

WEEKLY WORD

FALL EDITION

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church | www.gloriadeionline.com | 515-276-1700

Oct. 2 and 3, 2010 | Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

“A Study of the 10...Love Life”

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

“You shall not murder” (Exodus 20:13)

Taking a life is a serious matter for it cannot be undone, but Jesus says if we are angry with another person we have broken this commandment. Last week we learned the fourth commandment deals with family relationships; this week we will discover that the fifth commandment revolves around our relationships with other people. This side of heaven there will be conflict, but God protects us from anger, bitterness and resentment, which not only affect those around us, but will consume us. Since God is fully aware of these temptations and situations, he continually gives instructions and guidance on how to build and maintain relationships. Today we will further dive into the importance of loving the life and the people who God has given to us.

A call to action

In the last few weeks, we have learned about the foundation of loving God, loving each other and loving the life that God has created. The learning doesn't stop at an acknowledgment of the first five commandments. It begins when we absorb the depth of these commandments into our hearts and lives and then make a conscious effort to give away these incredible truths to those around us. In other words, God doesn't want us to hoard all of his love to ourselves, he desires that we give it away.

Freely you have received, freely give. Matthew 10:8b

In the next few weeks, we encourage each individual, family or small group to purposefully reach out to our community by volunteering in some capacity. We have a list of Christian nonprofits who would appreciate your help.

American Red Cross - (www.desmoines-redcross.org) Contact: arccic@desmoines-redcross.org

Children and Families of Iowa - (www.cfiowa.org) Contact: contactus@cfiowa.org

Central Iowa Shelter and Services - (www.centraliowashelter.org) Contact: director@centralio-washelter.org

Freedom for Youth Ministries - (www.freedomforyouth.org) Contact: ekretzu@freedomforyouth.org

Hope Ministries - (www.hopeiowa.org) Contact: info@hopeiowa.org

Interfaith Hospitality Network - (www.dmihn.org) Contact: send via the website

New Directions Shelter - (www.hawthornhillministries.com) Contact: Melanie Wright at 244-9748

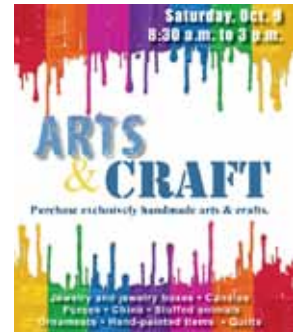
Ruth Harbor - (www.ruthharbor.org) Contact: info@ruthharbor.org

Southern Care Hospice - Contact: Crissanka Cristadoss at 727-8011

Urbandale Food Pantry - (www.urbandale.org/urbandale-food-pantry.cfm) Contact: Eileen Boggess, 251-6688

We do not want you to stop only with these organizations; perhaps, there is a neighbor or a friend that needs a listening ear or an encouraging word. We could always use a helpful hand around the church as we host the Arts and Craft Show on Saturday, Oct. 9 and a fall cleaning day on Saturday, Oct. 16.

Please take time to pray and ask God to direct your steps to the person or situation that needs God's unfathomable love and mercy. And afterwards, let us know what you experienced by e-mailing your thoughts and/or photos to Pastor Robarge at probarge@gloriadeionline.com. See you on the streets!



**Saturday, Oct. 9
from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Check out page 4 for a sneak preview of what you will find at the show. See you Saturday!

Social Media

Oct. 3 at 9 a.m.

Oct. 3 at 10 a.m.

Learn about how social media can be used in your life and in the church.

A Child's Heart

Oct. 3 at 10 a.m.

Starting Sunday, a five-week class will be offered in room 113 for young children whose lives have been affected by divorce.

Discovery 201

Oct. 17 from 3-6:30 p.m.

If you are transferring from another Lutheran church or have taken the Discovery 101 class, please join us for an interactive event. You'll meet each other, the staff, get an overview of our ministry and enjoy a delicious meal. Childcare is provided.

Register online on our adult page or call 276-1700.

Pastoral Conference



We were thankful to host the Pastoral Conference at Gloria Dei last week, and for all ministry partners who set up, made Monday's worship service beautiful, served breakfast and lunch and helped with a variety of other tasks. Thank you so much for your willingness to serve.

Worship feedback

Thank you to all who responded to the question about the 9 a.m. worship service last week. We want every worship experience to be the best that it can be, a place where the worshiper is engaged, knows that they have been in the presence God, and is fed by his Word and Sacraments. So, we continue to evaluate to ensure that each worship service fulfills those criteria. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome; please direct them to Steve Kowbel, Director of Worship at skowbel@gloriadeionline.com or to Pastor Burcham at rburcham@gloriadeionline.com. As we continue to look at the worship service, we will keep you informed about our progress.

Book Club

Wednesday, Oct. 6 from 6:15-7:15 p.m. Take time for yourself and read a good book or two and then be prepared to share how it has impacted your life.

October 6 - "The Skeleton in God's Closet" by Paul Maier - Dr. Jonathan Weber, Harvard professor and biblical scholar, is looking forward to his sabbatical year on an archaeological dig in Israel. But a spectacular find that seems to be an archaeologist's dream-come-true becomes a nightmare that could influence Christianity.

Scrapbook Fellowship

If your pictures are piling up like the leaves, it's time to join us at Scrapbook Fellowship on Friday, Oct. 15 from 8:30 a.m.-11 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 16 from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. in rooms 131/133. For more information, contact Deb Kesse at 251-8324. If you need childcare, contact Carol Wenndt by Wednesday, Oct. 13 at 306-4352 (phone or text) with the date, times (start and finish) as well as the number of children.

Fall clean-up day

Join us for the fall cleanup day Saturday, Oct. 16 from 8 a.m. to noon. We'll serve breakfast! Bring your rakes and gloves! Children are invited!



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For a complete staff listing: go to our Web site at: www.gloriadeionline.com

Web site

Did you know? We have the following online:

- All children's, youth and adult activities
- Sermons available Monday morning
- Midweek meal menus
- Mission trip updates
- Registration for Grace Place and Faith Alive
- Outreach opportunities
- Giving options

Check us out today!

www.gloriadeionline.com

Offering counters needed

Gloria Dei has six teams of counters that count about nine times per year. We are currently in need of more ministry partners. If you would like to volunteer in this ministry, please contact Shari Smith at 515-276-1700 ext. 202.

Thrivent Choice Grant Program

Thrivent Financial created a new program titled “Thrivent Choice” where Thrivent members can allocate their Choice Dollars to Lutheran organizations. If you are a Thrivent member and have one or more eligible life or health products, or hold a volunteer leadership role with Thrivent Financial, you can direct your Choice Dollars to Gloria Dei! These funds will be used for one-time ministry projects. This program replaced one where Gloria Dei received matching fund grant monies for such programs as the 30 Hour Famine, Patriotic Concert, dinner theater, preschool, as well as various missions. If you are eligible to direct your Choice Dollars, Thrivent will notify you by mail. If you have not already done so, please consider directing your Choice Dollars to Gloria Dei to help out with the many programs that help us with our mission of bringing Jesus Christ to people for the first time and for a lifetime. For further information, pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center or call Shari Smith at 278-5544, ext. 202.

Bottles from China in Toolshoppe

Please stop by the Toolshoppe to see the new bottles that have arrived from China. These make a wonderful and unique gift for that special person. Proceeds help support “Shining City Foundation.”

Servers

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

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

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

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

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

Preacher:
Rev. Ron Burcham

Organist:
Kathy Stange

Acolytes:
7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):
Emma Jordan

9:00 a.m. (Sanctuary):
Ryan Dueker

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary):
Grant Ganzer

Elders:
Marvin Deer
Rod Serbus
Tom Westby

Ushers:
Northwind
Dale Engelken
Dave Giesselmann

7:45 a.m.
Scott Ammann
Zach Ammann
Alan Grunst
Brent Handel
Justin Handel
Dean Mohr

9 a.m.
Terry Ebke
Randy Fleming
Casey Fluegge
Dean Kleckner
Glenn Larson
Mark Kramer
Rob Steuber

9:00 a.m. (FLC)
Jared Nicol

10:30 a.m.
Phillip Bax
Jim Kellenberg
Chris Warwick

Scripture Readings:

Exodus 20:13 and Matthew 5:21-26 (NIV)

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:

- Louise Crosser
- Addison Blythe
- Shirley Knickman
- Shirley Disney
- Ronan Thompson
- Jolene Norviel
- Cathy Phillips, Pastor Phillips' sister-in-law
- Alice Wegner

And for:

- Lorrie Graaf and family, who are grieving the loss of Lorrie's mother
- For Pastor Curt Foreman, who is grieving the loss of his mother
- All of our military and workers serving around the world, specifically for Tom Kennedy, Greg Olson Nat Wunsch and Matt Price

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.

Arts & Craft Show

Plan on attending our 18th annual Arts & Craft Show! We have more than 60 talented artists at this year's show. To give you a sneak preview of what you will see, here are a few of items from the show:

Brenda Anderson - Photo Art



Cards, pictures, magnets and bookmarks are the expression for this artist. All of pictures have the word "God" hidden in them; 10 percent of sales go directly to the organization, Food For The Poor.

Mia Barr - Whimsical Wire Designs



Whimsical, uplifting, and unique wire designs are the masterpieces of this artist, who gets her ideas from the world around her and the things she encounter daily. Each piece is painted and stitched by hand which makes each piece an original.

Lisa Van Gilst - Purses



Handmade purses from recycled materials are sewn from this artists' imagination. Each one is unique and one of a kind.

Maybeth Oxenenreider - Mittens



Back by popular demand, this artist designs mittens from recycled wool sweaters; no two pairs are alike.

**Mark your calendar for the Arts and Craft Show
Oct. 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Arts & Craft Show details

Baked goods: Pull out your favorite recipes and decide what you'd like to contribute to the annual Arts & Craft Show on Oct. 9. Cookies, pies, brownies, breads—all go fast! 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. 8, but will gladly accept donations up until noon on Saturday. Baking not really your specialty? Fresh fall produce and preserves are also welcome.

Donations: Please feel free to drop off all the donations, such as soda and water, to the kitchen this week.

Workers: All hands on deck! We need men and women to help us the day of the show. Sign up at the table in the narthex.

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Sacraments Confirmation Retreat

Friday-Saturday, Oct. 8-9

If you have signed up, meet at Gloria Dei at 5 p.m. for dinner and then head to the Y-camp in Boone.

Parents are to meet their child/children at Chase Lodge within the Y-camp Saturday morning at 10:30.

Rehearsal

All youth in grades 6-12 with theatrical skills or interests (singing, dancing...) are invited to join us in the Youth Center on Sundays from 12-1 p.m. during the month of October.

Junior High Grades 6-8

Sunday: Castaway: Come expecting fun times during our Castaway hour from 9-10 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Topic: "A Study of the 10."

Wednesday from 6-7:15 p.m.: Students in grades 6-8 meet in small groups to discuss various topics relevant to their lives.

Café 923: Sunday, October 10 from 5-8 p.m.

Join us for fun, fellowship and games.

Senior High Grades 9-12

IDW Sr. High Youth Gathering: Please return your forms and payment of \$175 by Sunday, Oct. 3; packets located by the youth bulletin board.

Wednesday evening - The Point: Oct. 6: "The Women's Place." Join us this Wednesday from 6-7:15 p.m. in the Youth Center for praise, large-group Bible study and small group discussion.

Sundays from 9-10 a.m.: Join us as we discuss "The Study of the 10."

Mission and Service Opportunities

Wednesday, October 6 from 7:30-9 p.m.

Junior high youth: Help set up for Arts and Craft Show.

Saturday, October 9 from 4-6 p.m.

Junior high youth: Help tear down following the Arts and Craft Show.

Sunday, October 10 is the deadline for Omaha Urban Plunge payment and forms for grades 6-12.

Grocery list items

Each month we collect items to help those in need. All items can be dropped in the designated bins in the narthex. Thanks for your support!

Toothbrushes and toothpaste for the Honduras medical mission team

Laundry detergent for the Urbandale Food Pantry

LWML

Mary-Ester Circle will meet Thursday, Oct. 14 at 9 a.m. at the home of Shirley Johnson, 9709 Aurora Ave., Urbandale.

Miriam Circle will meet Wednesday, Oct. 6 at 6 p.m. at Norma Rohn's house, 9612 Tanglewood, Urbandale, to make pies. There will not be a meeting on Oct. 12.

Naomi Circle will meet on Friday, Oct. 8 at 9:30 a.m. at the church to finish setting up for the Arts and Craft Show. There will not be a meeting on Oct. 7.

Ruth Circle will meet Monday, Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. at the home of Kay Readinger, 4210 132nd Street, Urbandale.

Tiny Treasures Fall Consignment Sale

Friday, Oct. 22: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 23 (half-price sale): 8 to 11:00 a.m.

Clearing out closets? Sell those gently-used items at our consignment sale. Registration forms, tags, and instructional booklet are available on Tiny Treasures' page on our Web site or in the preschool office.

Midweek meals

Oct. 6: Taco/enchiladas

Enjoy a delicious meal for \$4 per adult and \$2 per child or youth (under 2 eat free) on Wednesday from 5-5:45 p.m.

Week of Oct. 2-9, 2010

Saturday, October 2

- 3:00 p.m. Justin Gerst and Amanda Muhlenbruck Wedding
- 4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in Family Life Center
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, October 3

- 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. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Junior High Castaway
- 9:00 a.m. What is Social Media? Meeting
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Lighthouse Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Worship Team Warm-up
- 10:00 a.m. Divorce Care for Kids
- 10:00 a.m. What is Social Media? Meeting
- 10:30 a.m. Infusion Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary with Communion
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place

Monday, October 4

- 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Connections a.m.
- 6:30 p.m. A Study of the 10 Small Group
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Tuesday, October 5

- 9:00 a.m. XYZ (Extra Years of Zest) Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. Staff Quarterly Planning Meeting
- 9:30 a.m. A Study of the 10 Small Group
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 4:30 p.m. Kindermusik Young Child Semester 3
- 5:45 p.m. Kindermusik Village
- 6:00 p.m. Beginning Dance

Tuesday, October 5 (continued)

- 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik Imagine That
- 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik Our Time
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 6:30 p.m. Neighborhood Watch Organization Mtg.
- 6:45 p.m. Creative Dance
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, October 6

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge'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. The Point - Senior High
- 6:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers
- 6:15 p.m. Book Club
- 6:15 p.m. The Truth Project Parenting Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m. A Study of the 10 Small Group
- 6:45 p.m. Carrilloneurs
- 7:00 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 7:30 p.m. Arts and Craft Show Set Up

Thursday, October 7

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:00 a.m. Arts and Craft Show Set Up
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 6:00 p.m. Care Night Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Infusion Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Take Control of Your Health and Fitness
- 6:30 p.m. Care Night
- 6:30 p.m. Discovery 101

Friday, October 8

- 8:00 a.m. Arts and Craft Show Set Up
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Retreat

Saturday, October 9

- 8:30 a.m. LWML 18th Annual Fall Arts and Craft Show
- 4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Worship	Attendance	Communion
Northwind	106	89
7:45 a.m.	128	
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	332	
9 a.m. (FLC)	92	39
10:30 a.m.	287	
Total	945	128

Outpouring of Love	
General Fund Offerings	\$27,185
First QTD Offering	\$354,270
First QTD Budget	\$363,000

Week of Oct.9-16, 2010

Saturday, October 9

- 8:30 a.m.. LWML 18th Annual Fall Arts and Craft Show
- 4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, October 10

- 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. Senior High Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. Junior High Castaway
- 9:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Grace Place
- 9:20 a.m. Lighthouse Bible Study
- 9:20 a.m. Worship Team Warm-up
- 10:00 a.m. Divorce Care for Kids
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 a.m. Infusion Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary
- 10:50 a.m. Grace Place
- 2:00 p.m. The Wave
- 2:30 p.m. Girl Scout Daisy Troop
- 5:00 p.m. Jr. High Cafe 923

Monday, October 11

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Connections a.m
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision afternoon
- 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts Troop #806
- 6:00 p.m. Urbandale Swim Club Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. A Study of the 10 Small Group
- 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Connections p.m.
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Minister Supervision evening

Tuesday, October 12

- 9:30 a.m. A Study of the 10 Small Group
- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study
- 4:30 p.m. Kindermusik Young Child Semester 3
- 5:45 p.m. Kindermusik Village
- 6:00 p.m. Beginning Dance

Tuesday, October 12 (continued)

- 6:00 p.m. Urbandale Community
- 6:00 p.m. Governing Board Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik Imagine That
- 6:30 p.m. Kindermusik Our Time
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 6:45 p.m. Creative Dance
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, October 13

- 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robarge's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Iowa Association of Adoption Agencies
- 5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Faith Alive
- 6:00 p.m. Junior High Small Groups
- 6:00 p.m. The Point - Senior High
- 6:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers
- 6:15 p.m. The Truth Project Parenting Bible Study
- 6:15 p.m. A Study of the 10 Small Group
- 6:45 p.m. Carrilloneurs
- 7:00 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale

Thursday, October 14

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 6:00 p.m. Care Night Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Infusion Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Urbandale Community
- 6:00 p.m. Take Control of Your Health and Fitness
- 6:30 p.m. Care Night
- 6:30 p.m. Volleyball

Friday, October 15

- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 5:30 p.m. Shawn Stobbe and Madeline Peyton Rehearsal

Saturday, October 16

- 8:00 a.m. Fall Clean Up
- 8:30 a.m. Scrapbook Fellowship
- 4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Northwind Worship Service in Family Life Center with Communion
- 5:50 p.m. Grace Place
- 7:00 p.m. Shawn Stobbe and Madeline Peyton Wedding

Children's Attendance	Saturday 5:50 p.m.	Sunday 9:20 a.m.	Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Wednesday 6:15 p.m.
Preschool	7	22	17	26
Elementary	31	61	47	132
Total Children	38	83	64	158

Youth Attendance	Sunday 9 a.m.	Wednesday 6:15 p.m.
Junior High	45	97
Senior High	9	35
Total Youth	54	132

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

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

Weekend Worship Services

Children are encouraged to worship with their parents at each service before being invited to Grace Place: Saturday at 5:50 and Sunday at 9:20 and 10:50 a.m. For youth in grades 6-8, an invitation to Castaway will be extended on Sunday at 9:20 a.m.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

This Week's Bible Reading

Matthew 5:21-26 (NIV)

“You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘Do not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to his brother, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the Sanhedrin. But anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell.

“Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.

“Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still with him on the way, or he may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. I tell you the truth, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.”

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