

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

## Pick up orders

Schwan's trucks will be 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 have any questions, contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.

## Project 52 Bowling

**Sunday, Jan. 27**  
**3-5 p.m.**

**Merle Hay Lanes**

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

See you there!

## 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.

And since we are on the Lenten subject, check out page 2 for information concerning our upcoming Lenten worship services.

## VBS

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

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



### God's protection

*Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, "Weren't there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?"*

Daniel 3:24

## The Dark Days: Daniel in Exile

Exiled? Living in a foreign land away from your family? Being stripped of your name? Forced to change occupations to serve a foreign king? What would you do? Would you roll up in a ball and cry, "I don't deserve this?" Would you aggressively thwart the efforts of those you are forced to live and serve with?

The possible reactions are probably as varied as the individuals who would face similar situations. But the Bible gives us an incredible example of a godly response through Belteshazzar (Daniel), Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Being stripped of everything familiar, their only stable and unflinching reality was that the Lord was with them as he was in their homeland. So, they looked up instead of around.

And because they focused on the Lord, there were amazing supernatural happenings—interpreting dreams, getting rescued from a furnace and being saved from the malicious jaws of a few lions. And it gets better, their enemies started to see the Lord.

These men who looked up reiterate what God tells through the scripture—seek him, place him at the center of our hearts because "he is worthy, he is with us and will save us."

## 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 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](http://www.gloriadeionline.com).

**Weekly Word (This week):** Envelopes are enclosed in the Weekly Word, which can be placed in the offering plates or brought to the office now through Feb. 3.

**Display:** Debit/credit cards will be accepted on Saturday, Jan. 26 and Feb. 2 from 5:30-6:45 p.m. in the Gathering Place; and Sunday, Jan. 27 and Feb. 3 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Narthex.



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

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.



## 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

## Stained Glass

Tuesday, 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.

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church  
8301 Aurora Ave.  
Urbandale, Iowa 50322  
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### Church office hours:

Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

### Rev. Ronald Burcham

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### Rev. Timothy Phillips

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Director of Adult Ministry

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### Governing Board

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### Visit us on:

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[facebook.com/gloriadeionline](https://facebook.com/gloriadeionline)

[Youtube.com/gloriadeionline](https://Youtube.com/gloriadeionline)

### Need help?

### Stephen Ministries

We have trained individuals to help you in every season of life. Contact Pastor Phillips at [tphillips@gloriadeionline.com](mailto:tphillips@gloriadeionline.com).

## 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.

## LWML

**Miriam Circle** will meet

Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. at the home of Donna Osby, 10335 Norfolk Dr. #1, Johnston.

**Mary-Esther Circle** will meet

Thursday, Feb. 14 at 9 a.m. at the home of Joan Kickbush, 13942 Oak Brook Dr. Urbandale.

**Ruth Circle** will meet Monday,

Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. at the home of Kay Readinger, 4210 132nd St., Urbandale.

## Altar Flowers



The flowers on the altar in the Sanctuary on Sunday, Jan. 27 are provided by Danielle Wright in memory of Cameron Carico.

## 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](mailto:deann@gloriadeionline.com) today.

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

## Lutheran Hour Ministries

**Sunday, Feb. 3** is Lutheran Hour Ministries Sunday. Information and giving envelopes will be at both Welcome Centers.

Since nearly 41 percent of the world's population has more than likely not heard about Jesus Christ, Lutheran Hour Ministries partners with congregations to reach the lost and hurting in our community and around the world. For more information on this ministry, go to [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org).

## Jambalya Dinner

Urbandale Lions Club is hosting a Jambalya dinner Thursday, Jan. 31 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Lions Park Shelterhouse, 72nd and Prairie Ave., Urbandale. Dinner includes jambalya, pie, cake, salad and soft drinks. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5 to 12 years old. Bingo will follow from 7 to 9 p.m.

### Servers

**Officiant/Liturgist:**

**5:30 p.m. (FLC)**  
Rev. Phil Robarge

**8 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Rev. Tim Phillips

**9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Rev. Tim Phillips

**10 a.m. (FLC)**  
Rev. Ron Burcham

**11 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Rev. Phil Robarge

**Preacher**

Rev. Phil Robarge

**Organ**

Lynn Hays

**Acolytes:**

**8:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Trenton Meyeraan

**9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Katy Sawyer

**11 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Justin Hosch

**Scripture verses:**

Daniel 3:13-14 and  
16-26, 28

**Hospitality Teams**

**5:30 p.m. (FLC)**  
Team Two

**8 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Team Two

**9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Team Four

**10 a.m. (FLC)**  
TBD

**11 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Team Two

## 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

- Our families
- Our nation

## For the health of

- Tanya Richards
- Doris Cammack
- Charleen Hilterbrand
- Carol Petersen
- John Onsrud
- Christine Watson
- Lyle Lawson
- Donna Smitly
- Norma Rohn
- Brenda Barron

## And for:

- Our church and world leaders
- Those living in poverty
- Those who do not know that God loves them

## Prayer ministry

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

## Scrapbook fellowship

Friday, Feb. 8, 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. & Saturday, Feb. 9, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Come join the fun. For childcare, contact Carol Wenndt by Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 306-4352 (phone or text) with the date, times (start and finish) as well as the number of children.

## Quilters

Saturday, Feb. 9, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

How are you doing on your quilts? Join us for a dose of inspiration in rooms 134/136/138. A lot of progress can be made by dedicating a few hours whether you're working on something easy or a more complicated pattern.

## 33 The Series: A Man & His Design

Wednesday from 7:30-8:30 p.m. @ Okoboji Grill

Saturday 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](http://www.peakchallenge.net) or contact Bill Clark at bill@p52.org.

## 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](mailto:mcasey@mercydesmoines.org).

## Senior Adult Ministry

Additional team members are needed for the coming year for planning of Senior Adult Ministry events, particularly in the area of fellowship.

Let us know if you are interested in serving in this way by contacting Pastor Boeschen at [dboeschen@gloriadeionline.com](mailto:dboeschen@gloriadeionline.com).

## Senior Adult Ministry Valentine Potluck Lunch

Saturday, Feb. 16 at noon

Senior adults, you are invited to a Valentine's lunch where delicious food, fun, fellowship and laughter will brighten the cold winter days. Following the meal, a presentation on Heart Health will be given by Rachel Onsrud, a Nurse Practitioner for Iowa Health. Mark your calendars. Invite friends and neighbors.

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. 30 from 6:45-8 p.m.**  
Students in grades 6-8 will meet in small groups discussing various topics that are relevant to their lives.

### **Sacraments Retreat**

If you have signed up for this retreat, be at the church Friday, Feb. 1 at 5:30 p.m. for dinner. We will end at noon on Saturday. See you there!

### **30 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 and partner with us to save lives.

### **High School Bible Study**

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

### **The Point**

**Wednesday, Jan. 30 from 6:45-8 p.m.**  
Join us on Wednesdays from 6:45 to 8 p.m. for a multi-sensory, active learning time. Each evening will consist of praise worship and small-group 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. Cast lunch to be served at noon (\$2.50 per person).

## **Mid-week Meal**

**Wednesdays from 5-6:15 p.m. | Jan. 30: Hot Dog/Chili Dog**

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

## **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](http://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. Register online today!

## **GirlZ of Faith**

**Sunday, Feb. 3 from 4-5:15 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. **Please note:** We have changed the time to 4-5:15 p.m.

## **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 Freedom for Youth Ministries, 2301 Hickman Rd., Des Moines. For more details, contact Pastor Phillips at [tphillips@gloriadeionline.com](mailto:tphillips@gloriadeionline.com) or sign up in the Narthex today.

# 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

| Worship (Jan. 19-20)  | Attendance | Communion  |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| 5:30 p.m. (FLC)       | 154        |            |
| 8 a.m. (Sanctuary)    | 141        | 110        |
| 9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary) | 340        | 246        |
| 10 a.m. (FLC)         | 93         |            |
| 11 a.m. (Sanctuary)   | 204        | 126        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>932</b> | <b>482</b> |

| Outpouring of Love (Jan. 19-26) |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund Offerings          | \$18,754    |
| General Fund Offering Budget    | \$22,000    |
| 3rd QTD Offering                | \$83,402    |
| 3rd QTD Budget                  | \$93,000    |
| YTD Offering Total              | \$1,010,798 |
| YTD Offering Budget             | \$1,049,000 |

# Week of February 2-9, 2013

## 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

## Sunday, February 3

- 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, February 4

- 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, February 5

- 9:00 a.m. XYZ (Extra Years of Zest) Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 3:30 p.m. Archery Practice
- 6:00 p.m. Stained Glass Class
- 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, February 6

- 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
- 6:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Book Club
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 6:45 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:45 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 7:15 p.m. Confirmation Parent Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1 (off-site)

## Thursday, February 7

- 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. Divorce Care
- 6:30 p.m. Grief Share

## Friday, February 8

- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship

## Saturday, February 9

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Study - 33 Series, Volume 1
- 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

| Children's Attendance | Saturday<br>5:50 p.m. | Sunday<br>8:20 a.m. | Sunday<br>9:50 a.m. | Sunday<br>10:20 a.m. | Sunday<br>11:20 a.m. |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Preschool             | 8                     | 5                   | 18                  | 9                    | 8                    |
| Elementary            | 12                    | 0                   | 0                   | 50                   | 26                   |
| <b>Total Children</b> | <b>20</b>             | <b>5</b>            | <b>18</b>           | <b>59</b>            | <b>34</b>            |

# 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.

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## **Weekly Bible reading - Daniel 3:26 and 28 (NIV)**

Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, "Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!" So Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out of the fire.

Then Nebuchadnezzar said, "Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants! They trusted in him and defied the king's command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God.

## **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.