Department of Education
- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
- 6:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

Tuesday, April 3

- 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

Tuesday, April 3 (continued)

- 6:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Study
- 7:00 p.m. Central Iowa Knitters

Wednesday, April 4

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m. Book Club
- 7:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale

Thursday, April 5

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 12:15 p.m. Maundy Thursday Traditional Worship in Sanctuary with Communion
- 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Traditional Worship in Sanctuary with Communion
- 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Contemporary-blend Worship in Sanctuary with Communion

Friday, April 6

- 9:30 a.m. MOM's Club of West Des Moines
- 12:15 p.m. Good Friday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 4:30 p.m. Good Friday H3 Family Worship in the Family Life Center
- 6:00 p.m. Good Friday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 7:30 p.m. Contemporary-blend Worship in the Sanctuary

Saturday, April 7

- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center
- 6:30 p.m. Klinefelter Small Group
- 7:00 p.m. Contemporary-blend Worship in the Sanctuary

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.