

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday with Communion, March 28

Traditional at 12:15 p.m.
(Sanctuary)

Traditional at 6 p.m.
(Sanctuary)

Blended at 7:30 p.m.
(Sanctuary)

Good Friday, March 29

Traditional at 12:15 p.m.
(Sanctuary)

Contemporary at 4:30 p.m.
(FLC)

Traditional at 6 p.m.
(Sanctuary)

Blended at 7:30 p.m.
(Sanctuary)

Educational Times

Weekend of March 23-24

All children and youth educational times will be held.

Wednesday, March 27

No children or youth activities.

Mid-week Meal

There will be no mid-week meal on March 27 (Holy Week).

Weekend of March 30-31 (Easter)

All children and youth educational times will not be held.

Ahh the Memories of Spring Break

We had a blast at VBS and Spring Break Camp. More than 175 children laughed, sang and played games during the mornings and afternoons.

Want to catch a glimpse?
See page 4 for photos.

Bringing Jesus Christ to people for the first time and for a lifetime!

No Ordinary Man: The Hour of Darkness

This week's chapter reveals the events leading up to Jesus' death, the last supper, Jesus' prayer in the garden of Gethsemane, Judas' betrayal, Jesus' arrest, and then the horrific trial, beatings and crucifixion.

It's a difficult chapter, but one that shows the true heart of our Savior:

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:6-8

Easter Worship

Saturday, March 30

Contemporary at 5:30 p.m. (FLC) | Blended at 7 p.m. (Sanctuary)

Sunday, March 31

Traditional at 8 a.m. (Sanctuary) | Blended at 9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Contemporary at 10 a.m. (FLC) | Contemporary at 11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Ways to be Involved in the Easter Services

We are anticipating a joyous time as we celebrate the risen Lord during our Easter worship services. To be gracious hosts to more than 2,000 worshippers, we need your help. Please review the following top-ten list:

1. **Pray** – Touch lives by praying for each worshipper.
2. **Parking** – Utilize the shuttle service from the Urbandale Middle School (Sunday from 7 a.m.-12:15 p.m.)
3. **Hospitality** – Help with the services by signing up to be a greeter or usher. (Contact the church office.)
4. **Invitation** – Invite a neighbor, friend and co-worker.
5. **Chairs** – Help set-up or tear-down chairs before and after the 9:30 a.m. service.
6. **Introduction** – Introduce yourself to someone new at one of the worship services.
7. **Golf Carts** – Tune up your golf-cart skills and offer to help with transportation in the parking lot (Saturday night or Sunday morning).
8. **Food** – Stop by the room next to the kitchen if you are helping and enjoy!
9. **Involved** – Attend the service of your choice and engage in the the worship of our resurrected Savior!
10. **Notification** – Send an e-mail to office@gloriadeionline.com if you would like to help. We'll contact you with all the details. Thanks for making our guests feel comfortable!

“Oh the Places You’ll Go!”

Friday, April 5 from 5-7 p.m.

You are invited to “Oh the Places You’ll Go!” This is a wonderful opportunity for families of Tiny Treasures and Gloria Dei to gather together for food, fun, and fellowship. There will be various crafts and games for families to enjoy throughout the evening, all celebrating the wonderful world of Dr. Seuss. A bounce house and a special story time at 5:30 p.m. will also be available. Come for all or part of the evening...who knew because it’s up to you!



The cost per family is \$10, which will be collected at the door. Please enter the church through the west entrance by the Family Life Center and kitchen.

30 Hour Famine

Friday, April 5 and Saturday, April 6

Every year, hundreds of thousands of students in the U.S. and around the world unite around the 30 Hour Famine. They learn about hunger, raise funds to help the hungry, and then go hungry themselves.



In the past nine years, our youth have collected over \$80,000—this year’s goal is \$10,000.

In addition, they plan to collect canned foods and paper products for Freedom for Youth and assist with clean-up of homeless camps through Joppa Ministry.

As a church, we can support our youth by giving financial donations after worship services on Saturday, April 6 and Sunday, April 7.

Youth Dinner Theater

Friday, April 19 at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, April 20 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 21 at 4 p.m.



Gloria Dei youth will present “All’s Fair - Noah County Fair.” Tickets (\$10 for adults and \$8 for children under 10 and adults over 55) can be purchased by contacting Lisa Gibson at lisa@gloriadeionline.com.

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Need help?

Stephen Ministries

We have trained individuals to help you in every season of life. Contact Pastor Phillips at tphillips@gloriadeionline.com.

Special Thanks

Women from the Naomi Circle graciously cleaned the Sanctuary as their service project. When you see them, please thank them for adding to the beauty of our Sanctuary especially for the Easter services.

Senior Adult Ministry

Mondays and Wednesdays, April 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 and 29, from 1-3 p.m.

Last call! If you have not signed up for A Matter of Balance do so today. This eight-session class, facilitated by the Polk County Health Department, will be held at the church. Cost is \$20. To register, contact Diane at diane@gloriadeionline.com or at 276-1700, ext. 220.

Flowers

The flowers by the piano in the Sanctuary are provided by Tyler and Alanna Dern in celebration of their first anniversary on March 24.

Celebrating the Story



"I hope this music helps everyone get back into the Word and dig a little deeper and see what God has waiting for you, and how it can help write your story."

*- Nichole Nordeman,
GMA DOVE Award winner*

We have been so thankful for all the participation through the readings, the blogs, attending worship and all the conversations around the church-wide emphasis of "The Story." It's been an incredible time, don't you think?

So, we want to celebrate and we want to celebrate big! Drum roll, please! We have scheduled Nichole Nordeman, a multiple GMA Dove Award winner,



Nichole Nordeman will be offering a concert at Gloria Dei on Sunday, April 28 at 6 p.m.

including two awards for Female Vocalist of the Year, to offer a concert at Gloria Dei on Sunday, April 28 at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. There will be no charge to attend the concert.

To help cover the cost of the event, we are looking for 100 VIP families or businesses to donate \$100. Each VIP will be given tickets for advance seating. If you are interested in helping with the concert, please contact Bill Clark at bill@p52.org or 515-491-8543.



To listen to Nichole's music: Scan this QR code into your smart phone or visit our Web site at www.gloriadeionline.com.

Servers

Officiant/Liturgist:

5:30 p.m. (FLC)

Rev. Phil Robarge

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Rev. Ron Burcham

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Rev. Ron Burcham

10 a.m. (FLC)

Rev. Tim Phillips

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Rev. Phil Robarge

Preacher

Rev. Phil Robarge

Organ

Sue Jesse

Acolytes:

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Robbie Rice

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Sarah Gibson

11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Collin Schroeder

Scripture verses:

John 19:28-37 (NIV)

Hospitality Teams

5:30 p.m. (FLC)

Team Two

8 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Two

9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Team Two

10 a.m. (FLC)

TBD

11 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 our families

For the health of

- Jack Fries
- Mike Dehnert
- Karen Monroe
- Tanya Richards
- Carol Petersen
- Christine Watson
- Fred Sturdevant
- Lyle Lawson
- Donna Smitly
- Brenda Barron
- Shirley Kramer
- Steve Crouthamel

And for:

- For the grieving family of James Schmidt
- For the grieving family of Lawrence Saucke, brother of Marilyn Varley
- For the grieving family of Maureen Christopher, mother of Craig McCue

Prayer ministry

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

VBS WAS A ROCKIN'



More than 175 children joined us for praise, science exploration, snacks and lots of fun last week.



Want some more photos? Scan this code into your mobile device.



Gloria Dei Youth Ministry

Castaway

Sundays at 9:50 & 11:20 a.m. Join us in "The Story" discussion. We will not meet March 31.

Junior High Small Groups

Will not meet on Wednesday, March 27 at 6:45 p.m.

Spring Retreat - "Me and the I AM"

Friday, April 12 and Saturday, April 13. The retreat will be held at Riverside Camp, Story City. The cost is \$30. Registration and payment deadline is Wednesday, April 3. All teens currently in grades 8-12 are invited.

High School Bible Study

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Join us in "The Story" discussion. We will not meet March 31.

The Point

Will not meet on Wednesday, March 27.

Meat Smokers

We are looking for smokers for a May 5 fundraiser, please contact TK for information on this event.

30 Hour Famine

Upcoming dates for the ninth 30-Hour Famine are April 5 and 6, 2013.

Dinner Theater - Noah County Fair

April 19, 20 and 21 - All acts will rehearse Sunday, March 24 at 12:15 p.m. Cast lunch to be served at noon (\$2.50 per person). Rehearsal will be held on Wednesday, March 27 at 6 p.m. and April 3 at 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale today.

Men's Study - 33 Series - Volume 2

Wednesday, March 27 - Wednesday, May 1 from 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Overtime, 4810 86th St., Urbandale

Every man's life tells a "story." Every man must understand and come to grips with the defining moments and key relationships that have shaped his unique "story." This volume of "33 The Series: A Man and His Story" provides men with a biblical perspective of their "story" and equips them to embrace how their past has affected their present and prepares them to deal with the future. Cost for book is \$20.

Women's Connection - Malachi

Monday, April 8 - Monday, June 3 at 9:30 a.m or 6:30 p.m.

"Malachi: A Love That Never Lets Go" is an eight-session women's Bible study on the book of Malachi. Lisa Harper's first video Bible study with LifeWay focuses on God's mercy. On our worst day, God doesn't walk away from us; His love for us is not determined by our performance. No matter how many times we mess up, God loves (and never leaves) broken people. The cost for the book is \$15. If interested, contact Lisa Scherer at scherer_family@q.com or at 515-440-2131.

Quilters

Saturday, April 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Only a few months left before we send our quilts off to their new homes, but there's plenty of time to get a start and finish a quilt. Beginner lessons are available.

Scrapbook Fellowship

Friday, April 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Saturday, April 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Come join the fun. For childcare, contact Carol Wenndt by April 10 at 306-4352 (phone or text) with the date, times (start and finish) as well as the number of children.

Book Club

Join us Wednesday, April 3 at 6:15 p.m. in the Cry Room for a discussion on "Danger in the Shadows" by Dee Henderson.

Week of March 23-31, 2013

Saturday, March 23

- 10:00 a.m. Memorial Service for James Schmidt
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, March 24

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 8:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:15 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:50 a.m. Castaway
- 9:50 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Chuck Corell)
- 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center with Communion
- 10:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 10:45 a.m. "The Story" Adult Study (Dan Snyder)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- 11:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 11:20 a.m. Castaway
- 12:15 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal
- 4:30 p.m. Archery Team Dinner

Monday, March 25

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Moms' Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections

Tuesday, March 26

- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Governing Board Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

Wednesday, March 27

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 7:30 p.m. The 33 Series Vol. 2 (Off site)

Thursday, March 28

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitches
- 12:15 p.m. Maundy Thursday Traditional 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 Blended Worship in the Sanctuary with Communion

Friday, March 29

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

Saturday, March 30

- 5:30 p.m. Easter Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 7:00 p.m. Easter Blended Worship in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, March 31

- 8:00 a.m. Easter Traditional Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Easter Blended Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Easter Contemporary Worship Service in the Family Life Center
- 11:00 a.m. Easter Contemporary Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Worship (March 16-17)	Attendance	Communion
5:30 p.m. (FLC)	152	
8 a.m. (Sanctuary)	124	116
9:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	322	269
10 a.m. (FLC)	69	
11 a.m. (Sanctuary)	157	89
Total	824	474

Outpouring of Love (March 16-17)	
General Fund Offerings	\$21,228
General Fund Offering Budget	\$27,000
3rd QTD Offering	\$326,884
3rd QTD Budget	\$347,000
YTD Offering Total	\$1,254,281
YTD Offering Budget	\$1,303,000

Week of March 30-April 6, 2013

Saturday, March 30

- 5:30 p.m. Easter Contemporary Worship Service
in the Family Life Center
- 7:00 p.m. Easter Blended Worship
in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, March 31

- 8:00 a.m. Easter Traditional Worship Service
in the Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Easter Blended Worship Service
in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Easter Contemporary Worship Service
in the Family Life Center
- 11:00 a.m. Easter Contemporary Worship Service
in the Sanctuary

Easter Monday, April 1

Office closed on Easter Monday
No scheduled events

Tuesday, April 2

- 9:00 a.m. XYZ (Extra Years of Zest) Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Delta Kappa Gamma Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Elders Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Encourage Each Other Women's Study

Wednesday, April 3

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 1:00 p.m. A Matter of Balance
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. The Story Adult Study
- 6:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Book Club
- 6:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 6:45 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:45 p.m. Senior High - The Point
- 7:30 p.m. The 33 Series Vol. 2 (Off site)
- 8:00 p.m. Dinner Theater Rehearsal

Thursday, April 4

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 2:00 p.m. Home School Choir

Friday, April 5

- 9:30 a.m. MOM's Club of West Des Moines
- 5:00 p.m. Tiny Treasures' Spring Event
- 5:00 p.m. 30 Hour Famine

Saturday, April 6

- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service
in the Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Items Needed for Honduras 2013

Items needed for the Honduras collection are: Children's chewable vitamins (no gummy vitamins), Adult vitamins (no gummy vitamins), Acetaminophen 500 mg, Ibuprofen 200 mg, Loratadine 10 mg, Antacid tablets (Tums or Maalox), Zantac or Pepcid, Naproxen, lice killing shampoo - 8 oz. bottles). Please place your donation in the Honduras bin in the Narthex.

Items needed

Urbandale Food Pantry needs toothpaste during the month of April. Please place your donation in the "Urbandale Food Pantry" bin that is located in the Narthex.

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

We encourage families to worship together before children (ages 3-grade 5) are invited to Grace Place on Saturday evenings at 5:50; Sunday mornings at 8:20, 9:50, 10:20 and 11:20. Junior high youth (grades 6-8) are invited to Castaway at 9:50 and 11:20 a.m.

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

This contemporary service offers a unique come-as-you-are worship experience on Saturday evening. A gathering of celebration will be led by our worship team and band in the Family Life Center, inviting worshipers to lift anthems to our God. There will be time for intimacy with God, reflection on his promises and the opportunity to grow as his Word is declared.

8:00 a.m. Sunday | Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

This worship service is based on traditional hymns and liturgy. The music is organ led with offerings of special music, offertories and communion hymns led by the piano. Our special music groups and choirs perform on a regular basis.

9:30 a.m. Sunday | Traditional Blend Worship in the Sanctuary

This service offers a blend of instruments, from piano and organ to brass and percussion. Large group choirs as well as small group vocal and instrumental ensembles offer special music. The liturgy is specifically designed to enhance the life of the believer, by supporting the current study of God's Word at Gloria Dei.

10:00 a.m. Sunday | Contemporary Worship in the Family Life Center

This high-energy service offers a casual setting for those who enjoy a come-as-you-are contemporary environment. A gathering of celebration will be led by our worship team and band in the Family Life Center, inviting worshipers to lift anthems to our God. There will be time for intimacy with God, reflection on his promises and the opportunity to grow as his Word is declared via this video venue.

11:00 a.m. Sunday | Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

This contemporary service has a unique style of its own as we combine the present day sounds of contemporary music with a worship band in the awe inspiring setting of the Sanctuary. This service includes uplifting songs of celebration as people gather together responding to our God.

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.

Weekly Bible reading - John 19:28-30 (NIV)

Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Educational times

Children (ages 2- grade 5)

Grace Place

Saturdays at 5:50 p.m.
Sundays at 8:20, 9:50,
10:20 & 11:20 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, in small plastic cups.