VEEKLY WORD



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March 5, 2006 First Sunday in Lent

The Impact of Small Groups

One element of the recent six-week Ablaze campaign was the formation of 32 small groups. which included 306 people. The small groups were essential to digesting the weekly topics, which ranged from forgiveness to the realities of acting on conviction instead of convenience.

"The Lord is good," said Pastor Meyer, Director of Adult Ministry. "Small groups are formed so people can make connections that will enrich their lives. Even though the topics were personal and some groups involved total strangers, the feedback I have received so far has been favorable. The groups realized that they all face simi-

Small Groups

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- Pastor Mever

lar obstacles, and thus, barriers were destroyed and open communication unfolded."

Small Group

The following comments are from individuals who participated in small groups:

Penny Schramm

tions that first week, I was concerned because there was a group of strangers coming to our house to sit down and talk about very personal things that the series brought up. Any previous hesitation, barrier or nervousness went away though, when I realized that we are all part of

the same family—Christ's family. It's amazing how God matched us all up, with so many common stories, interests and viewpoints." - Kory Schramm

"One thing the Ablaze campaign has done for me is to make me more aware of the opportunities to express my faith. I am excited! I was part of an age diverse group. I really liked the different points of view and experiences that each person shared during our sessions."- Kay Readinger

"The small group keeps you on track. If we didn't understand something, we all worked

> together for the answer. We needed the support of everyone." - Elaine Klinefelter

Encouragement to Continue

Ablaze Phase I may be over, but we are not done! The apostle Paul encourages us to "not put out the Spirit's fire." — I Thessalonians 5:19

"Don't let your relationships die out. It's important to continue to build those relationships by calling one another from time to time to see how things are going," said Pastor Meyer. "If you want to continue meeting during the period of Lent instead of waiting for Phase II to begin, I have a detailed study on the feasts of the Bible available. This study looks at nine different feasts recorded in the Bible. A group can pick and choose which ones to study."

Pastor Meyer continued, "Remember, we've reignited our faith fire and we've built relationships that will enrich our lives; keep it going in the days and weeks ahead."

We would love to hear your stories from Ablaze. If you have an Ablaze story to share, please e-mail Pastor Meyer at kmeyer@gloriadeionline. com.

Feedback

"One of the best things about the Ablaze campaign

has been our small group experience; it's truly awesome to get to know new people in our congregation and to build the foundation of our friendship on the Word of God. We have learned so much together. I love that I can see God working in our group. He's brought a unique and diverse group of people together for His purpose. We support each other, challenge each other, hold each other accountable and love each other wholeheartedly. It really helps us to see that we're part of a family at Gloria Dei." –

"When I looked at the initial workbook ques-

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Discovery 201: Welcome to Gloria Dei

Today from 3-7 p.m.

Discovery 201, a class for those joining Gloria Dei, will be held this Sunday, March 5 from 3-7 p.m. Come meet the staff and learn more about Gloria Dei and the privileges and responsibilities of membership. To register or if you have questions, please contact Pastor Phillips at 276-1700.

Lead Gloria Dei

It's not too late to join us for one or more sessions of Lead Gloria Dei. These sessions are designed to help members of the congregation learn more about how Gloria Dei functions. It is an opportunity to understand the blessings, challenges and possibilities that exist in a large church. Please join us for the topic of "Policy-Based Governance" Wednesday, March 8 at 6 p.m. in the board room.

M.O.S.T. (Missing Our Soldiers Together)

M.O.S.T. has been formed for families in Iowa who have soldiers deployed. All spouses and significant others and their children are invited to a monthly support meeting Saturday, April 8 from 2-4 p.m. at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 3510 72nd Street, Urbandale. The meeting will help encourage, equip and energize families during this time of separation. If you have any questions, please contact Tobi Roesler at 251-8468 or roeslercrew6@aol.com.

A Letter of Thanks

During the Ablaze campaign, members of Gloria Dei collected hats and mittens for children of Wallace Elementary School. The following is a letter from the school nurse:

Dear Church Members,

Thanks so much for your generous donations of hats, mittens and scarves to our school. It was kind of you to think of us and I can assure you they are all being put to good use.

Thanks again,

Jan Tebo, R.N., Wallace Elementary School

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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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Easter Services

Lenten Services, Wednesdays

• 7:15 p.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday Service, Thursday, April 13

• 7:00 p.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

Good Friday Services, Friday, April 14

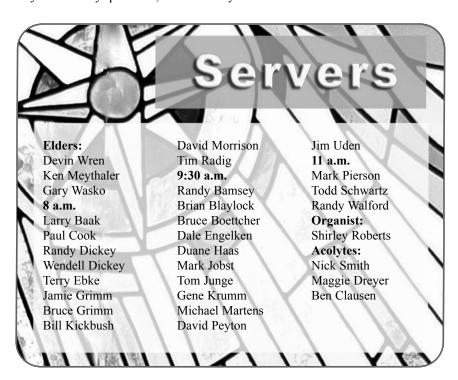
- 4:30 p.m. Family-friendly Service in the Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
- 7:30 p.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

Easter Services on Sunday, April 16

- 7 a.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
- 8:30 a.m. Blended Service in the Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. Northwind Service in Family Life Center
- 10 a.m. Blended Service in Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Service in Family Life Center

Spring Cleaning

Mark your calendar for Saturday morning, April 8. We will gather at church to do our annual spring cleaning. More information will follow. If you have any questions, contact Larry Rix at 276-1700.



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 baptism of Nolan Baumgarten, born January 29 in the presence of his grandparents, Steve and Pat Baumgarten

Prayers

- For Harold Mindermann, who is undergoing tests
- For Julie and Valerie Detlefsen as they grieve the loss of their father
- For the grieving Birk family
- For support and guidance of Steve Smith's father, who is being treated for lung cancer
- For the Kelley family; who aregrieving
- For the two mission teams preparing to depart to Uganda and to Louisiana
- For 5-month-old Elsa Lee, who is in intensive care
- For Ralph Aufdenkamp and family, who lost a brother in a car accident

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.



Miriam Circle

Miriam Circle will meet Tuesday, March 14 at 7 p.m. at Alice Wegner's, 3916 79th Street, Urbandale, 276-1456.

Mary Esther Circle

Mary Esther Circle will meet Thursday, March 9 at 9 a.m. at Millie Obrecht's, 621 33rd Street, West Des Moines.

Naomi Circle

Naomi Circle will meet Thursday, March 9 at 9:30 a.m. in the church kitchen for some cleaning fun.

Rebekah Circle

Rebekah Circle will meet Thursday, March 9 at 7 p.m. at Peg Riddle's, 1661 N.W 96th Street, Clive, 225-6111.

Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle will meet on Monday, March 13 at 7 p.m. at the home of Elaine Mueller's, 4213 66th St, Urbandale.

Gloria Dei Youth Ministry Presents:

Dinner Theatre



Come and join us as we take a trip to the '50s for an evening of food, music and fun April 27-30. More information will follow, but mark your calendars now.

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 April 2 at 9:30 a.m.

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.

Discovery 201: Welcome to Gloria Dei

Next Class

This Sunday 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.

Sign up

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

Trip to Louisiana

A group will go to Louisiana March 11 to help the Bailey family rebuild their house in Louisiana. When the Baileys were notified about the team, they wrote the following letter:

"We didn't expect this to be happening so quickly. But definitely was a pleasant surprise. We were nowhere near prepared for what you and Ms. Ellie want to do for us, and we are forever grateful. What a blessing from all of you. You all have done so much already. We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts. It's really unimaginable that there are people out there willing to do so much for others. Just can't thank you all enough; we are both still in shock and can't believe that you all are even thinking of doing such a thoughtful and wonderful thing for us. I hope this list is of some help. Let me know if and when you need additional information. Once again, thank you so much. – May God Bless You, Chad and Donna Bailey

The team plans to accomplish some of the following tasks from the Baileys' job list: pour concrete in four rooms, run new electrical wire, run new plumbing, hang insulation, install kitchen cabinets, hang new doors and install tubs and vanities.

They need cash donations to purchase the following items:

- Concrete
- Electrical box and wires
- · Plumbing pipes
- Insulation for ceilings and walls
- · Sheetrock, nails, sheetrock mud
- · Kitchen cabinets
- · Kitchen sink
- · One front door
- Two bathroom doors
- · Three bedroom doors
- One spa tub
- One bathtub and shower combo
- · Three bathroom vanities

Please bring the donations to the narrhex by Thursday, March 9. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Phillips at 278-5544, ext. 204.

A Note from Iowa District West

For the month of March, LCEF is offering an 18-month special fixed rate Investment for individuals and LCMS organizations at 5 percent, 5.09 percent APY, in support of increasing loan demand from our churches and schools. For more information, contact Carole L. White at (877) 439-5233.

Scrapbook Fellowship

Join us for Scrapbook Fellowship on Friday, March 10 in rooms 131-133. Come

anytime between from 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. If you aren't sure what scrapbook fellowship is all



about, feel free to stop by and check out the progress. For more information, contact Deb Kesse at 251-8324 or DeAnn McCue at 276-1700.

Christian One-liners

- We were called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.
- Be ye fishers of men. You catch them—he'll clean them.
- God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.
- If God is your co-pilot, swap seats!
- Don't let your worries get the best of you; remember, Moses started out as a basket case.

The Let's Get to Know the Governing Board Series

Let's Get to Know Doug Pals

Enthusiasm, teamwork and competition were so built into his childhood that Doug Pals now passionately shares those values with his family, business and church.

Doug grew up on a farm in north central Iowa with a strong foundation of teamwork among his two sisters and brother. His father, a teacher and coach by profession, and mother taught their children how to work, have a zeal for the job at hand and play sports fervently. His grandfather's special influence was teaching Doug golf at the age

of seven; he has been hooked ever since.

"Living and working on a farm was a great way to grow up and learn about life," Doug said.

When he graduated from high school in 1986, he went to Northwestern College, where he met his wife, Julie, during their freshman year. They were married two years later. Doug's athletic background became profitable when he was able to supplement his income by working as a referee in "more than 60" basketball games their senior year. And even though they "froze" in their rented trailer, Doug looks back on those days with fond memories. "Those were great times;

we didn't even know how poor we were, we just had fun," said Doug.

After graduating with a degree in communication studies, Doug landed his first job in Spencer, Iowa, helping with their downtown economic development. He then worked with the telecommunications industry until he had the chance to use his "passion of marketing and communications" by starting his own company, Re: Sourceful Communications. This three-year company now helps independent phone companies in Iowa market their services to the community. Local phone companies are not accustomed to the industry's increasing competition, so he creates marketing plans, develops campaigns and builds teams to embrace and withstand the competition. "It's important to build a right team and to place people in the right positions." Doug said.

Because Doug works from home, he spends lots of time with Julie and their two girls, Madeleine, 9, and Elizabeth, 6. Even though both girls follow Julie's love for music, Doug's athletic abilities are not too far from the girls' hearts—both are involved in sports and dance.

"I love the flexibility of working for myself," said Doug. "I can be the kids' softball or soccer coach, attend school activities and just be around for them."

His enthusiasm extends to his church and faith life. He came to Gloria Dei in 1999 and has served on the Governing Board for almost three years. He enjoys the board's "collective passion for ministry" and also likes how Gloria Dei provides ample opportunities "for people to use the

abilities that God has given them." He gravitates to Colossians 3:23, which reflects his childhood upbringing, "that whatever you do, work at it with all your heart."

"I try to glorify God by using the talents and skills that he has given me, and to witness through my actions," said Doug. "I fall short a lot, but the goal for everyday is the same—to do my best with what he has given me."



Doug Pals shares his enthusiasm with daughters Elizabeth and Madeleine, and his wife Julie.



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Bible Study Today at 9:30 a.m.

Join us today as we dive into God's Word.

Grades 6-8

Ablaze studies today!

Grades 9-12 in Y. C.

Today: Are your Choices Wise? Next Week: Ultimate Authority

Wednesday Studies at 6:15 p.m.

Confirmation: Grades 6-8

Our confirmation studies will be Christian Life Training (CLT). Join us this Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

6th Grade Rooms 130, 131-133

7th Grade Rooms 135-137

8th Grade FLC

High School: Grades 9-12

Small-group Ablaze Bible studies continue Wednesday.

Topic: I'm on Fire!

Parents' Bible Study/Support Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

Please join us for discussion, support and encouragement.

Led by Vicki Larimer. Topics: "Its All About Love:

It's a Three-letter Word"

30-Hour Famine

Thank you for your prayers and financial support during the 30-hour famine. The youth were able to learn the realities of hunger.

Parent Resources

Parents can pick up our newsletter with calendar; *Plugged In*, a magazine published by Focus on the Family, which concentrates on the teen culture, and other various publications at the display near the youth bulletin board down in the educational wing.

Senior High Youth

Summer Mission Trip, July 6-17

We have 21 teens and six adults signed up for our mission trip to New York this summer. We will run a VBS for the inner city churches. If you are still interested, please talk to Tim as soon as possible.

Dinner Theatre Rehearsals

Join us Sunday in the Youth Center from 5:30-7 p.m. and Wednesday 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Junior High Youth

Stock the Kitchen

If your name begins with R-Z, it's your month to help stock the Youth Center kitchen with snacks and drinks. Please drop off the supplies in Tim's office.

If you would rather make a cash donation for kitchen supplies, a donation drop box is located outside the Youth Center. Thanks!

Café 923

Join us as we hang out and have fun Friday, March 10 from 6-9 p.m.

Teen Band Rehearsal

Teen band rehearsal will meet today from 12:30-2 p.m.

children's ministry happenings

Ministry Action Teams

Children's Ministry Action Teams are forming! We are looking for lots of people with different God-given abilities. We need creative people to help write and refine curriculum to be used on Saturday and Sunday. We need writers and editors for our Music Alive curriculum this fall. Do you have a third or fourth-grader? We'd like your involvement as we seek new and innovative ways to reach this age group. Do you enjoy reading the fine print? Join the team as we evaluate our safety policy!

A booklet of all of the ministry action teams for Children's Ministry is available in the Information Center. If you would like to help with one of the teams, simply fill out the postcard enclosed in the booklet.

Vacation Bible School Meeting

A Vacation Bible School leader's meeting will be held Sunday, March 5 at 11 a.m. in room 134. Anyone interested in leading or helping with VBS is asked to attend this meeting.

Lent Schedule

All Faith Alive classes end at 7:05 p.m. during Lent. Music Alive and the Wednesday night meal times remain the same.

- Music Alive from 5:30-6:10 pm
- Faith Alive meal from 5-6 pm.

Kids Count with Christ



Kids Count with Christ will bowl Sunday, March 12 at 2 p.m. at Plaza Lanes on Douglas Avenue in Des Moines. The cost for two lanes of bowling and shoes is \$10.50 per person. Join the fun and bring your friends! Questions? Contact DeAnn at 278-5544, ext. 207.

Third, Fourth and Fifth Grades

You are invited to listen as the third-fifth grade Music Alive students offer "The Lions and their Den-er Guest," a bell drama on Sunday, March 12 at 9:30 a.m in the Family Life Center. This bell comedy will last about 15 minutes. We will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. and all Sunday school children will be able to attend.

Kitchen Help Needed

We need kitchen help on Wednesday evenings for serving and clean-up. If you would like to help, please sign up in the kitchen; a sheet is posted on the refrigerator. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Playground

The plan for the playground equipment is finalized and we need to



move forward on the ground preparation and walkway. If you have experience in this area and could

help as a consultant, please call Terry at 278-5544, ext. 305.

Spring Break Schedule

March 20-22

VBS from 9-11:30 a.m.

Monday, March 20

Kindermusik

Wednesday, March 22

No Faith Alive

VBS students will offer a song during Lenten Service at 7:15 p.m.

Saturday, March 25

Grace Place

Sunday, March 26

No Sunday School

Fiesta!

Register Today

Where kids are fired up about Jesus.



This is our fourth year for Vacation Bible School held during spring break, it begins March 20-22 from 9-11:30 a.m.

for children ages 3 to fourth grade. It is a safe place for wild fun and at the same time a place to hear about God's amazing love.

We are one of the few churches in the nation that offers Vacation Bible School during spring break. There is no cost for the three funfilled mornings!

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Families can

register online at: www.gloriadeionline.com or at the Information Center.

What: Fiesta!

Where: Gloria Dei

When: March 20-22

Time: 9-11:30 a.m.

Free!

Ages: Age 3-Grade 4

Register: Now!

Cost:







Volunteers Needed

We need you!

For three fun-filled mornings, don't miss this opportunity to serve. We always have lots of children at our VBS, so we need lots of people to help. We need teachers and helpers at every level. If you can help, please sign up on the Fiesta bulletin board by the Family Life Center on Saturday or in the narthex on Sunday! Training is Sunday, March 5 at 11 a.m. Please write your name, phone number and job preference on the sign-up sheet. See you at the Fiesta!

Week of March 5-11

| Sunday, Ma | arch 5 | | | | |
|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 8:00 a.m. | Traditional Worship Service with Communion | | | | |
| 9:30 a.m. | Blended Worship Service with Communion | | | | |
| 9:30 a.m. | Discovery 101 -Rm 127/129 | | | | |
| 9:30 a.m. | Lifelight - Gospel of Luke | | | | |
| 9:30 a.m. | Sunday School | | | | |
| 9:30 a.m. | What the Bible says About Parenting | | | | |
| 11:00 a.m. | Contemporary Worship Service | | | | |
| 11:00 a.m. | VBS Meeting | | | | |
| 3:00 p.m. | Discovery 201 | | | | |
| 7:00 p.m. | AA Meeting - Rm 109 | | | | |
| Monday, March 6 | | | | | |
| 6:00 a.m. | BSF Leaders meeting | | | | |
| 3:30 p.m. | Mt. Olive Volleyball Practice | | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | Kindermusik | | | | |
| 6:45 p.m. | Men's Basketball | | | | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Women's Connections | | | | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Together In Transition | | | | |
| Tuesday, M | arch 7 | | | | |
| 8:30 a.m. | BSF Leaders Meeting | | | | |
| 9:00 a.m. | XYZ's (Extra Years of Zest) | | | | |
| 9:30 a.m. | Staff Meeting - Board Room | | | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | Kindermusik | | | | |
| 1:00 p.m. | Christcare Bible Study Group | | | | |
| 5:30 p.m. | Foundation Board Meeting - Rm 127/129 | | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | BSF | | | | |
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| Wednesday, March 8 | | | | |
|--------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 10:00 a.m. | Bible Study with Pastor Meyer | | | |
| 5:00 p.m. | Wednesday Evening Meal | | | |
| 5:30 p.m. | Music Alive | | | |
| 5:30 p.m. | Faith Alive Orchestra | | | |
| 5:45 p.m. | Worship Team Rehearsal | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | LEAD - Board Room | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | Chapel Choir Rehearsal | | | |
| 6:00 p.m. | The Gloria Dei Chorale | | | |
| 6:15 p.m. | Faith Alive Education | | | |
| 6:15 p.m. | Bible Study: What the Bible Says about | | | |
| | Parenting | | | |
| 7:15 p.m. | Lenten Service | | | |
| 8:00 p.m. | Hand Bell Practice | | | |
| 8:15 p.m. | Gloria Dei Orchestra | | | |
| Thursday, I | March 9 | | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | Thursday Morning Knitters | | | |
| 3:30 p.m. | • | | | |
| 6:30 p.m. | Financial Peace University - Rm 139 | | | |
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| 6:00 p.m. | Jr. High Cafe 923 | | | |
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| | BSF Seminar | | | |
| | Kindermusik | | | |
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| Outpouring of Love for the Lord | | | |
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| General Fund Offerings | \$20,359 | | |
| YTD Offering | \$818,686 | | |
| YTD Budget | \$789,330 | | |

6:30 p.m. Co-Ed Volleyball - FLC

| Attendance | | | | | | |
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| Northwind | 236 | Communion, Northwind | 131 | | | |
| 8:00 a.m. | 306 | Communion, 11 a.m. | 121 | | | |
| 9:30 a.m. | 341 | Wednesday, March 1 | 380 | | | |
| 11 a.m. | 177 | Communion, March 1 | 281 | | | |
| Total | 1060 | | | | | |

Week of March 12-18

Sunday, March 12

8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service9:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service9:30 a.m. Lifelight - Gospel of Luke

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

9:30 a.m. What the Bible says About Parenting11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service with

Communion

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting - RM 109

Monday, March 13

6:00 a.m. BSF Leaders meeting

6:00 p.m. Kindermusik 6:45 p.m. Men's Basketball 7:00 p.m. Women's Connections 7:00 p.m. Together In Transition

Tuesday, March 14

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 10:00 a.m. Kindermusik

1:00 p.m. Christcare Bible Study Group

6:00 p.m. BSF

6:00 p.m. Governing Board 6:30 p.m. Co-Ed Volleyball

Wednesday, March 15

10:00 a.m. Bible Study with Pastor Meyer5:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal

5:30 p.m. Music Alive

5:30 p.m. Faith Alive Orchestra5:45 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal6:00 p.m. LEAD - Board Room

6:00 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal6:00 p.m. The Gloria Dei Chorale6:15 p.m. Faith Alive Education

6:15 p.m. Bible Study: What the Bible Says about

Parenting

7:15 p.m. Lenten Service8:00 p.m. Hand Bell Practice8:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Orchestra

Thursday, March 16

10:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Knitters

6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University - Rm 139

7:00 p.m. Starfish Savers

Friday, March 17

No Preschool

6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday March 18

Marla Kenney Wedding

9:30 a.m. Kindermusik

5:30 p.m. Saturday Evening "Northwind" Service

| Grace Place, Sunday School and Faith Alive Attendance | | | | | | | | |
|---|----|-----------------------|-----|------------------------------|-----|--|--|--|
| Sat., Early Childhood | 20 | Sun., Early Childhood | 58 | Faith Alive, Early Childhood | 37 | | | |
| Sat., Grades 1-5 | 12 | 12 Sun., Grades 1-5 | | Faith Alive, Grades 1-5 | 81 | | | |
| | | Sun., Grades 6-12 | 53 | Faith Alive, Grades 6-12 | 94 | | | |
| Total | 32 | Total | 187 | Total | 212 | | | |
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We Have Seen His Glory • March 4 and 5, 2006

orthwind

"Everyday"

"Majestic"

"O Praise Him" (All This For a King)

"Word of God Speak"

Bible Reading: (NIV) 2 Peter 1:12-18

"Word of God Speak"

Confession and Forgiveness

Children are Invited to Grace Place

Offerina "Psalm 40"

Sermon: Pastor Tim Phillips

Gospel Reading: (NIV) Matthew 17:1-13

Prayers Lord's Prayer

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Blessing and Announcements

Welcome

"Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" TLH 276, 3 Vs.

Confession and Forgiveness

"Today Your Mercy Calls Us" LW 347, 2 Vs. Bible Reading: (NIV) 2 Peter 1:12-18

Musical Offering: "O, Lord, Increase My Faith

Offered by The Gloria Dei Chorale Gospel Reading: (NIV) Matthew 17:1-13

Apostles' Creed

"How Good, Lord, to Be Here," LW 89, 3 Vs.

Sermon: Pastor Tim Phillips

"How Good, Lord, to Be Here," LW 89, 2 Vs.

Offering **Prayers** Lord's Prayer

Celebration of Communion

"Above All"

"I Come, O, Savior, to Your Table," LW 242, 4 Vs.

"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

"I Love Your Kingdom, Lord," LW 296, 3 Vs

Communion Blessing

Benediction

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Welcome

"Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" TLH 276, 3 Vs.

Confession and Forgiveness

"Today Your Mercy Calls Us" LW 347, 2 Vs. Bible Reading: (NIV) 2 Peter 1:12-18

Musical Offering: "O, Lord, Increase My Faith

Offered by The Gloria Dei Chorale Gospel Reading: (NIV) Matthew 17:1-13

Apostles' Creed

"How Good, Lord, to Be Here," LW 89, 3 Vs.

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Offering **Prayers**

Lord's Prayer

Celebration of Communion

"I Come, O Savior, to Your Table," LW 242, 4 Vs "Oh, Wondrous Type! Oh, Vision Fair," LW 87, 5 Vs "I Love Your Kingdom, Lord," LW 296, 3 Vs

Communion Blessing

Benediction

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

"Halleluiah" (Your Love Makes Me Sing)

"Shout"

"O Praise Him"

"It Is You"

"Be the Centre"

Confession and Forgiveness

"Blessed Be Your Name"

"Word of God Speak"

Bible Reading: (NIV) 2 Peter 1:12-18 Gospel Reading: (NIV) Matthew 17:1-13

"Word of God Speak"

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Offering "Psalm 40"

Prayers Lord's Prayer

"Everyday"

Blessing and Announcements

The Celebration of Holy Communion

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.