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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.

Project 52 Bowling

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

Project 52 has some free bowling slots for your entire family. Free pizza is included.

If you would like to reserve your spot, e-mail Bill Clark today at Bill@p.52.org.

The Schramm Benefit

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

Join us for pizza, fun, games, silent auction, concert and lots more.

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

Please note: Faith Alive, junior and senior high small groups will not meet.

See page 2 for more information.

VBS

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

We are gearing up for a spectacular spring break. See page 3 and 5.



The Fall of Israel

He carried all Jerusalem into exile: all the officers and fighting men, and all the skilled workers and artisans—a total of ten thousand. Only the poorest people of the land were left.
2 Kings 24:14

The Dark Days: The Kingdoms' Fall

God has repeatedly told his people to come back to him, to forsake their idols, and to trust him. He then sends two prophets, Jeremiah and Ezekiel, to plead with them. God's chosen people do not listen, thus devastation occurs in their land. It is a tragic part of the story but not the final curtain call. We begin to see God's power over sin, rebellion, and even death.

Cross Talk 2013



Gloria Dei is joining at least 16 churches in Central Iowa in a movement called Cross Talk 2013.

What it is about: In order to make a united statement of proclamation about our resurrected Lord Jesus, we are encouraging Christians in Central Iowa to display a white cross in their front yards from Palm Sunday, March 24 through Easter Sunday, March 31.

The goal: Our culture is more aware of the story of Jesus at Easter than at other times during the year, so we want to demonstrate the presence of many Christians in Central Iowa, encourage conversations about the cross of Christ, and to show unity among Christians concerning our resurrected Lord.

The details: Dee Zee Manufacturing will produce (at cost) the durable white steel cross, measuring 40" by 30" for \$11.50. These crosses can then be hammered into the ground.

How to get a cross: If you would like to join the hundreds of Christians in decorating their yards with crosses, order one by Sunday, Feb. 3:

Online: Order a cross online by clicking the "To Give Online" link on the right column of our homepage at www.gloriadeionline.com.

Weekly Word (Next week): Envelopes will be enclosed in the Weekly Word, which can be placed in the offering plates or brought to the office between Jan. 26-Feb.3.

The crosses can be picked up at church in March. Please note: Any orders are not tax-deductible. We would ask for your prayers for this effort as we lift up the cross of Christ in Central Iowa.



Crosses measuring 40" by 30" can be purchased by Feb. 3 for \$11.50

Honduras Fundraiser

Purchase food items from Schwann's and help raise money for those who will be going to Honduras in June. Enclosed in the Weekly Word is a pre-order sheet; catalogs can be picked up at the display in the Narthex and the Family Life Center. Check payment will be needed with all pre-orders. Pre-orders will ensure you get the items you want. Gift cards are also available.

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.



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 "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 "Schramm Family Benefit" are not tax deductible as charitable contributions.

Silent auction: Items for the silent auction are being accepted. Here are a few from the large array of silent auction items:

Longaberger baskets, picnic in the park, lap quilt, large quilt, and a chocolate lovers' gift basket from Wildtree

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 bill@p52.org.



Peak Challenge 2013

July 25-29, 2013 in Leadville, Colorado

Peak Challenge is an annual opportunity for men, their sons, fathers, brothers and friends to get away from the everyday routines in life and to experience all that God has for them in a wild setting - the mountains of Colorado.



Men are challenged physically by hiking 14,000 foot peaks, biking and whitewater rafting. But more importantly, men are challenged spiritually to engage in the battle like never before, as they will see what is at stake. For more information, visit their Web site www.peakchallenge.net or contact Bill Clark at bill@p52.org.

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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.

Thank you

I would like to thank all of you for your prayers and support these last few months for my sister, Carol who is still doing kidney dialysis. We would appreciate your continued prayers for her and I thank you from all of our family. God's blessings of good health to all of you. ~ Peg Petersen-Riddle and family

Book Club

Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 6:15 p.m.

Join us as we discuss "Mistaken Identity" by Dan and Susie VanRyn, Newell Colleen and Whitney Cerak.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Saturday, Dec. 19 at 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary is for:



P Perry Lyle Steeve born on August 20, 2006. Parents are David and Erica (nee McDonald) Monson. Perry's spiritual sponsors are Jacki Rodgers and Brad Bolic.



P Presley Arianna Monson born on December 12, 2012 to David and Erica (nee McDonald) Monson. Presley's spiritual sponsors are Jacki Rodgers and Brad Bolic.

Lenten Devotions

"From the Cradle to the Empty Grave" Pick up the Lutheran Hour Ministries Lenten Devotion in the Narthex and Family Life Center. This devotion will help us learn how Jesus fulfills his destiny, making his way to the cross and the empty tomb.

VBS Leaders and Helpers

Spring break March 18-22 from 9-11:30 am.

We love children! We love them so much that we are expecting more than 250 for spring break VBS. We are praying that not only our members will take advantage of this opportunity, but our community as well.

But we need your assistance. In order to be as hospitable as possible, we need help with welcoming, teaching, singing, organizing and much more. Please consider giving us a hand for a few days or the entire week. Contact DeAnn McCue at deann@gloriadeionline.com today.

Want to register for VBS? Go to the link on our Web site and register today!

Your Cleaning Muscles Are Needed

Thursday, Jan. 24 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Want exercise? Want to help the church? Join us as we clean the pews in the Sanctuary. And if that isn't fun enough, we can grab a bite to eat afterwards. Please bring your vacuum. If you have any questions, contact Meri Mohr at 327-1821.

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
- Doris Kammack
- Greg Fitzgerald
- Charleen Hilterbrand
- Carol Petersen
- Steve Crouthamel
- John Onsrud
- Christine Watson
- Lyle Lawson
- Fred Sturdevant
- Anne Pitsch, Lori Eubanks' grandmother
- Donna Smitly
- Norma Rohn
- Brenda Barron

And for:

- Our church and world leaders

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

Officiant/Liturgist:
5:30 p.m. (FLC)
Rev. Ron Burcham

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Rev. Phil Robarge

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Rev. Phil Robarge

10 a.m. (FLC)
Rev. Tim Phillips

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Rev. Ron Burcham

Preacher
Rev. Ron Burcham

Organ
Kathy Brammeier

Acolytes:
8:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Ben Jones

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Jenna Krahn

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Ben Onsrud

Scripture verses:

2 Kings 24:8-14 (NIV)

Hospitality Teams
5:30 p.m. (FLC)
Team One

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Team One

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Team Three

10 a.m. (FLC)
TBD

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Team One

Lenten and Holy Week

It seems a bit premature to start promoting Lenten and Holy Week, however, Ash Wednesday Services will be held in less than a month. So, take a few minutes and mark your calendar now.

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 13

Traditional Worship with Communion at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Traditional Worship with Communion at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary
(Faith Alive and junior and senior high ministry will not meet on Ash Wednesday.)

Wednesdays, Feb. 20, 27 and Mar. 6, 13 and 20

Traditional Worship at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Blended Worship at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Contemporary Interactive Worship at 7 p.m. in the Family Life Center

Maundy Thursday March 28

Traditional Worship with Communion at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Traditional Worship with Communion at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Blended Worship with Communion at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Good Friday Services, March 29

Traditional Worship at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Contemporary Worship at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center
Traditional Worship at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Blended Worship at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Easter Worship Schedule

Easter Worship Saturday, March 30

Contemporary Worship at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center
Blended Worship at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Easter Worship Sunday, March 31

Traditional Worship at 8 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Blended Worship at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary
Contemporary Worship at 10 a.m. in the Family Life Center
Contemporary Worship at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary

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.

Stained Glass

Wednesday, Feb. 5 from 6-8 p.m.

Come and learn the art of making stained glass in this interactive class. This class is for anyone wanting to know more, as well as for anyone wanting a refresher class.



(Children must be accompanied by a parent.)

If interested, register by clicking on the “register and pay” link on the right column on our Web site. The cost of this class is \$25.

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 last 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

Wednesday, Jan. 23 from 5-8 p.m.

Join us for the Schramm Benefit. There will be free pizza, games and a concert in the FLC. The Youth Center will be opened to hang out and a large group Bible study will be available.

Junior High Café 923

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

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

Wednesday, Jan. 23 from 5-8 p.m.

Join us for the Schramm Benefit. There will be free pizza, games and a concert in the FLC. The Youth Center will be opened to hang out and a large group Bible study will be available.

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. Cast lunch to be served at noon (\$2.50 per person).

3 0 Hour Famine

April 5-6 - Registration has begun (Registration is \$15 and is due March 3). 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 four 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.

GirlZ of Faith

Sunday Jan. 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.

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.

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
- 9:30 a.m. Cleaning the Pews Project
- 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

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.—2 Corinthians 9:7

Worship (Jan. 12-13)	Attendance	Communion
5:30 p.m. (FLC)	194	118
8 a.m. (Sanctuary)	103	
9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	348	
10 a.m. (FLC)	82	38
11 a.m. (Sanctuary)	256	
Total	983	156

Outpouring of Love (Jan. 12-19)	
General Fund Offerings	\$30,743
General Fund Offering Budget	\$32,000
3rd QTD Offering	\$64,648
3rd QTD Budget	\$71,000
YTD Offering Total	\$992,045
YTD Offering Budget	\$1,027,000

Week of January 26-February 2, 2013

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

Sunday, January 27

- 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

Monday, January 28

- 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
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 918

Tuesday, January 29

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

Wednesday, January 30

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. LEAD Gloria Dei
- 6:00 p.m. "The Story" Adult Study
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 6:45 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:45 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1 (off-site)

Thursday, January 31

- 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, February 1

- 9:30 a.m. MOM's Club of West Des Moines
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Sacraments Retreat

Saturday, February 2

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

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	5	16	11	9	16
Elementary	26	0	42	19	31	68
Total Children	32	5	58	30	40	84

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 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 - 2 Kings 24:13-14 (NIV)

As the LORD had declared, Nebuchadnezzar removed the treasures from the temple of the LORD and from the royal palace, and cut up the gold articles that Solomon king of Israel had made for the temple of the LORD. He carried all Jerusalem into exile: all the officers and fighting men, and all the skilled workers and artisans—a total of ten thousand. Only the poorest people of the land were left.

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.