Weekly Word



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June 14 and 15, 2008

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Legacy of Fathers

Written by Rev. Kendall Meyer, Director of Adult Ministry

Last weekend, I had the opportunity to take my children to a KOA campground to spend some time together. The highlight of the weekend was swimming in the pool. All of my children enjoyed jumping and splashing, particularly Abby, my 3-year-old. She doesn't know how to swim so she would stand on the side of the pool and jump into my arms, giggling the entire time. As we did that over and over again, I had a flashback to my childhood when I jumped into my father's arms during a family trip to San Francisco. Then it occurred to me that I was catching Abby the same way my dad caught me. At that very moment I realized, "I'm becoming my dad!" But in that same instant, I felt a sense of warmth in the fact that something I learned from my dad was being passed down to my kids.

This weekend as we celebrate Father's Day, we look back on the memories of our fathers or those who have played a fatherly role in our lives; we ask, "What has been passed down to me that I can pass onto others?"

The Apostle Paul addressed that same issue when talking to the people of Corinth:

Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ. I praise you for remembering me in everything and for holding to the teachings, just as I passed them on to you. I Corinthians 11:1-2

Paul was trying to pass down the teachings of Jesus through an example of how a father teaches his children. Paul also knew that he had his shortcomings, yet he hoped that despite them, the people of Corinth would be able to see Jesus through his actions and life.

We praise those who have been fathers in our lives, both biologically and through example that despite their shortcomings, we still can see a glimpse of Jesus' example being lived out through them—a notable legacy to be passed down to our children.

General Dismissal

The elders have decided to have a general dismissal after the 7:45 and 9 a.m. worship services starting Sunday, June 29. They believe that it could facilitate a more conducive environment for fellowship after the services. The practice will be evaluated in late summer to determine if this will be a permanent change.

Congregational Meeting

Next week! Mark your calendar for our annual congregational meeting on June 22 at 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary. For more details, see page 3.

Informational Meetings

Please join us for one of the informational meetings to discuss the proposed budget, the amendments to the bylaws and the Governing Board election.

Saturday, June 14 at 6:30 p.m. Family Life Center

Wednesday, June 18 at 6 p.m. Room 130/132

Patriotic Concert

Sunday, June 29 at 6 p.m.

This concert will be a great activity for your friends and family. See page 2 for more information.

Flood Updates

Please keep local families and businesses in your prayers this week as they pick up from the damages caused by the flood. For ways to help, see page 2.

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Flood Updates

Here are a few avenues to help those whose houses and businesses were damaged by the flood:

Red Cross: The Red Cross of Iowa will provide cleanup kits and cleaning supplies for a few days. To help or donate money, please call 243-7681.

United Way: United Way is looking for volunteers. For more information, go to www.unitedwaydm.org.

Patriotic Tribute Details

"By the People, For the People" will be presented on Sunday, June 29 at 6 p.m. at Lions Park in Urbandale.

Ministry Partners Needed

We need help setting up and tearing down on Saturday, June 28 from 7 a.m.-noon and on Sunday, June 29 from 3-7 p.m. If you are interested, please sign up at the Information Center or call Terry Woolman at 270-9125.

Essays

What does freedom mean to you? Children are invited to answer the question by using no more than 250 words. The winning essays will be read at the patriotic tribute. There are three age groups: ages 6-9, 10-12, and 13 years and up. The grand-prize winner will be awarded four tickets to an Iowa Cubs game. Please send your essay via e-mail to jrdenherder@gmail.com or drop it off at the church office by June 22.

Flag

To date, 65 soldiers from Iowa have fallen in The Global War on Terror. We will honor each fallen soldier by providing a memorial flag that will be displayed at Lions Park. If you are interested in sponsoring a flag for \$30, please sign up at the patriotic display in the narthex.

Strategic Planning Updates

Each of the four focus groups has been busy building a strong infrastructure to fulfill the Strategic Plan. The following are a few highlights from two of the groups:

Future Facilities Focus Group: The selection criteria for the future facility site are being compiled and a Request for Proposal for the architect's selection is being drafted.

Finance Focus Group: Research is underway for a detailed financial model and various funding methods.

Please note: We will continue to update the congregation about the progress being made to move us into the future. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Kesse at deb.kesse@gmail.com.

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Congregational Meeting

Next Sunday, June 22, we will hold our annual congregational meeting at 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Members and non-members are invited to attend; members 18 years old and older will be able to vote. The following is the agenda for the meeting:

Opening Prayer

Approval of June 24, 2007 minutes

Approval of 2008-09 budget

Election of new Governing Board members

Amendment to bylaws

Strategic Plan Update

Adjournment

If you have any questions, please attend an informational meeting on Saturday, June 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center or Wednesday, June 18 at 6 p.m. in room 130/132.

Counting Help Needed

We are currently trying to complete a couple of teams that count offerings. Each team consists of 3-4 members that counts once every six weeks for about an hour—usually on a Sunday morning. Your total time commitment is about 8-10 hours per year. If you have been looking for an opportunity to be involved without a huge time commitment, this might be right for you. If you are interested in serving in this role, please contact Steve Kammeyer at 276-1700, ext. 202.

Servers

Officiant/Liturgist:

Northwind (FLC): Rev. Kendall Meyer

7:45 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Rev. Tim Phillips

9 a.m. (Sanctuary):

Rev. Kendall Meyer

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

10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary) Rev. Kendall Meyer

Preacher:

Rev. Kendall Meyer

Organist:

Kathy Stange

Acolytes:

Hailey Kromminga
Emily Scott

Andrew McKeighan

Elders:

Tom Westby Marvin Deer

Rod Serbus

Ushers:

Northwind Randy Bosworth Mike Mahler 7:45 a.m.

Dwight Carlson Marilyn Carlson

Dennis Dean Mike Collins

Joe Gilg

Kory Meyeraan Dan Timmons

9 a.m. Sanctuary

Jeff Monson
Don Pevestorf

Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 & Ephesians 6:1-4 (NIV)

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 Pastor Phillips in the church office, 276-1700, or 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 Dale and Kay Readinger, as they celebrate 54 years of marriage
- For Ed and Connie Mautz, as they celebrate 41 years of marriage
- For Glenn A. Petersen, as he celebrates his 90th birthday on June 18
- For Kendal and Diana Cook, as they celebrate 28 years of marriage

Prayers

- For the people affected by floods
- For the scouts and families affected by the tornado
- For the recovery of Diana Cook
- For the loss of Carrie Jackson's brother-in-law
- For the health of Allan Hilker, cousin of Marolyn Carstens
- For Ken Anderson, who is battling cancer
- For the safety of Ted Rives as he serves in Iraq
- For the health of Barb Thompson, daughter of Bob and Mary Kuefner
- For Diane Metz, who is battling cancer
- For the continued health of John McKeighan

Prayer ministry team

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

Welcome New Members!

ast weekend, we officially welcomed our newest members to Gloria Dei. We are thankful for each of their lives. If you have not met them, please introduce yourself today.



Aaron and Carey Bewyer Julian, Eadie and Brendan



Amy Delfs
Lucas (not pictured)



John Diekelmann



Erin Grandgenett and Stuart Spencer



Bradley and Jodi Meyer Jack (not pictured)



Julie and Andy Mitchell Katie and Erik



Lisa Scherer Alana and Nolan (not pictured)



Jon and Kelley Stahl Brandon and Katelyn



Robert Tribitt

Please note: New member Carrie Stief is not picutred.

Aid to Help Parkersburg

The following are easy and direct ways to help the victims of the tornado that ripped through northeast Iowa.

Lutheran Services in Iowa: Tax-deductible donations can be made to Lutheran Services in Iowa online at: www.lsiowa.org; by mail to: LSI, P.O. Box 848, Waverly, Iowa, 50677; or by phone: 866-584-5293. Please designate your donation with the words "disaster response."

Red Cross: Checks can be made payable to: Hawkeye Chapter American Red Cross, and mailed to: Hawkeye Chapter American Red Cross, 2530 University Ave, Waterloo, Iowa 50701. Please note in the memo: "Parkersburg tornado."

LCMS World Relief and Human Care Ministries:

Donations may be addressed to LCMS World Relief and Human Care, marked "tornado relief 2008," and mailed to LCMS World Relief and Human Care, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861. To give by secure credit-card gift line, call 1-888-930-4438 or go to https://catalog.lcms.org/givenow/Gift Input.asp?ID=661.

Send Items: A local group is collecting items for the community. Please send the following items:

- Non-perishable food items
- · Garbage bags
- Personal care items: shampoo, soap, dental items, toilet tissue, etc.
- Cleaning items and paper towels
- No clothing at this time. They are not equipped to store and handle it.

These items are to be delivered or sent to: Wolterman's Implement Dike, IA 50624

Confirmation Photos

Confirmation pictures and DVDs are in. They can be picked up in the church office Monday-Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. On weekends, they will be located at the Information Center in the narthex.

Book Club

Looking for a good read for the summer? Join us as we talk about how the examples found in great Christian literature apply to our lives. Read the book and then join us for a time of conversation and prayer. All books can be purchased at the Toolshoppe.

Wednesday, July 9 from 7-8 p.m.

Book: "Blue Bottle Club," by Penelope Stokes **Location:** Laura Ammann, 1059 45th St., Des Moines, 277-5587.

Wednesday, August 6 from 7-8 p.m.

Book: "A Woman's Place," by Lynne Austin **Location:** Shani Fjelsted, 6520 NW 95th Court, Johnston, 259-4099.

Wednesday, September 3 from 7-8 p.m.

"White Chocolate Moments," by Lori Wick **Location:** Church

Community Position Open

The Urbandale Caring Corps is seeking a part-time director (30-35 hours) for the Community Volunteer program. A bachelor's degree is preferred with excellent communication and organizational skills. If interested, please send a cover letter and resume by June 20 to Urbandale Caring Corps, 3600 86th Street, Urbandale, IA 50322.

New Life Ministry Partners

Gloria Dei is busting at the seams with all the new babies. All this new life mean lots of activity for the New Life Ministry Action Team. More ministry partners are needed in this growing area to serve as seamstresses, cooks and visitors. If you are interested, call Terry Steinke at 278-5544, ext. 305.

The Gospel Road Trio

The Gospel Road Trio will perform at Westover Baptist Church, 63rd and Hickman, Des Moines on Sunday, June 29 at 6 p.m. An ice cream social will follow. A free-will offering will be received. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne Miller at 279-1751.



Report from Uganda

Since we are committed to living out our vision of being courageous in outreach, we continue to partner with the Lutheran Church Missions in Uganda (LCMU) by sending financial support and donated items and sponsoring a seminary student. We are excited as we build relationships with our fellow believers across the world.

Seminary Student

Last year, we decided to fund a scholarship for the education of Waako Yeko, a 33-year-old seminary student from Uganda. Waako



Waako Yeko

is passionate about the opportunity to gain knowledge that will match his desire to share God's love and grace. In 1995, Waako studied to become an evangelist and was commissioned to share the Word as an active evangelist in 1998. Last February, he began his three-year journey at the seminary in South Africa. After he graduates, he plans to serve the churches in Uganda.

One God Story

Recently, we heard about God's provision for Waako.

Pastor Burcham received an e-mail from our contact in Uganda, Pastor Charles, who requested assistance in purchasing a motorcycle



for Waako to travel to congregations (a basic means of transportation in Uganda). Meanwhile, an anonymous Gloria Dei member contacted Pastor Burcham about a gift to the ministry, which totaled the exact money needed to purchase the motorcycle. Even though the givers had no idea of the

The motorcycle need across the ocean, they were moved to

donate the money. God used the donation to bless Waako and the churches that he ministers to. God is a God who provides even across the world. God is good and greatly to be praised!





Top: Orphan children are in front of their two-room school house and worship center. On Sundays, a plastic canvas awing is extended from the building to hold worship services rain or shine for more than 150 people. This orphanage has 250 children during the school year. **Bottom:** An instructor is teaching children a song using hand movements.

Uganda Fact Sheet

Official Language English
Secondary Language Luganda
Population 27,616,000
Religion Christian
Government Democratic
Republic
Economy Agriculture
(Coffee)

Independence

from UK (1962)

History

Team Prepares to Go to Honduras

Members of the Honduras mission team are preparing for their trip from June 20-28. Among those wrapping up some of the last details is Norma Rohn

Norma and Connie Cook headed up a quilting class where 17 individuals from ages 11 to 60 sewed 57 quilts that will be given to the people of Honduras.

"It is awesome to see God's hand in this trip," said Norma. "It is not just the team, but it's the entire church that has helped to make this trip happen. They have supported the work so much by giving financially, donating personal items, tools and blankets, and by express-

ing kind and encouraging words."



Norma Rohn is packing up the quilts from the quilting sessions.

Norma is not new to the mission field; she has traveled to Russia, Alaska, China and Mexico, but is excited to go for the first time with Gloria Dei.

"I wanted to be a part of a mission team from Gloria Dei," said Norma. "It is so exciting to see everything come together. I am

looking forward to going on an adventure to experience what God can and will do."

Norma is equally excited because of the support from her family and friends. In preparation for the trip, the team was asked to write support letters for financial assistance. Norma was so excited when her son responded by giving enough money to help fund several cement floors for local houses. When Norma told him about how his money could be used, he was amazed that cement floors could be purchased for only \$80, and yet most houses still do not have them.

Please keep this team in your prayers as they prepare for their trip and they accomplish what the Lord wants to accomplish.

Team Members

Tim Phillips, Gary Wasko, Jennie Ganzer, Norma Rohn, Stephen Webb, Gale Webb, Jason Nesheim, Cheryl Gilg, Bill Clark, Mary Grimm, Deb Timmons, Vera Voss, Laurie Page, Nick Bass, Jody Bass, Dustin Blythe, Jane Lamfers, Julia Kightlinger, Megan Kightlinger, Patty Wright and Howard McDaniel

Tibet Updates

Thank-you Note

Recently a missionary couple who is serving in Tibet gave a presentation at Gloria Dei. They wrote the following note:

We wanted to send a thank-you note.

Your wonderful Christ-like care and encouragement to us was heartfelt and we counted it a great privilege to have been allowed to come and share about his work in Tibet.

It is such a sensitive location that we have to hold everything in until we return to the States. Thank you for being so open and supportive to allow us time to share what God is doing in Tibet. We so appreciate all the extra effort with the video promotions and everything else. Thanks!

We look forward to an on-going partnership to reach people in China who have never heard his name.

We will remember the church in our daily devotions.

God bless, (the couple's names are being withheld for safety reasons).

Prayers and Support

Last month, the earthquake that devastated China killed more than 40,000 people and left 5 million homeless. This couple and many others, are helping orphanages by providing temporary shelter and food. The Shining City Foundation, a private organization formed by a few members from Gloria Dei, has also donated money for food and is looking into the possibilities of helping with the reconstruction of an orphanage. If you are interested in contributing financial support or to find more information about Shining City Foundation, please contact Deb Timmons at 289-0360.

Summer Grace Place

Teachers and helpers are greatly needed this summer! If you are interested in helping for a week or two, please see the list outside your child's classroom.

Class locations:

Ages 2-4 Rooms 123/125
Entering kindergarten: Room 113
Entering Grades 1-2 Room 114
Entering Grades 3-5: Room 112
Entering Grades 6-8: Youth Center

Items Needed for Summer Camps

We are the following items for camp this summer. We need glass flower vases, baby-food jars with lids, gently-used plastic table cloths, old buttons, clean sawdust in cans or bags, and dried, pressed flowers. Items can be placed at the Information Center.

Preschool Teachers Needed

Tiny Treasures is looking for teachers to join our preschool family this fall. Various days and times are needed. One interesting new challenge will be staffing our after-preschool childcare from 3-5:30 p.m. each day. Since this is completely new for Tiny Treasures, we will be looking for someone who is creative and energetic. If you know someone interested in applying, please contact Terry at 278-5544, ext. 305.

Tiny Treasures Open Classes

All of our morning classes are full. However, we have openings for the following afternoon classes (12:30-3 p.m.): the 4-5 class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and the prekindergarten afternoon class on Monday-Friday. Our new after-preschool childcare session Monday-Friday from 3-5:30 p.m. is also accepting registrations. Children participating must be in our afternoon preschool program. If you are interested, please contact Terry at 278-5544, ext. 305.

Tiny Treasures Staff Departs for the Summer



Tiny Treasures staff has packed all their fun memories away for this year and has started their summer plans with their families. Pictured from top left is Mary Kozitzky, Terry Steinke, Penny Schramm, Rochelle Haas, Jane Meythaler, Barb Kramer, Tracy Hoffman, Susie Mitchell and Christy Marshall.

Not pictured is Cyndee Kusy, Janet Tysse and Martha Raecker.



Junior & Senior

Summer Registration Form

If you need an extra registration form, please pick one up outside the Youth Center.

Parents interested in participating as ministry partners at these events, please contact Tim at tim@gloriadeionline.com.

Clean Socks Tour

Featuring: Ever Stays Red and This Great Escape

Thursday, June 19 Doors Open at 6:15 p.m. Concert at 6:30 p.m.

Cost: \$2 and a clean pair of socks to donate.

Check out the songs and sound: www.myspace.com/everstaysred www.myspace.com/thisgreatescape

Adventureland

Invite friends and families!
You won't want to miss this event.
Junior and senior high youth and
their families are invited to a fun-filled
event on June 25. Cost is \$20, which
includes admission and transportation costs. We will leave the church
at 9:30 a.m. and return at 6 p.m.
Register and pay by June 18.

Junior High Grades 6-8

Sunday: Castaway in the Youth Center

Castaway will be offered Sundays from 9-10 a.m.

lowa Cubs Game and More

Junior high youth and their families are invited to an Iowa Cubs game on Sunday, June 29 at 1 p.m. The cost is three cans of non-perishable foods for each participant. Register by June 22.

In addition to the game, a new opportunity has been opened to us; Habitat for Humanity is seeking people to help with a carnival at the stadium before the game begins. We will leave the church at 10 a.m. to help Habitat, watch the game and return at 5 p.m.

Senior High Grades 9-12

Wednesday: The Point

Meal and hang-out time from 5:30-6:15 p.m.Join us for a free home-cooked meal in the Youth Center.

June 18: Mini pizzas

June 25: No Point (Join us at Adventureland)

June 18: Starting June 18, after the Point, we will have open gym from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Praise, teaching and interactive discussion forum 6:15-7:30 p.m. June's Topic: What makes Christianity true?

Senior High Urban Plunge mission trip June 20-22

For those who have registered: We will depart Friday, June 20 at 2 p.m. and return Sunday, June 22 at 4 p.m.

Golf Tournament

Saturday, July 26 • Willow Creek Golf Course, West Des Moines • Registration begins at noon

We need ministry partners for registration and to find donations for prizes. We are also looking for individuals, families or companies to sponsor holes for at least \$50 per hole. If you sponsor more than one hole, you will receive one golfer registration free. Pick up a registration form at the Information Center.

30-Hour Famine

Prizes can be picked up outside the Youth Center on Sunday June 15 between 8:45 a.m - noon.

Please note: Only participants who collected \$80 or more are eligible to receive rewards.

Week of June 15-21, 2008

Sunday, Ju	une 15	
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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. Castaway

9:20 a.m. Summer Grace Place

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary

with Communion

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Monday, June 16

3:30 p.m. Coffee with Tim Kightlinger

6:00 p.m. Beginning Dance for Preschoolers

6:30 p.m. Creative Dance

6:30 p.m. Women's Connections

6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

7:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Men's Softball Game

8:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Men's Softball Game

Tuesday, June 17

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

5:00 p.m. Urbandale Community

6:30 p.m. Peek-A-Boo I Love You

6:30 p.m. Zoo Train

6:30 p.m. Tell Me a Tale

6:30 p.m. SPI MAT Meeting

7:00 p.m. Beacon of Blessings Meeting

8:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Men's Softball Game

9:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Men's Softball Game

9.13 p.m. Gioria dei Mens Sortbali Game

Wednesday, June 18

9:30 a.m. M.O.S.T. (Moms of Small Tykes)

4:00 p.m. Bell Choir Trio

4:30 p.m. Connection Ministry Focus Group

5:30 p.m. The Point

6:00 p.m. Informational Meeting

6:00 p.m. Patriotic Adult Choir Rehearsal6:00 p.m. Children's Patriotic Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Patriotic Orchestra Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministries Meeting

7:30 p.m. Sr. High Café 923

Thursday, June 19

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

9:00 a.m. Facilities Focus Group

10:00 a.m. Sew and Sews

5:00 p.m. Urbandale Community

6:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Men's Softball Game

6:30 p.m. Clean Socks Tour Concert

Friday, June 20

2:00 p.m. Urban Plunge – Sr. High Youth to Omaha

5:00 p.m. Amy Hosler/Danny Mulford

Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, June 21

4:00 p.m. Amy Hosler/Danny Mulford Wedding

4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal

5:30 p.m. Northwind Service with Communion

Worship Service	Attendance	Communion
Northwind	109	74
7:45 a.m.	105	
9 a.m. (Sanctuary)	213	
9 a.m. (FLC)	98	40
10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)	242	
Total	767	114

Outpouring of Love		
General Fund Offerings	\$15,198	
YTD Offering	\$1,466,859	
YTD Budget	\$1,508,600	

Week of June 22-28, 2008

Sunday, June 22

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 the Family Life Center

with Communion

9:00 a.m. Castaway

9:20 a.m. Summer Grace Place

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary

1:00 p.m. Annual Congregational Meeting

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Monday, June 23

9:00 a.m. God's Amazing Science Camp

3:30 p.m. Coffee with Tim

6:00 p.m. Beginning Dance for Preschoolers

6:30 p.m. Creative Dance

6:30 p.m. Women's Connections

6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball

Tuesday, June 24

9:00 a.m. God's Amazing Science Camp

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. Peek-a-Boo, I Love You

6:30 p.m. Zoo Train 6:30 p.m. Tell Me a Tale 7:00 p.m. Board of Elders

Wednesday, June 25

9:00 a.m. God's Amazing Science Camp
9:30 a.m. M.O.S.T. (Moms of Small Tykes)
9:30 a.m. Adventureland for Jr./ Sr. High
4:00 p.m. Bell Choir Trio

6:00 p.m. Children's Patriotic Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. Adult Patriotic Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Patriotic Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, June 26

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Facilities Focus Group

9:00 a.m. God's Amazing Science Camp

10:00 a.m. Sew and Sews

Friday, June 27

9:00 a.m. God's Amazing Science Camp 5:00 p.m. Abby Uglum/Brent Eckhart Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, June 28

8:00 a.m. Patriotic Rehearsal
8:00 a.m. Gloria Dei Men's Softball Tournament
4:00 p.m. Abby Uglum/Brent Eckhart Wedding
4:00 p.m. Northwind Worship Rehearsal
5:30 p.m. Northwind Service

Summer Grace Place Attendance		
Sundays at 9:20 a.m.		
Ages 2, 3 and 4	14	
Age 5 and K	15	
Grades 1 and 2	10	
Grades 3 and 4	7	
Total	46	

Welcome to Gloria Dei!

Welcome

If you are new to Gloria Dei, welcome! We seek to be a place where people can come and discover God's perspective on life, a place where you can find real answers to today's questions. Please take some time to get to know us. We have lots of programs and activities for you and your family. If you have any questions, please ask any of our members or stop by the Information Center.

Weekends at Gloria Dei

Nursery

Infants to age 3. Located on the lower level, access is 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 southeast corner of the narthex is a room for parents to take their small children when they are upset or crying. This room allows full view of the sanctuary and has full audio to hear the service.

Families worship together

At both 9 a.m. services, families are encouraged to worship together before the children are invited to join their peers in an educational time specifically for them. Of course, if children would rather be with adults throughout the service, they are more than welcome.

Summer Grace Place - preschool and elementary children

We offer Summer Grace Place, an educational time for children ages 3 to fifth grade at 9:20 a.m. Children will be invited from worship to attend Grace Place at both 9 a.m. services. If you attend another service, please feel free to bring your children to the educational wing at 9:20 a.m.

Castaway - youth

For our junior high youth in grades 6-8, we have a high-energy educational time, Castaway, in the Youth Center on Sundays at 9 a.m.

Senior high and adults

Senior high students: Our senior high youth in grades 9-12 are invited to The Point, an evening of food, fun, teaching and interactive discussions on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.

Adults: There are lots of community groups for adults meeting in the summer; for more information, contact Pastor Meyer at 278-5544, ext. 224.

Interested in learning more?

Please go to the Information Center for brochures and information.

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 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.

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