

# WEEKLY WORD



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## Salary and Self Worth

by Pastor Ron Burcham, Senior Pastor

Every year it seems that another professional athlete is reluctant to sign with a team because of salary issues. Even if the salary tops more than a few million dollars, most athletes will not sign if they hear of a peer being offered more. If you look at it rationally, they don't need any more money because they may be hard pressed to spend all the money they currently enjoy.

So what's going on? Is it the infamous "keeping up with the Joneses" syndrome? Is the athlete's self-worth or personal identity tied to external factors, such as the highest salary? Does the star player need to have the highest check to verify he/she is the best? Or are there other benchmarks that validate the worth of an athlete?

On a personal scale, do we fall into similar patterns of salary negotiations? If they raise my salary, then I must be a valuable employee. If I make more income, then I must be successful in life. If I can afford the nicer things in life, then I have made it and achieved something. I wonder how that plays out in real life. From what I see, not very well.

Scripture addresses the topic of money and possessions in volumes. Jesus tackles the subject more than prayer! Yet never once does God equate our income or possessions with our self-worth. In fact he says the opposite:

*What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit his very self? (Luke 9:25, NIV)*

Beginning today, we will start a series of messages about our possessions, income, and all that God has blessed us with. The fact is: it's not about what you make but whose you are. Scripture states we have been bought with a price and we are of the utmost value to the buyer. So, we should think about shedding the world's ways and sign up for God's heavenly contract, which is worth more than any professional athlete's salary.

### November 7 and 8: "Not What you Make, but Who You Are"

God defines who we are and it is not based on our income or possessions.

### November 14 and 15: "Not What you Make, but How You Make It"

How we earn our income is just as important to God as what we do with it. You cannot live a God-pleasing life if you're earning a living in a way that is not in line with God's Word.

### November 21 and 22: "Not What you Make, but What You Do With It"

God is the giver of all that we have and he has instructions on how we are to manage the income and possessions that he has given us.

## Holiday Opportunities

Take time to read about the wonderful opportunities available for the entire family at Gloria Dei in the upcoming months. If you haven't picked up your Holiday Opportunities booklet, please do so today at the Information Center.



## UP & COMING EVENTS

### Welcome New Members

At the 9 and 10:30 a.m. worship services, we will welcome our newest members. See pages 6-7 for details.

### Christmas at Uncle Phil's

Tickets are on sale in the narthex for the youth's dinner theater. See page 4 for more details.

### Giving Tree



Share with God's people who are in need. Romans 12:13

Gloria Dei has the privilege to reach out to those in need during the holidays. See page 4 for more details.

### Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Buy some cookie dough from Tiny Treasures this weekend. See page 5.

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## Voices needed

It is not too late! The Gloria Dei Chorale is looking for individuals who would lend their voices to the chorale.

The chorale members meet every Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. for an hour of practice and fellowship in the Sanctuary of Gloria Dei under the direction of Gale Webb.

The Chorale performs once or twice a month, worshipping God with musical selections intended to enhance the sermon themes. Rehearsals are also beginning to focus on music to be performed at the Christmas Cantata to be held Sunday, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m.

Please consider joining the Gloria Dei Chorale for the year. If you are unable to commit for the entire year, please consider joining them through the Christmas Cantata.

## A little bit about a lot of things

If you haven't noticed, our church continues to change. As we offer a variety of activities for every age group in our congregation, every area of ministry is busy making the activities happen. This column written by Bill Jesse, Executive Director, gives an account of some of the specifics that are handled in the church office. Our hope is that it will inform you of some of the essential, and oftentimes, fun details of running the church. Besides, it may cause you to smile and think, "Wow, I didn't know that!"



Bill Jesse

### Bus Stop

Do you ever wonder about the buses at Gloria Dei? Two DART bus routes begin at Gloria Dei, the east/west route runs on Aurora Avenue and the north/south route runs on 86th Street. There are also two buses that run on an on-call basis.

DART rents 70 parking spots from Gloria Dei and pays a usage fee to us. We rarely have issues with allowing the parking and the DART group has been excellent in working with us. The only time we had a conflict was during Christmas Eve services, but even then, there were only minor parking inconveniences.

### Tiny Treasures

There are 108 children enrolled in our Tiny Treasures preschool—three classes for three-year-olds, two classes for four-year-olds, and two classes for prekindergartners. The children are under the supervision of Director Jo Lynn Yeutsy and her staff consisting of six teachers and two office assistants. All of the teachers work part-time with four of the teachers working less than 30 hours a week and two teachers working less than 20 hours per week. The office assistants also work part-time.

Recently, Tiny Treasures was awarded a Certificate of Accreditation from the National Lutheran School Accreditation team. This makes Tiny Treasures one of the few accredited preschools in Iowa District West. Thanks to the work of former director, Terry Steinke, the staff and the preschool Ministry Action Team during the previous year, Jo Lynn accepted the award during a presentation last month.

### Full-time staff:

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## Gloria Dei now accepts online payment

In a response to inquiries about paying online, Gloria Dei now has the capabilities of using a secure online payment process for online giving, missions, building fees; and fees associated with our preschool, Kindermusik, summer camps, dance classes, and other seasonal events. In addition, confirmation, youth gatherings and mission trip fees can now be paid online by using debit cards, Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express and online pay-by-check.

The process is easy and secure. All you need to do is to go to our Web site and click on the online giving link. This takes you to Vanco's secure Web site, the same provider of our Simply Giving electronic funds transfer program.

For more specific questions, please contact Shari Smith at 278-5544, ext. 202.

Please note: Our online payments and online registrations will need to be filled out separately. For example, if you plan to attend the Gingerbread Tea, then you will need to register online and then proceed to the online payment site.

## Altar flowers



The flowers on the altar on Sunday, Nov. 8 are in celebration of:

- The 45th wedding anniversary of Jared and Mary Walter on Nov. 6.

## Servers

### Officiant/Liturgist:

*Northwind (FLC):*

Rev. Ron Burcham

*7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):*

Rev. Tim Phillips

*9 a.m. (Sanctuary):*

Rev. Tim Phillips

*9 a.m. (FLC):*

Rev. Philip Robarge

*10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)*

Rev. Ron Burcham

### Preacher:

Rev. Ron Burcham

### Organist:

Kathy Stange

### Acolytes:

*7:45 a.m.:*

Stevie Watts

*9 a.m.:*

Ross Miller

*10:30 a.m.:*

Noah Betten

### Elders:

Devin Wren

Ken Meythaler

Gary Wasko

### Ushers:

**Northwind**

Brett Hosch

**7:45 a.m.**

Gordon Dahlby

Bob Kollmorgen

Merle Knuth

### 9 a.m.

Tom Feldotto

Dennis Appelhons

Bryan Flanigan

Eric Hoffman

Jason Hoffman

Bill Kramer

Shane Love

Doug Mertz

Keith Nicolet

Dave Schramm

Paul Rusch

### 10:30 a.m.

Doug Fuller

Clayton Linquist

Ed Mautz

### Scripture Readings:

Ecclesiastes 5:10-12 and Luke 12:13-21 (NIV)

## 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 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 Jared and Mary Walter celebrating their anniversary
- For the marriage of Amy Phillips and Jerrod Luetje

## Prayers

- For Shirley Nuzum recovering from a fall at Methodist Hospital
- For Zac Duncalf recovering from a cold and fever at Blank Hospital
- For AJ Mazza recovering from a trampoline accident
- For Fred Sturdevant recovering from surgery at Fountain West
- For the care concerns of Len Daib
- For the comfort of Minnie Baker, mother of Jane Meythaler
- For Sheila Oolman, recovering from knee replacement surgery
- For Marvin Vinsand, recovering from knee replacement surgery
- For the health of Richard Fastenau
- For missionary Steve Lutz in Papua, New Guinea
- For grieving families of Fort Hood

## Prayer ministry team

If you are interested in joining the prayer ministry team, please e-mail [tphillips@gloriadeionline.com](mailto:tphillips@gloriadeionline.com) with your name, e-mail address and phone number.

## Christmas at Gloria Dei

We are excited as we enter into the Christmas season at Gloria Dei. Please mark your calendar for the following events:

Youth ministry presents:



*Friday, Nov. 20 at 6 p.m.  
Saturday, Nov. 21 at 6 p.m.  
Sunday, Nov. 22 at 5 p.m.*

Tickets on sale in the narthex  
Adults: \$10  
Children (ages 12 and under): \$5  
Free childcare available.

Dinner choices: hamburger or  
chicken breast sandwiches.

## Giving Tree

**Pick up a tag today!** We want to give to those in need during the holiday season. Join us as we reach out by purchasing gifts to be given to families in need.

All you have to do is:

1. Visit our giving trees located in the Narthex and Gathering Place.
2. Pick a tag(s) and purchase the item(s) on the list.
3. Wrap the item(s).
4. Securely attach the tag(s) to the outside of the package(s).
5. Return the item(s) to either tree no later than Sunday, Dec. 6.
6. Pray for families in need.
7. Gather your friends, family, neighbors or co-workers and adopt an entire family!



Share with God's people who are in need. Romans 12:13

If you are interested in adopting an entire family, or have any questions concerning the mission, please contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.

## Surviving the Holidays

**Thursday, Nov. 19 from 6-8 p.m.** This evening will help those who have recently experienced a death of a loved one or a divorce by providing a warm meal, fellowship and support. Call Pastor Phillips at 275-5544, ext. 204 for more information.

## In the First Light

Plans are underway for the Advent by Candlelight, "In the First Light," to be held Monday, Nov. 30 at 6:30 p.m. Ladies of the congregation are invited to host a table for this annual event. As a hostess, you decorate a table in the Family Life Center, prepare a dessert and invite friends to join you for an evening of candlelight, fellowship and preparation for the Advent season. Each hostess is asked to pay \$10 for their table to help defray expenses. A musical program will be offered by GodZ GuyZ with songs and scripture that reflect on the Advent season. The Alleluia Ringers will also provide handbell music for the evening. Stop by the display in the narthex and sign up for your table today! If you have questions, contact Lynn Hays at 278-1502 or pal4075@msn.com.



## Buy cookie dough this weekend

Stop by the display in the Family Life Center Nov. 7 and 14 and in the narthex Nov. 8 and 15 to order cookie dough from Tiny Treasures. Proceeds will go toward helping the Duncalf family as Zac continues treatment for leukemia and lymphoma.



Zac and Monica Duncalf

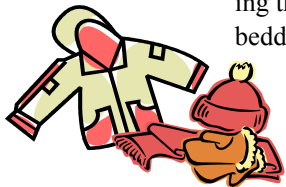
## Thanksgiving services

**Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 6:30 p.m. or Thursday, Nov. 26 at 9:30 a.m.**

Mark your calendars and join us as we reflect on God's blessings during our Thanksgiving services.

## Clothing needed

We are sponsoring a clothing drive for refugee families who are facing their first winter in Iowa. All gently-used bedding and clothing for infants through adults are needed. Please drop off the clothing in the "clothing for refugee families" box in the narthex. If you have any questions, call Norma Rohn at 250-6825.



## Offering counters needed

Gloria Dei is in need of volunteers to count the Sunday offering following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. If you are interested, please contact Bill Jesse at 276-1700.

## Scrapbook Fellowship

It's that time again! Join us for Scrapbook Fellowship on Friday, Nov. 13 between 8:30 a.m. and 11 p.m. Come and go as your schedule allows. Childcare: If you need childcare, contact Carol Wenndt by Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 306-4352 (phone or text) with the date, times (start and finish) as well as the number of children.

## Gloria Dei Quilters

Join us Saturday, Nov. 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring a sack lunch and any item on which you would like to work. Stay all day or only for a short time—whatever your schedule allows. For more information, contact Norma Rohn at 253-0523.

## Desserts Needed

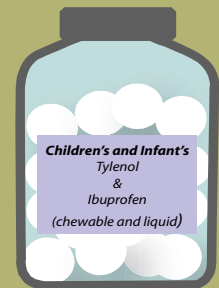
Fancy desserts are needed for the dinner theater auction Nov. 20-22. If interested in baking a delicious dessert, contact Elaine at 276-1700, ext. 218.

## Honduras news Mission Meeting

Is God tugging at your heart to help those in a foreign land? Why not check out the possibilities of going to Honduras June 26 to July 3, 2010. An informational meeting for the 2010 Honduras trip will be Wednesday Nov. 11 at 7:30 p.m. at church.

## November's collection

The Honduras mission team is collecting children's and infant's Tylenol and ibuprofen (chewable and liquid). Please drop them off in the Honduras mission trip box in the narthex.



## LWML Circles

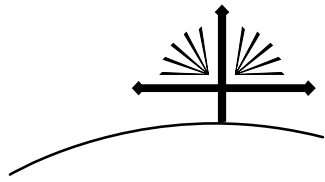
**Naomi Circle** will meet Thursday, Nov. 12 at 9:30 a.m. at Panera Bread, 4150 Westown Parkway, West Des Moines.

**Ruth Circle** will meet Monday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. in the home of Mary Jo Miller, 4725 71st Street, Urbandale.

**Mary Esther Circle** will meet Thursday, Nov. 12 at 9 a.m. in the home of Hazel Schroedel, 5212 Cody Dr., West Des Moines.

**Miriam Circle** will be held Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. in the home of Kim Walker, 1800 SE Jacob St., Grimes, 986-5370. **Please note: A carpool will travel from the church parking lot at 6:30 p.m. to Kim's house.**

**Rebekah Circle** will meet Thursday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m. in the home of Lois Appelhons, 4519 96th St., Urbandale.



# Welcome New Members!



Bob and Darcy Bowers



Greg and Jen Carstensen  
(Not pictured - Verity,  
Olson and Kenniasty)



Adam and Samuel Dunker  
and Devi Spencer



Jeff and Lori Eubanks  
Lucas (Not pictured - Nate  
and Kaleb Evans)



Casey and Tonia Heath



Emily Holliday



Becky Hueser  
(Not pictured - Matt,  
Sophia and Tommy)



Billy and Nicki Hummel  
Evelyn and Madison



Matthew Kessler and Erin  
Braak



Stephanie Knop



James and Mindy McGaha  
(Not pictured - David and  
Natalie)



John and Renee McPhee



Mark and Jeanine Mixdorf  
Lance and Megan



Richard and Phyllis Nace



Julie Owen



Rev. Philip and Heather  
Robarge  
Kaitlyn and Tyson



Tom and Kathy Rosskopf  
Matthew



Justin and Jennifer Sands  
(Not pictured - Micah)



Marilyn Scroggins



Travis and Sara Simpson



Douglas and Shari Smith  
Scott and Sarah



Jolynn Soderberg  
(Not pictured - Alex and  
Allison)

**W**e welcome our newest members to Gloria Dei. We are thankful for each of their lives. We pray that their experiences at Gloria Dei will enrich their relationship with Christ.

## Upcoming Membership Classes

If you are visiting and would like to join the Gloria Dei family, please check out the following classes:

**New to the Lutheran Faith?**

**Join us on Thursday, Jan. 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 6:30-8 p.m.**

We will cover the basics of our beliefs and be encouraged to develop our faith in God. If childcare is needed, please indicate this when registering. Register online at [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com).

**Want to become a member?**

**Sunday, Feb. 28, 2010 from 3-6:30 p.m.**

If you are transferring from another Lutheran church or have taken the Discovery 101 class, join us for an interactive event. You'll meet the staff, get an overview of our ministry, meet each other and enjoy a delicious meal. Register online at [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com).

## Christmas program preparations underway

**Come and join us!** A travelin' we will go from country to country to hear the amazing story of Christmas told around the world. The Christmas program, "Savior of the Nations," will be presented by preschool, elementary, junior and senior high school youth Sunday, Dec. 13 at 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. The program will begin in the Sanctuary with a visit to the United States and then travel to the various program sites around the church – Africa, Asia and Central America.

Practices are underway. All children and youth are welcome and encouraged to participate!

### Rehearsal Lunch

Please join us from 11:15-12:45 for a sloppy-joe lunch. Cost: all ages are \$2.

### Program Times:

All preschool and elementary children who have last names A-L will be in the 3 p.m. program.

All preschool and elementary children who have last names M-Z will be in the 5 p.m. program.

### Rehearsal Times:

Rehearsals are: Sundays, Nov. 8, 15, 22, Dec. 6 and Saturday, Dec. 12.

### Elementary Rehearsal Times: 12-12:45 p.m. for Last Names A-L

K-2nd grades rehearse in room 130.  
3rd-5th grades rehearse in the FLC.

### Elementary Rehearsal Times: 12:45-1:30 p.m. for Last Names M-Z

K-2nd Grades rehearse in room 130.  
3rd-5th Grades rehearse in the FLC.

### Preschool:

12-12:45 p.m. – All preschoolers rehearse in Youth Center.

### Christmas program art room open

Lots of art will be created for the Christmas Program, including ornaments for multi-cultural trees in room 131/33. Come in and paint, glue, bead, fold and design your artwork before or after program rehearsals. The room is open from noon to 1:30 for several weeks.



Come &  
join us  
this  
week!

## Fever Free for 24

With the flu season upon us and our constant efforts to keep as many children as possible away from the yuck, please follow the rules set for school when determining whether or not to send your kids back to church: Children should be symptom and fever free for at least 24 hours before coming into a classroom or the nursery. Thanks for helping to keep all of our young people healthy.

### Midweek Meal

Wednesdays from 5-5:45 p.m.

Nov. 11 - Meatloaf

Nov. 18 - Baked Potato Bar

\$4 per adult and \$2 per child or youth  
(2 and under eat free).



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## Junior and Senior High

### Dinner Theaters (grades 7-12)

Rehearsal Sunday, Nov. 8 from  
1:30-3 p.m.

Don't forget the rehearsal for  
"Christmas at Uncle Phil's" showing  
on Nov. 20-22.

### Tickets on Sale

Tickets on sale in the narthex;  
adults - \$10 and children - \$5.  
Childcare is available for free.

### Dinner Choices

Dinner choices: hamburger or  
chicken breast

### Showtimes

Friday, Nov. 20 at 6 p.m.  
Saturday, Nov. 21 at 6 p.m.  
Sunday, Nov. 22 at 5 p.m.

## Christmas Program Grades 8-12

Our Christmas program will be Sun-  
day, Dec. 13 at 3 and 5 p.m.

Rehearsals will be Sundays, Nov. 8,  
15, 22, Dec. 6 and Saturday, Dec.  
12 from 12 to 1:30 p.m.

## Junior High Grades 6-8

### Sunday: Castaway

We offer a junior high educational time, Castaway, on Saturdays  
at 5:50 p.m. and Sundays at 9:20 and 10:50 a.m. in the Youth  
Center.

### Main Focus: Once upon a time - Parables of Jesus

Nov. 7 and 8: Dinner Party (Luke 14:16-24)  
Nov. 14 and 15: The Two Houses (Matthew 7:24-27)  
Nov. 21 and 22: The Unforgiving Sinner (Matthew 18:21-35)  
Nov. 28 and 29: No Castaway  
Dec. 5 and 6: The Vineyard Workers (Matthew 20:1-16)

### The Blitz

We will meet Friday, Nov. 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the church. Adults  
can pick up their children Saturday, Nov. 14 at 8 a.m. at Incred-  
ible Pizza, 3799 NW 86th Street, Urbandale.

## Senior High Grades 9-12

### Sunday mornings

#### Sundays from 9-10 a.m.

Join us as we discuss and study relevant issues for high school  
youth. Meets in room 114.

### Senior High Café 923

Join us Sunday from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

### The Point

**Wednesdays in the Youth Center at 6 p.m.** Wednesday  
evenings will be a time when senior high students can gather  
with friends and study, discuss, and experience some hot topics  
from the Bible that are relevant to teens today.

### Topic: The "S" Word

Nov. 11: Why God Created Sex (Genesis 2)  
Nov. 18: Risky Side of Sex (1 Corinthians 6)  
Nov. 25: No Point  
Dec. 2: Forgiveness from God (Colossians 2)  
Dec. 9: White Elephant Christmas Party

### Senior High Urban Plunge

#### January 8-10.

Sign-up sheet on youth bulletin board. Deadline to sign up is  
Dec. 13.

# Week of Nov. 7-14, 2009

## Saturday, Nov. 7

8:00 a.m. Fall Outdoor Cleanup  
 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship  
 9:00 a.m. 12 Doughs of Christmas  
 4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal  
 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion  
 5:50 p.m. Grace Place  
 5:50 p.m. Castaway

## Sunday, Nov. 8

7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary  
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary  
 9:00 a.m. H3 Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion  
 9:00 a.m. Senior High Bible Study  
 9:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study - God Heard Their Cry  
 9:20 a.m. Grace Place  
 9:20 a.m. Castaway  
 9:20 a.m. Lifelight Bible Study  
 9:20 a.m. Worship Team Warm-up  
 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study - God Heard Their Cry  
 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary  
 10:50 a.m. Grace Place  
 10:50 a.m. Castaway  
 11:15 a.m. Christmas Program Lunch  
 12:00 p.m. Christmas Program Practice  
 1:00 p.m. Special Wave  
 1:30 p.m. Christmas Program Set Building  
 1:30 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal  
 3:30 p.m. Senior High Café 923  
 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

## Monday, Nov. 9

9:30 a.m. Kindermusik Village  
 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connection a.m.  
 3:45 p.m. Mt. Olive Basketball Practice  
 4:30 p.m. Kindermusik Young Child  
 6:00 p.m. Beginning Ballet/Creative Movement  
 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connection p.m.  
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training  
 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision  
 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball  
 6:45 p.m. Creative Dance 1  
 7:00 p.m. Urbandale Swim Club Meeting

Worship	Attendance	Communion
Northwind	133	
7:45 a.m.	174	152
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	331	250
9 a.m. (FLC)	94	
10:30 a.m.	224	190
<b>Total</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>592</b>

## Tuesday, Nov. 10

2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study  
 3:45 p.m. Mt. Olive Basketball  
 5:00 p.m. Boys Basketball Practice  
 6:00 p.m. Kindergarten and 2nd Grade Girl Scouts  
 6:00 p.m. Governing Board Meeting  
 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik Imagine That  
 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik Our Time  
 6:30 p.m. Co-ed Volleyball  
 7:00 p.m. Thrivent Board Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

## Wednesday, Nov. 11

10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study  
 10:00 a.m. Kindermusik Family Time  
 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal  
 5:30 p.m. Music Alive  
 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Classes  
 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive  
 6:00 p.m. The Point - Senior High  
 6:15 p.m. Parenting Families Bible Study  
 6:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Alleluia Ringers  
 6:15 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal  
 7:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale  
 7:30 p.m. Honduras Mission Informational Meeting  
 7:30 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal

## Thursday, Nov. 12

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers  
 2:00 p.m. Children's Celebration Choir  
 6:00 p.m. Care Night  
 6:30 p.m. Discovery 101  
 6:30 p.m. Military Support Group

## Friday, Nov. 13

8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship  
 5:00 p.m. Jennifer Reiter and Scott Froehlich Rehearsal  
 7:30 p.m. Junior High Event - The Blitz

## Saturday, Nov. 14

8:30 a.m. Gloria Dei Quilters  
 4:00 p.m. Jennifer Reiter and Scott Froehlich Wedding  
 4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal  
 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in Family Life Center  
 5:50 p.m. Grace Place  
 5:50 p.m. Castaway  
 7:30 p.m. Junior High Blitz

Outpouring of Love Second Quarter (Oct.-Dec.)	
General Fund Offerings	\$33,027
Second QTD Offering	\$165,397
Second QTD Budget	\$173,601

# Week of Nov. 15-21, 2009

## Sunday, Nov. 15

- 7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 9:00 a.m. H3 Worship Service in Family Life Center
- 9:00 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study - God Heard Their Cry
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Castaway
- 9:20 a.m. Lifelight Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Worship Team Warm-up
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study - God Heard Their Cry
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 10:50 a.m. Castaway
- 11:15 a.m. Christmas Program Lunch
- 12:00 p.m. Christmas Program Practice
- 1:00 p.m. Special Wave
- 1:30 p.m. Christmas Program Set Building
- 1:30 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Leadership Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

## Monday, Nov. 16

- 9:30 a.m. Kindermusik Village
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connection a.m.
- 3:45 p.m. Mt. Olive Basketball Practice
- 4:30 p.m. Kindermusik Young Child
- 6:00 p.m. Beginning Ballet/Creative Movement
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connection p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner Theater Tech Rehearsal
- 6:45 p.m. Creative Dance 1

## Tuesday, Nov. 17

- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 3:45 p.m. Mt. Olive Basketball
- 5:00 p.m. Boys Basketball Practice

## Tuesday, Nov. 17 (continued)

- 6:00 p.m. Urbandale Community Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik Imagine That
- 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik Our Time
- 6:30 p.m. Co-ed Volleyball
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

## Wednesday, Nov. 18

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Kindermusik Family Time
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 5:30 p.m. Music Alive
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Classes
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:15 p.m. Parenting Families Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Alleluia Ringers
- 6:15 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 7:30 p.m. Dinner Theater Dress Rehearsal

## Thursday, Nov. 19

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitches
- 12:00 p.m. Urbandale Ministerial Luncheon Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Children's Celebration Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Urbandale Community Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Discovery 101
- 6:30 p.m. Surviving the Holidays

## Friday, Nov. 20

- 5:30 p.m. Meggan Samuelson and Michael Jones Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Uncle Phil's Christmas Dinner Theater

## Saturday, Nov. 21

- 3:00 p.m. Meggan Samuelson and Michael Jones Wedding
- 4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place
- 5:50 p.m. Castaway
- 6:00 p.m. Uncle Phil's Christmas Dinner Theater

Last Week's Educational Attendance				
	Sat. 5:50 p.m.	Sun. 9:20 a.m.	Sun. 10:50 a.m.	Wednesday
Preschool	4	26	21	25
Elementary	18	75	33	105
<b>Total Children</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>130</b>
Junior High	4	31	10	66
Senior High		15		33
<b>Total Youth</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>99</b>

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

If you are new to Gloria Dei, welcome! Please take some time to get to know us. We have lots of programs and activities for you and your family. If you have any questions, please ask any of our members or stop by the Information Center.

## Weekend Worship Services

### Northwind Contemporary Worship Service

**Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center:** This come-as-you-are service offers high-energy worship, and an educational time for the children and youth at 5:50 p.m.

### Traditional Worship Service

**Sundays at 7:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary:** Join us in this classical Lutheran worship service that utilizes all three liturgies from the new Lutheran Service Book. Children and youth are invited to a 9:20 a.m. educational time.

### Traditional Worship Service

**Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Sanctuary:** Our classical Lutheran worship makes use of written and free-flow liturgy with traditional hymns. Approximately 20 minutes into the service, children and youth are invited to an educational time.

### H-3 Family Worship Service

**Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Family Life Center:** This casual atmosphere where families are encouraged to worship with lively hymns and praise music. Approximately 20 minutes into the service, children and youth are invited to an educational time.

### Contemporary Worship

**Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary:** This service offers high-energy worship using contemporary Christian songs and praise music. Approximately 20 minutes into the service, children and youth are invited to an educational time.

## 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 when they are upset or crying.

### Activities throughout the Week

We have lots of activities for the entire family throughout the week and would love for you to join us. Please check our Web site for the activities and times.

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## Weekly Bible Reading: Ecclesiastes 5:10-12

Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless. As goods increase, so do those who consume them. And what benefit are they to the owner except to feast his eyes on them? The sleep of a laborer is sweet, whether he eats little or much, but the abundance of a rich man permits him no sleep.

## 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.

## Gloria Dei Weekend Worship Times

**Saturday Evening:** 5:30 Northwind Contemporary

**Sunday Morning:** 7:45 Traditional • 9:00 Traditional • 9:00 H3 Service • 10:30 Contemporary

**Grace Place:** Saturday at 5:50 p.m. and Sundays 9:20 and 10:50 a.m.

• Staffed nursery from 8 a.m.-noon