

# WEEKLY WORD



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**June 4, 2006**  
The Day of Pentecost

## Light in a Foreign Land

By Karen Kennedy, staff

Tongues of fire, men speaking in an unknown tongue and God's saving message concerning Jesus Christ were the beginnings of the Christian Church. Normally, we celebrate that event as Pentecost, 50 days after Easter; however, this year we will begin celebrating its powerful implications for three consecutive weeks starting today as we enter Phase III of *Ablaze*. Pastor Burcham will preach on how we, individually and collectively, are called to reveal our faith to the world. In the previous *Ablaze* campaigns, we have rekindled the fire of faith in our hearts and discovered how to keep it burning brightly; now it is time to reveal that faith to the world.

Scripture makes it clear that we are to shine and live as children of the light.

*For you were once in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.* Ephesians 5:8

The light God gives is not supposed to be self-contained. In fact, God wants it radiating throughout our realms of influence.

*Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.* Matthew 5:15

A dictionary definition of light is: the energy producing a sensation of brightness that makes seeing possible.

A few months ago, I was on a mission trip in Mexico. On our off times, my husband and I

would venture from the group and explore the non-tourist areas of the neighborhoods. Neither my husband nor I speak Spanish, so our connections to the locals were limited. This particular afternoon, I was thirsty and ventured into a one-room grocery store. As I tried to communicate my desire for a "Coca Cola," Abruela, we later found out, was patient and gracious as he looked in the shop's refrigerator for a coke that wasn't there.

He nicely suggested a red drink, which I purchased. (And if you are wondering, it was a watered-down version of Hawaiian punch, perfectly safe and drinkable.) A few days later, we were once again exploring the neighborhood looking for a particular

store, which we could not find. We found ourselves again in Abruela's store, this time asking for directions. Again, Abruela was gracious and patient and tried to give directions to these crazy tourists. He communicated on our level by first drawing a picture and then using hand motions. He then pointed and slowly counted the city blocks to our desired destination.

"Uno," he said pointing right.

"Si," we said.

"Uno, dos, tres," he said pointing left.

We got it, one block right and then three blocks left. We "gracias'd" him and proceeded on our way.

In a foreign land, Abruela was our light, our compass. He spoke on our level with a warm smile. Isn't that what we are supposed to do for people around us? Our lives can actually warm and maybe even melt people's hearts as we reflect God's light and give directions to those in our neighborhood.

June 3 and 4  
**Know Your Turf (Acts 1:1-11)**  
June 10 and 11  
**Seize the Opportunity (Acts 2:1-15)**  
June 17 and 18  
**Be Fearless (Acts 2:22-41)**

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**Buy the Wood, Build a Home, Sunday, June 4**  
Grab a 2x4, buy it, then sign it. Proceeds go to building three houses in the Des Moines area.

## “Joy in the Journey” Thank Offering

Gloria Dei is supporting the “Joy in the Journey” Thank Offering for the LCMS seminaries. The thank-offering will be divided evenly between our two seminaries in St. Louis and Fort Wayne. Seminary tuition is \$20,700 per year. The seminaries have pledged to provide \$11,400 to each student through gifts such as the thank-offering. The Governing Board has approved a gift of \$1 per member (about \$2,400) to be paid out of Gloria Dei’s 2005/06 budget. In addition, a free-will offering will be collected on Saturday, June 10 and Sunday, June 11 to supplement this amount. Additional gifts marked for the district Thank Offering can also be sent to the church office by June 14. The offering will be presented at the Iowa District West Convention on June 19.

## Young Adult Group Forming

### Community, Connections, Growth and Faith

I love those shoes. Really? The same way I love my wife? What’s up with the word love? If you are between the ages of 18 and 23, please join us this Thursday from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Youth Center as we dialogue about this thing called love.

## Calling All Interested Gardeners

Due to our large outside area, we need an ongoing effort to keep it looking great. We have decided to have a garden day each month—the third Saturday at 8:30 a.m. for a couple of hours. The first date will be June 17. If it rains, we will work the following Saturday. Please consider joining us. If you have any questions, contact Janet Hasstedt at 276-1237 or Diane Greenwood at 255-0219.



## Consignment Sale

Don’t forget to visit our consignment sale this Friday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. or Saturday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Family Life Center. We will have items for the entire family. See page 8 for more details.

## Volunteers Needed

We need cement workers to help us enclose the area outside of the Family Life Center. If you have Saturdays available in June, please sign up at the Information Center. If you have any questions, please call Larry Rix at 491-7528.

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### Sunday Schedule

Sunday Worship  
8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.  
Sunday School  
9:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Classes  
9:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.  
Staffed Nursery  
8 a.m.-noon

### Saturday Schedule

Saturday Worship  
5:30 p.m.  
Grace Place  
6 p.m.

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## Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism at the 11 a.m. service is for:



**E**than Patrick Wilke born February 17, 2006 to Chris and Kim (nee Geraghty) Wilke. Ethan's spiritual sponsors are Carl and Traci Schwister and Erica Smith.

## Altar Flowers



Today's flowers are placed on the altar in celebration of:

- **Tim and Julia Kightlinger's 20th anniversary**
- **Dan and Hilton Galabuzi's 1st anniversary**
- **Gena and Brent Johnson's wedding anniversary**

## Servers

We are thankful for our volunteers today who help provide a great place to worship.

<b>Elders:</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Organist:</b>
Joe Gilg	Mark Betten	Lynn Hays
David Graaf	Dave Giesselmann	<b>Acolytes:</b>
Vic Kesse	Bryan Flanigan	Konnor Plagge
<b>Ushers:</b>	Kayla Flanigan	Sarah Mueller
<b>8 a.m.</b>	Steve Junge	Ian Pierson
Randy Fleming	Tom Krovacevich	
Joe Gilg	Larry Lanham	
Donald Pevestorf	Rich Valle	
Andrew Varley	<b>11 a.m.</b>	
Charles Jackson	Scott Moore	
	Randy Walford	

## 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 contact 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 congregation growth

## Prayers

- For succesful surgery and healing for Dick Counley's friend, Diane Mahaffey
- For the Honduras mission team as they prepare for their trip
- For the Appalachia mission team as they get ready for their trip in June
- For our ministry to young adults
- For Dorothy Rix's brother, Wilbert Pickel, who has cancer
- For Larry Rix's brother, Don Rix, who has cancer
- For the congregational budget's meeting next week

## 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.

## Lutheran Day at I-Cubs

Join Thrivent for Lutherans at the Iowa Cubs on Sunday, June 25. All proceeds are donated to homes constructed through the Thrivent Builds with Habitat for Humanity program. The game starts at 1:05 p.m, but pre-game festivities start at 10 a.m. The cost is \$2 per person.

## Thank You

The family of Alec Michael Freese would like to thank all of their friends at Gloria Dei for their kind thoughts, words, prayers, memorials and support generously given to our family over the last several months. Thank you to all who helped with the visitation, funeral and luncheon. We sincerely appreciate your care and thoughtfulness.

We especially thank Pastor Meyer for his calls and visits during this most difficult time. His continuing support has been most comforting.

Alec was our precious and cherished son. He was an incredible joy and blessing during his 2 years and 3-1/2 months. It gives us peace to know that he is now running and playing in God's loving care. Alec will be greatly missed and will forever remain in our hearts.

If you wish, you may view Alec's story at [www.caringbridge.org/visit/alecfreese](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/alecfreese).

— Cindy and Kevin Freese

## Golf Outing

Golfers United, a group of men coming together from all walks of life, but united in one belief, one faith in Jesus our Lord, is hosting a golf outing Wednesday, June 14 at Jester Park Golf Course. This four-man scramble costs \$65 and tees off at 12 p.m. with dinner at 5:30 p.m. Registration forms are at the Information Center.

## United Way Needs Volunteers

United Way of Central Iowa is recruiting community volunteers to assist at the following local nonprofit agencies:

- Blood Center of Iowa
- Thrift Store
- Court Mediation
- Habitat for Humanities
- Transportation for homebound individuals

If you would like to donate a couple of hours, please contact Karen Schechinger at [rsvpuw@msn.com](mailto:rsvpuw@msn.com).

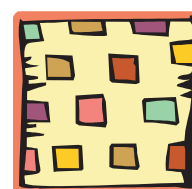
## Scrapbook Fellowship

Scrapbook Fellowship will meet Friday, June 16 from 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Come when you can; leave when you need to. It's a great chance to get inspired and organized. Meet in the double classroom next to the kitchen (131/133). For more information, contact Deb Kesse at 251-8324 or DeAnn McCue at 276-1700.



## Quilt for Missions

Join us for a five-week class starting Monday, June 5 at 6:30



p.m. in room 134/36 to learn the basic techniques of quilt making.

The class is free, but materials (approximately \$15) will need to be purchased. For more information, check out the display in the narthex or contact Norma Rohn at 253-0523.

## Strategic Planning Updates

Thank you to those of you who took the time to provide feedback and ask questions on the topic of strategic planning for Gloria Dei. We listened carefully and took all of your comments, questions and concerns seriously. We hope that you will continue to be involved and in touch.

A motion was passed by the Governing Board during their May 16 meeting to instruct the Strategic Ministry Action Team (SMAT) to conduct further detailed research into the concept of relocating the congregation to a larger site that can accommodate growth.

As stated in the recommendation, the next steps are:

1. Develop a communication plan that will inform the Governing Board and congregation on a regular basis of the research, findings, and conclusions. This communication will use mail, Weekly Word, the Web, audio visual methods and verbal components, most likely including small group presentations to every member of the congregation.
2. Add a member to the Strategic Planning Ministry Action Team with experience in communications. Tina Hoffman will be joining the team in this capacity.
3. Identify intermediate strategic steps required to meet the goal.
4. Develop a tactical plan that provides details on what must be accomplished each year between now and 2011, including milestones that will trigger each action.
5. Include in all research impacts to facilities, ministries and staff.
6. Begin the process of identifying suitable property that could be used for a new location or to sell for profit if the further research doesn't support the need for the land.
7. Begin planning for all of the transitional issues such as:
  - Continuing growth in membership at our current site
  - Giving projections
  - Potential for capital fund-raising campaigns

- Intermediate facilities adaptations needed at the 8301 location
8. Submit a proposal for land purchase to the congregation for a vote in late 2006 or early 2007.
  9. Submit a detailed Strategic Plan to the congregation for a vote when appropriate.
  10. Submit plans for intermediate facility changes at 8301 Aurora to the congregation for a vote before any changes are made.
  11. Submit plans for any long term facilities needs to the congregation for approval before any action is taken.

In addition to the next steps stated in the recommendation report, the Governing Board instructed the SMAT to include the additional steps of:

12. Research the concept of planting a church.
13. Provide opportunities for continuing involvement of the congregation in the discussion.
14. Report back to the Governing Board by their July meeting with a comprehensive communication plan around the initiative.

Watch for future updates and discussion forums. The Governing Board welcomes your feedback and questions. They can be contacted in person or by calling the church office at 276-1700. Please note: we have had technical difficulties with our e-mail, so if you did not receive a reply to an e-mail, please follow up with a written note or phone call. Sorry for the inconvenience.

### Important Meetings

#### Budget Hearing Meeting

Sunday, June 11 at 1 p.m. in the sanctuary

#### Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, June 25 at 1 p.m. in the sanctuary

(Please note: Pastor Burcham will give a 30-minute presentation on the Uganda trip at the beginning of the annual congregational meeting.)

## Golf Outing

Gloria Dei's annual golf outing is Saturday, August 26 at 8 a.m. at Willow Creek Golf Course in Des Moines. The cost for the outing is \$50 per person. Fee includes: 18 holes of golf, a cart, lunch and prizes. All profits will benefit Tiny Treasures Lutheran Preschool. A registration form is available in the Information Center.



## Let's Share Our Bread

Naomi Circle is collecting food donations for the Des Moines Area Religious Council food pantry by the first Sunday of each month. Each month, they will suggest several items that the pantry needs to assist the estimated 10,500 Des Moines residents who need food and other items.



Please bring the following items to the narthex today:

**Last Week to bring the following items:**

- Diapers
- Fruit/vegetable juices
- Infant formula
- Instant potatoes
- Jiffy biscuit/muffin mixes

In addition to donating items, checks can be written to Gloria Dei with "food pantry donation" written on the memo line and placed in the offering plate.

## Discovery 201

**June 11 from 3-7 p.m.**

Discovery 201 is a one-day class for everyone joining Gloria Dei. Come and meet the staff and others who are joining. Learn more about Gloria Dei and the privileges and responsibilities of membership. Dinner and childcare are provided. If you are interested, contact the church office at 276-1700.

## Host a Child

Youth for Understanding USA is looking for two loving host families in the Urbandale school district to welcome a foreign exchange student into their home from six weeks to a school year. Urbandale high school requires fall enrollment for foreign exchange students by June 15, so time is running short. All students will be arriving in August. Each family selects their student from a database of students, who all speak English and have passed through a rigorous selection process before joining the program. If you are interested, please contact Kim Fortin at 987-8459 or at [fortinkim@msn.com](mailto:fortinkim@msn.com). For more information about YFU, go to their Web site at [www.yfu.org](http://www.yfu.org).

## Foundation Board Meeting

The annual meeting of the Gloria Dei Foundation will be Monday, June 12 at 7 p.m. in room 129. The purpose of the meeting is to elect two new Foundation board members and approve the bylaws. You may review the bylaws by going to [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com).

## Crafters Needed

The Gloria Dei Lutheran Women's Missionary League is planning its 14th annual craft fair for Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. This fair specializes in hand-crafted items. There will also be a bake sale and a café. If you are interested in displaying items, please contact Marolyn Carstens at 262-3240 or online at [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com).

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### High School

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

Join us Sunday, June 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. for Bible study and fellowship at Tim's house, 9926 Brookview Drive, Urbandale. We will end the evening with miniature golf.

#### June 11

Next week we will meet at the Plagge's home, 2304 Destination Circle, Grimes, from 6-9 p.m.

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

I love those shoes. Really? The same way I love my wife? What's up with the word love? Join us this Thursday from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Youth Center as we dialogue about this thing called love.

### Ninth Graders

Join us Wednesday, June 28 from 6-9 p.m. as we welcome you into the high school youth group with food, carnival-type games and good times.

### Junior High

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

### Summer Mission Trip

A mandatory meeting will be Sunday, June 4 from 12:15-2 p.m.

## Financial Literacy for Kids

Children view money differently than parents. We are offering a new class for children who have completed grades 1-3. This 3-week class will help kids learn how to save, spend and share money using godly principles. Class fee of \$15 includes tools to help cement godly financial stewardship. Parents should attend the last 15 minutes of each session with their child. Classes will meet on Mondays, June 12, 19 and 26 from 6:30-7:15 p.m. If you are interested, contact DeAnn at 278-5544, ext. 207.

## Kindermusik

It is not too late to sign up for a summer Kindermusik class. For more information, pick up a Kindermusik brochure at the Information Center.

# Tiny Treasures Thanks and an Update

## Fall Class Update

We've had such a wonderful response in our enrollment that we are opening an additional class of three-year-olds to meet Monday and Wednesday mornings. Currently, we have two full classes of three-year-olds that will meet Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We also have a few openings in our prekindergarten class, which meets five mornings a week. All sessions are 9-11:30 a.m. Spread the word to your neighbors and friends so we can start our second year with all classes full.

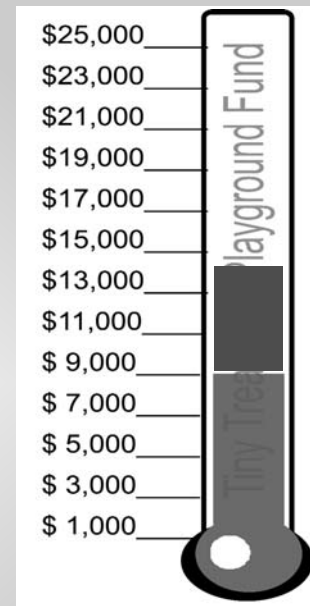
## Additional Thanks

**Preschool Bags:** Thanks to all the seamstresses who made school bags for the preschoolers. We have more to sew; if you would like to help, sign-up at the Information Center and pick up materials.

**Carpenters:** Special thanks to two hard-working carpenters, Bruce Boettcher and Duane Haas, who finished a storage cabinet in the preschool storage room. If you would like to paint a cabinet, please call Terry at 278-5544, ext. 305.

## Consignment Sale

Consignment Sale is this next weekend. Drop-off is Wednesday from 6 to 9 p.m. or Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m. Shoppers should come Friday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. or Saturday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Most unsold items will be half-price starting Saturday at 10 a.m. Lots of volunteers are still needed to help out with the sale. If you can work, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex today. Those who help can shop at the presale on Thursday night from 6 to 8 p.m. All of the profits will add to our playground fund. The local Thrivent Branch will match funds dollar-for-dollar.



*We have raised almost \$14,000 for our new playground.*



## Friday Story Time

Friday Story Time for preschoolers will begin June 16 from 9:30-10:15 a.m. for six Fridays. The format will include lots of stories, a simple craft, and a few more stories. If you would like to be a reader, please sign up at Information Center.

## Preschoolers and Parents

Preschoolers and Parents will meet Saturdays, June 17, July 8 and July 22 from 9-10:30 a.m. This year we will focus on reading literature and cooking together. If you are a cook and would be interested in helping, contact Terry at 278-5544, ext. 305.



# Summer Day Camps

**Register today**

**Pick up a summer camp brochure at the Information Center or go online.**

*Preschool fun for ages 3-5*

## **Preschoolers and Parents**

We will create and take home a food project made from this Saturday morning class.

Dates: Saturday mornings from 9-10:30 a.m.  
June 17, July 8 and 22

Cost: \$10 per session; register for all three and save \$5!

*Preschool fun for ages 3-5*

## **Beginning Ballet**

(Sorry, class is completely full!)

Dancers should come ready to have fun. Please bring a ballet leotard, tights and ballet shoes.

Dates: Mondays from 6:30-7 p.m.  
June 5, 12, 19, and 26.

Cost: \$25

*Preschool fun for ages 3-5*

## **Friday Story Time**

Each day will feature a story theme with a storyteller and activity. Parent/adult must attend.

Dates: Fridays at 9:30 a.m.  
June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 14, and July 21.

Cost: Free

*Ages 7-17*

## **Drama Camp**

Learn and perform a full-length musical "Snow White," in one week.

Dates: June 26-30 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Cost: \$125

*Completed Grades 1-5*

## **Science Camp**

Each day campers will discover God's power in his awesome creation.

Dates: July 10-14 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Cost: \$125

*Completed Grades K-5*

## **Sports Camp**

Join the fun as we learn the basics of basketball and soccer.

Dates: July 24-28 from 9-11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$30

*Completed Grades K-5*

## **Fine Arts Camp**

Students will have the opportunity to discover the finer arts during this camp.

Dates: July 24-28 from 1-3 p.m.

Cost: \$50

*Completed Grades K-7*

## **Girls Camps**

Girls Camps are designed for girls to experience what life was like in a bygone era.

### **Little Girl Camp (Completed K-1)**

Dates: July 17-21 from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$75

### **Girl Camp (Completed 2-4)**

Dates: July 17-21 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$125

### **Next Generation Girl Camp (Completed 5-7)**

Dates: July 17-21 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$125

# Week of June 4-10

**Sunday, June 4**

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service with Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service with Communion
- 9:30 a.m. Da Vinci Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Discovery 101
- 10:45 a.m. Da Vinci Bible Study
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 12:15 p.m. New York Mission Trip Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Youth Ministry Welcoming Committee
- 6:00 p.m. High School Evening with GF
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting - RM 109

**Monday, June 5**

- 6:30 p.m. Stitchin Mission
- 6:30 p.m. Beginning Ballet
- 7:00 p.m. Spirit Nurturers
- 8:15 p.m. Softball
- 9:15 p.m. Softball

**Tuesday, June 6**

- 7:00 a.m. Primary Election
- 10:00 a.m. Kindermusik

**Wednesday, June 7**

- 6:15 p.m. Patriotic Praise Choir Rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m. Patriotic Praise Children Rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Orchestra

**Thursday, June 8**

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Sew and Sews
- 6:00 p.m. Support Group MAT
- 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik
- 7:00 p.m. Book of Luke - Bible Study
- 8:00 p.m. Young Adult Community and Connections

**Friday, June 9**

- 8:00 a.m. Tiny Treasures Consignment Sale

**Saturday, June 10**

- 8:00 a.m. Tiny Treasures Consignment Sale
- 5:30 p.m. Saturday Evening "Northwind" Service with Communion

<b>Outpouring of Love for the Lord</b>	
General Fund Offerings	\$13,636
YTD Offering	\$1,122,404
YTD Budget	\$1,092,515

<b>Attendance</b>			
Northwind	150	Communion	
8 a.m.	142	Northwind	86
9:30 a.m.	309	11 a.m.	81
11 a.m.	146		
<b>Total</b>	<b>747</b>		

## Week of June 11-17

### Sunday, June 11

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Da Vinci Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Discovery 101
- 10:45 a.m. Da Vinci Bible Study
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service with Communion
- 1:00 p.m. Budget Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. Discovery 201
- 6:00 p.m. High School Evening with GF
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting - RM 109

### Monday, June 12

- 6:30 p.m. Stitchin Mission
- 6:30 p.m. Beginning Ballet
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Literacy for Kids
- 6:30 p.m. Foundation Board Meeting

### Tuesday, June 13

- 6:00 p.m. Board Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Assimilation MAT

### Wednesday, June 14

- 6:15 p.m. Patriotic Praise Choir Rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m. Patriotic Praise Children Rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m.. Gloria Dei Orchestra
- 7:00 p.m. SHAPE class

### Thursday, June 15

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Sew and Sews
- 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik
- 7:00 p.m. Book of Luke - Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Purpose Driven Bible Class
- 8:00 p.m. Young Adult Community and Connections

### Friday, June 16

- 8:00 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time

### Saturday, June 14

- Applachian Trip
- 8:30 a.m. Quilting Class
- 9:00 a.m. Preschoolers and Parents
- 5:30 p.m. Saturday Evening "Northwind" Service

Northwind Attendance	
Sat., Preschool	15
Sat., Grades 1-5	8
Sun., 6-12	0

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

June 4 and 5, 2006 • Know Your Turf

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

*"In the Secret"*  
*"All Things are Possible"*  
*"Better is One Day"*  
*"Shout to the North"*  
*"There is None Like You"*  
**Confession and Forgiveness**  
*"Give Thanks"*  
*"Word of God, Speak"*  
**Epistle Reading**  
(NIV) Acts 1:1-11  
*"Word of God, Speak"*  
**Gospel Reading**  
(NIV) Matthew 28:18-20  
**Children are Invited to Grace Place**  
**Offering**  
*"Shout to the Lord"*  
**Sermon:** Pastor Ron Burcham,  
Senior Pastor  
**Prayers**  
**Lord's Prayer**  
*"Trading My Sorrows"*  
**Blessing and Announcements**

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

**Welcome**  
*"O Holy Spirit, Enter In ,"* LW 160, Vs. 2  
**Invocation**  
**Open Litany**  
*"O Holy Spirit, Enter In ,"* LW 160, Vs. 1  
**Confession and Absolution**  
**Epistle Reading**  
(NIV) Acts 1:1-11  
**Gospel Reading**  
(NIV) Matthew 28:18-20  
**Apostles' Creed**  
*"Holy Spirit, Light Divine"* LW 166, 3 Vs.  
**Sermon:** Pastor Ron Burcham,  
Senior Pastor  
*"Holy Spirit, Light Divine"* LW 166, 2 Vs.  
**Offering**  
*"Allemande, Courante, Lentument, Gigue"*  
Offered by Jenny Pray and Julie Den Herder  
**Prayers**  
**Lord's Prayer**  
**Celebration of Holy Communion**  
*"Sanctus"* LW 170  
*"Agnus Dei,"* LW 172  
*"Feed Your Children, God Most Holy,"* LW 468, 1 Vs.  
*"Come, Holy Ghost, in Love,"* TLH 227, 4 Vs.  
*"Holy Spirit, Hear Us,"* TLH 229, 4 Vs.  
*"Thy Table I Approach,"* TLH 310, 3 Vs.  
**Benediction**  
*"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessings,"* TLH 50

Sunday, 8 a.m.

**Welcome**  
*"O Holy Spirit, Enter In ,"* LW 160, Vs. 2  
**Invocation**  
**Open Litany**  
*"O Holy Spirit, Enter In ,"* LW 160, Vs. 1  
**Confession and Absolution**  
**Epistle Reading**  
(NIV) Acts 1:1-11  
**Gospel Reading**  
(NIV) Matthew 28:18-20  
**Apostles' Creed**  
*"Holy Spirit, Light Divine"* LW 166, 3 Vs.  
**Sermon:** Pastor Ron Burcham,  
Senior Pastor  
*"Holy Spirit, Light Divine"* LW 166, 2 Vs.  
**Offering**  
*"Allemande, Courante, Lentument, Gigue"*  
Offered by Jenny Pray and Julie Den Herder  
**Prayers**  
**Lord's Prayer**  
**Celebration of Holy Communion**  
*"Sanctus"* LW 170  
*"Agnus Dei,"* LW 172  
*"Feed Your Children, God Most Holy,"* LW 468, 1 Vs.  
*"Come, Holy Ghost, in Love,"* TLH 227, 4 Vs.  
*"Holy Spirit, Hear Us,"* TLH 229, 4 Vs.  
*"Thy Table I Approach,"* TLH 310, 3 Vs.  
**Benediction**  
*"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessings,"* TLH 50

Sunday, 11 a.m.

**Welcome**  
**Sacrament of Holy Baptism**  
*"In the Secret"*  
*"All Things are Possible"*  
*"Better is One Day"*  
*"Shout to the North"*  
*"There is None Like You"*  
**Confession and Forgiveness**  
*"Give Thanks"*  
*"Word of God, Speak"*  
**Epistle Reading**  
(NIV) Acts 1:1-11  
**Gospel Reading**  
(NIV) Matthew 28:18-20  
**Sermon:** Pastor Ron Burcham,  
Senior Pastor  
**Offering**  
*"Shout to the Lord"*  
**Prayers**  
**Lord's Prayer**  
*"Trading My Sorrows"*  
**Blessing and Announcements**

## The Celebration of Holy Communion

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.