



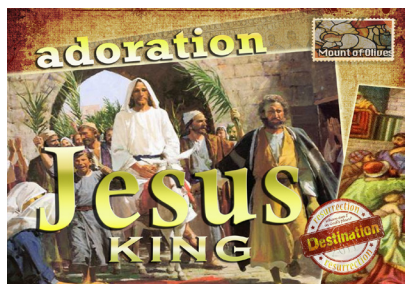
# WEEKLY WORD

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April 16 and 17, 2011 | Palm Sunday

## A Week Leading Up to Easter

Today, traditionally known as Palm Sunday, we see Jesus receiving praise from a crowd as he rides into Jerusalem. They recognize him as king, but his kingdom far exceeds a temporary one on earth. His kingdom is eternal; his battlefield is Golgotha; and his weapon is the cross.



As you leave worship today, make a commitment to join us Maundy Thursday and Good Friday as we reflect on the events, which preceded and ended at the cross.

### Worship Services on Maundy Thursday, April 21

“Were You There? When He Gave Us the Lord’s Supper?”

As Jesus gathered his disciples to celebrate the Passover, he shared a meal that would proclaim the heart of the Gospel.

- 12:15 p.m. Traditional (Sanctuary)
- 6 p.m. Traditional (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 p.m. Contemporary-blend (Sanctuary)

### Worship Services on Good Friday, April 22

“Were You There? When He was Laid in the Tomb?”

Joseph of Arimathea secretly claimed Jesus’ body because he was afraid. Does his fear resonate with us? Are there times when we fear to proclaim the Lord’s death?

- 12:15 p.m. Traditional (Sanctuary)
- 4:30 p.m. H3 (Family Life Center)
- 6 p.m. Traditional (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 p.m. Contemporary-blend (Sanctuary)

## Easter at Gloria Dei

For fifteen weeks we have journeyed through the Old Testament through our Destination Resurrection message series. In January, we began with Adam and Eve’s fall in paradise; next week, we will see how paradise was restored through the death and resurrection of the Savior of mankind, the Lord Jesus Christ. Come, invite your friends and neighbors to celebrate the paradise that has been restored.

### Easter Worship on Saturday, April 23

- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary (Family Life Center)
- 7 p.m. Contemporary-blend (Sanctuary)

### Easter Worship on Sunday, April 24

- 8 a.m. Traditional (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Traditional (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. H3 (Family Life Center)
- 11 a.m. Contemporary (Sanctuary)



## Shuttle service for Easter

Help us to graciously host our guests on Easter by parking at the Urbandale Middle School. A shuttle will be available to take you and your family from the Urbandale Middle School to the front entrance of the church on Easter Sunday from 6:30 a.m. until 12:15 p.m.

### Confirmation- May 1 at 10:30 a.m.

We have 40 junior high youth who will profess their faith Sunday, May 1 at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

#### Please note

Since the Confirmation Service will be held in the Sanctuary, the Contemporary 10:30 a.m. Worship Service on May 1 will be held in the Family Life Center.

#### Parking

If possible, please park in the west end of our parking lot, this will allow more room near the Sanctuary for our Confirmands and their families.

## Children’s Ministry

### Wednesdays

School year Faith Alive has concluded until the fall; however we have two major activities that your children can participate in:

#### Patriotic Concert

#### Children’s Choir

We run our Patriotic Concert Children’s Choir rehearsals like a camp. Feel free to join us May 18 to June 22 from 6-7 p.m.

#### Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Join us on Wednesday evenings in July from 6-8 p.m.

#### Weekends

School year Grace Place will not meet April 23 and 24; will resume for their last day on April 30 and May 1.

Summer Grace place will be held from June 4-5 to July 30-31.

## Mapleton Relief

We are collecting a special offering this weekend to help the Mapleton relief effort. See page 3 for more details.

## Year-to-date financial update

The following year-to-date conveys our financial standing as of March 31, 2011.

### Giving offering compared to prior year

Offering income shows an increase of \$32,672 or 2.78% compared to last year-to-date.

Jul '09 - Jun '10	Jul '10 - Jun '11	DIFFERENCE +/-	% Incr/-Decr
1,176,184	1,208,856	32,672	2.78%

### Budgeted giving offering

Offering income shows a decrease of \$69,144 or 5.41% of our estimated budget.

Jul '10 - Jun '11	BUDGETED	OVER/(UNDER)	% Incr/-Decr
1,208,856	1,278,000	(69,144)	-5.41%

### Total income compared to prior year

Total income, which includes giving, preschool tuition, building usage fees and other small revenue items, shows an increase of \$56,441 or 4.34% compared to last year-to-date.

Jul '09 - Jun '10	Jul '10 - Jun '11	DIFFERENCE +/-	% Incr/-Decr
1,300,811	1,357,252	56,441	4.34%

### Budgeted total income

Total income shows a decrease of \$71,429 or 5.00% of our estimated budget.

Jul '10 - Jun '11	BUDGETED	OVER/(UNDER)	% Incr/-Decr
1,357,252	1,428,681	(71,429)	-5.00%

### Expenses compared to prior year

Expenses show an increase of \$39,938 or 3.10% compared to last year-to-date.

Jul '09 - Jun '10	Jul '10 - Jun '11	DIFFERENCE +/-	% Incr/-Decr
1,287,926	1,327,864	39,938	3.10%

### Budgeted expenses

Expenses show a decrease of \$88,802 or 6.27% of our estimated budget.

Jul '10 - Jun '11	BUDGETED	OVER/(UNDER)	% Incr/-Decr
1,327,864	1,416,666	(88,802)	-6.27%

### Additional information

Total income exceeds total expenses by \$29,388 for the first three quarters of the fiscal-year. We are living within our means; however, due to the fairly consistent 5% budgeted income shortage, we are continually searching for ways to reduce expenses in all ministry areas. In many cases, programming either has been scaled back or new programming has not started; and building and grounds maintenance has been put on hold until the next fiscal year. More information concerning this issue is being compiled to be shared with the congregation at a future date. If you have any questions, contact Bill Jesse, Executive Director at 278-5544, ext. 217.



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For a complete staff listing: go to our Web site at: [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com)

## The Iowa Prayer Breakfast

The fiftieth annual Iowa Prayer Breakfast with state and community leaders will be held Thursday, April 21 from 7:15-8:45 a.m. at the Polk County Convention Complex, 501 Grand Ave., Des Moines. Brannon Howse will speak on "Put Your Beliefs to the Test." For breakfast registration information or questions, call 515-223-1500 by April 13. Tickets cost \$10 for students and \$20 for adults.

## Help those in Mapleton

We are receiving a special offering this weekend for St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Mapleton, Iowa, which is actively helping their community recover from the tornado that destroyed 100 homes on April 9.

The following is an update from Rev. Paul Sieveking, Iowa District West President:

St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Mapleton has been a beacon of hope in a part of the community that was hardest hit. Although it was first thought that the building had received little damage, it now appears that there may be more extensive structural damage.

IOWAY Director, Ellie Menz has been working with Vacancy Pastor Klaus Raab and members of St. Matthew to organize the relief effort. Every member of the congregation has been contacted to assess their needs. At this point, it appears eight families lost everything. In the community, approximately 100 houses were destroyed. In the short term no one is homeless, but there will be long-term housing issues in the community.

Pastor Raab and members of St. Matthew have been offering spiritual comfort and physical help to those whose lives have been impacted. Jamie Nutt, Lutheran Family Service, has been offering counseling and a listening ear.

If you would like to help, place your check or cash into the enclosed special offering envelope. Please remember to write your envelope number on the label; your special offering will be included on your annual statement. If you are writing a check, put "Mapleton Relief" on the memo line.

You can also donate online by going to our Web site at [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com) and click on "Mapleton Relief" link. Please type in Mapleton relief on the "other" line under donations.

In addition, Gloria Dei is forming teams to help the community. If you are interested, contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.

We appreciate your prayers and support as we help those in need.

### Servers

**Officiant/Liturgist:**

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

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Rev. Tim Phillips

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

9 a.m. (FLC):  
Rev. Phil Robarge

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Rev. Ron Burcham

**Preacher:**

Rev. Ron Burcham

**Organist:**

Lynn Hays

**Acolytes:**

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Sydney Olson

9 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Sara Feldotto

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Ben Onsrud

**Scripture Reading:**

Luke 19:28-40 (NIV)

**Hospitality Team**

**Northwind**  
Team Three

**7:45 a.m.**  
Team Three

**9 a.m.**  
Team Two

**9 a.m. (FLC)**  
Kory and Penny  
Schramm and Family  
Justin and Jennifer  
Sands and Family

**10:30 a.m.**  
Team Three

### Let's pray!

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 our children and youth who continue to reach grow in the Lord

### Prayers

**For the health of:**

- Addison Blythe
- Brandon Smith
- Gene Osby
- Elaine Klinefelter
- Janet Hasstedt
- Marjorie, Penny and Patricia Peters
- Sarah Fries
- Brenda Barron
- Michael Sauke
- Olivia Illg
- Lucy Shirley

**And for:**

- For the people of Japan and Libya
- For the people of Mapleton, Iowa
- All of our military and workers serving around the world specifically for Tom Kennedy, Nat Wunsch, Matt Price, Joe Phillips, Jeremy Strachan, Scott LeClair, Eric Lampe, Chad Stone, Craig Scott, Joshua Phillips and Trent Lumley

### Prayer team

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

## Worship Survey

Last March, the congregation took a 14-question survey for the purpose of gathering feedback to help the worship ministry staff determine the effectiveness of the services, the major influences affecting attendance and the preferred worship service times.

### From the responses of the worshippers who regularly attend the 7:45 a.m. service, we discovered:

If the service times were moved from 7:45 to 8 and 9 to 9:30 and 10:30 to 11 a.m.:

- 57.7% of the worshippers liked the potential change.
- 10.3% did not like the change.
- 32.1% stated the change did not matter to them.

The influences for choosing the 7:45 a.m. service was:

- 39.7% chose convenient time as their number one influence.
- 38.6% chose music style as their number two influence.
- 35.9% chose liturgy style as the next highest influence.

### From the responses from those worshippers who regularly attend the 9 a.m. service, we discovered:

If the service times were moved from 7:45 to 8 and 9 to 9:30 and 10:30 to 11 a.m.:

- 40.5% of the worshippers liked the potential change.
- 23.3% did not like the change.
- 36.3% stated the change did not matter to them.

The top three influences for choosing the 9 a.m. service:

- 51.8% chose convenient time as their number one influence.
- 29.5% chose liturgy style as their number two influence.
- 26.7% chose music style as the next highest influence.

### From the responses from those worshippers who regularly attend the 10:30 a.m. service, we discovered:

If the service times were moved from 7:45 to 8 and 9 to 9:30 and 10:30 to 11 a.m.:

- 19% of the worshippers liked the potential change.
- 50% did not like the change.
- 31% stated the change did not matter to them.

The top three influences for choosing the 10:30 a.m. service:

- 37.3% chose music style as their number one influence.
- 34% chose music style as their number two influence.
- 33.3% chose convenient time as the next highest influence.

The Elders reviewed the data and concluded leaving the service times at 7:45, 9 and 10:30 a.m. is the preferred option because the survey indicated that convenient times were the number one influence for the majority of our worshippers.

If you have further questions, please contact  
Bill Jesse at 278-5544, ext. 217.

## 30 Hour Famine

Last weekend, 50 youth and 6 adult leaders fasted and learned about the hunger of the world, specifically in Haiti. The weekend included a presentation from John Donnelly, a short-term missionary from Haiti and Neal Bunn from Freedom for Youth; small-group time that highlighted some of the individual children who are affected by hunger in Haiti; a trip to Sports Plex West; an outreach with Joppa Ministry that cleaned two homeless camps, a canvassing from the neighborhood to collect food for Freedom for Youth. In total, the youth collected 1,658 items for Freedom for Youth and raised \$11,000 for World Vision, which works with 99 impoverished countries.

A special thank you to all the parents, the ministry partners and all those who contributed to the 30 Hour Famine. It is a privilege to partner with you in reaching out to the world. ~ Kim Phillips, 30 Hour Famine Leader





## Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

### Parents of Teens' Bible Study

**Sunday, April 17 from 9-10 a.m. in room 134**  
April 17 - "Helping Your Teen Grow Spiritually"

### NAGU/Senior High Leadership Meeting

**Sunday, April 17 from 5:30-7 p.m.**

If you are interested in joining the NAGU leadership team, plan to attend the meeting and dinner.

### Confirmation Rehearsal and Pictures

**Wednesday, April 27 at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

Remember to bring your picture and CD order. No jeans or tennis shoes for this event. Please be at church by 5:30 p.m.

### Confirmation Sunday, May 1:

Youth need to be in the Youth Center at 10 a.m. May 1.

### Ignite Welcome Event (Grades 8-12)

**Friday, May 13 at 6 p.m. to Saturday, May 14 at 1 p.m.** This event is to welcome 8th graders into the senior high youth group. The cost is \$25. Sign up sheet is on the youth bulletin board. Sign up and payment deadline is Sunday, May 8.

## Junior high (6-8)

**Castaway: Sunday from 9-10 a.m. Spring/summer schedule:** Castaway will not meet Sunday, April 24 - May 29; will resume June 5.

## Senior high (8-12)

**The Point: Wednesday from 6-7:15 p.m.**

**Spring/summer schedule:**

The Point will not meet April 20, 27 and May 4, but will resume May 11 and run throughout the summer.

**Senior High Bible Study:**

**Sunday from 9-10 a.m.**

**Spring/summer schedule:**

We will not meet April 24 and throughout the summer; will resume in the fall.

**Recognition dinner**

**Wednesday, May 4 at 6 p.m.**

Graduating seniors and their families are invited to a recognition dinner and program. RSVP to Lisa at [lisa@gloriadeionline.com](mailto:lisa@gloriadeionline.com) by April 20.

## The Wave

**Grades 3-5: Sunday, April 17 from 2-3:30 p.m.**

Participate in the "Amazing Race" based out of Gloria Dei.



We will form six teams to travel to amazing places and do amazing things. We can't tell you all the activities, but we can tell you'll be put in zany

situations with a group of your zany friends.

So, be brave, be daring and join us. **Help needed:** We need an adult chaperone for each team; want to join the race? If so, call DeAnn at 278-5544, ext. 207 or show up.

## Summer Camps

Do your children like art? How about science? How about your preschool girls learning how to think like a princess? Or how about going back in time at one of our Girls in "Her" Story Camp? We have lots of camps, and lots of fun planned for this summer. Want more information, grab a Summer Camps booklet at the Welcome Centers or go online at [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com).

## Diana's Angels

**Monday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m.**

Diana's Angels will meet at Christ the King, 600 1st Ave. N., Altoona. They will make patterns and assemble packets. Seamstresses are needed for baby clothes; knitters and crocheters are needed for booties, caps and blankets. If you have questions, contact Ann Carrick at 789-9504.

## Ruth Harbor

Ruth Harbor is hosting its annual Walk for Life on May 7 at 9:30 a.m. For more information on participating in the walk or sponsoring a walker, go to [ruthharbor.org](http://ruthharbor.org).

## Discovery 101

**Thursday, May 5-May 26 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.** This informal class is for all who are new to the Lutheran faith. You will learn the basics of our beliefs and be encouraged to develop your faith in God. To register, please go to our adult page on our Web site at [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com). If you would like to use the childcare services we offer, please indicate this when you register.

# Week of April 16-23, 2011

## Saturday, April 16

- 7:30 a.m. Tiny Treasures' Consignment Sale
- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 8:30 a.m. Gloria Dei Quilters
- 1:00 p.m. Baby Shower
- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

## Sunday, April 17- Palm Sunday

- 7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 7:45 a.m. H3 Worship Practice
- 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. Castaway
- 9:00 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Parents of Teens Bible Study
- 9:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Lifelight Adult Bible Study
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Infusion Contemporary Worship Service with Communion
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 2:00 p.m. Chapel at Emeritus of Urbandale
- 2:00 p.m. The Wave

## Monday, April 18

- 9:30 a.m. Moms' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study - The Patriarchs
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Minister Supervision - afternoon
- 3:30 p.m. Next Step Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study - The Patriarchs
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Minister Supervision - evening
- 7:00 p.m. Bell Ensemble
- 7:00 p.m. Celebration Home School Choir

## Tuesday, April 19

- 6:30 a.m. Quest for Authentic Manhood
- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 5:15 p.m. Carilloneurs
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

## Wednesday, April 20

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 5:30 p.m. Bell Ensemble
- 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Ministry Partner Appreciation Dinner
- 6:00 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 7:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers

## Thursday, April 21

- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 12:15 p.m. Maundy Thursday Middy Worship in the Sanctuary with Communion
- 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary with Communion
- 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Contemporary-blend Worship in the Sanctuary with Communion
- 7:30 p.m. Worship Ministry Meeting

## Friday, April 22

- 12:15 p.m. Good Friday Middy Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 4:30 p.m. Good Friday H3 Worship in the Family Life Center
- 6:00 p.m. Good Friday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 7:30 p.m. Good Friday Contemporary-blend Worship in the Sanctuary

## Saturday, April 23

- 8:00 a.m. Easter Worship Setup
- 10:30 a.m. Easter Service Walk Through
- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice
- 5:30 p.m. Easter Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center
- 7:00 p.m. Easter Contemporary-blend Worship in the Sanctuary

Worship (April 9-10)	Attendance	Communion
Northwind	224	133
7:45 a.m.	135	
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	352	
9 a.m. (FLC)	94	27
10:30 a.m.	287	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,092</b>	<b>160</b>

Outpouring of Love (April 9-10)	
General Fund Offerings	\$36,677
4th QTD Offering	\$61,157
4th QTD Budget	\$68,000

Lenten Worship (April 13)		Attendance
12:15 p.m.		75
6 p.m.		340
<b>Total</b>		<b>415</b>

# Week of April 24-May 1, 2011

## Saturday, April 23

- 8:00 a.m. Easter Worship Setup
- 10:30 a.m. Easter Service Walk Through
- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice
- 5:30 p.m. Easter Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center
- 7:00 p.m. Easter Contemporary-blend Worship in the Sanctuary

## Sunday, April 24 - Easter

- 7:00 a.m. Easter Ministry Partner Hospitality
- 7:45 a.m. H3 Worship Practice
- 8:00 a.m. Easter Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Easter Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Easter H3 Worship in the Family Life Center
- 10:30 a.m. Baptism Dinner - Schramm
- 11:00 a.m. Easter Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary
- 12:00 p.m. Baptism Dinner - Eckhoff

## Monday, April 25

- Office Closed
- 3:30 p.m. Next Step Meeting

## Tuesday, April 26

- 6:30 a.m. Quest for Authentic Manhood
- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Health and Fitness
- 5:00 p.m. Restorative Justice
- 5:30 p.m. Carilloneurs
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

## Wednesday, April 27

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 5:30 p.m. Bell Ensemble
- 6:00 p.m. The Point - Senior High
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m. Alleluia Ringers

## Thursday, April 28

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 2:00 p.m. Home School Choir
- 5:00 p.m. Restorative Justice
- 6:00 p.m. Infusion Practice
- 6:30 p.m. Health and Fitness
- 6:30 p.m. Divorce Care for Kids
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

## Friday, April 29

- 5:30 p.m. Brent Lueders and Jennifer Trenkamp Rehearsal

## Saturday, April 30

- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice
- 4:00 p.m. Brent Lueders and Jennifer Trenkamp Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

## Sunday, May 1 - Confirmation Sunday

- 7:45 a.m. H3 Worship Practice
- 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. Wright Confirmation Party
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Lighthouse Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Infusion Contemporary Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion
- 10:30 a.m. Confirmation Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 4:30 p.m. Piano Recital - Angie Gage

## Items needed

**Urbandale Food Pantry** - Please consider donating toothpaste in April to the "Food Pantry" bin in the narthex.

**Honduras Mission** - Please drop off adult vitamins, calcium and Vitamin E in April to the "Honduras" bin in the narthex.

**Eyeglasses** - The Honduras team is also collecting eyeglasses to take with them. Place them in the "Honduras" bin in the narthex as soon as possible so the optometrist can determine their strength.

Children's Attendance	Saturday 5:50 p.m.	Sunday 9:20 a.m.	Sunday 10:50 a.m.
Preschool	12	28	12
Elementary	16	65	42
<b>Total Children</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>54</b>

Youth Attendance	Sunday	Wednesday 6:15 p.m.
Junior High	12	53
Senior High	10	49
<b>Total Youth</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>102</b>

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

Welcome! Please take some time to get to know us. If you have any questions, ask any of our member or stop by the Welcome Center today!

## Weekend Worship Services

**Northwind Contemporary Worship Service:** Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center: This come-as-you-are service offers high-energy worship. Families are encourage to worship together; children will be invited to an educational time 20 minutes after the service begins.

**Traditional Worship Service:** Sunday at 7:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary: Join us in this classical Lutheran worship service that utilizes all the divine services and hymns from the new Lutheran Service Book.

**Traditional Worship Service:** Sunday at 9 a.m. in the Sanctuary: Our classical Lutheran worship makes use of written and free-flow liturgy with traditional hymns. Families are encourage to worship together; children and youth will be invited to an educational time 20 minutes after the service begins.

**H-3 Family Worship Service:** Sunday at 9 a.m. in the Family Life Center: Experience the wonder of a child in this casual and friendly-family atmosphere where families with young children worship together. Toe-tapping hymns, lively praise music and puppets will capture the heart of all family members. Families are encourage to worship together; children and youth will be invited to an educational time 20 minutes after the service begins.

**Infusion-Contemporary Worship:** Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary: This service offers high-energy worship using contemporary Christian songs and praise music. Families are encourage to worship together; children and youth will be invited to an educational time 20 minutes after the service begins.

## 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.

## Weekly Bible Reading

### Luke 19:28-40 (NIV)

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' tell him, 'The Lord needs it.'" Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They replied, "The Lord needs it." They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

## 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

**Children's Educational Times:** Saturday at 5:50 p.m. and Sunday at 9:20 and 10:50 a.m.

Staffed nursery from 8 a.m.-noon