

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

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.

Timeline of "The Story"

If you would like additional copies of a chronological timeline to "The Story," please stop by one of the Welcome Centers.

Address change

If you have changed your address, phone or e-mail, please send changes to Diane at the church office at diane@gloriadeionline.com or call 276-1700.

Outreaches

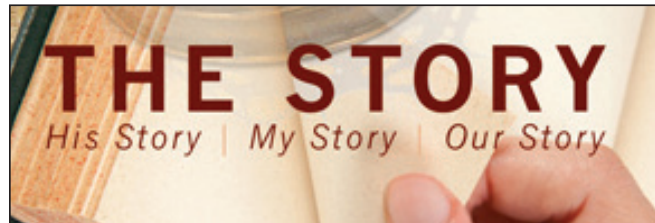
It's hard to keep God's love to ourselves, isn't it? So we have lots of avenues to give. See pages 2-3 for more details.

The Schramm Benefit

As you know, in the last several months, we have been diligently praying for Stolley Schramm, who was born prematurely. We are pleased to announce she is home!

A group of friends has organized a benefit to help the Schramm family with medical bills which have occurred with months in the hospital.

See page 2 for more information.



The promise

"Kings will see you and rise up, princes will see and bow down, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you. Isaiah 49:7a"

The Dark Days: The Beginning of the End

This week, we will see the tragic reign of the kings, 38 to be exact. And if you are keeping score, 5 honored God, while 33 did evil in his sight. Now, if you are a numbers' person, that is roughly 87 percent who did not please God. And if you think about it, if God's chosen people, who had the revelation of God, continued to turn their backs on him, what hope is there for anybody else? Actually, none. However, God refuses to give up on his people as shown by the prophet Isaiah, who foretold of the One who will bear all our iniquities. A necessary and extraordinary promise in light of mankind's ability to mess things up, showing again God's upper story of love.

Need a Pick-Me-Up During the Week

If you haven't noticed, some weeks seem a bit longer than others. So, why not get a drink of fresh water during the week to help you stay focused on the God who loves you. Below is an excerpt of one of our e-mails, which are sent out every Wednesday morning.

In the early formation of our nation, George Washington had the opportunity to become king of the burgeoning nation. But given the young nation's experience with England and because he had a robust prayer life, he knew there was only one King, so he declined the offer.

The people of the land apparently knew the same. In a 1774 report to King George, the Governor of Boston noted: "If you ask an American, who is his master? He will tell you he has none, nor any governor but Jesus Christ." The pre-war Colonial Committees of Correspondence soon made this the American motto: "No King but King Jesus."

...Our nation would have gone a much different route had Washington agreed to be king. But he seemed to know what many others didn't. When we displace God on the throne of our lives, the outcome will go horribly wrong. But when we put God on the throne in our lives, we put ourselves in the best possible position for godly success.

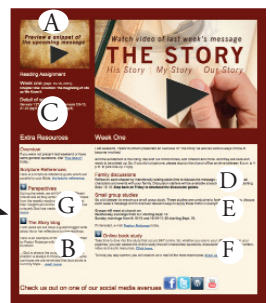
Maybe our American ancestors knew the best way to start a revolution. Adopt the motto "No King but King Jesus" in your life. And see if it causes change in your life and those around you.

If you are interested in receiving our weekly inspiration, please e-mail Karen Kennedy at karen@gloriadeionline.com.

A Reminder about "The Story" on the Web

As we travel together through "The Story," we have supplemental resources. Simply go to the Web site at www.gloriadeionline.com and click on the week's link that interests you. On each week's page, you will find a full range of resources. So, take some time to dig deeper and enjoy!

- A.** A snippet of the message (posted on the Wednesday prior to the message)
- B.** This week's message (posted on Sunday afternoon)
- C.** The week's Scripture and reading assignment
- D.** Family discussion guides
- E.** Small group study announcements and resources
- F.** Online Bible study posts and links
- G.** Perspective posts and links
- H.** Reflection post and links



Benefit for the Schramm Family

Wednesday, January 23 from 5-7:30 p.m.

A group of friends is hosting a benefit for the Schramm family to offset hospital and medical bills incurred from the birth of their daughter, Stolley.

- 5:00-6:15 p.m. Pizza and root beer floats
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Games/activities for all ages
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Silent Auction
- 6:35-6:45 p.m. Silent auction winners announced
- 6:45-7:30 p.m. Concert with guest artist



The benefit will partner with Two Rivers Chapter of Thrivent Financial for matching funds. If you cannot attend the event, but would like to donate, please make checks payable to "Kory Schramm Family Benefit." Donations can be placed in the designated envelope at the Welcome Centers or mailed to Tina Kientz, 1813 Bennett Dr. #102, West Des Moines, IA 50265. Contributions or gifts to the "Kory Schramm Family Benefit" are not tax deductible as charitable contributions.

Silent auction: Items for the silent auction are being accepted. If anyone wishes to donate, has questions or wants additional information, please contact Tina Kientz at ckkientz@yahoo.com or call 641-919-0721.

33 The Series: Volume 1: A Man & His Design

Starts Wednesday, Jan. 23 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. @ Okoboji Grill

Starts Saturday, Jan. 26 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.



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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.

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

Thursdays, January 17-March 14 from 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 program for those experiencing the pain of divorce. Register online. There is a \$20 donation for this program.

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.

Altar Flowers



The flowers on the altar in the Sanctuary on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2013 are provided by Kyle and Katie Hessel in memory of Olivia Grace Hessel.

Honduras Fundraiser

Purchase food items from Schwann's and help raise money for those who will be going to Honduras in June.

Pre-orders will be taken on Jan. 12, 13, 19 and 20 between church services. A check payment will be needed with all pre-orders. Pre-orders will ensure you get the items you want. Gift cards will also be available to purchase.

Schwann's trucks will be on site in the parking lot Sunday, Jan. 27 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. New orders can be placed, and pre-orders can be picked up during that time. If you can't get your pre-order on Jan. 27, please ask someone to pick it up for you. Thanks for your support. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.

Project 52 Bowl-a-Rama

Sunday, Jan 27 from 3-5 p.m. at Merle Hay Lanes in Urbandale

Project 52 would like to invite your entire family for an afternoon of fun for a great cause.

Here is how it works: Each bowler is to collect pledges for the event. We have space for 24 teams of 4-6 people. Each participant will be able to bowl two games (shoe rental included), enjoy pizza and drinks for free. Prizes will be awarded for most pledges collected, individual and team, high individual score and much more. If you are interested, there are sign-up sheets at the Welcome Centers. If you have any questions, contact Bill Clark at BillClark@mchsi.com.

Funds raised from the event will help build a baseball field in the remote village of Las Charcas, Dominican Republic. Since baseball is a popular sport, this new field will serve as an outreach to the youth. Please join us, and invite your friends. See you on the lanes!

Servers

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

Sue Jesse

Acolytes:

8:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Jackson Froscheiser

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Marisa Sullivan

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Sam Onsrud

Scripture verses:

2 Kings 17:1-6 and
Isaiah 49:8-9 (NIV)

Hospitality Teams

5:30 p.m. (FLC)

Team Four

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Four

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Two

10 a.m. (FLC)

TBD

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Four

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
- John Onsrud, Chris Onsrud's father
- Christine Watson
- Lyle Lawson
- Fred Sturdevant
- Anne Pitsch, Lori Eubanks grandmother

And for:

- Nancy Junge and Kathie McGinnis and families, who are grieving the loss of their father, Roy Pralle

Prayer ministry

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

Online Women's Bible Study

It's not too late to join us for an online study on "Finally Free - Living Free & Loving Life" by Kim Tabor.

Book 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.

Women's Connections

Mondays, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. or 6:30-8 p.m.

We are studying "Jesus, the One and Only" by Beth Moore. In "Jesus, the One and Only," Beth Moore introduces you to an intimate God in an up-close and personal portrait of the life of Jesus the Messiah. If you would like to join this study, please contact Lisa Scherer, 490-4108, to order a study guide.

Financial Peace University

Tuesday, Jan. 15 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 at www.gloriadeionline.com.

Discovery: New Members

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

If you missed the first class, no problem, you can still join us on Thursday. 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. Contact Pastor Robarge for additional information or questions regarding the class at 278-5544, ext. 224 or probarge@gloriadeionline.com. Register online.

Men Who Are Grieving

Saturdays, 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 calling 643-6147 or mcasey@mercydesmoines.org.

Freedom for Youth

We need your help! We are looking for a small group or family to provide a meal on Monday, Feb. 4 from 5-6 p.m. for approximately 60 students and tutors. The meal will be served at the Freedom for Youth Ministries, 2301 Hickman Rd. Des Moines. For more details, contact Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com or sign up in the Narthex today.



Senior Adult Ministry Valentine Potluck Lunch

Saturday, Feb. 16 at noon

Senior Adult Ministry will hold a Valentine's lunch where delicious food, fun, fellowship and laughter will brighten the cold winter days. A presentation on heart health will follow the lunch.

For the potluck meal, persons with names beginning with letters A-F bring salad; G-L bring dessert; M-Q bring a vegetable; R-Z bring a main dish.

Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

Castaway

Sundays at 9:50 & 11:20 a.m. | Youth Center
Join us as we discuss "The Story."

Junior High Small Groups

Wednesdays from 6:45-8 p.m.
You won't want to miss these small groups.

Junior High Café 923

Friday, Jan. 25 from 6-9 p.m.
Come hang out, have a good time, eat, play games and bring your friends. Pizza \$1 per slice; soda \$.50 a can.

Winter Jam

Saturday, Jan. 26
It's a \$10 concert featuring 10 bands.
Sign up at the bulletin board.

High School Bible Study

Sundays at 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Join us as we discuss "The Story."

The Point

Wednesdays from 6:45 to 8:30 p.m.
Join us on Wednesdays for a multi-sensory, active learning time. The evening consists of praise worship and Bible study.

Dinner Theater

April 19, 20 and 21 - Mark your calendars as we experience all the different characters you'll meet at the County Fair. Rehearsals are held Sundays at 12:15 p.m.

30 Hour Famine

April 5-6 - We are gearing up for the ninth annual 30 Hour Famine. Registration begins Wednesday, Jan. 16. All youth ages 12 (as of 4/5/13) and up are invited to participate.

Knead to Loaf

Saturday, January 26 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Come in and enhance your bread making and baking skills. You will have 4 loaves to take home along with some bread making tricks. This activity is recommended for individuals or families with kids at least 8 years old. Please register by stopping by the kitchen. Cost is \$40. Contact Elaine Klinefelter.

Spring Break Camp

Monday-Friday, March 18-22 from 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Each day we'll focus on a different theme: Get in the Game, Metropolitan Museum of Art, God's Amazing Creation, Walk of Fame, and I'm Bored!

Please register for this camp by clicking on the registration link on the right column of our Web site www.gloriadeionline.com. The cost is \$50 per child. Remember to bring your own lunch.

Spring Break Vacation Bible School

Monday-Friday, March 18-22 from 9-11:30 a.m.

This is a time of great fun and learning more about who God is! There will be singing, arts and crafts, Bible stories and games. Registration information will follow shortly.

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. Register online.

Mid-week Meal

Wednesdays from 5-6:15 p.m.
Jan. 16: Spaghetti

Enjoy a meal with the entire family of Gloria Dei! The cost is \$5 per adult, and \$2.50 per child, children under 2 eat free.

Week of January 12-19, 2013

Saturday, January 12

- 8:30 a.m. Gloria Dei Quilters
- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, January 13

- 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 the 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
- 12:15 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal
- 1:00 p.m. Music Recital
- 3:30 p.m. Girl Scout Brownie 541
- 4:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 407
- 4:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 806
- 4:00 p.m. Remembering My Baptism

Monday, January 14

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Moms' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice

Monday, January 14 (continued)

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

Tuesday, January 15

- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 6:00 p.m. Governing Board 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, January 16

- 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. LEAD Gloria Dei
- 6:00 p.m. "The Story" Adult Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 6:45 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:45 p.m. Senior High - The Point

Thursday, January 17

- 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
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Foundation
- 6:30 p.m. Divorce Care
- 6:30 p.m. Grief Share
- 6:30 p.m. Discovery - New Member Class

Friday, January 18

No scheduled events

Saturday, January 19

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

Worship (Jan. 5-6)	Attendance	Communion
5:30 p.m. (FLC)	156	
8 a.m. (Sanctuary)	116	99
9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	403	296
10 a.m. (FLC)	79	
11 a.m. (Sanctuary)	236	137
Total	990	532

Outpouring of Love (Jan. 1-11)	
General Fund Offerings	\$33,904
General Fund Offering Budget	\$39,000
3rd QTD Offering	\$33,904
3rd QTD Budget	\$39,000
YTD Offering Total	\$961,301
YTD Offering Budget	\$995,000

Week of January 19-26, 2013

Saturday, January 19

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

Sunday, January 20

- 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 the 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
- 12:15 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. GirlZ of Faith

Monday, January 21

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Moms' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

Tuesday, January 22

- 10:00 a.m. Senior Adult MAT
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 6:30 p.m. Premarriage Class
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

Wednesday, January 23

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Schramm Family Benefit
- 6:00 p.m. LEAD Gloria Dei
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1 (off-site)

Thursday, January 24

- 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
- 6:30 p.m. Discovery New Member Class
- 6:30 p.m. Divorce Care
- 6:30 p.m. Grief Share

Friday, January 25

- 6:00 p.m. Café 923

Saturday, January 26

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1
- 9:00 a.m. Knead to Loaf
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

LWML

Ruth Circle - will meet Monday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. at the home of Myra Willms, 3835 38th St., Des Moines.

Items needed

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

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.	Wednesday 6 p.m.
Preschool	6	4	12	5	12	17
Elementary	23	3	46	28	28	73
Total Children	29	7	58	33	40	90

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

Please note: 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 - Isaiah 49:8-9 (NIV)

This is what the LORD says:

“In the time of my favor I will answer you, and in the day of salvation I will help you; I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people, to restore the land and to reassign its desolate inheritances, to say to the captives, ‘Come out,’ and to those in darkness, ‘Be free!’

“They will feed beside the roads and find pasture on every barren hill.”

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.