



## A report from the Governing Board

by Mark Kramer, President of the Governing Board

The Governing Board would like to thank the members of Gloria Dei who completed the recent survey on multi-site ministry. As you know, Gloria Dei is exploring this ministry option as a means of fulfilling our strategic mission of “Bringing Jesus Christ to people for the first time and a lifetime.” In the past six months, our communication on this topic has included town hall meetings, weekend service presentations, and inserts in the Weekly Word and the Annual Report to bring clarity to the concept of multi-site ministry. At the same time, four Ministry Action Teams (MATs) have been gathering information and researching questions that arose from these town hall meetings.

To help us measure how effective we’ve been in communicating this approach, we conducted a short survey in June. We are pleased and encouraged to report that 216 members of Gloria Dei completed the survey. Our response rate was a little better than 20 percent of our congregation’s average weekly attendance of about 1,000 (including children and youth). We performed a web search on survey methodology, and were assured by multiple sources that our survey sample of 216 would produce response results that were 95 percent accurate (+/- 10). The following is a summation of the congregation’s feedback on this important survey.

### How would you rate your understanding of multi-site ministry?

- 51.4 percent had a good understanding of the ministry
- 27.3 percent understands the ministry completely
- 20.4 percent had a general understanding of the ministry
- 0.9 percent did not understand the ministry

### How would you rate your excitement level regarding multi-site ministry?

- 41.7 percent were somewhat excited about the ministry
- 25.0 percent were completely neutral about the ministry
- 23.6 percent were extremely excited about the ministry
- 9.7 percent were not excited about the ministry

### What is your personal feeling about becoming a multi-site church?

- 48.1 percent were unsure, but would support the church’s direction
- 43.5 percent strongly support the direction
- 8.3 percent did not support the direction

### How involved would you be in offering prayer support for multi-site ministry?

- 49.8 percent would be involved
- 32.4 percent would be extremely involved
- 14.1 percent were not sure
- 3.8 percent would not be involved

### How involved would you be in offering financial support for multi-site ministry?

- 51.6 percent would be involved
- 37.1 percent were not sure
- 8.0 percent would not be involved
- 3.3 percent would be extremely involved

### How involved would you be in giving your time and talents to multi-site ministry?

- 40.3 percent would be involved
- 36.1 percent were not sure
- 13.9 percent would be extremely involved
- 9.7 percent would not be involved

In light of the positive survey results, the Governing Board voted on July 12 to continue moving forward toward multi-site ministry. The staff, the Governing Board and the four MATs will use these findings to help guide them in their efforts to achieve the church’s strategic mission. As always, we appreciate your thoughts and prayers as we continue to study and explore multi-site ministry as a possible way in which God is leading us to bring Jesus to more people in our surrounding communities. For additional information from the survey, see page 2.

## Important announcements

### I Rejoice

Today’s message revolves around Paul’s joy in his relationship with Timothy and the great blessing from God when healthy relationships grow.

### Helping the community

Many volunteers are needed to help at the Jumpstart Back to School Health Fair on August 3 at East High School. Contact Sarah at 286-3895.

### Advent project

If you recently picked up an Advent felt tree project, Please return it to DeAnn’s office as soon as possible.

## Additional results from the multi-site ministry survey

The “Questions and Comments” portion of the survey produced many thoughtful insights as well. These included whether or not the existing site could be expanded; if staffing would be difficult at another site; the possibility of financing another site in today’s economy; concerns that Gloria Dei will become too large; and whether or not a multi-site approach would diminish access to the senior pastor’s sermons. Other comments were: excitement for the possibilities of multi-site at Gloria Dei; support for whatever decision was reached; and belief that more information is needed on how the church would implement a multi-site approach.

## Book Club

Thanks to each of you that attended our July meeting! We had moving, spiritual conversation about “Lord, Open My Eyes,” and discussed our faith in God and how he speaks to us. Special thanks to Dan McMartin, the author, for attending and sharing his personal story, which touched each of us in so many ways.

We’re looking forward to next month’s meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday, August 3 at 6:15 p.m. in the cry room. Our book of discussion will be “Divine” by Karen Kingsbury, a story of tragedy and redemption.

**Overview:** Mary Madison was a child of unspeakable horrors, a young woman society wanted to forget. Now a divine power has set Mary free to bring life-changing hope and love to battered and abused women living in the shadow of the nation’s capital.

Mary is educated and redeemed, a powerful voice in Washington, D.C.—both to the politically elite and to other women like her. But she also has a past that shamed polite society. Her experiences created paralyzing fear, faithlessness, addiction, and promiscuity. At the crossroads of her life, only one power set Mary free and gave her a lifetime of love and hope. A power that could only be divine. Please plan to join us.

~ Sara Deich and Shirley Hoveland, Co-Chairs of the Gloria Dei Book Club

## Christian Music Festival

A free family-friendly music festival featuring 50 Christian bands from around the country will be held Friday, August 5 from 4-11 p.m. and Saturday, August 6 from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. at Jordan Park Camp, 2251 Fuller Road in West Des Moines. For more information, go to [www.spiritmidwest.com](http://www.spiritmidwest.com).



## Vendors needed

The 19th annual Gloria Dei Arts and Craft Show sponsored by the LWML will be held Saturday, Oct. 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The show specializes in hand-crafted items and includes a bake sale and café. If interested in being a vendor, please contact Deb Timmons at 289-0360 or at [ameskids@mchsi.com](mailto:ameskids@mchsi.com). Information can also be viewed by clicking on the Arts and Craft Show link at our Web site at [www.gloriadeionline.com](http://www.gloriadeionline.com).



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

## Installation Service

The congregation is invited to the installation service for Pastor Nathan Ragazinskas on Sunday, July 31 at 3 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 4003 2nd Ave., Des Moines.

## Crayons needed

Since crayons are on sale during this time of year, pick up a few extra boxes for next year’s Honduras mission trip and place them in the “Honduras” bin in the narthex. All sizes and quantities are needed. Thanks!



## Invitation to the congregation

You have supported us in our grief, now share in our joy. We cordially invite you to worship with us at our marriage Saturday, July 30, 2011 at 11 a.m. at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church. A cookie/punch open house reception will be held immediately following the ceremony. ~ Kathleen Stange and James Brammeier

## LWML recycling project

Do something good for the environment and help the LWML raise funds for its 2015 National Convention, which will be held in Des Moines. To cover expenses, Iowa District West is sponsoring "Ready, Set, Recycle!" All members are invited to bring the following recyclable items during the months of July and October and place them in the tub located in the narthex:

- Systems/consoles and games (include accessories and attached cords)
- Inkjet, toner and laser cartridges (Virgin)
- Cell phones, PDAs, MP3 players and iPods, pagers
- Laptops, scientific and graphic calculators
- GPS systems, digital cameras, phone batteries, movie DVDs

We will not accept the following: toner bottles, fax film, any print cartridge without a metal print head (i.e. Epson and Cannon), refilled or remanufactured cartridges, cordless land-line phones and bag cell phones.

The LWML will collect and redeem the items for cash to pay for convention expenses. If you have questions, please contact Meri Mohr at 327-1821.

## Men Rise Up

Men, are you ready to be called up, freed up and trained up to be the courageous man God wants you to be?

The "Rise Up Men's Conference" Saturday, August 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lutheran Church of Hope will help you let go of the past and unlock the potential God has placed inside your heart. The cost is \$15 (includes lunch). To register, go to [www.MenRiseUp.com](http://www.MenRiseUp.com).

### Servers

**Officiant/Liturgist:**

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

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Rev. Ron Burcham

9 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Rev. Ron Burcham

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

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

**Preacher:**

Rev. Ron Burcham

**Organist:**

Jennette Morrison

**Acolytes:**

9 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Connor Corbin

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary):  
Emma Vontalge

**Scripture Readings:**

Philippians 2:19-30 and  
4:2-3 (NIV)

**Hospitality Teams**

**Northwind (FLC)**  
Team One

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

**9 a.m. (Sanctuary)**  
Team One

**9 a.m. (FLC)**  
Jared and Toni Nicol and  
family

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

## 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 mission teams who have served this summer
- For our families

## Prayers

**For the health of:**

- Inez Rudge
- Dawn Pittmann
- Shirley Kramer
- Craig Newkirk
- Sharon McMartin
- Addison Blythe
- Millie Zenor
- Jolene Norviel
- Emma Anderson
- Jennifer Dehnert
- Charleen Hilterbrand
- Judy Lind
- Liz Nelson
- Norma Wallace
- Kathryn Hayes
- Brenda Barron

**And for:**

- For our returning military
- For the grieving family of Gene Osby
- All of our military and workers serving in the world
- For those affected by the Missouri River flooding

## 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.



## Thoughts and updates about the recent Honduras trip

*Then he said to them, “Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. For he who is least among you all—he is the greatest.” Luke 9:48*

This year’s Honduras mission team returned filled with excitement for how God worked during their time in Honduras. The team consisted of Bill Clark, and his daughter, Manda; Bruce and Jennie Ganzer, and their daughter Kara; and Gary Wasiko and his daughter, Kristine. Here is a recap from Bill Clark, who led the team:

Just a few days before the trip World Gospel Outreach asked if we could combine all the teams together to create one large team to better serve in Honduras. This can be a bit intimidating because we had many different denominations as well as different age groups. God provided for us through the daily devotions that expressed the importance of the unity of the body of Christ to serve the least in the world. Our theme verse was Romans 15:5-6:

*May the God who gives you endurance and encouragement give you the spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

One of the highlights of the week was the church service at Inglesia Digna es el Conrdero. We were greeted as if we were family and close friends. Several children sang and danced to Christian songs as a way to honor the guests from the states.

Collectively this unified team was able to provide medical care to 1495, dental care to 259 and optical to 900 individuals as well as sharing the grace of Jesus Christ to each of them. In total, more than 2,600 people experienced the grace and salvation of Jesus Christ—just as Jesus commanded us to do.



(Clockwise starting at top left) A child’s hair was washed by a team member. • A man displayed his love for Jesus. • A group of girls praised the Lord through dance.



## My Neighborhood Matters

by Penny Schramm, Associate Director of Contemporary Worship

Our congregation is putting together an initiative called “My Neighborhood Matters,” which is designed to give you a little boost for your neighborly relations. The church will provide the picnic tables, table service and Christian music for each event. The neighbors will bring enough potluck food to feed an army, because all potluck meals turn out that way. Together we’ll make the neighborhood events a wonderful success!

### Here’s how you can help:

1. Volunteer to serve on the Ministry Action Team that will make final decisions about how the initiative will work.
2. Make plans to host your “My Neighborhood Matters” event this summer or this fall. This means inviting 50-75 people in the neighborhood, scheduling the picnic tables and other resources provided by Gloria Dei, encouraging neighbors to bring potluck dishes to share, and making sure you have everything you need to host a fun and friendly event for your neighbors.

It will be simple to serve your neighbors, foster relationships and show your care to those around you. It’s just another way that members of Gloria Dei can be beacons to their communities! To volunteer, contact Pastor Robarge at [probarge@gloriadeionline.com](mailto:probarge@gloriadeionline.com) or Penny Schramm at [penny@gloriadeionline.com](mailto:penny@gloriadeionline.com).



## Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

Contact: Tim Kightlinger  
tim@gloriadeionline.com

### Junior high (6-8)

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

Spring/summer schedule: Join us for a time to connect to God and with each other.

### Senior high (9-12)

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

Wednesday, July 27: Join us as we serve at VBS and then go to a movie at TK's house.

Sunday, July 24 from 4-6 p.m.

Come for mud-sliding fun at TK's house; bring \$2 for dinner.

### Senior High/ Junior High events

**Worlds of Fun: Thursday, July 28**

Meet at Gloria Dei at 6:30 a.m. and return by midnight.

**VBS Fun: Wednesday evenings**

Every Wednesday evening during July, the youth will have an opportunity to serve at VBS. If you want to join our mission and the fun, contact DeAnn at deann@gloriadeionline.com.

## Ways to connect to our youth

To impact our youth, the youth ministry has defined specific areas of need. And now we need your help! Please take a few minutes to review the list. If a specific task resonates with you, please contact Tim Kightlinger at tim@gloriadeionline.com.

### Prayer Ministry Team:

This team will consist of members who will shower the activities and ministry with prayer. The members of this team must love to pray and see prayer as a powerful force of change. Time commitment: 1-2 hours a month.

### Junior High Fellowship Team:

Since teenagers love to have fun; this team will oversee a junior high activity once a month. Members of this team should enjoy building relationships with teens and are able to organize activities. Time commitment: 4-5 hours a month.

### Junior High Education Team:

This team will continue the success of our Wednesday evening small-group ministry, assist in recruiting teaching partners and oversee the curriculum. Members of the team must enjoy meeting others and evaluating curriculum. Time commitment: 2 hours a month.

### Confirmation Retreat Team:

This team will assist in setting up for each retreat during the year. Team members must love to be creative, enjoy organizing and implementing events. Time commitment: 2-3 hours four times a year.

### Youth Ministry Mission Team:

This team will organize service and mission opportunities for our youth ministry. They will find and offer opportunities for our teens to connect with each other with the goal of serving and ministering to others. Time commitment: 2 hours a month.



*Who wouldn't want to work with these teens?*

### Senior High Dream Team:

How can we challenge, engage and touch the lives of the high school students in the Des Moines metro area? This team will come together to seek God's direction on how we can effectively follow God's Spirit and move this generation toward impacting their world for Jesus. Members must enjoy creative thinking/ ideas, identify the needs of the teenage world and enjoy getting things done. Time commitment: 4 hours a month.

### Parents of Teenagers Support Team:

To support our parents with teenagers, Craig and Julie Dueker will offer short-term classes on Sunday mornings (3-5 weeks in length) three times a year. We need 3-4 parents to join them. Time commitment: 3-5 hours during various months.

# Week of July 23-30, 2011

## Saturday, July 23

- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Summer Grace Place

## Sunday, July 24

- 7:45 a.m. H3 Worship Practice
- 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. Summer Castaway
- 9:20 a.m. Summer Grace Place
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 10:50 a.m. Summer Grace Place
- 11:30 a.m. GYM Confirmation MAT Meeting

## Monday, July 25

- 9:30 a.m. Moms' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Stepping Up
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
- 1:30 p.m. Next Step Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study - Stepping Up
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

## Tuesday, July 26

- 6:30 a.m. Quest for Authentic Manhood
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 6:15 p.m. Beginning Dance

## Tuesday, July 26 (continued)

- 6:30 p.m. Summer Financial Peace University
- 6:45 p.m. Creative Dance

## Wednesday, July 27

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 5:15 p.m. VBS Worship Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. The Point - Senior High
- 6:00 p.m. Summer Vacation Bible School
- 6:30 p.m. Facebook Study

## Thursday, July 28

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 6:00 p.m. Infusion Practice
- 6:30 p.m. Divorce Care
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

## Friday, July 29

- 1:30 p.m. Next Step Meeting
- 4:00 p.m. Jim Brammeier and Kathy Stange Rehearsal

## Saturday, July 30

- 11:00 a.m. ABC Party With Me Family Event
- 11:00 a.m. Jim Brammeier and Kathy Stange Wedding
- 12:00 p.m. Jim Brammeier and Kathy Stange Reception
- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Summer Grace Place

Worship (July 16 and 17)	Attendance	Communion
Northwind	145	
7:45 a.m.	105	89
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	223	179
9 a.m. (FLC)	68	
10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	229	150
<b>Total</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>418</b>

### Outpouring of Love (July 16 and 17)\*

\* Please note: Due to staff vacations, our offerings from July 16 and 17 and July 23 and 24 will be posted in next week's Weekly Word.

# Week of July 30- August 6, 2011

## Saturday, July 30

- 11:00 a.m. ABC Party With Me Family Event
- 11:00 a.m. Jim Brammeier and Kathy Stange Wedding
- 12:00 p.m. Jim Brammeier and Kathy Stange Reception
- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Summer Grace Place

## Sunday, July 31

- 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. Summer Castaway
- 9:20 a.m. Summer Grace Place
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 10:50 a.m. Summer Grace Place

## Monday, August 1

- 9:30 a.m. Moms' Bible Study
- 1:30 p.m. Next Step Meeting

## Tuesday, August 2

- 6:30 a.m. Quest for Authentic Manhood
- 9:00 a.m. XYZ (Extra Years of Zest)
- 9:00 a.m. Staff Quarterly Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Director's Meeting

## Tuesday, August 2 (Continued)

- 2:00 p.m. Worship Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m. Beginning Dance
- 6:30 p.m. Summer Financial Peace University
- 6:45 p.m. Creative Dance

## Wednesday, August 3

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Meeting - 8th Grade
- 6:15 p.m. Book Club
- 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Meeting - 7th Grade

## Thursday, August 4

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 6:00 p.m. Infusion Practice
- 6:30 p.m. Divorce Care
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball
- 7:00 p.m. Multi-site MAT Meeting

## Friday, August 5

- 9:30 a.m. MOM's Club of West Des Moines
- 1:30 p.m. Next Step Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Michelle Holtkamp and Scott Jordan Rehearsal

## Saturday, August 6

- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice
- 4:00 p.m. Michelle Holtkamp and Scott Jordan Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Summer Grace Place

<b>Educational Attendance (July 16-17)</b>			
	<b>Sat. 5:50 p.m.</b>	<b>Sun. 9:20 a.m.</b>	<b>Sun. 10:50 a.m.</b>
Preschool	7	9	17
Elementary	9	26	31
<b>Total Children</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>48</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 members 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 encouraged to worship together; children are invited to Grace Place at 5:50 p.m.

**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 encouraged to worship together. Children and junior high youth are invited to an educational time at 9:20 a.m.

**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 encouraged to worship together. Children and junior high youth are invited to an educational time at 9:20 a.m.

**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 encouraged to worship together. Children are invited to an educational time at 10:50 a.m.

## 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 - Philippians 2:19-30 (NIV)

I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, that I also may be cheered when I receive news about you. I have no one else like him, who takes a genuine interest in your welfare. For everyone looks out for his own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel. I hope, therefore, to send him as soon as I see how things go with me. And I am confident in the Lord that I myself will come soon.

But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, fellow worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs. For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill. Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, to spare me sorrow upon sorrow. Therefore I am all the more eager to send him, so that when you see him again you may be glad and I may have less anxiety. Welcome him in the Lord with great joy, and honor men like him, because he almost died for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for the help you could not give me.

## 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