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July 9-10, 2011 | Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

# **Dual Citizenship**

by Karen Kennedy, Director of Publicity and Promotion

As we celebrated the fourth of July last Monday, I became very cognizant of the benefits of being an American citizen. I have freedom of speech, freedom to worship and the freedom to vote. America even allows me to live under the great umbrella of "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

In Philippians, we see that we also have been given citizenship in another realm—heaven.

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. Philippians 3:20-21

So it appears that I have dual-citizenship. I enjoy the privileges of being an American because I not only have read about its privileges, but I have seen its realities in every aspect of my life. But what about my heavenly citizenship; do I see its realities?

In the book of Philippians, Paul not only believed in heaven, but he lived toward its transforming power.

me heavenward in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:12-14

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ

Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called

So, what did Paul know about heaven that would cause him to rejoice about this unseen future? Let's look at the Scriptures for insight into what Paul saw:

Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed—in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. I Corinthians 15:51-53

He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away. Revelation 21:4

Personally, when I read these verses, my perspective begins to change. I realize that even though my citizenship in this country is a blessing, it does not compare to what is in store for me in heaven. Knowing my ultimate future makes some of the troubles and pitfalls of life shrink. Nothing can compare to seeing the Lord face-to-face; maybe that is why Paul rejoiced at the future, and so can I.

# Youth mission trip

Please pray for the youth and adult leaders who will be traveling to Ripley, Tennessee on July 9 on a mission trip to help those less fortunate in this area of our country. The team members are Rachel Corell, Jamison Dierenfield, Brian Gilg, Sam Hainline, Natalie Larimer, Jacob Snyder, Emma Wenndt, Danielle Wright, Devin Elbert, Shane Love and Tim Kightlinger.

# Grace Place and Castaway

Grace Place and Castaway will be held July 9 and 10.

### **VBS**

This Wednesday!

Our first night of summer VBS was a blast, so join in the fun this Wednesday from 6-8 p.m.

For more information, go to page 5.

### **Dining Out**

Want to meet more people? Check out our Dining Out time on page 4.

### Recyle

Do you have an old cell phone that you want to get rid of?

The LWML is collecting recyclable items in the narthex.

For a complete listing of items, see page 3.

### **Backpacks**

Don't forget to return the backpack if you took one to fill with school supplies. They are due back Sunday, July 10. Thank you!



# **Highlighting Social Media**

Wednesday, July 13 at 6:30 p.m. (during VBS) in the Youth Center

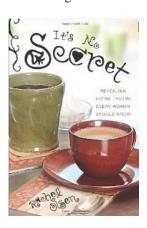
"Facebook and Christianity: Using Facebook in a Digital Era" It is not too late to join this study. You will learn how to use Facebook as well as the positive and negative attributes of the Facebook culture. For more questions on this class, contact Pastor Robarge at probarge@gloriadeionline.com.

# Online Bible Study

"It's No Secret: Revealing Divine Truths Every Woman Should Know," by Rachel Olsen This six-week study starts Sunday, July 17. Laura Rath will lead the study by posting thoughts relevant to the book on her blog at www.laurarath.blogspot.com. Likewise, you are then encouraged to post your thoughts and comments on the blog.

#### What is the book about?

(Book review from Amazon.com) Are you tired of life as usual? Ready to trade your everyday issues and emotional hang-ups for a life of greater intimacy and fulfillment? Then it's time you join Rachel Olsen and discover some God-sized secrets to successful living. Rachel's writing is lighthearted and fun. But she's serious about helping you uncover biblical secrets to energize your spiritual life and relationships. You'll explore twelve principals from scripture and delve into the Bible yourself with end-of-chapter studies.



This book will help you:

- · Handle petty conflicts and criticism with grace
- · Overcome the competitive urges that leave you lonely
- · Relax unrealistic expectations in favor of emotional stability
- Uncover a surprising means to worshiping God amidst your busy schedule

#### How do I participate?

- Sign up for the study by sending an e-mail to: laurajrath@gmail.com with your name, e-mail address, and city and state (so we can see God at work by bringing women together). By signing up you will receive updates and information throughout the study.
- 2. Purchase the book locally or online. For a list of online vendors go to our Web site or to Laura Rath's blog at www.laurarath.blogspot.com.
- 3. Mark the suggested reading schedule from the blog to your calendar and work at your own pace.
- 4. Start reading the book. And then enjoy the study with an online community of women by viewing and commenting on the blog.

If you want more information about the book or the online study, please go to our Web site at www.gloriadeionline.com, or Laura's blog at www.laurarath.blogspot.com.



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# Thank you

Thank you to the congregation for all of your support and prayers for our son, Nat, as he was in Afghanistan. We rejoice that God has returned him home safely. ~

# Pastor shares about Lativa

Pastor Mark Krause, and his wife, Rose, will share their experiences as missionaries in Lativa on Monday, July 11 at 7 p.m. at Shepherd of the Valley, 39th and Ashworth, West Des Moines.

### 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. Information can also be viewed by clicking on the Arts and Craft Show link at our Web site at www.gloriadeionline.com.

# 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.

# Thanks for the generous support

The members of Gloria Dei have once again given generously to help our community. We have collected and filled 300 backpacks that will be given to children at North High School during the health fair on August 3. During the health fair, the students will receive the backpacks as well as school physicals, medical screenings, including dental and vision. Help is still needed at the fair, please contact Freedom for Youth at 282-4822, and ask for Denise, or email djuhl@freedomforyouth.org.

#### Servers Officiant/Liturgist: **Organist:** Hospitality Teams Northwind (FLC) 5:30 p.m. (FLC): Rev. Ron Burcham Kathy Stange Team Three **Acolytes:** 9 a.m. (Sanctuary): 7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary): 7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary) Rev. Phil Robarge Elizabeth Pals Team Three 9 a.m. (Sanctuary): Rev. Phil Robarge 9 a.m. (Sanctuary) 10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary): Team Four Josh Dueker 9 a.m. (FLC). 9 a.m. (FLC) Rev. Tim Phillips Lawrence and Lauren Prunty and family Scripture Reading: 10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary): Philippians 1:20-30, Rev. Ron Burcham 10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary) 3:12-4:1 (NIV) Team Three **Preacher:** Rev. Ron Burcham

### 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 families

### **Prayers**

#### For the health of:

- Addison Blythe
- Millie Zenor
- Jolene Norviel
- Emma Anderson
- Jennifer Dehnert
- · Charleen Hilterbrand
- Judy Lind
- Liz Nelson
- Norma Wallace
- · Kathryn Hayes
- Brenda Barron

#### And for:

- All of our military and workers serving in the world
- For those affected by the Missouri River flooding
- · Our youth mission team

### Prayer team

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

# **Continuing Dining Together**

Recently Gloria Dei launched a new ministry initiative, Dining Together, where individuals and/or families met new people by going out for a meal. The planning committee and hosts, Marilyn Kollmorgen, Jim and Barb Miles, Joyce Larson, Judy Bunz, Shirley Kramer and Kay Readinger, all concurred that it exceeded their expectations in connecting people with each other. In fact, they all agreed, it was just "good old wholesome fun" as individuals or families met in homes or restaurants to enjoy a meal together.

With this positive experience, the committee decided to provide another date, Saturday, July 30, for people to connect by dining together.

### How does "Dining Together" work?

There will be Dining Together sign-up sheets at the Welcome Center in the narthex and in the Family Life Center. The deadline for signing up for the July 30 outings is July 17. On the sheets, you will have the option to sign up for a multi-generational group or an adult group. In addition, please indicate if you would prefer a breakfast, brunch, lunch or dinner outing.

After the sign-up deadline has passed, participants will be divided into groups of six to eight people. A group leader will contact the other participants to assist in deciding when to meet and if the group will meet in a restaurant or in someone's home.



More dining opportunities on July 30.

Everyone is welcome! Get out and enjoy food, fun and fellowship. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Robarge at 276-1700, ext. 224 or at probarge@gloriadeionline.com

# **My Neighborhood Matters**

by Penny Schramm, Assistant Director of Contemporary Worship

There's nothing like a good old neighborhood get-together to get to know those who live around you, yet many of us take little time to show our neighbors that we care about them. With the help of a Lutheran Church Missouri Synod grant, Gloria Dei is hoping to change that.

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 you care about the people who live around you. It's just another way that members of Gloria Dei can be beacons to their communities! Contact Pastor Phil Robarge at probarge@gloriadeionline.com or Penny Schramm at penny@gloriadeionline.com to volunteer.



# @ 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.

**Confirmation** pictures and DVDs are now available at the Welcome Center in the narthex.

### Senior high (9-12)

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

Join us as we serve at VBS and then go to a fun activity:

July 13: Wynnsong Movie Theater

Join us for a movie after we serve at VBS. Bring money for movie and snacks. Parents are to pick up youth at the theater.

# Senior High/Junior High events

#### Worlds of Fun:

Thursday, July 28

Meet at Gloria Dei at 6:30 a.m. and return by midnight. Cost is \$40. Sign up on the youth bulletin board and pay by Sunday, July 17.

#### **VBS Fun:**

### Wednesday evenings in July

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..

# **Confirmation Update**

Confirmation pictures and DVDs are now available. They can be picked up at the Information Center.

# **Summer Camps**

There is still room in our summer programs! Pick up a brochure at the Welcome Centers or go online at www.gloriadeionline.com.

God's Little Princess Camp Girls in "Her" Story Camp Next Generation Girls in "Her" Story Camp Dance, Tumbling and Movement Classes





It is not too late to join in the summer fun this Wednesday from 6-8 p.m.

Children ages 3-11 can expect to see God's rescue plan through this interactive journey.

# Week of July 9-16, 2011

Saturday, July 9		Tuesday, July 12 (continued)	
8:30 a.m.	Gloria Dei Quilters	6:00 p.m.	Governing Board Meeting
8:30 a.m.	Scrapbook Fellowship	6:15 p.m.	Beginning Dance
2:00 p.m.	David Malterer and Stephanie Atkins	6:15 p.m.	Intermediate Tumbling
2.00 p.m.	Wedding	6:15 p.m.	Parent and Child Music and Movement
2:45 n m	Northwind Worship Team Practice		2-4 yrs.
3:45 p.m.		6:30 p.m.	Summer Financial Peace University
5:30 p.m.	Northwind Worship Service in the	6:45 p.m.	Creative Dance
	Family Life Center with Communion	6:45 p.m.	Dance Conditioning for Adults
5:50 p.m.	Summer Grace Place	Wednesda	v July 12
Sunday, July 10		9:00 a.m.	God's Little Princess Camp
7:45 a.m.	H3 Worship Practice	9:00 a.m.	Girls in "Her" Story Camp
7:45 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service in	9:00 a.m.	Next Generation Girls in
	Sanctuary	0.00 d.m.	"Her" Story Camp
9:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service in	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
	Sanctuary	10:30 a.m.	•
9:00 a.m.	H3 Worship Service in Family Life	5:15 p.m.	VBS Worship Rehearsal
	Center with Communion	6:00 p.m.	The Point - Senior High
9:00 a.m.	Summer Castaway	6:00 p.m.	Summer Vacation Bible School
9:20 a.m.	Summer Grace Place	6:30 p.m.	Facebook Study
10:30 a.m.	Infusion Contemporary Worship Service	0.00 р	r deedeen etday
	in Sanctuary	Thursday,	-
10:50 a.m.	Summer Grace Place	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
Monday, July 11		9:00 a.m.	God's Little Princess Camp
9:00 a.m.	God's Little Princess Camp	9:00 a.m.	Girls in "Her" Story Camp
9:00 a.m.	Girls in "Her" Story Camp	9:00 a.m.	Next Generation Girls in
9:00 a.m.	Next Generation Girls in		"Her" Story Camp
5.00 d.m.	"Her" Story Camp	10:00 a.m.	Joyful Stitchers
9:30 a.m.	Moms' Bible Study	6:00 p.m.	Infusion Practice
9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study - Stepping Up	6:00 p.m.	Urbandale Community
1:30 p.m.	Next Step Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Divorce Care
6:00 p.m.	Urbandale Swim Club	6:30 p.m.	Men's Basketball
6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study - Stepping Up	7:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Introduction Meeting
		7:00 p.m.	MAT Meeting
Tuesday, July 12		Friday, July 15	
6:30 a.m.	Quest for Authentic Manhood	9:00 a.m.	Girls in "Her" Story Camp
9:00 a.m.	God's Little Princess Camp	9:00 a.m.	Next Generation Girls in
9:00 a.m.	Girls in "Her" Story Camp		"Her" Story Camp
9:00 a.m.	Next Generation Girls in  "Her" Story Camp	1:30 p.m.	Next Step Meeting
1:00 p.m.	Directors' Meeting	Saturday,	July 16
5:45 p.m.	Beginning Tumbling	11:00 a.m.	ABC Party with Me Family Event
5.45 p.m. 5:45 p.m.	Parent and Child Music and Movement	3:45 p.m.	Northwind Worship Team Practice
J.45 μ.III.	Infant - 2 yrs.	5:30 p.m.	Northwind Worship Service in the
6:00 n m	Urbandale Community	0.00 p.m.	Family Life Center
6:00 p.m.	Orbandale Community	5:50 p.m.	Summer Grace Place
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# Week of July 16-23, 2011

### Saturday, July 16

11:00 a.m. ABC Party with Me Family Event3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the

Family Life Center

5:50 p.m. Summer Grace Place

#### Sunday, July 17

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. Infusion Contemporary Worship Service

in Sanctuary with Communion

10:50 a.m. Summer Grace Place

#### Monday, July 18

9:30 a.m. Moms' Bible Study

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Stepping Up

1:30 p.m. Next Step Meeting

6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study - Stepping Up

#### Tuesday, July 19

6:30 a.m. Quest for Authentic Manhood

1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
5:00 p.m. Restorative Justice
5:45 p.m. Beginning Tumbling
6:15 p.m. Beginning Dance
6:15 p.m. Intermediate Tumbling

6:30 p.m. Summer Financial Peace University

6:45 p.m. Creative Dance

6:45 p.m. Dance Conditioning for Adults

#### Wednesday, July 20

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 21

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
5:00 p.m. Restorative Justice
6:00 p.m. Infusion Practice
6:30 p.m. Divorce Care
6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

7:30 p.m. Worship Ministry Meeting

#### Friday, July 22

1:30 p.m. Next Step Meeting

#### Saturday, July 23

3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Practice5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion

5:50 p.m. Summer Grace Place

### **Book Sale**

Mount Olive Lutheran Church and School, 5625
Franklin Ave., DSM is hosting a book sale July 9 to
July 17. Stop in at Mount Olive and browse the sale
sections. Make a donation for the books you select. You
are welcome to add books to the sale. Proceeds from the
sale will be used to expand the libraries at Mount Olive
Lutheran Church and School. All remaining books will
be donated to the Iowa Right to Life fall sale.

Worship (July 2 and 3)	Attendance
Northwind	120
7:45 a.m.	91
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	212
9 a.m. (FLC)	53
10:30 a.m. (FLC)	177
Total	653

Outpouring of Love (June 25-26 - revised)			
General Fund Offerings	\$16,039		
4th QTD Offering	\$354,117		
4th QTD Budget	\$405,305		

Outpouring of Love (July 2 and 3)			
General Fund Offerings	\$30,464		
1st QTD Offering	\$30,464		
1st QTD Budget	\$33,000		

# 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

**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 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.

### 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.

### Weekly Bible reading - Philippians 1:20-27a (NIV)

I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, so that through my being with you again your joy in Christ Jesus will overflow on account of me.

Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.

### 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