

WEEKLY WORD



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Third Sunday of Easter

Light Heats Up Change

by Karen Kennedy, staff

This week's Ablaze topic, "Change of Attitude," is a familiar charge at our house. I often tell my children to change their attitude. Likewise, I find myself repeating those words when facing an undesirable task. Unfortunately, my attitude would rather stay stuck than be changed.

Jesus dealt with unchanging attitudes when dealing with our old impetuous friend Peter. Previously, Jesus had taught the disciples by words and deeds the importance of the hierarchy of heavenly values, i.e., serving trumps selfish gains. But like us, Peter needed real-life examples. As the story unfolds in John 13, Jesus confronted Peter's attitude by performing a servant's task of washing his feet.

When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. John 13:12-15

Servanthood, Jesus style, is not celebrated in our daily world. The world clings to the "me" attitude—it is all about me and not my neighbor. For example, how many times have we raced to get the closest parking spot, completely ignoring the other car?

And yet Jesus left an example that we should follow, which eradicates the world's selfishness. He also leaves a promise about what we will become as we follow his example:

Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them. John 13:17



Confirmation Sunday

Confirmation Sunday will be next week at 9 a.m. in the sanctuary.

All other worship services will be in the Family Life Center.

Summer Camps

Grab a brochure at the Information Center and register for one of our summer camps today!

Diner a Hit

The Youth Center was transformed into a 50s' diner Thursday, Friday and Saturday as the youth performed Uncle Phil's Diner for approximately 330 guests. Proceeds go toward the youth mission trips and conferences.

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

Strategic Planning Information

Each member should have received a mailing containing the initial recommendation from the Strategic Planning Ministry Action Team (MAT). If you did not receive this mailing, extra copies are available at the Information Center.

The MAT is requesting approval from the Governing Board to proceed with detailed research into the feasibility of relocating the church facility to enable expanded ministries and to bring more people to Christ as stated in our mission statement and in the commission given us by Christ himself in Matthew 28.

The Governing Board wants to hear from you before they act on the recommendation at their May 16 meeting. Please take advantage of one of the following opportunities to ask questions and give your feedback:

1. Visit with or call a Governing Board member.
2. Send an e-mail to govboard@gloriadeionline.com.
3. Attend a one-hour discussion on one of the following dates:
 - Sunday, April 30 at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. in the Family Life Center.
 - Wednesday, May 3 at 7 p.m. in the Family Life Center.
4. Invite representatives from the MAT and Board to attend your group gathering by contacting the Board at govboard@gloriadeionline.com or calling Deb Kesse at 251-8324.

Ablaze: Questions of the Week

Does my attitude mirror
Jesus or the world?

Do I need to change?

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Sunday Schedule

Sunday Worship
8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

Sunday School
9:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Classes
9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Staffed Nursery
8 a.m.-noon

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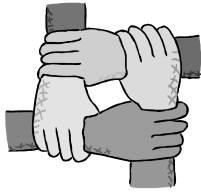
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Thank You



Fact of the week: It takes more than 100 men and women each week to help the with Faith Alive, Grace Place and Sunday school.

We are thankful for their help! So, please take a moment to thank our wonderful children's ministry partners. We couldn't do it without them.

Patriotic Praise Team Being Formed

Come and join the music as we form a patriotic praise team, a multi-generational choir and orchestra, who will offer praise on Father's Day, June 18 and Sunday, July 2. Since this team is open to the church and the community, please extend the invitation to your soprano, alto or tenor neighbor or co-worker.

Rehearsals will be Wednesday, May 24-June 28 for the following groups:

Patriotic Praise Choir	Junior high to Adult	6:15-7:15 p.m.
Patriotic Praise Children's Choir	Grades, K-5	6:15-7:15 p.m.
Patriotic Praise Orchestra	Junior high to Adult	7:15-8:15 p.m.

We also need volunteers to help in the mix of mingling music with fellowship. Please call Julie DenHerder at 251-4632.

Servers

We are thankful for our volunteers today who help to provide a great place to worship.

Elders:	Rick Johnson	11 a.m.
Devin Wren	Doug Mertz	Jim Kellenberg
Ken Meythaler	Richard Rinderknecht	David Miller
Gary Wasko	Devin Wren	Bill Clark
Northwind	David VanAhn	Organist:
Rich Johnson	9:30 a.m.	Shirley Roberts
Dale Engelken	Bruce Bjustrom	Acolytes:
8 a.m.	Duane Haas	Kaitlin Boettcher
Scott Ammann	Mike Hildreth	Ben Clausen
Casey Fluegge	Merlin Siefken	Kristine Wasko
Brent Handel	Chad Smith	
Jordan Handel	Dean Kleckner	

God's People in Prayer

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 Pennie in the church office, 276-1700, or contact Diane Young between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 993-3870 or Joan Kickbush after 5 p.m. at 987-4864 with your request.

Thanksgivings

- For our nation and military
- For the safe return of Chad Follis from Iraq
- For our teachers and helpers in Sunday school and Faith Alive
- For Merle and Ellie Knuth's brother, Dick Knuth, who is recovering nicely from heart surgery
- For our youth

Prayers

- For Kent Siems, who is serving in Iraq
- For the preparations of our Confirmation students

Prayer Ministry Team

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

Adult Happenings

Contact Information:
 Pastor Kendall Meyer
 Director of Adult Ministry
 278-5544, ext. 224
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The Da Vinci Code

Reading the book is not required.

Pastor Meyer will explore the contents of best-selling book, "The Da Vinci Code," Sunday, April 23 at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. in the Family Life Center. No prior knowledge of the book is required. Since its publication in 2003, conversations in the workplace, at social occasions, and in churches have brought to light questions most people are unprepared to answer:

- Was Jesus really married?
- Was Mary Magdalene really Jesus' wife?
- Did the early church destroy every gospel that proved Jesus was married?

Ablaze Small Groups

It is not too late to join an *Ablaze* small group. If you would like to be in the same small group from phase I, please call the group leader; if you would like to be in a new small group, contact Pastor Meyer.

Iowa District West

Iowa District West has many opportunities for individuals or groups to be involved this summer.

Witness Bracelets

Making and/or distributing witness bracelets at the Iowa State and/or Spencer Fair. These will be a great outreach to share Jesus with people during the fairs.

Louisiana Trip Planned

A mission trip to help hurricane victims in the Lacombe area is being planned for June 18-23. In addition, entire groups are needed to work in the area throughout the summer.

Los Angeles and Mexico Mission Trips

A summer mission trip to Los Angeles and Mexico is slated for July 15-29.

If you are interested, contact Ellie Menz, IOWAY Director, at 515-386-8420.

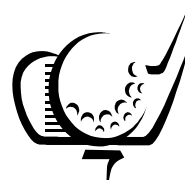
Golf Outing

Gloria Dei's annual Golf Outing is Saturday, August 26 at 8 a.m. at Willow Creek Golf Course in Des Moines. The

cost for the outing is \$50 per person.

Fee includes:

18 holes of golf, a cart, lunch and prizes. All profits will benefit Tiny Treasures Lutheran Preschool. A registration form is available in the Information Center.



Softball

Softball season is in full swing. If you have any questions, please call Bill Clark at 276-2517.

Upcoming Schedule:

Tuesday, May 2, 6:15 p.m.

Away: GDLC; Home: Pt. Grace

Tuesday, May 2, 7:15 p.m.

Away: GDLC; Home: First. Fed.

Monday, May 8, 6:15 p.m.

Away: Aldrsgate; Home: GDLC

Thursday, May 18, 7:15 p.m.

Away: Westview; Home: GDLC

Thursday, May 18, 8:15 p.m.

Away: GDLC; Home: MDRC

Monday, May 22, 6:15 p.m.

Away: GDLC; Home: Hope Min

Tuesday, May 30, 7:15 p.m.

Away: GDLC; Home: Central A



Let's Share Our Bread with the Hungry

Naomi Circle is collecting food donations for the Des Moines Area Religious Council food pantry by the first Sunday of each month. Each month, they will suggest several items that the pantry needs to assist the estimated 10,500 Des Moines residents who need food and other items.

Please bring the following items to the narthex by next week, May 7:

- Canned fruits (especially applesauce, 15 oz.)
- Canned meals (chili, stew, etc.)
- Canned meats
- Canned soups (no Ramen noodles)
- Canned vegetables/beans (15 oz)
- Cereal (hot or cold)

In addition to donating items, checks can be written to Gloria Dei with "food pantry donation" written on the memo line and placed in the offering plate.



Spring Cleaning



Need a place for stocking caps and mittens? We have a great place for them and it's called Shining City of China.

We will be collecting new or gently used stocking caps and mittens until May 21.

Please look for the Shining City of China box in the narthex.

Thanks for your contributions.
– Naomi and Miriam Circle.



Wish to join Gloria Dei?

Sign the friendship pad in the pew or at the Information Center and check "wish to join Gloria Dei." All who wish to join must attend the Discovery classes.

New to the Lutheran church?

You are invited to attend Discovery 101 and Discovery 201.

Transferring from another Lutheran church?

You are invited to attend Discovery 201.

Discovery 101: Basics of the Christian Faith

Next Class September 10

Discovery 101 is a nine-week class for those who are new to the Lutheran Church. Childcare is provided. For the next class, contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.

Discovery 201: Welcome to Gloria Dei

Next Class June 11 from 3-7 p.m.

Discovery 201 is a one-day class for everyone joining Gloria Dei. Come to meet the staff and others who are joining. Learn more about Gloria Dei and the privileges and responsibilities of membership. Dinner and childcare is provided.

Sign up

Please contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204 or tphillips@gloriadeionline.com



Activities & Meetings

Mary Esther Circle

Mary Esther Circle will meet Thursday, May 11 at 9 a.m. at the home of Mary Walter, 13583 Village Court, Clive.

Miriam Circle

Miriam Circle will meet Tuesday, May 9 at 7 p.m. at the home of Bonnie Scheideman, 731 34th Street Place, West Des Moines, 225-2497.

Naomi Circle

Naomi Circle will meet Thursday, May 11 at 9:30 a.m. at church. We will tour Hope Family Center and eat lunch at Latin King. Anyone is welcomed. For more information call Meri Mohr at 327-1821.

Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle will meet Monday, May 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the church kitchen.

2006 Craft Fair

The annual craft fair sponsored by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League will be held Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, go to our website and click Craft Fair 2006.

Craft Fair Proceeds Awards

At the recent Spring into Sisterhood meeting, the ladies voted on the following recipients of the proceeds from this year's craft fair:

- Emergency Famine Relief for Kenya (Lutheran World Relief Project #910344)
- Pastor Stephen Oliver, Missionary in Taiwan
- Katrina Relief Mission Trip, Pastor Phillips
- Gloria Dei Youth

Iowa District West Convention

The 60th anniversary of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League will be observed at Camp Okoboji at the Iowa District West Convention June 22-24. The theme of this year's convention is "Jesus is My Light and My Rock." Gloria Dei is on the registration committee and will be making name tags.

In addition, we are collecting the following items:

- Yarn: whole or partial skeins (Krgyzstan)
- Backpacks: New or slightly used (Los Angeles and Mexico)
- School supplies: spiral notebooks, pencils, 16 or 24 boxed crayons, erasers, 6" or 12" metric and inch rulers and calculators
- New toys: unwrapped toys in the \$5-10 range for infants to 14-year-olds.

A box will be in the narthex for the items. Thank you!

Mission Updates

HONDURAS MISSION TRIP

The following items are needed for the Honduras mission trip. Please bring the items to the narthex as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.

- Lice shampoo
- Hair combs
- Hair pretties (barrettes, clips, etc.)
- Children's Motrin
- Children's Tylenol
- Children's chewable vitamins (30,000 for 1 week)
- Cash donations for Spanish bibles and to defray costs
- Ziploc bags (to repack the pills for travel)

APPALACHIAN MISSION TRIP

June 17-25

Junior and senior high students and adults are invited to join us as we team with Habitat for Humanity in southeast Kentucky. No construction experience is needed; there is room for everyone. If you are interested, contact Kim Phillips at 254-1036.

MAY 13 MEETING

The Appalachian mission team will meet Saturday, May 13 at noon in the Youth Center. Please bring your completed paperwork and the remainder of the trip cost, which is \$325.

Scrapbook Fellowship

Dig out your pictures and come scrapbook with us Friday, May 12 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in rooms 131-



133. It's a good time to get organized, get to know some new people, share ideas and take a break from all the distractions

of home! Stay as long as you want; come and go as you need to. We typically close up about 11 p.m. In addition to our own albums, we're starting work on an album of the preschool and the stained glass project. Join us and do a page or two for those great projects. For further information contact Deb Kesse at 251-8324 or DeAnn McCue at 276-1700.

Bulletin Board

- **Confirmation**
Sunday, May 7
(No Sunday School)
- **Celebrating Family Banquet**
Friday, May 12
- **Last Day of Sunday School**
Sunday, May 14
- **Grace Place**
Held throughout the summer
- **Discovery 201**
Sunday, June 11
- **Waffle Breakfasts**
Sunday, May 21
Saturday, July 1

Summer Family Get-away

by Julie Kammeyer

Seven years ago, good friends of ours invited us to join them for a few days of rest and relaxation at a place called Camp Okoboji. They had been going to something called “Family Camp” for more than 25 years and wanted us to join them. We decided to go, even with our two small children.

From the minute our car rattled across the wooden bridge at the entrance to camp, we felt at home. Within a day, we made new friends and when we left, it was like leaving family. Each year since, we have returned to Camp

Okoboji for Family Camp and renewed old friendships and formed new ones. Ever since that first trip, we have stayed for the entire week.

Now, seven years later, we are blessed to be the leaders of Family Camp and we want to extend the same invitation that was extended to us seven years ago. Come join us at Family Camp. Our mornings are filled with the study of God’s Word; our afternoons and evenings are filled with activities like boating, swimming, volleyball, ping-pong tournaments, talent shows and golf. And if none of that appeals to you, there is the option of a long and relaxing nap. For the most part, there are no phones, no TV’s and no interruptions and nobody misses them!

This year, Pastor Kendall Meyer will lead the adult study at the Family Retreat II with “Debugging the Da Vinci Code.”

Camp Okoboji is located on the shores of West Okoboji Lake. There is more than a mile of shoreline to enjoy. Camp Okoboji is owned by the members of the congregations of the Iowa District West and offers many different types of programs for children, youth, adults and families—all in a beautiful setting, which is full of God’s glory.

We’d love to have you join us—whether it is for a few days or for the entire week. We want to warn you—you’ll get hooked and will come back! If you would like to learn more about Camp Okoboji Family Retreat II or other camp programs, call Julie and Steve Kammeyer at 278-5141. You can also check out their Web page at www.campokoboji.org.



Camp Okoboji

The spring volunteer weekends at Camp Okoboji will be May 5 and 6. Meals, lodging and children’s activities will be provided. To make reservations, call 712-337-3325 or e-mail lorene.camp@idwlcms.org.

XYZ’ers Trying Not to Spill the Beans

The Extra Years of Zest group, XYZ’s, will be traveling to Feeding Children International, Union, Iowa, Tuesday, May 2. They will fill soup packets with enough beans and dried ingredients plus vitamins and nutrients to feed one child for one day. These packets will be transported to Africa as part of the Stop World Hunger campaign. Please meet the group in the west parking lot of the church at 9:30 a.m. They will car pool and stop for lunch. If you are interested, call Jim Wollslager at 278-2294.

Camperships

If your children are between 9-12 years old, they may be eligible for a scholarship to camp. For registration forms, please go to the Information Center.

The Drake Choral Program

The Drake choral ensembles will perform at the Cavalcade of Choirs concert on Thursday, May 4 at 8 p.m. in Sheslow Auditorium on the Drake campus. The performance will feature a wide variety of sacred and secular music, including works by Bernstein, Schubert and Brahms, as well as folk songs, spirituals and a piece in gospel style. There is no admission charge for this concert.

Last Service at Trinity Lutheran Church in Audubon

After 125 years, Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS, Audubon, Iowa, will hold its closing service May 7 at 2 p.m. All former members, family and friends of Trinity are invited to attend. The members are thankful that Trinity Lutheran Church is going to be preserved at Heritage Park, in Manning, Iowa, where it will join other exhibits of German Heritage. Moving expenses are costly; therefore, Thrivent Financial will supplement the free-will offering at coffee time following the service. The "Discovery Channel" is filming the move and the last service conducted by Rev. Robert Riggert, Education and Youth Executive of Iowa District West.

Loving Arms Children's Center

Loving Arms Children's Center in Johnston, a mission of Iowa District West, is seeking loving and caring individuals to work with children ages infant to five years. Previous day care experience preferred, but will train the right person. Candidates must love children and be dependable. Part-time positions are available. Please call 270-0150 and ask for Cheryl or Linda.

Wartburg College Golf Tournament

Hosted by the Des Moines Area Knight Club and a group of alumni, this best-shot tournament will raise scholarship dollars for current Central Iowa Wartburg students. Join us Friday, May 5, beginning with a brat lunch at 11 a.m. with tee time at noon. To register and to find out more, visit <http://wartburg.edu/alumni/06ankenygolf.pdf> or call 1-800-772-2085 ext. 8491. Registration deadline is April 28.

Volunteers Needed

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, RSVP, sponsored by United Way of Central Iowa, is looking for volunteers, 55 and older, to use their life experience and skills to help solve problems in our community.

Volunteers are needed in these areas:

Iowa Blood Center - Provide services like mailing information, helping with blood drives, greeting new donors and delivering blood products.

Habitat for Humanity - Help with general construction, painting, electrical and landscaping of new and renovated homes.

Court Mediation - Provide mediation services for small claims cases. Training is provided.

Thrift Store - Collect, receive, sort and display new and used household goods and clothing. Greet customers at several volunteer locations.

Transportation - Provide transportation to the homebound for medical, dental, therapy and treatment appointments, or grocery and pharmacy shopping.

Contact Information:

If you are interested, please contact Karen Schechinger at 491-6628 or RSVPUW@msn.com.

Summer Reading Program

Investigate the Gloria Dei Summer Reading Club. More information to follow. Sign-up begins May 14.

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Information:
Tim Kightlinger,
278-5544, ext. 212 or
tim@gloriadeionline.com

Bible Study Today at 9:30 a.m.

Grades 6-8 **Today:** Ablaze studies: Attitude
May 7: No Sunday School, Confirmation
Grades 9-12 **Today:** Too Busy Not to Pray, Part II
May 7: No Sunday School, Confirmation

Confirmation

Confirmation: Grades 6-8
Looking forward to next Sunday. Remember to be at rehearsal Saturday starting at 8:45 a.m.

High School

High School: Grades 9-12
Ablaze small group studies for the next three weeks.

Parents' Bible Study/Support Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.
Important topics that affect families and teenagers are discussed.

Rewards Are In

The 30-hour famine rewards are in. Team participants may pick up their rewards Sunday, May 7 or 14 at 9-9:30 and 10:30-11 a.m. in room 135/37. If you have any questions, call Kim Phillips at 254-1036.

Celebration for Families Banquet

Mark your calendar for May 12 from 6-10 p.m. We are hosting a Celebration for Families banquet. This night will feature a world class illusionist, Dave Horsager, and newest comedian improv, the Burckites. Tickets go on sale this week by contacting Tim by phone or e-mail.

Junior High Youth

Café 923
Friday, May 5 from 6-9 p.m.

Senior High Youth

What a weekend!
Thanks for all your hard work as you shared your talents in Uncle Phil's Diner.

Appalachian Meeting

The Appalachian mission team will meet Saturday, May 13 at noon in the Youth Center. Please bring your completed paperwork and the remainder of the trip cost, which is \$325.

TICKETS ON SALE TODAY **OPEN TO ALL**

CELEBRATING FAMILY banquet

Halo 2 Tournament!

Grab the family



Join the evening of fun:

- Dinner • Remote-Control Car Races
- Dance, Dance, Revolution Contest
- Illusionist David Horsager

HALO 2
4 person per team

Friday, May 12 from 6-10 p.m.
Cost: \$20 per person or \$75 per family
Registration: Call 278-5544, ext. 212

SUMMER CAMPS

Are you looking for something fun to do this summer?

Our summer camps are a fun way to spend the hot summer days! Science Camp is a hands-on camp that gets messy. Girl Camps help girls understand what it was like to be a girl throughout American history through hands-on activities. Fine Arts Camp is a half-day camp, which gives kids a chance to try their hand at different art activities. This year we will focus on sculpture. Sports Camp is a fun way to spend half of a day to learn and enhance your sports abilities. Drama Camp will give kids some stage time by learning a musical in a week with a performance at the end of week.

All of these camps are open to kids in elementary! We also have fun summer opportunities for preschool age children too! Check out all of our summer fun in the brochure located in the Information Center or on our website at www.gloriadeionline.com.





Kindermusik

Register today!

Pick up a Kindermusik brochure at the Information Center
or at www.gloriadeionline.com.

Peekaboo, I Love You!

Ages newborn to 18 months

This camp makes the best of the honeymoon period between a parent and new baby by exploring and expressing their new relationship. Taught by Steve Kohtz.

- **Date:** Thursdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- **Time:** 6:30-7:15 p.m. • **Cost:** \$50

Zoo Train

Ages 18 months to 3 years

This camp combines two of the toddler's most absolute favorites—animals and the train. Tag along this summer with a traveling exhibit of exotic animals in the zoo. Taught by Julie Den Herder.

- **Date:** Tuesdays, May 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6
- **Time:** 10:00-10:45 a.m. • **Cost:** \$50

Creatures at the Ocean

Ages 18 months to 3 years

Parent and child are introduced to many waterfront friends through music, movement, dance, storytelling and instruments. Taught by Carol Wenndt.

- **Date:** Saturdays, June 3, 10, 17, July 8, 15
- **Time:** 9:30-10:15 a.m. • **Cost:** \$50

Family Zoo Train

Children up to age 7 along with their parents

This camp, for families, combines two absolute favorites—animals and the train. Tag along this summer with a traveling exhibit of exotic animals in the zoo. Taught by Penny Schramm.

- **Date:** Thursdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- **Time:** 6:30-7:15 p.m. • **Cost:** \$50

Confetti Days

Ages 3-5

This camp is inspired by children, songs, play and celebrations. Music is woven throughout with movement, art, drama, play and storytelling. Songs and activities represent ways children around the world celebrate the joy of simply being children! Taught by DeAnn McCue.

- **Date:** Thursdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- **Time:** 6:30-7:30 p.m. • **Cost:** \$50

Tell Me A Tale

Ages 4-7

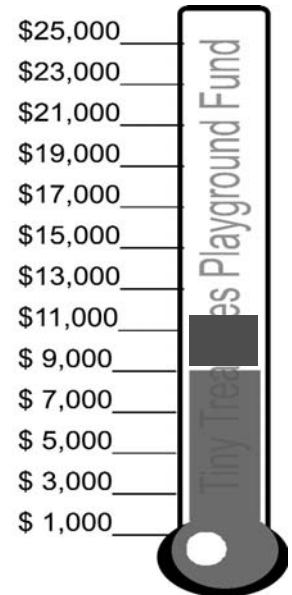
Through storytelling, your child will develop an early awareness of rhythm, movement, singing and drama. Each lesson features a new tale from around the world, explored through multi-instrument and multi-cultural elements. Taught by Angie Gage.

- **Date:** Thursdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- **Time:** 6:30-7:30 p.m. • **Cost:** \$50

Put the Preschool Playground Puzzle Together



The temperature of money raised is \$11,300.



Check out the giant puzzle of the new preschool playground to be located at the east end of the building. Each puzzle piece contains a part of the playground. Perhaps you and your family or your small group could finance an entire piece of equipment. Prices are indicated on the pieces. As pieces are donated, the playground puzzle will start to take shape. Our goal is to install the playground in early August. Donations can be placed in the offering basket. If you have any questions, contact Terry Steinke at 278-5544, ext. 305.

The Incredible Race

Get your motors running!



The Incredible Race is a fun-filled opportunity for kids to go trackside where they will learn from Biblical pacesetters who were transformed into champions. The Incredible Race drops its green flag at Grace Place, Saturday, May 20 and rumbles for kids ages 3 to fifth grade.

Volunteers Needed

Pit crew workers are needed to help equip the children with the correct tools for the race. Lots of crew members are needed, so name your available hours and jobs that will help to keep the team on track. If you are interested, contact DeAnn at 278-5544, ext. 207.

Week of April 30- May 6

Sunday, April 30

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:30 a.m. What the Bible Says about Parenting
- 9:30 a.m. Da Vinci Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Lifelight-Gospel of Luke
- 9:30 a.m. What the Bible Says About Parenting
- 9:30 a.m. Discovery 101
- 9:30 a.m. Strategic Planning Forum (FLC)
- 10:45 a.m. DaVinci Bible Study
- 10:45 a.m. Strategic Planning Forum (FLC)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 12:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Hospice
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting - RM 109

Monday, May 1

- 6:00 a.m. BSF Leaders Meeting

Tuesday, May 2

- 9:30 a.m. XYZ (Parking Lot)
- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Christcare Bible Study Group
- 6:00 p.m. BSF

Wednesday, May 3

- 6:15 p.m. Chorale and Chapel Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Strategic Planning Forum (FLC)
- 7:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Orchestra
- 7:30 p.m. Hand Bell Practice
- 7:30 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday, May 4

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Knitters
- 6:30 p.m. Tiny Treasures MAT

Friday, May 5

- 6:00 p.m. Jr. High Cafe 923
- 6:00 p.m. Oil Painting

Saturday, May 6

- 8:45 a.m. Confirmands Arrive
- 9:00 a.m. Confirmation Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m. Saturday Evening "Northwind" Service

Outpouring of Love for the Lord	
General Fund Offerings	\$15,219
YTD Offering	\$1,021,479
YTD Budget	\$976,290

Attendance			
Northwind	127	Communion, Saturday	78
8 a.m.	230		
9:30 a.m.	314		
11:00 a.m.	176		
Total	847		

Week of May 7-13

Sunday, May 7

Confirmation Sunday

No Sunday School

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service with Communion (FLC)
- 8:30 a.m. Confirmands to Arrive
- 9:00 a.m. Confirmation Service (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service with Communion (FLC)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service (FLC)
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting - RM 109

Monday, May 8

- 6:00 a.m. BSF Leaders meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Ruth Circle (Kitchen)

Tuesday, May 9

- 6:00 a.m. Urbandale School Election (narthex)
- 9:30 a.m. American Lung Assn. Training
- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Christcare Bible Study Group
- 5:30 p.m. Foundation Board Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. BSF

Wednesday, May 10

- 6:15 p.m. Chorale and Chapel Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Strategic Planning Forum
- 7:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Orchestra
- 7:30 p.m. Hand Bell Practice
- 7:30 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday, May 11

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Knitters
- 11:00 a.m. Urbandale Pastoral Luncheon

Friday, May 12

- 8:00 a.m. Fellowship Scrapbooking
- 6:30 p.m. Celebrating the Family

Saturday, May 13

- 5:30 p.m. Saturday Evening "Northwind" Service with Communion

Grace Place, Sunday School and Faith Alive Attendance					
Sat., Early Childhood	12	Sun., Early Childhood	34	Faith Alive, Early Childhood	33
Sat., Grades 1-5	12	Sun., Grades 1-5	62	Faith Alive, Grades 1-5	75
		Sun., Grades 6-12	61	Faith Alive, Grades 6-12	108
		Total	157	Total	216

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W O R S H I P

April 29 and 30, 2006 • Change of Attitude

Northwind

"Psalm 40" (Your Love is Amazing)

"You Are Holy"

"Majestic"

"Amazed"

Confession and Forgiveness

"Before the Throne of God Above"

"I See the Lord"

Old Testament Reading

(NIV) Isaiah 6:1-8

"I See the Lord"

"Halleluiah" (Praise the Lord)

Children are Invited to Grace Place

Offering: *"You are Good"*

Sermon: Pastor Ron Burcham, Senior Pastor

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

"Everyday"

Blessing and Announcements

8:00 a.m.

Musical Offering

"The Wonderful Cross"

Offered by Athena Anderson

Welcome

"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" LW 128, 3 Vs.

Confession and Forgiveness

"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" LW 128, 1 Vs.

Old Testament Reading

(NIV) Isaiah 6:1-8

Gospel Reading:

(NIV) Matthew 23:1-14

Apostles' Creed

"Holy, Holy, Holy," LW 168, 3 Vs

Sermon: Pastor Ron Burcham, Senior Pastor

"Holy, Holy, Holy," LW 168, 1 Vs

Offering: *"Prayer of a Child"*

Offered by the Music Alive Grades 3-5

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

"Christ Be My Leader," LW 365, 3 Vs.

9:30 a.m.

Musical Offering

"The Wonderful Cross"

Offered by Athena Anderson

Welcome

"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness" LW 128, 3 Vs.

Confession and Forgiveness

"Before the Throne of God Above"

"I See the Lord"

Old Testament Reading

(NIV) Isaiah 6:1-8

Gospel Reading:

(NIV) Matthew 23:1-14

Apostles' Creed

"Holy, Holy, Holy," LW 168, 3 Vs

Sermon: Pastor Ron Burcham, Senior Pastor

"Holy, Holy, Holy," LW 168, 1 Vs

Offering: *"Let it Rise"*

Offered by the Gloria Dei Chapel Choir

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

"Christ Be My Leader," LW 365, 3 Vs.

11:00 a.m.

"Psalm 40" (Your Love is Amazing)

"You Are Holy"

"Majestic"

"Let it Rise"

Offered by the Gloria Dei Chapel Choir

"Amazed"

Confession and Forgiveness

"Before the Throne of God Above"

"I See the Lord"

Old Testament Reading

(NIV) Isaiah 6:1-8

"I See the Lord"

"Halleluiah" (Praise the Lord)

Sermon: Pastor Ron Burcham, Senior Pastor

Offering: *"You are Good"*

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

"Everyday"

Blessing and Announcements