

# WEEKLY WORD



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## Looking at the Picture

by Pastor Ron Burcham, Senior Pastor

Six years ago when we moved into our home, the basement was a barren open space, which begged to be transformed. Soon I had various drawings of the possibilities, which led to multiple computer layouts. As soon as my wife, Michelle, and I decided on the final design, we began the project.

In other words, we needed to see the picture of the finished project before we began. Can you imagine if we started putting up walls before we completed our plan? If you have ever remodeled, you know that the transformation does not happen overnight.

In fact, we still have two months before it's finished. But we are further than where we were six years ago because the layout plans became our vision, which directed our steps.

Vision has been defined as a preferred picture of the future. Vision is not how things are right now, but what they will become. A few years ago, we began to talk, discuss and pray about what God wanted to do at Gloria Dei in the future. We kept asking if Gloria Dei could become the picture of

what we believe God wants. We then wrote the vision for our ministry by using the acronym of G.R.A.C.E. This acronym is two-fold because it describes our ministry's foundation of God's undeserved love, and each letter depicts one aspect of our vision: Grace, Relationship, A Beacon, Courageous and Equipping.



To walk toward the future, we need to keep our eyes focused on the preferred picture while taking inventory of our current situation. We do not want to randomly move as we strive to bring Jesus to people for the first time and a

lifetime; rather we want to move with a vision of what our ministry will look like someday. Beginning September 9 and 10, a new sermon series will explore each of the five aspects of our vision. Through this series of messages we will be reminded of what our congregation is about and what we hope to become.

And if I am not finished with my basement project by the end of this sermon series, please point me toward my original plans.

## Upcoming Changes to Occur

Lots of changes will commence Sept. 9 and 10. Here is a sample of the upcoming exciting changes:

### Sunday's Worship Schedule

<b>7:45-8:45 a.m.</b>	Traditional Sanctuary
<b>9:00-10:00 a.m.</b>	Traditional-Blend Sanctuary
<b>10:00-11:00 a.m.</b>	Contemporary Family Life Center
<b>10:30-11:30 a.m.</b>	Contemporary-Blend Sanctuary

family at the 9 and 10 a.m. services before the children are excused for their educational time, Grace Place.

"This is a great opportunity for us," said Pastor Burcham. "If families choose this option, they can start the week by worshiping together."

**Saturday's Service:** Saturday's Northwind Service and educational time will remain the same.

**Women's Connections:** Women's Connections, a place where women can connect to God and each other through prayer, study and fellowship, will start Monday, Sept. 11 from 6:30-8 p.m.

**Men's Connections:** A new group for men will start in October. More information will follow.

**Sunday Educational Times:** One of the benefits of having the 9:20-10 and 10:20-11 a.m. educational times is the ability to worship together as a

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## Changes to Occur

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**Adult Bible Studies:** Adult Bible studies will be held throughout the week and on Sunday mornings at 9:20 and 10:20 a.m.

**Youth Opportunities:** Please turn to page 7.

**Children: Age 2 through grade 5**

- **Weekend Educational Times:** Children's weekend educational times will begin Saturday, Sept. 9 at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 10 at 9:20 and 10:20 a.m.
- **Wednesday evenings:** Faith Alive will begin Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 6:15 p.m. Music Alive will also start Sept. 13 at 5:30 p.m.

Please register your children today at the Information Center.

**Tiny Treasures: Age 3 to prekindergarten**

Tiny Treasures will start their second year on Tuesday, Sept. 5 with five morning classes. For more information, please go to the Information Center.

**Various Adult Opportunities:** Gloria Dei offers many other adult opportunities, such as the XYZ (Extra Years of Zest) group, Lutheran Women's Missionary League circles and various fellowship opportunities during the fall.

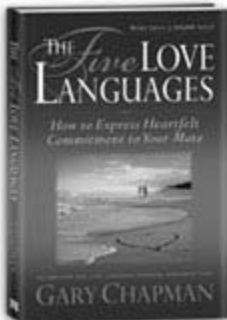
## Please Notify Us

If you have moved in the last six months, or have changed phone numbers, please notify the church office at 276-1700.

## A Growing Marriage Conference

Moody Bible Institute is hosting a marriage conference Saturday, September 30 from 9 a.m -3:30 p.m. at Point of Grace Church, 305 NE Dartmoor Drive, Waukee. Dr. Gary Chapman, the author of the *New York Times* best-selling book, *The Five Love Languages*, will lead the conference. This light-hearted and fun conference is designed to discover important life-sustaining keys for marriage. Whether you are getting married or have been married for 50 years, this conference will help you to build a healthy vibrant relationship with your spouse.

If you are interested, contact Pastor Meyer at 278-5544, ext. 224 by Friday, Sept. 1. We now have enough participants for the group rate of \$35 per person to apply.



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### Sunday Schedule

Sunday Worship  
8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.  
Staffed Nursery  
8 a.m.-noon

### Saturday Schedule

Saturday Worship  
5:30 p.m.  
Grace Place  
6 p.m.  
Staffed Nursery  
5:15 p.m.

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## Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism at the 9:30 a.m. service is for:



**K**aelan Clinton Oelert born July 17, 2006 to Chad and Amy (nee Licht) Oehlert. Kaelan's spiritual sponsors are Erin Martin and Tony Licht.

### Altar Flowers

Flowers on the altar are given in celebration of:

Dwight and Marilyn Carlson's 45th wedding anniversary.



### Wanted: Vases

Do you have any bud vases that you want to donate? We need bud vases for the secretarial conference to be held in September at Gloria Dei. Please drop them off at the church office. Thanks!



## Worship Service Ministry Partners

We are thankful for our helpers today who assist in providing a great place to worship.

#### Elders:

David Graaf  
Vic Kesse

#### Ushers:

**Northwind:**  
Rich Johnson

#### 8 a.m.

Ken Andresen  
Cheryl Corbett  
Bob Knief  
Ken Petersen, Sr.  
Ken Petersen, Jr.  
Norm Rinderknecht

Don Zimmerman  
Sandy Zimmerman  
**9:30 a.m.**

Bruce Brock  
Dan DeVries  
JoAnn Drake  
Paul Drake  
Dan Timmons  
Art Tucknott  
Joel Woehler  
Don Franzen

#### 11 a.m.

Jeff Eckhoff  
Bill Fellows

#### Organist:

Kathy Stange

#### Acolytes:

Leney Roberts  
Spencer Macklin  
Rachel Corell

### God's People in Prayer

Blue prayer request cards are beneath 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 Pennie in the church office, 276-1700, or Diane Young between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 993-3870 or Joan Kickbush after 5 p.m. at 987-4864 with your request.

### Thanksgivings

- For our nation and the freedom we enjoy
- For the 45th wedding anniversary of Dwight and Marilyn Carlson
- For Dan and Sarah Petrak's baby boy, Jensen Otto, who was born Friday morning

### Prayers

- For Sheila Oolman, who will be having surgery Aug. 29
- For Julia Kightlinger's father, Frank Hartwig, who is having surgery Monday
- For continued prayers for Mary Grimm
- For Dustin and Cheryl Blythe who lost their teenage son, Treye
- For Len Rygh who is recovering
- For the grief support group
- For the educational time teachers and helpers
- For the children going back to school
- For our fall ministry programs

### Prayer Ministry Team

If you are interested in joining the prayer ministry team, please e-mail pennie@gloriadeionline.com with your name, e-mail address and phone number.

## Self-defense Class

A Women's Self-defense Class will run for six weeks starting Monday, August 28 at 7 p.m. in the Family Life Center; no class will be held on Labor Day. The cost of the class is \$25. Dr. Chip Miller, who has 31 years of teaching experience and is the founder and head instructor of Drake Kung-Fu Club, will be the instructor. If you are interested, sign up at the Information Center or call Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.

## Guest Transportation

To improve access to our facility, we have formed a guest transportation ministry. This ministry will involve two eight-passenger shuttle carts that will circle the parking lot and transport guests to the doors of the narthex. If you are at least 30 years old and would like to be involved in this ministry by driving the carts, sign up at the Information Center or call Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.



## Women's Connections Coming Soon



Connecting women to God and each other in every season of life.

Women's Connections will start Monday, September 11 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Come and join us as we connect to God and each other through study, prayer and fellowship.

## Blood Drive

Please plan to give a blood donation at Gloria Dei, Saturday, Sept. 16 from 7:30-11 a.m.

For a single unit donation, eligible donors must be at least 16 years old, in good health and weigh at least 120 pounds. To make a double red cell donation, donors must be 18 years or older in good general health, and have a blood iron level of at least 40. Females must weight at least 150 pounds and be 5'5" or taller. Males must weight at least 130 pounds and be 5'1" or taller. To learn more, contact The Blood Center of Iowa at (800) 287-4903 or go online to [www.bloodcenterofiowa.org](http://www.bloodcenterofiowa.org).

## Wish to join Gloria Dei?

Sign the friendship pad in the pew or at the Information Center and check "wish to join Gloria Dei." All who wish to join must attend the Discovery classes.

### New to the Lutheran church?

You are invited to attend Discovery 101 and Discovery 201.

### Transferring from another Lutheran church?

You are invited to attend Discovery 201.

### Discovery 101

**Wednesday, Sept. 13**  
Discovery 101 is a five-week class for those who are new to the Lutheran Church. Childcare is provided.

### Discovery 201

**Sunday, Oct. 15 from 3-7 p.m.**  
Discovery 201 is a four-hour event for everyone joining Gloria Dei. Dinner and childcare are provided.

### Sign-up

If you have any questions or want to register, please contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204 or [tphillips@gloriadeionline.com](mailto:tphillips@gloriadeionline.com).

## LWML News

### Attention LWML Circle Chairwomen

We will have a very important meeting for LWML circles Monday, August 28, at 7 p.m. in room 139. This meeting will cover plans for the annual Craft Fair as well as the Fall Zone Rally that Gloria Dei is hosting. One or two representatives from each circle needs to attend.

#### Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle will meet Monday, Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. at the home of Kay Readinger, 4210 132nd St., Urbandale.

#### Rebekah Circle

Rebekah Circle will not meet Thursday, Sept. 14 instead it will meet Thursday, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. at the home of Peg Riddle, 1661 NW 96th St., Clive. Please note: October's meeting will be Oct. 5.



## Stichin' Mission

Stichin' Mission, a five-week beginner's quiltmaking class, starts Tuesday, August 29 at 6:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 600 Sixth Ave., Des Moines. For more information, contact Linda Hungerford at 226-1129; to view their Web page, go to [www.hopequilters.com](http://www.hopequilters.com).

## Scrapbook Fellowship

Scrapbook Fellowship will meet Friday, Sept. 8 from 1- 11 p.m. Come when you can, leave when you need to. We meet in rooms 131-133 by the kitchen. For more information, contact Deb Kesse at 251-8324 or DeAnn McCue at 276-1700.

## Sunday's Worship and Educational Options

Our new fall worship schedule affects our educational opportunities as well. Please take some time today to consider the following six worship/education options that best fits your family's needs. Which scenario do you see you and your family in?



### Sunday's Family A:

Worship as a family at 7:45 a.m. in the sanctuary; at 9:20 a.m. children and adults both attend the educational times.



### Sunday's Family B:

Worship as a family at 9 a.m. in the sanctuary; at 9:20 a.m. children are excused from worship for their educational time, Grace Place.



### Sunday's Family C

Worship as a family in the sanctuary at 9 a.m.; at 10:20 a.m. children and adults both attend the educational times.



### Sunday's Family D

Worship as a family at 10 a.m in the Family Life Center.; at 10:20 a.m. children are excused from worship for their educational time, Grace Place.



### Sunday's Family E

Adults and children attend the 9:20 a.m. educational time before worshipping together as a family at the 10:30 a.m. worship service in the sanctuary.



### Sunday's Family F

Children attend the 10:20 a.m. educational time and parents attend the 10:30 a.m. worship in the sanctuary; at 11 a.m. children are brought to the sanctuary.

### Education

**Children/  
Youth**

**Saturday**

5:50-6:30 p.m.

**Sunday**

9:20-10 a.m.

**Sunday**

10:20-11 a.m.

**Adults**

**Sunday**

9:20-10 a.m.

**Sunday**

10:20-11 a.m.

## Children's Ministry Updates

**Training:** All teachers and helpers for Grace Place, Sunday School/Grace Place and Faith Alive are strongly encouraged to attend Teacher Orientation on Wednesday, August 30 from 6:30-8 p.m. Childcare provided.

**Fall's Registration:** Register your children for our weekend educational times, Grace Place and Wednesday evening educational times, Faith Alive. Registration forms are at the Information Center. Please note: We understand your schedules change from time to time; therefore, please register for the weekend class you will most often attend.

**Cleaning closets?** The children's library at Gloria Dei is accepting donations of gently used children's book, videos, and DVDs. Please put them in the children's library or DeAnn's office. The children's library is also looking for a child-size wooden table and chairs and a rug to put in the library's reading corner.

**Clothing Sorters Needed:** We have received a large donation of clothing to be sent to Uganda. The clothing must be sorted and grouped. If you would like to take a bag home to sort and group, please pick one up in room 139 and return the items to Gloria Dei no later than Sept. 15. If an item needs repair, please put a note on the outside of the garment, or simply repair it. If an item is beyond repair, please throw it away. Items such as winter coats, mittens, scarves and hats will be donated to children in the Des Moines metro area.

**We need you!** Leaders and helpers are being sought for Grace Place, Sunday School/Grace Place and Faith Alive! If you are interested in helping, please sign up on the board in the hallway.



### Wednesday's Meal

**Come hungry!  
Come thirsty!**

We will be serving our first Faith Alive meal **Wednesday, September 13** at 5 p.m. The cost per meal is \$2.50; children three and under eat free. See you there!

5 p.m.

## Kindermusik

Register today for Kindermusik; forms are at the Information Center.

**Family Time** offers families an opportunity to play, sing and move with their children. This multi-age child setting offers something for everyone! This fun 10-week class begins Tuesday, Sept. 12 from 6:30-7:15 p.m. or Wednesday, Sept 13 from 10-10:45 a.m. The class fee is \$90, which includes materials for use at home.

**Imagine That** is a music and movement class for children ages 3, 4 and 5. Each session delights the whole child as we sing, move, play instruments, and discover more about the world in which we live! This fun 14-week class begins Tuesday, Sept. 12 from 6:30-7:15 p.m. The class fee is \$110, which includes materials for use at home.

## Plans for the Youth

This fall will bring the following exciting changes for the youth:

### Junior High: Grades 6-8

**Sunday mornings:** A high-energy event called *The Castaway* will include music, video, large-group teaching and small-group discussion on Sundays at 9:20 and 10:20 a.m. The morning will be based on Ephesians 4:22-24, where God encourages believers to put off or cast-away the old and replace it with the new.



**Wednesday evenings:** A new Confirmation model that will help our confirmands in their faith development will begin this fall and be implemented in the next two years. The major change will be for the seventh grade class, for whom we offer the following four courses: The Lord's Prayer, The Ten Commandments, Media and My Faith and Parents/Friends Living Through Tensions. The sixth grade class will study the book *My Christian Faith*, which is an overview of our beliefs. The eighth grade class will focus on the Apostles' Creed, Writing my Testimony/Evangelism training and the Sacraments.

### Senior High Youth: Grades 9-12

**Sunday mornings:** Sunday mornings offer our teens an opportunity to serve in the children and junior high ministries, as well as an opportunity to attend adult Bible classes.

**Sunday evenings:** We will meet Sunday nights from 6-9 p.m. for a weekly gathering geared specifically toward the senior high youth.



The name of this gathering, *The Island*, is founded upon Psalm 18:2, where God indicates his desire to be a source of rest, escape, peace, refreshment and regrouping for his people.

Sunday nights will be a place which teens can get rejuvenated to live their lives for Christ.

**Wednesday evenings:** Wednesday evening will be an opportunity for outreach. The evening will concentrate on fellowship with a small devotional element. It will be a great time for the senior high youth to hang out, play games and introduce their friends to the church and develop deeper friendships. We are establishing the "Snack Hut" in the Youth Center. This is a place where teens can purchase food, snacks and drinks on Wednesday and Sunday nights.

**Get Involved:** This new way of thinking brings an increasing awareness of the importance for ministry partners to come alongside our teens. All you need to do is contact Tim Kightlinger, [tim@gloriadeion-line.com](mailto:tim@gloriadeion-line.com), and we'll meet and talk about how your gifts, talents and passions can be used to bring Jesus to teens for the first time and a lifetime.

## Help!

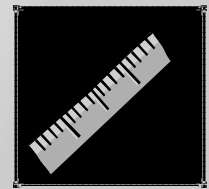
To meet our goal of 200 backpacks for the children in Uganda we still need the following:

- 109 backpacks (new/gently used)
- 100 boxes of 24 crayons
- 109 packages of two erasers
- 112 packages of six pens
- 100 boxes of 10 markers
- 50 boxes of 12 colored pencils
- 105 wooden rulers
- 300 pocket folders
- 75 scissors (new/gently used)
- 100 packages of two glue sticks



Please bring items to the large blue bin located in the Information Center. If you are too busy to shop, we can do it for you; please put your cash donations in the envelope next to the blue bin. If you have questions, please contact DeAnn at 278-5544, ext. 207.

**Deadline: Sunday, September 17**



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### **High School**

**Sunday Nights with GF  
(God and Friends)**

**August 27**

We will meet at the church from 6-9 p.m.

### **Young Adults (Ages 18-23ish)**

If you'll be in town for the school year and would like to meet for Bible study, please e-mail Tim at [tim@gloriadeion-line.com](mailto:tim@gloriadeion-line.com). In addition, we want to stay in touch with you, so please provide your school address, e-mail and birthday to the church office.

### **“Yes I Am” Conference for Grades 7-12 (Saying Yes to Purity)**

Mark your calendar for September 22 from 5:30-11 p.m. More details will follow.

### **Junior High Youth Gathering**

Don't forget to register for the Junior High Youth Gathering October 21-22. The cost is \$120. Registration is due by September 6.

### **Junior High**

Join your friends every Saturday night for worship and Bible study at our Northwind worship service.

### **Cafe 923**

Please join us Friday, Sept. 1 from 6-9 p.m.

### **Youth Center**

Check it out! Lots of changes are in the air and on the walls!

### **Sunday Evening Band**

Do you play guitar, bass, drums or keyboard? We have a place for you. We are organizing a team band to lead devotional time every Sunday during *the Island*. Rehearsals begin soon. Contact Tim for more details.

## **Third Graders and Parents**

All third graders and their parents are invited and encouraged to attend Faith Alive together for six weeks beginning September 13. Parents will work with their children as they search the scriptures together, highlighting key verses. A letter will be sent in August. Questions? Contact DeAnn in the church office at 278-5544, ext. 207.



## Tiny Treasures Updates

### Tiny Treasures Opening

Tiny Treasures will open its doors for the second year Tuesday, Sept. 5. So far they have 70 children for their five morning classes. For more information about the preschool, please pick up a brochure at the Information Center.

### Save Money, Help Tiny Treasures

Tiny Treasures Lutheran Preschool will be selling entertainment books this fall. By purchasing your book from Tiny Treasures, you can save money on the books themselves, and then save on your activities in the metro area. The books are \$20 (\$5 cheaper than retail locations!) and contain coupons to local restaurants and other area businesses. The books are good for a year! If you'd like to purchase a book, please stop by the table in the narthex or contact Terry at 278-5544, ext. 305.



### Tiny Treasures Ministry Partners

**Miscellaneous Work:** We need lots of help finishing details for the opening day of classes on Tuesday, Sept. 5. If you have spare time, give Terry Steinke a call at 278-5544, ext. 305.

## Child-Approved Playground



Tiny Treasures Lutheran Preschool hosted a playground open house for the community last Tuesday. Children and parents were invited to visit the classrooms, play on the playground and eat at the picnic. A special thanks to all of our ministry partners who helped.

# Week of August 27 - September 2

**Sunday, August 27**

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service with Communion
- 6:00 p.m. Sr. High Evening with GF
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting - RM 109

**Monday, August 28**

- 8:00 a.m. Staff Retreat-Office Closed in the Morning
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Self-defense Course
- 7:00 p.m. LWML Craft Fair Mtg.

**Tuesday, August 29**

- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

**Wednesday, August 30**

- 6:30 p.m. Tiny Treasures Parent Orientation
- 6:30 p.m. Children's Ministry Teacher and Helper Training

**Thursday, August 31**

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Sew and Sews
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare

**Saturday, September 2**

- 5:30 p.m. Saturday Evening "Northwind" Service
- 6:45 p.m. Junior High Saturday Night Live

<b>Outpouring of Love for the Lord</b>	
General Fund Offerings	\$15,984
YTD Offering	\$167,671
YTD Budget	\$214,480

<b>Attendance</b>			
Northwind	156	Communion	
8 a.m.	184	Northwind.	158
9:30 a.m.	336	11 a.m.	240
11 a.m.	193	<b>Total Communion</b>	398
<b>Total</b>	<b>869</b>		

## Week of September 3-9

### **Sunday, September 3**

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service with Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service with Communion
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting - RM 109

### **Monday, September 4**

#### **Labor Day Office Closed**

- 7:00 p.m. Spirit Nurturers

### **Tuesday, September 5**

- 9:00 a.m. XYZ (Machine Shed)
- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

### **Wednesday, September 6**

- 6:00 a.m. 201 MAT
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Orientation

### **Thursday, September 7**

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Sew and Sews
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare
- 7:30 p.m. Strategic Ministry Action Team

### **Friday, September 8**

- 1:00 p.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 6:00 p.m. Vaughn/Kreutz Wedding Rehearsal

### **Saturday, September 9**

- 4:00 p.m. Andie Vaughn and Kevin Kruetz
- 5:30 p.m. Saturday Evening "Northwind" Service with Communion

# o r d e r o f **W O R S H I P**

August 26 and 27, 2006 • Changed Lives: From Antagonist to Evangelist

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

## Welcome

*"Hallelujah" (Your Love is Amazing)*

*"Better Than Life"*

*"Everlasting Hope"*

*"Beautiful"*

## Confession and Forgiveness

*"How Great Are You, Lord"*

## Epistle Reading

Acts 9:1-19 NIV

## Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-7 NIV

## Children are invited to Grace Place

## Offering *"God is Great"*

**Sermon:** Pastor Ron Burcham,  
Senior Pastor

*"Wonderful Merciful Savior"*

## Prayers

## Lord's Prayer

## The Celebration of Holy Communion

*"Amazing Love"*

*"Agnus Dei"*

*"Be the Centre"*

*"Everyday"*

## Blessing and Announcements

Sunday, 8 a.m.

## Welcome

*"Jesus Shall Reign" LW 312, 2 Vs.*

## Invocation

## Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

*"Jesus Shall Reign" LW 312, 1 Vs.*

## Psalmody

*"Christ Be My Leader," LW 365, 3 Vs.*

## Epistle Reading

Acts 9:1-19 NIV

## Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-7 NIV

## The Apostles' Creed

*"Fight the Good Fight," LW 299, 4 Vs.*

**Sermon:** Pastor Ron Burcham,  
Senior Pastor

*"Am I a Soldier of the Cross," TLH 445, 4 Vs.*

## Offering

## Prayers

## Lord's Prayer

## Benediction

*"Abide with Us, Our Savior," LW 287, 4 Vs.*

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

## Welcome

## Sacrament of Holy Baptism

*"Jesus Shall Reign" LW 312, 2 Vs.*

## Invocation

## Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

*"As the Deer"*

## Psalmody

*"Christ Be My Leader," LW 365, 3 Vs.*

## Epistle Reading

Acts 9:1-19 NIV

## Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-7 NIV

## The Apostles' Creed

*"Fight the Good Fight," LW 299, 4 Vs.*

**Sermon:** Pastor Ron Burcham,  
Senior Pastor

*"Am I a Soldier of the Cross," TLH 445, 4 Vs.*

## Offering

## Prayers

## Lord's Prayer

## Benediction

*"Abide with Us, Our Savior," LW 287, 4 Vs.*

Sunday, 11 a.m.

## Welcome

*"Hallelujah" (Your Love is Amazing)*

*"Better Than Life"*

*"Everlasting Hope"*

*"Beautiful"*

## Confession and Forgiveness

*"How Great Are You, Lord"*

## The Celebration of Holy Communion

*"Amazing Love"*

*"Agnus Dei"*

*"Be the Centre"*

## Epistle Reading

Acts 9:1-19 NIV

## Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-7 NIV

*"God is Great"*

**Sermon:** Pastor Ron Burcham,  
Senior Pastor

## Offering

*"Wonderful Merciful Savior"*

## Prayers

## Lord's Prayer

*"Everyday"*

## Blessing and Announcements

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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.