



New ministry launches at Gloria Dei

In order to provide the best care and growth opportunities for adults who have retired or are nearing retirement, we are launching a new ministry. This ministry will be geared to their specific needs and interests with the goal of increasing opportunities for fellowship, spiritual growth and service.

Think of the possibilities. We have an incredible resource of adults who have been “around the block” and are able to share their rich depth of experiences, knowledge and practical know-how. Since the Bible shows many examples of greatness in later years, we believe their maturity will produce amazing fruit for the kingdom of God.

We also understand that this age has some of the biggest transitions individuals will encounter in their lifetime. So, as a church, it is vital that we provide the support needed as they face some of these transitions.

Recently two retired pastors have agreed to lead this ministry, Pastor Don Boeschen and Pastor Curt Foreman. More information about these men will be published in next week’s Weekly Word.

Meanwhile, mark your calendar for an informational lunch on Tuesday, Oct. 11 at noon in the Family Life Center.



Pastor Don Boeschen



Pastor Curt Foreman

Message series

Today we will cover the topic of caring. How can we reflect God’s love and care to those around us?

Worship

**Casual Contemporary
Worship (Oct. 9) at
9 a.m. in the
Family Life Center**

Please keep this wonderful opportunity in your prayers.

Family event

**Sunday, Sept. 25
from 1–3 p.m.**

Meet your Gloria Dei friends at Howell’s Pumpkin Patch in Cumming. Cost of admission is \$7; children 2 and under are free.

DMARC

Please place your DMARC donations in the mail or in the offering plate this week. Make checks payable to Gloria Dei with “DMARC” written on the memo line and write your offering envelope number on your check.

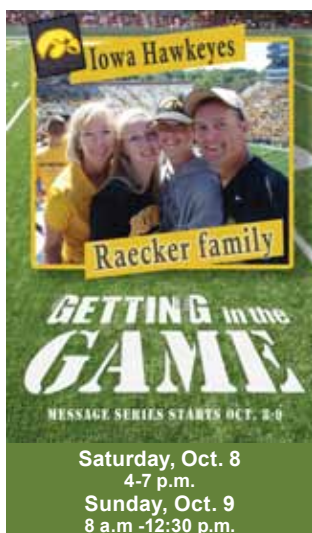
Pastoral Conference

Join us at the IDW Pastoral Conference worship Monday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m. President Sieveking will preach.

Parent Bible study

Connect with other parents Sunday from 9-10 a.m. for a Bible study on “The Five Love Languages of Teenagers.”

Are you ready to get in the game?



Are you ready for some football? How about a tailgate party? To launch our new message series, entitled “Getting in the Game,” we are blitzing the west parking lot with grills, lots of food, games, fellowship and fun on Oct. 8 and 9. And it’s free!

Saturday, Oct. 8 from 4-7 p.m.

hot dogs, chips, cookies and soda

Sunday, Oct. 9 from 8-10 a.m.

rolls and coffee

Sunday, Oct. 9 from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

hot dogs, chips, cookies and soda

To position yourself for a touch-down worship experience, wear your favorite team’s sportswear to worship and invite one of your fanatic sport friends. If you would like to use your “tail-gating” gifts at this event, contact Scott Raecker at scott.raecker@drake.edu or at 276-5987 today.

New family check-in system

In Children’s Ministry, we take the safety and security of your child seriously. Therefore, we will implement a new check-in/security system for Grace Place and Faith Alive starting Oct. 8-9. Please help us by taking the following two steps: **1. Register** your children by going to our Web site. **2. Accompany** your children to the Children’s Ministry kiosk and sign them in beginning Oct. 8-9. Pick up your children by signing them out at the kiosk.

Please note:

Until the new family check-in system begins, please sign your child in when you enter the building. You do not need to wait to check them in when they are dismissed from worship for Grace Place or the opening of Faith Alive.

Financial Update

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2011: This year-end financial report is designed to give the members of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church an overall snapshot of the previous fiscal year. The current year is compared to the prior year as well as to the current budgeted amount in order to provide a clear picture of the financial state of the church. Constant monitoring of both revenue and expenses is required throughout the year.

General Fund Giving (compared from year to year)

Jul '09 - Jun '10	Jul '10 - Jun '11	DIFFERENCE +/-	% Incr/-Decr
1,546,773	1,572,525	25,751	1.66%

Notes: General fund giving this year was up \$25,751 or 1.66% from last year.

General Fund Giving (compared to budget)

Jul '10 - Jun '11	BUDGETED	OVER/(UNDER)	% Incr/-Decr
1,572,525	1,683,305	(110,780)	-6.58%

Notes: The actual figures for general fund giving shows a shortfall of \$110,780 or 6.58% of the budgeted giving projection.

Total Income (compared year to year)

Total income includes general fund giving, mission giving, preschool tuition, building usage fees and other small revenue items.

Jul '09 - Jun '10	Jul '10 - Jun '11	DIFFERENCE +/-	% Incr/-Decr
1,710,360	1,761,959	51,599	3.02%

Notes: Total income increased from the previous year by \$51,599 or 3.02%.

Total Income (compared to budget)

Jul '10 - Jun '11	BUDGETED	OVER/(UNDER)	% Incr/-Decr
1,761,959	1,878,150	(116,191)	-6.19%

Notes: The actual figures for total income indicate a shortfall of total income of \$116,191 or 6.19%. Most of the shortfall can be attributed to a shortfall of general fund giving from the budget.

Expenses (compared year to year)

Jul '09 - Jun '10	Jul '10 - Jun '11	DIFFERENCE +/-	% Incr/-Decr
1,746,570	1,763,242	16,672	0.95%

Notes: Expenses were up \$16,672 or .95% (less than 1%) from the previous year.

Expenses (compared to budget)

Jul '10 - Jun '11	BUDGETED	OVER/(UNDER)	% Incr/-Decr
1,763,242	1,876,995	(113,753)	-6.06%

Notes: Actual expenses were under the budgeted amount by \$113,753 or 6.06%. When actual general fund giving and total income were less than budgeted, it became necessary to cut expenses from the planned budget.



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Discovery 201

Sunday, Oct. 16 from 3-6:30 p.m.

If you are transferring from another Lutheran church or have taken the Discovery 101 class, join us for this interactive event. Childcare is provided. If you would like to use the childcare services we offer, please indicate this when you register. Register online.

Women's Bible Connections

Due to the Pastoral Conference, Women's Bible Connections will not meet this week.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism Sunday, September 25 during the 9 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary is for:



S Samantha Marie Erwin born on September 5, 2011 to Michael and Jean (nee Wittkowski) Erwin. Samantha's spiritual sponsors are Mark and Diane Wittkowski and Rusty and Heather Pride.



C Camden Christian Beckendorf born on August 21, 2011 to Christian and Alicia (nee Zobel) Beckendorf. Camden's spiritual sponsors are Trevor Beckendorf and Dan and Teri Olson.

Altar flowers



The flowers on the altar in the Sanctuary on Sunday, Sept. 25 are provided by Vic and Deb Kesse in celebration of their 32nd wedding anniversary on Sept. 29.

Tiny Treasures' Fall Consignment Sale

Friday, Oct. 14: 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 15 (half-price sale): 7:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Cleaning out closets? Sell gently-used children's clothing, toys, equipment, etc. at our consignment sale. Registration forms, tags, and instructional booklet are available on the Tiny Treasures page on our Web site or in the preschool office.

Memorial Service for Inez Rudge

Sunday, Oct. 2 at 2 p.m. in the Sanctuary

All members of Gloria Dei are invited to a memorial service in honor of Inez Rudge Sunday, Oct. 2 at 2 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A dessert fellowship time will follow.

Northwind worship service change

Due to the Arts and Craft Show Saturday, Oct. 8, the Northwind worship service at 5:30 p.m. will move to the Sanctuary. Grace Place and Communion will be offered.

Servers

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

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):
Rev. Phil Robarge

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

10:30 a.m. (FLC):
Rev. Tim Phillips

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

Preacher:
Rev. Ron Burcham

Organist:
Lynn Hays

Acolytes:
7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):
Jake Griffiths

9 a.m. (Sanctuary):
Jenna Krahn

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

Scripture Readings:
Colossians 3:12-17 and
Matthew 20:29-34 (NIV)

Hospitality Teams
Northwind (FLC)
Team Two

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Team Two

9 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Team Five

10:30 a.m. (FLC)
TBD

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Team Two

Let's pray!

Prayer requests can be made on the back of the "Welcome" card located in 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 Vic and Deb Kesse celebrating their 32nd anniversary on Sept. 29

Prayers

For the health of:

- Marlene Rush
- Harold Lusman
- Grace Miller
- April Grimm
- Emma Anderson
- Austin Nelson
- Mike Rush
- Brenda Barron
- Jim Wollslager
- Sue Anderson
- Dawn Pittmann
- Addison Blythe
- Jennifer Dehnert
- Jerry Lashley
- Roseva Rucker

Prayer Ministry

To join the prayer ministry team, please e-mail Pastor Phillips at: tphillips@gloriadeionline.com, with your name, e-mail address and phone number.

Arts & Craft Show

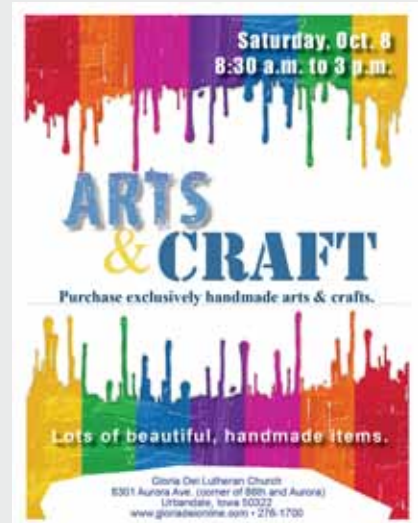
Saturday, Oct. 8 from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Plan to attend our 19th annual Arts & Craft Show!

Baked goods: Pull out your favorite recipes and decide what you'd like to contribute to this year's show. If you know what you'll bring, there are labels at the table in back of the narthex along with a sign-up sheet. Especially be sure to note whether nuts are included in the ingredients. We'll start wrapping on Friday night Oct. 7, but will gladly accept donations up until noon on Saturday. Fresh fall produce and preserves are also welcome.

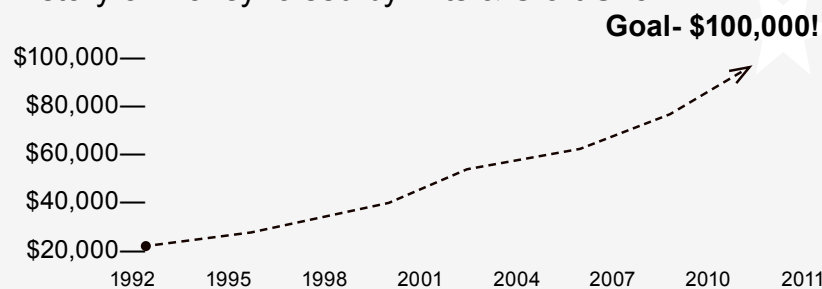
Bakery helpers needed during the show. Friendly people are needed to help sell the baked goods on Saturday. Please sign up in the narthex if you can spare an hour or two any time during the day. It's a lot of fun – no experience needed!

Café: Enjoy cinnamon rolls, pie slices, beefburgers, hotdogs and much more at the café located next to the kitchen.

Clean-up helpers needed after the show. Got muscle? Like to clean? We need help cleaning up Saturday from 3:30-5:30 p.m. If you want to help, call Meri Mohr at 327-1821.



History of money raised by Arts & Craft Show



Exciting News:

Since 1992, LWML has earned \$90,578.70 for missions! This year's recipients are Mission Central in Cambodia, Bibles and Catechisms for Russian children, a new roof for a school in India, Freedom for Youth in Des Moines and the Urbandale Food Pantry. This year's goal is to surpass the \$100,000 mark.

Gloria Dei Book Club

Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 6:15 p.m. in the Cry Room

Plan to attend the October meeting to discuss "The Promise of Hope" by Edward Grinnan. The book weaves the tales of other people with Grinnan's own story to reveal how each of us can learn about the keys to powerful personal change. Registration is not required to attend this book club.

LWML

Ruth Circle will meet Monday, Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. at the home of Kay Readinger, 4210 132nd Street, Urbandale.

Miriam Circle will meet at church Thursday, Oct. 6 at 6:45 p.m. to make pies for the Arts and Craft Show. **Note location change.**

Naomi Circle will meet at church Friday, Oct. 7 at 9 a.m. to help set up for the Arts and Craft Show. **Note location change.**

Order pecans

The Valparaiso University Guild is taking pecan orders. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex on a table. Purchase the Fancy Mammoth Pecans at the price of \$10 for a full pound. We also have 12 oz. bags of Pecan Caramel Clusters, Chocolate Covered Pecans and Dark Chocolate Pecans for \$9. These fresh 2011 crop pecans will arrive before Thanksgiving in time for Holiday baking. All profits go to enhance the experience of students at Valparaiso University. Please place your order by Friday, Oct. 7



Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

Contact: Tim Kightlinger
tim@gloriadeionline.com

Junior high (6-8)

Castaway - Sunday 9 & 10:30 a.m.
Join us as we learn about caring.

Small Group Studies - Wednesday from 6-7:15 p.m.
Students in grades 6-8 meet in small groups to discuss various topics.

Parents

The Simply Youth Culture newsletter is available on our Web site under Youth Ministry.

All Grades (8-12)

Mission Trip: June 23-30, Port Jervis, New York

We will join about 400 other teens and adults from around the United States to form work groups to perform repairs/improvements on homes of the poor and elderly. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is due by Sunday, Sept. 25.

Senior High (9-12)

Bible Study Sunday at 9 a.m.
Join us for a discussion on what caring means.

The Point - Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
Join us for a multi-sensory active learning time.
Topic: Change = Attitude

Training Ground Sundays from 6-8:30 p.m.
Join us as we connect to God and each other through small groups. After our small group studies, we will open the FLC for games and hang-out time.
Topic 9/25 "To Save a Life" movie

IDW Senior High Youth Gathering - Nov. 18-20, Omaha - Registration and payment of \$180 are due Sunday, Sept. 25.

GirlZ of Faith for Grades 4 and 5

Thursday, Oct. 6 from 6-7:15 p.m. GirlZ of Faith is a group for girls in grades 4 and 5, which meets twice a month for fellowship, Bible study, crafts, snacks and tons of fun. The group will meet in room 114. Please use the east entrance.

BoyZ of Faith for Grades 4 and 5

Sunday, Oct. 2 from 6-7:15 p.m. BoyZ of Faith is a group for boys in grades 4 and 5. The monthly meeting will be a time for fellowship, Bible study, a project, snacks and lots of fun! The group will meet in room 114. Please use the east entrance.

Movie "Courageous"

Sunday, Oct. 16 at 5 p.m. Wynnsong Theater, 5233 NW 84th Street
Mark you calendar and save your pennies (500 to be exact), we are all going to a movie. Gloria Dei has reserved a theatre for the movie, "Courageous." This action-packed police drama, will show everyday men who long to be the kind of dads that make a lifelong impact on their children.

Mother/ Daughter Walk and Tea

Sunday, Oct. 2 from 1-3 p.m.
Plan to join us in the fight against breast cancer as we walk and talk together and then hear two inspirational speakers as we enjoy tea and fellowship. Cost is \$40 per mother/daughter team of two and \$15 for each additional team member. Each participant will receive a pink t-shirt and pink scarf with pockets. All proceeds will be given to the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Pick up a brochure at the Welcome Centers or contact DeAnn at deann@gloriadeionline.com. Registration deadline is Sept. 25.

Week of September 24–Oct. 1, 2011

Saturday, September 24

- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m.. Joel Otte and Ashley Blake Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, September 25

- 7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 8:30 a.m. Worship Missionary Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m. Parent Bible Study - Five Love Languages
- 9:00 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Castaway
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Lighthouse Bible Study
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m. H3 Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion
- 10:50 a.m. Castaway
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 1:00 p.m. Family Event - Apple Orchard
- 6:00 p.m. Senior High - Training Ground

Monday, September 26

- 8:00 a.m. Pastoral Conference
- 10:00 a.m. Pastoral Conference Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Communion
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Tuesday, September 27

- 8:00 a.m. Pastoral Conference
- 9:30 a.m. Kindermusik Family Time
- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Kindermusik Young Child
- 5:45 p.m. Kindermusik Village
- 6:00 p.m. Beginning Dance
- 6:15 p.m. Kindermusik Our Time

Tuesday, September 27 (continued)

- 6:30 p.m. Premarriage Class
- 6:30 p.m. Fall Financial Peace University
- 6:45 p.m. Kindermusik Imagine That
- 6:45 p.m. Creative Dance

Wednesday, September 28

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:00 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 6:15 p.m. Third Grade Bible Highlighting
- 6:15 p.m. Alleluia Ringers
- 6:15 p.m. Marriage Bible Study - Love and Respect
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 7:15 p.m. Carilloneurs
- 7:30 p.m. Quest for Authentic Manhood

Thursday, September 29

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 3:00 p.m. Next Step
- 5:00 p.m. Peter Nieland and Sheila Zander Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Care Night Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Infusion Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Discovery 101
- 6:30 p.m. Divorce Care
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare
- 6:30 p.m. Marriage Built to Last
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Continuing Education

Friday, September 30

No Scheduled Activities

Saturday, October 1

- 3:30 p.m. Peter Nieland and Sheila Zander Wedding
- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Worship (Sept. 17 and 18)	Attendance	Communion
Northwind	170	
7:45 a.m.	121	105
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	335	215
10:30 a.m. (FLC)	71	
10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	275	170
Total	972	490

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.—2 Corinthians 9:7

Outpouring of Love (Sept. 17 and 18)	
General Fund Offerings	\$22,236
1st QTD Offering	\$325,567
1st QTD Budget	\$353,000

Week of October 1–8, 2011

Saturday, October 1

- 3:30 p.m. Peter Nieland and Sheila Zander
Wedding
- 3:45 p.m. Northwind Worship Team Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the
Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, October 2

- 7:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in
Sanctuary with Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in
Sanctuary with Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Parent Bible Study - Languages of Love
- 9:00 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Castaway
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Lifelight Bible Study
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
in Sanctuary with Communion
- 10:30 a.m. H3 Worship Service in Family Life
Center
- 10:50 a.m. Castaway
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 1:00 p.m. Mother/Daughter Walk and Tea
- 2:00 p.m. Inez Rudge Memorial
- 6:00 p.m. Senior High - Training Ground
- 6:00 p.m. BoyZ of Faith

Monday, October 3

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections

Tuesday, October 4

- 9:00 a.m. XYZ (Extra Years of Zest) Meeting
- 9:30 a.m. Kindermusik Family Time
- 1:00 p.m. Directors' Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 3:00 p.m. Next Step
- 5:00 p.m. Kindermusik Young Child
- 5:45 p.m. Kindermusik Village
- 6:00 p.m. Beginning Dance
- 6:15 p.m. Kindermusik Our Time

Tuesday, October 4 (continued)

- 6:30 p.m. Premarriage Class
- 6:30 p.m. Fall Financial Peace University
- 6:45 p.m. Kindermusik Imagine That
- 6:45 p.m. Creative Dance
- 7:00 p.m. Central Iowa Knitters

Wednesday, October 5

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:00 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 6:15 p.m. Third Grade Bible Highlighting
- 6:15 p.m. Alleluia Ringers
- 6:15 p.m. Marriage Bible Study - Love and Respect
- 6:15 p.m. Book Club
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 7:15 p.m. Carilloneurs
- 7:30 p.m. Quest for Authentic Manhood
- 7:30 p.m. Arts and Craft Show Setup

Thursday, October 6

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 2:00 p.m. Celebration Home School Choir
- 3:00 p.m. Next Step
- 6:00 p.m. Care Night Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Infusion Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. GirlZ of Faith
- 6:30 p.m. Discovery 101
- 6:30 p.m. Divorce Care
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare
- 6:30 p.m. Tiny Treasures' Open House
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Continuing Education
- 8:30 p.m. Arts and Craft Show Setup

Friday, October 7

- 9:00 a.m. Arts and Craft Show Setup
- 9:30 a.m. MOM's Club of West Des Moines
- 10:00 a.m. Iowa Teachers' Conference Meeting

Saturday, October 8

- 8:30 a.m. Arts and Crafts Show
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in the
Sanctuary with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Children's Attendance	Saturday 5:50 p.m.	Sunday 9:20 a.m.	Sunday 10:50 a.m.	Wednesday 6:15 p.m.
Preschool	12	18	26	31
Elementary	24	63	61	137
Total Children	36	81	87	168

Youth Attendance	Sunday	Wednesday 6:15 p.m.
Junior High	38	83
Senior High	14	38
Total Youth	52	121

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

Families: We value families, so we encourage families to worship together. We will then invite the children to educational time on Saturdays at 5:50 p.m.; and Sundays at 9:20 and 10:50 a.m.

5:30 p.m. Saturday Northwind Contemporary in the Family Life Center

Discover reflection and celebration at this casual Saturday evening worship service. Communion will be offered the second and fourth Saturdays of every month.

7:45 a.m. Sunday Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

This worship service uses organ and piano-led hymns as well as responsive liturgy. Our special music groups also perform on a regular basis. Communion will be offered the first and third Sundays of the month.

9 a.m. Sunday Traditional Blend Worship in the Sanctuary

This worship service uses organ and piano-led hymns and songs as well as responsive liturgy. Our special music groups also perform on a regular basis. Communion will be offered the first and third Sundays of the month.

10:30 a.m. H3 Young Family Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center

Our H3 (Worship with your Head, Heart and Hands) casual service offers an atmosphere in which families are encouraged to worship together. Expect lively praise music, puppets and themed family activities. A pastor will lead the service, and the message will be a simulcast from Saturday night's service. Communion is offered the second and fourth Sundays of every month.

10:30 a.m. Sunday Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

Join us in the Sanctuary for high-energy and reflective worship that is awe-inspiring. Communion will be offered the first and third Sundays of every month.

(Starting Sunday, Oct. 9 at 9 a.m.)

Casual Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center

Geared for those who are casual by nature, this service will offer a balance of high-energy and reflective worship. A pastor will lead the service, and the message will be a simulcast from Saturday night's service. Communion will be offered the second and fourth Sundays of every month.

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 - Colossians 3:12-17 (NIV)

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**If you have any questions, please ask one of our members
or stop by the Welcome Centers.**

Education times

Children (ages 2- grade 5)

Grace Place

Saturdays at 5:50 p.m.

Sundays at 9:20 & 10:50 a.m.

Faith Alive

Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Youth (grades 6-12)

Times vary, check page 5.

Adults

Times vary, check pages 6-7.

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.