

WORSHIP LEADERS - JUNE

	June 1	June 8	June 15	June 22	June 29
Organist	Worship Band	Stan Wold	Barb Erickson	Mary Garner	Stan Wold
Assisting Minister	Lexie Cleluch	Lubov Willms	Linda Kalweit	Bob Kelley	James Crane
Sound Technician	Scott Ruzich	Steve Dalager & Scott Ruzich	Steve Dalager & Scott Ruzich	Dough Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Steve Dalager & Scott Ruzich
Reader	Ed Martin	Daphne Amundson	Craig Haugen	Roger Oman	Mark Johnson
Acolytes	Noah Winesett & Joey Peterson	Katie Carlson & Esmeralda Lew	Martha Carlson & Sam Winesett	Bryn Weberg & Journey Amundson	Molly Weberg & Danny Pass
Ushers	Alison & Duane Stucke	John McDonald & Mary Gagnon	Mary Gagnon & Joan Gunderson	Barb Renick & Kathy Wimer	Rick & Marcia Troy
Nursery Attendants	Katie Erickson	Sherry Dalager	Self Serve	Self Serve	Self Serve
Counters	Barb Renick & Joan Gunderson	Mary Gagnon & Rod Dahlquist	Bob & Carol Kelley	Lubov Willms & Janine Dahlquist	Rod Dahlquist & David Gangeness
Coffee Servers	Quilting Group	Tomas Velez	Eve Gathering	Judy & Roger Oman	Service & Justice

ALTAR GUILD for the Month of June is Judy Oman, Corrine Helmen & Carol Kelley

COMMUNION ASSISTANT for the month of June is Kathleen Gates.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. – Acts 2:1-2

From the Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

I was inspired at last month's CHUM Spring Assembly, as congregational representatives met and heard about several collaborative projects we do together for and with those affected by poverty in Duluth. CHUM Director Lee Stuart shared about the construction of the Steve O'Neil Apartments to provide emergency shelter and 44 units of permanent supportive housing for the chronically homeless and about a new "housewarming registry" to help furnish all the apartments. Some of our members are talking about Gloria Dei sponsoring a room (about \$600) as an initial step to show our support and to help prepare for the Apartments' opening expected this coming winter (see p. 12). After the meeting at Sacred Heart, we walked to the construction site a half a block away and participated in an apartment blessing, which could be used for any home, adapted from Edward Hays' *Prayers for a Domestic Church*:

Wonderful God, you whose house is in heaven, on earth, and in that undiscovered beyond, come and bless this building, which will soon be home for many. Surround this building with your love and grace. Encompass all its four sides with the power of your protection so that no evil or harm will come near. Blessed be the doorways, O God.

May all who come in be treated with respect and kindness.

Blessed be the kitchens, O God,

May there be tables of welcome and meals of comfort shared here.

Blessed be the living rooms, O God.

May there be peace and prayer and play within them.

Blessed be the bedrooms, O God.

May there be sweet rest and refreshment enjoyed there.

Blessed be the common rooms, O God.

May they be spaces of generosity and justice, hope and hospitality.

Blessed be those who build, those who serve, those who live here.

May all be embraced by your presence, in and around this place.

Amen.

At the end of the blessing, each participant was given a *spoon* to take home, to use with their regular flatware as a tangible reminder of our connection to those whose home this will be. *"When you eat cereal with this spoon, or stir your coffee, or serve a salad, pray for these families,"* the clergy leader said.

“The Spirit filled the entire house,” we read. Nine years ago in December, CHUM was in the same neighborhood blessing another house that had been a clinic and was renovated into three apartments. Funded by the Benedictine Sisters, the project was called *RUAH* (Rehabilitating Urban Affordable Housing), the Hebrew word for spirit, wind, breath. It was a memory a small group of us shared that evening, including Sister Lois from the monastery, about the *faithfulness of the Spirit that continues to be at work today*, bringing new life to both church and community.

Where in God’s “entire house” will the Spirit fill you? This month there are many opportunities for us to be inspired:

+ *In God’s house that includes people of every nation.* On Pentecost, June 8, we are planning a special Peace Pole dedication as part of our worship. With the help of several speakers, we will learn the phrase, “*May peace prevail on earth*,” in eight languages that reflect Gloria Dei’s connections to its history, companion churches, and location: Swedish, Swahili, Hindi, Russian, Spanish, Anishinaabe, English, and Animal Tracks (i.e. the rest of nature).

+ *In God’s house that includes heaven and earth.* As school lets out and we all spend more time outside, with kids going to VLM camp, Dei Dreamers softball starting up again June 1 & 3, and others going on the annual fishing trip June 13, we remember God’s presence as Luther puts it, “in, with, and under” all creation. Later in the month, we begin the *Season of Creation*, a five-week lectionary season we are observing again between the anniversary of the 2012 Northland flood and Lake Superior Sunday (see p. 4).

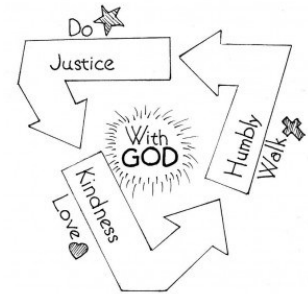
+ *In God’s house of worship through Word and Sacrament every Sunday.* Though school may take a summer break, God’s faithfulness doesn’t. So we worship regularly and often, hearing God’s life-giving Word and receiving a tangible sign of God’s promises in water, bread and wine that empower us to be God’s people in the world. Through the Spirit God’s Word is also conveyed around other tables: in Bible study and coffee hour, at the neighborhood breakfast and other service opportunities, as ministry teams continue to meet – the Spirit is there in words and loving deeds that build up the body of Christ and contribute to the flourishing of community.

Be inspired. Remember the connections we share with God’s entire house, a house that God creates and fills with faith through the power of the Spirit.

See you in worship!
+ Pastor David Carlson

2014 NE MN Synod Women’s Summer Gathering—WELCA

Our 2014 Summer Convention and Gathering is coming! Mark your calendars and plan to attend! June 13-14, 2014, at Kirby Center at UMD. Our theme verse is from Micah 6:8: “...and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?” Your 2014 Convention/Gathering Chair, Mary Jo Mettler, notes that justice is about fairness and equality; kindness describes merciful actions such as loyalty and integrity; and walking humbly sets us in contrast to the rapid stride of the powerful.



GLORIA DEI FINANCE REPORT JAN-APR 2014

Needed per month \$16,500
per week \$3,807

Envelope Offerings
Budget, 4 months \$66,000
Actual, 4 months \$64,590 97.9%
Difference, *behind* (\$1,410)

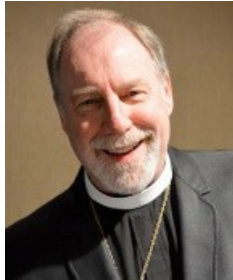
Our regular offering is a sign of worship and thanksgiving for all that God has done and continues to do. In our offering, we return to God a portion of what God has so graciously entrusted to us. THANK YOU for remembering your offering as a regular part of your worship, especially during the summer months!

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 ~ Samantha Stevens	11 ~ Deonta Lew
2 ~ Jonas Ekse	14 ~ Erik Forbort
2 ~ John Sorensen	17 ~ June Chesney
3 ~ Gordon Carlson	17 ~ Shamiyah Johnson
3 ~ Tanner Hall	17 ~ Dan Lew
3 ~ Annagrace Norr	18 ~ Shaniyah Johnson
5 ~ Sherry Dalager	19 ~ Beckie Aitken
5 ~ Adeline Moe	22 ~ Elsie Rothman
10 ~ Shalonda Johnson	26 ~ Connie McGurk
10 ~ Alivia Swanson	27 ~ Ruth Anderson
11 ~ Annika Gangeness	

NEWS FROM THE NORTHEASTERN MINNESOTA SYNOD

On Friday, May 2, Bishop Tom Aitken was reelected for a second term as Bishop of the Northeastern Minnesota Synod. He received 285 of the 333 legal votes cast on the first ballot. A service of Affirmation of Ministry at the Reelection of a Synodical Bishop was included in Sunday morning's worship at the Assembly. Below are his remarks from an online Synod Reflection:



I am both honored and humbled by the strong show of support for me to continue as your bishop for a second term this past weekend at our Synod Assembly. I am always deeply moved at Synod Assemblies by the faithfulness, joy, teaching, good work we do together, and our fellowship in Christ Jesus, our brother and Lord.

We have plenty of good leaders, don't we! I was filled with healthy pride as I listened to the reporting out of our work together by so many solid leaders among us. My own faith was strengthened (as it always is - at Synod Assemblies) as I listened to a high school junior share her faith and the world she lives in to share that faith. I was encouraged by the 'after-meeting' conversations with so many of you about how God is working in your life and in your congregation.

I will use the next several weeks to dig back into Luther's Small Catechism thanks to the Rev. Dr. Winston Persaud and his powerful "Part II" of Luther's Catechism teaching among us. I was so moved by Luther's understanding of God's Word and of the unconditional power of God's promises - that don't depend on our feelings or imagined worth. Here is what I will begin my nightly devotions with:

"Every Christian is called to witness to God's Word of promise in Jesus Christ; God forgives our sins for Jesus' sake."

I will remember Dr. Persaud's powerful illustration of God's love which showers us with grace and empowers us without merit on our part: When his wife tells him she loves him, he doesn't say, "Please tell me all the ways I have done things to merit this love or prove this love." It is her right and gift to pronounce love that doesn't need to be analyzed or graded. So it is with God's love to us. It is a love that enables and elicits faith. God's promise enables our response of faith! We must indeed be gold to God! How humbling. How empowering.

I look forward to shepherding this synod for the next six years. I will lead as your servant, and will be stubbornly focused on what matters first and foremost: The good news of God's love among us.

Peace to all of you,
Bishop Thomas M. Aitken

JUNE LESSONS

June 1, 2014 ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

In today's gospel the risen Christ ascends into heaven and his followers are assured that the Spirit will empower them to be witnesses throughout the earth. The disciples were told to not gaze up into heaven to look for Jesus; we find his presence among us as we proclaim the word and share the Easter feast. We too long for the Spirit to enliven our faith and invigorate our mission. Acts 1:1-11, Psalm 47, Ephesians 1:15-23, Luke 24:44-53

June 8, 2014 DAY OF PENTECOST

Today's festival derives its name from the Jewish festival of Pentecost, observed fifty days after Passover. On the fiftieth day of Easter we celebrate the Holy Spirit as the power of God among us that heals, forgives, inspires, and unites. In the reading from Acts, images of wind and fire describe the Spirit poured out on disciples of all nations. In John's gospel the risen Christ breathes the Spirit on his followers on Easter evening. In the one Spirit we are baptized into one body, and at the Lord's table the Spirit unites us for witness in the world. Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34, 35b, 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13, John 20:19-23

June 15, 2014 THE HOLY TRINITY

Though the word trinity is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith. Genesis 1:1—2:4a, Psalm 8, 2 Corinthians 13:11-13, Matthew 28:16-20

June 22: ECOSYSTEM

In an ecosystem, plants and animals, soils and waters are all interconnected. Like threads woven into a beautiful tapestry, all things are created in relationship to God and to one another. Born to belonging, as part of the earth community and as part of God's family in baptism, we are called and sent as new creations for the sake of the world. Isaiah 55:10-13, Psalm 96:1, 6-13, 2 Corinthians 5:14-20; 13:11-13, Matthew 28:16-20

June 29: WILDERNESS

Wilderness is the setting for the shaping of God's people and for the temptation of God's Son. Often desolate and unforgiving, wilderness is also symbolic of the whole creation in need of redemption. In the wilderness, we follow Jesus, who communes with the wild beasts and is guided by the Spirit's leading. Joel 1:8-10, 17-20, Psalm 18:6-19, Romans 8:18-27, Mark 1:9-13

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Worship God in proclamation of the Word and administration of the sacraments and through lives of prayer, praise, thanksgiving, witness, and service.

ONE BREAD— Thanks to One Bread, our worship band, for leading and accompanying worship once a month. The next Sunday planned is June 1 Other Sundays, the liturgy will be led on organ, piano, and choir. We thank God for the gifts of all musicians at Gloria Dei!

SAMARITAN SUNDAY, June 1 – Thanks for remembering: 1) canned food items to help replenish the CHUM Food Shelf, which are brought forward as part of our offering. 2) Our loose cash offering on the first Sunday has for several years gone to the Gabriel Fund, a ministry started by Gloria Dei and other Central Hillside parishes and managed through CHUM, for direct assistance to the needy.

PEACE POLE DEDICATION JUNE 8 – On the Day of Pentecost, our worship will include the dedication of a Peace Pole, a 4-sided post we will plant in the church garden with the statement, “May peace prevail on earth” in eight languages, each having a connection to Gloria Dei’s history, church connections, or location. At Pentecost, we celebrate the Spirit at work in the church, uniting people from every nation and creating peace through God’s reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

SEASON OF CREATION 2014 From June 22 through July 20, each Sunday will focus on a specific aspect of creation, each praising the Creator in its own way. Since last summer, Gloria Dei has observed this 5-week alternative lectionary beginning with the anniversary weekend of the 2012 Northland Flash Flood and ending with our annual Lake Superior Sunday. Our worship uses portions of the Earthkeeping Liturgy developed by Dakota Road for Luther College, our quilts have created beautiful paraments for use throughout the summer, and our readings are adapted from the Season of Creation developed by the Australian Lutheran Church. This year’s themes are: June 22 – **ECOSYSTEM**, June 29 – **WILDERNESS**, July 6 – **LAND**, July 13 – **HUMANITY**, and July 20 – **WATERSHED** (Lake Superior Su).



SPRING HAS SPRUNG – we are all looking forward to blooming flowers. It is our wish that you will consider sharing fresh flowers for our Altar, perhaps in memory of a loved one or in honor of a birthday or anniversary. Sign up for a Sunday on the Flower Chart in the hallway outside the church office, or call the office. They can be ordered for you for a very reasonable price.

EVANGELISM - WITNESS

1) Proclaim God’s saving Gospel of justification by grace for Christ’s sake through faith alone, according to the apostolic witness in the Holy Scripture, preserving and transmitting the Gospel faithfully to future generations. 2) Carry out Christ’s Great Commission by reaching out to all people to bring them to faith in Christ and by doing all ministry with a global awareness consistent with the understanding of God as Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier of all.

THANK YOU RADIO BROADCAST SPONSORS

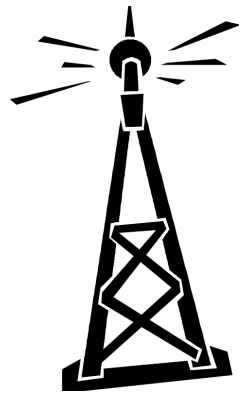
May 25 - Bob and Carol Kelley in honor of their 35th wedding anniversary.
June 8 - Helen & Gordon Carlson...In honor of the children of the world. Especially the children of Gloria Dei in Duluth, Salem Lutheran in Minneapolis and the Ibura Parish in Tanzania.

Gifts in any amount continue to make this an important self-sustaining outreach. Thanks to all who sponsor broadcasts and give regularly throughout the year.

RADIO MINISTRY SINCE 1942

Become a friend of Gloria Dei Radio Ministry

- Worship with us on Sunday morning at 10:00.
- If you can’t attend in person, listen to the live broadcast on AM 710 - WDSM Radio.
- Make a difference in our community by supporting Gloria Dei’s Radio Ministry through your regular gifts, or as a special gift in memory or in honor of someone to recognize an event.
- Each Sunday broadcast costs \$230.
- Call the church office at 218-722-3381 to sponsor a Sunday and support the spread of the Gospel!



WORSHIP STREAMING LIVE ON THE INTERNET

1. Listen live using Windows Media Player: Download Windows Media Player for best software interface with the audio stream.
2. After opening up the media player, type CTRL U (Hold down CTRL key, then press U key) which will open a new window asking for “URL.”
3. To play live audio stream, copy and paste the following into the URL window: <http://24.158.26.190:17543>.

Note: you will only hear the live audio while the service is being broadcast, so if you are early just wait a few more minutes and try the link again

THE CHUM RHUBARB FESTIVAL JUNE 28

Join us for the 10th Annual CHUM Rhubarb Festival - from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 11th Avenue East and London Road. Help us celebrate a year of rhubarb delicacies, including hundreds of pies, muffins, and crisps as well as rhubarb brats and burritos that have also become a part of the festival over the years. Join us in celebrating the volunteers and community members that have made the Rhubarb Festival possible for 10 YEARS!

A variety of games and crafts, live musical performances, and a silent auction promise a day of fun and entertainment for the entire family. And the best part? Admission is free!



EVERYTHING IS COMING UP RHUBARB Gloria Dei cooks will once again join with Trinity Lutheran cooks to make pies for the Rhubarb Fest. We will meet at Trinity at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday June 24th to make our quota of 25 pies which will be frozen and sold at the Fest. Bring an apron and join us. Let Carol K. know if you will be able to help. If anyone will have rhubarb to share, let Carol know that also. Reports are that the rhubarb is beginning to come up. We really appreciate having it cut into small pieces and placed in a plastic bag, four cups to a bag, if possible. We do make yummy pies!

HELP RHUBARB FEST BE GREEN - Chum needs volunteers to help festival-goers dispose of their compostable and recyclable waste in the correct containers. No heavy lifting required and minimal supervisory skills necessary – just a desire to help sustain planet Earth. Interested folks - contact John McDonald at 724-3723 or mcbockalds@gmail.com

STEVE O'NEIL APARTMENTS – HOUSEWARMING REGISTRY

CHUM is building a new six-unit emergency family shelter in conjunction with the Steve O'Neil Apartments, now under construction in Duluth's Hillside neighborhood. In addition to the new CHUM Family Shelter, the Steve O'Neil Apartments will provide 44 units of permanent supportive housing for families with children who have a history of recurrent or long-term homelessness. We are excited about the potential impact of the Steve O'Neil Apartments for Duluth's homeless families. We are inviting you to help us! The Community Housewarming Campaign is a **registry** where you can purchase an item, a room or an apartment of furnishings and items necessary to welcome families to their new home (items range from \$1 to furnishing a room, to furnishing a whole apartment!)

Help Gloria Dei sponsor a room: Furnishing one kitchen through the registry costs \$600 (without the toaster, which the O'Neil family is buying for all apartments). To contribute to Gloria Dei's collective effort and support, above your regular offering, checks in any amount can be made out to Gloria Dei with "O'Neil Apartments" in the memo. The kitchen may just be a staring place—thank you for helping us make this a reality!

EUCCHARIST AT KING MANOR JUNE 11 & AFTENRO JUNE 18 -

Each month, Gloria Dei conducts a service and fellowship time at a senior residential home. This month, Pastor David and the Health Cabinet are planning to meet at King Manor on Wednesday, June 11 at 2:00 p.m. Pastor David also plans to be at Aftenro on June 18 at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome to join us.

MANY THANKS to the Rev. Doug Paulson for preaching and leading worship on June 29 while Pastor Carlson is on vacation. A member of Gloria Dei, Doug serves as Pastor of Lutheran Campus Ministry at UMD and was recently named Director of Twin Ports Ministry to Seafarers.

END OF LIFE MINISTRY ITEMS NEEDED - The funeral serving folks would like to begin using fresh flowers on tables for funerals. If you are spring cleaning and find clear, 6 inch vases that would hold 2-4 blooms, please bring them to Carol Uecker. If you need her to pick them up, call her: 525-4173. Also, as an option, it would be nice to share some family photos on tables rather than on the "science fair boards". To do this, we need a collection of self standing, clear acrylic frames, either 4 x 6 inches or 5 x 7 inches. Again, Carol will collect these.

MINISTRY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Nurture members in the Word of God so as to grow in faith and hope and love, to see daily life as the primary setting for the exercise of our Christian calling, and to use our gifts of the spirit for our life together and for our calling in the world.

INTERGENERATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL JUNE 1 (LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL UNTIL FALL)

— "Tree of Life" - The Bible is "book-ended" with two trees—one in the Garden of Eden and another in the Book of Revelation. This year, we've focused on several biblical images of trees in the Bible (stump of Jesse, family trees, the tree of the cross, for example) that speak to our lives of discipleship today. Join us for singing, bible stories, crafts and conversations across the generations - June's "tree of life" is the Tree with the leaves for the Healing of the Nations (Rev 22). We will also have a special craft project to prepare for summer!

HONORING GRADUATES - Congratulations and God's blessings to all graduating this year, including Brita Dahlquist, with a Master of Medical Science, Physician Assistant degree from St. Louis Univ., St. Louis, MO last December. She is an ER resident at Region's General Hospital in St. Paul, MN.



ADULT FAITH FORUM – All are welcome to join us at 8:45 in the Hillside Room before worship.

June 1 – Intergenerational Sunday School – Last day of Sunday School before Summer!

June 8 – Ingrian Lutheran Church of Russia (companion synod videos)

June 15 - Recap of WELCA Synod Convention

June 22 - Synod Creation Care Team Retreat - overview

June 29 - Twin Ports Ministry to Seafarers with Pr. Doug Paulson

SUNDAY SCHOOL REVIEW & PLAN JUNE 15 – Sunday School teachers, musicians & interested parents are planning to meet after worship

June 15 (11:15-12:00) in the Lakeside Room. With all our wonderful families and children, we want to take time to review the Sunday School year and begin thinking about any additional needs for the coming year.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - July 21-25 Gloria Dei will again partner with Trinity Lutheran to offer "Weird Animals; Where Jesus' Love is One of a Kind" for this summer's VBS program. Mark your calendars for July 21-25 and watch for registration forms for your kids.

RELIGION AND SCIENCE IN DIALOGUE JUNE 25 - 8 a.m. at Valentin's (London Rd). Pastor Carlson facilitates a monthly discussion group in the community on the topic of Religion and Science. The group is lively and engaging and connects readings with current events and daily life. Newcomers welcome! For June we're starting *Religion and Science: A Short Introduction* by Thomas Dixon (Oxford Univ. Press, 2008).

FELLOWSHIP— "KOINONIA"

Manifest the unity given to the people of God by living together in the love of Christ and by joining with other Christians in prayer and action to express and preserve the unity which the Spirit gives.

JUNE 1 – BOLD WOMEN SUNDAY - "In Good Company" - Join us as we honor the Bold Woman this year - Every Woman! The variety of ways that every woman at Gloria Dei participates in worship, social justice efforts and support of the work of the congregation will be recognized this Sunday both during worship and afterwards at a brunch during coffee hour. Plan to attend this Sunday to help us bless and send off the quilts and kits constructed over the past months for Lutheran World Relief. We will convene downstairs afterwards for a brunch filled with song and story about the multitude of women who have helped to make Gloria Dei the energetic congregation it is today. The archival group will be showing us some of their work, always very interesting to see! Not only do we want to share our work with you but this is an important fund raising event for WELCA so we seek your support on this Sunday.

DINNER FOR THE BREAKFAST - SAVE THE DATE! AUG 9 - A fundraising dinner for Gloria Dei's Neighborhood Breakfast, Saturday, August 9, 2014, 6:00 p.m. Hosted by the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Duluth, 835 W. College St., Duluth. Menu includes Indian cuisine buffet (gluten-free, with both meat and vegetarian options, and dessert) Tables of 10 are being organized, and participants will be asked to make a contribution.

Background: Koresh and Jill Lakhan have organized fundraising dinners for Chum, Sister Cities, Men as Peacemakers, and other organizations, hosting wonderful Indian meals at UUCD. They recently offered to host one for Gloria Dei's free monthly neighborhood breakfast, which started in January 2006 and every 4th Saturday now serves about 220. This ministry of hospitality is supported by Gloria Dei's budget and friends in the community. While Gloria Dei's location for this is ideal, other faith communities might not be as well situated to offer a monthly breakfast. Koresh and Jill want to open up the opportunity for other congregations and community members to participate in this ministry who might not otherwise be able to do so.

Gloria Dei - Help is needed:

+ Help as a Table Captain (to organize a table of 10 people)

+ Help set up tables and the dining area early

+ Help serve the buffet meal

+ Help clean up the dining area afterward.

Please save the date, and spread the word. If you can help with any of the above, please contact Carol Kelley 525-6098.



GRANDMA'S MARATHON FUND-RAISER FOR GABRIEL FUND

CALLING ALL RUNNERS!!

We are looking for runners in any of the Grandma's races (Marathon, Half Marathon, or 5K) to be Gloria Dei's official **Oasis Cup** runners as we raise money for CHUM's Gabriel Fund (a special program for Central Hillside Family support). Other than letting us use your name and running the race (which you're going to do anyway), there are no responsibilities. Runners do not need to be members - any GDL connection will do. Gloria Dei competes with Trinity Lutheran every year to see who raises the most funds, and the winner gets to keep the Oasis Cup! We have to win it back this year! If you or someone you know is running and would like to participate, please contact Steve Dalager @ dalager@charter.net or call/text 218-391-4523.



KITCHEN CLEANING TIME AGAIN JUNE 9 - Grab your bucket and rags. Its cleaning time again. We'll begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, June 9th in the big kitchen and hopefully have enough help to get to the Lakeside Room kitchen also. Coffee break allowed and we'll be out before noon. Please let Carol Kelley know if you can help.

PASTY SALE JUNE 15 - A Pasty Sale by Northland Gay Men's Center will be held now through June 16th. Cost is \$5 for a 12 oz. pasty, available in both meat and veggie options. The meat pasty includes a blend of pork & beef, potatoes, carrots, onions and rutabagas. The veggie pasty includes broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, onions and rutabagas. They are being made by Sixth Street Eats. If you would like to order a pasty or several, orders will be taken on Sunday, June 15th at 11am during coffee hour. Payment must accompany all orders. Delivery will be at the church the following Sunday, June 22, 11am to Noon. If pickup time doesn't work for you, please contact Howard Maki at 715-919-1830 for other arrangements. Thanks in advance for your support!!

RUBY'S PANTRY JUNE 19 Ruby's Pantry-Coppertop has been distributing food at the Coppertop Church 230 East Skyline Parkway, on the third Thursday of every month since 2010. Ruby's Pantry-Coppertop is a community partner of Ruby's Pantry; making food available to anyone who needs to stretch their food dollar. Due to increased transportation and warehouse expenses, the cost for a share of food is now \$20.00. For \$20.00 those purchasing a share will receive approximately two large boxes of food. Cash only, no checks or EBT cards will be accepted. There is no "typical" food order and contents of a share vary depending upon what food is available to Ruby's Pantry at the time. You will need to bring your own boxes (laundry baskets work very well). There are no income guidelines. The Pantry operates the third Thursday of every month with distribution from 5:30-7:00 pm. We depend upon volunteers to help with the distribution process. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please call First Methodist Church at 727-5021 or talk with Sue Anderson.

NEIGHBORHOOD BREAKFAST June 28—All are welcome to join us for our free fourth Saturday Neighborhood Breakfast on Saturday April 26 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the Hillside Room.



BREAKFAST TEAMS – Kristen Hylenski has assembled three or possibly four teams of three people to spear-head the neighborhood breakfasts. These teams will be in charge of opening the kitchen and beginning preparation for 3-4 breakfasts per year. Additional volunteers will still be needed to help! If you'd like to be part of a team on a rotating basis, please let her or Pastor David know.

FABRIC KIT REMINDER: The fabric kits that WELCA is sending to Lutheran World Relief require either 3 yards of 44" fabric, or 2 1/4 yards of 60" fabric. Fabric should be cotton or cotton blend...no knits or polyester. Each kit also requires 2 large spools of a neutral colored thread. Shipping costs are \$1.00 per kit. If you would like to contribute either fabric, thread or money, there will be a collection box in the Hillside room until May 30th. Thank you for your support.

MARTHA CIRCLE will meet two times this summer. Thursday June 5th and Thursday July 3rd. We will omit our health bag project for these meetings and will review and discuss the Bible Study in the Gather magazine. If others would like to join us, please do! We will meet from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room. Bring your Gather magazine if you have one.

GLORIA DEI QUILTERS - will meet on Tuesday June 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lakeside Room. New comers are welcome. No sewing experience necessary. For questions, call Marianne Kjolhaug at 722-1493.

CHURCH DATABASE PROFILES DUE JUNE 15 – In mid-May, all Gloria Dei members received a printout of their profiles from the church database. Please verify or add for each member of your household important dates (birth, baptism, confirmation), ethnic origin (for the ELCA Office of the Secretary), and primary/ preferred contact information (phone & email). If you have questions, please contact the church office (722-3381). PLEASE RETURN your checked profile to the church office by June 15 by putting it in the offering plate, handing it to an usher or pastor, or mailing it to the church office. Thank you!

ALL GLORIA DEI BIRTHDAY PARTY Our yearly celebration of the birthdays of all Gloria Dei folks will be held on Sunday, June 29th. If you would like to bring a decoration for a table/month of your choice and a dozen cupcakes contact Carol K.



GARDEN NOTES Finally, things are getting sorted in the garden. This year we will have hosta and autumn joy sedum to divide. June 8 just following worship (if it does not rain) is a date to do that. Please be prepared to help divide and cart away your own plants. These are free to members...sweat equity only. Some garden types will be there to guide you in this. Bring buckets or ice cream pails and maybe even a shovel or trowel if you can. Take home some wonderful perennials.

NEWS from Elizabeth Lavin for Gloria Dei members who might remember these names from the past: CARL JOHNSON, grandson of Mr & Mrs C F Wipson, died in April this year in Texas. He was Elizabeth's cousin

and a former member of Gloria Dei. SERENA ANDERSON LAVIN, wife of Robert Lavin and sister-in-law to Elizabeth, died on April 18th in Cory, North Carolina. They were married at Gloria Dei. Bob is Elizabeth last brother living. He will soon be 90.

A Prayer for All Ages (a favorite of Elizabeth Lavin's)
*Father in Heaven hear my prayer,
 Keep me in thy loving care,
 Be my guide in all I do,
 Bless all those who love me too. Amen*

BOOK CLUB will not meet during the summer. On September 15, we will discuss "The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak. The October 20th book is "Wild" by Cheryl Strayed. On November 17th, the book to read is "Philomena" by Martin Sixsmith.

COFFEE & CONVERSATION will meet on Tuesday June 17 at 9:00 a.m. in the back room at London Road Perkins. For more information please call Marjorie Nelson.

LGBT ELDERS - This group gathers for support and fellowship and will not be meeting in June or July, but will resume meeting starting in September. For more information, please contact Kathleen Gates gatespea@centurylink.net or 624-4589.

MINISTRY OF SERVICE

Purpose: Serve in response to God's love to meet human needs, caring for the sick and the aged, advocating dignity and justice for all people, working for peace and reconciliation among the nations, and standing with the poor and the powerless and committing to their needs.

WORLD HUNGER - Thanks to all who contributed to the Buck-a-Chick effort, raising over \$200. Also thanks to those who donated items to the Synod Assembly quilt auction and marketplace, including Beckie Aitken, Stephanie Carlson, Carol Uecker, Kathy Wimer. Here are the final tallies for the ELCA World Hunger at the Synod Assembly: Quilts (\$9,655), Marketplace (\$3,082), Quarters (\$10,402), TOTAL: \$23,139 - praise the Lord!



MALARIA AND YOUTH—THANKS - Many thanks for the donations toward the ELCA Malaria initiative (we met our goal of \$100) and the transportation fund for Together 4 Youth (we raised \$80). Small contributions go a long way and make a big difference—thanks be to God!

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT - Patti Maguire

May has been full of activity and planning on my part. May 6th the Health Cabinet enjoyed fellowship with our friends at St Ann's. It was good to talk with Ruth Bakke and Shirley Dougherty after their bible study, and later chat with Ivadell Johnson as well. May 17th Karen Bockelman offered a great bible study on the book of RUTH for the women of the church. Thanks to Karen B for the inspiring information and thanks to Karen Kjolhaug for the wonderful brunch.

On May 18th, I presented an Adult Forum discussion on the pilgrimage of the Camino de Santiago de Compostela. Thank you all for your good wishes for the trip and the beautiful blessing and sending portion of the service that day. As you read this article, I will be walking 100 miles in northern Spain. I will pray for the congregation and specific prayer requests; please pray for me and my friends during our pilgrimage.

REMINDER: If you or someone you know is admitted to the hospital, please let the church know. You can do this by telling the hospital to notify us, or by calling the church office. Because of strict privacy laws, we don't get notified as much as before. We can't visit you or send a card if we don't know you are hospitalized. ALSO, if you are in St Luke's hospital, one of our trained Transition Coaches (RNs Barb Erickson and Bev Pehkonen) will gladly at home after you are discharged from the hospital.

TITHE FOR OUTREACH FUND - In response to a presentation by Patti Maguire, the council approved a recommendation from Service & Justice to grant \$200 to the Arrowhead Parish Nurse Association in their process of becoming a 501c3 organization. This will make further grants possible, and support the work of 70 parish nurses in our region.

RELAY FOR LIFE ~ Almost every family has been touched by cancer. Sometimes it seems like there is nothing we can do against this terrible disease. Here's what you can do to raise money to fight cancer ~ Join Gloria Dei's Relay team to help make a difference!

1) **Register** on line at: http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLCY14MW?team_id=1654202&pg=team&fr_id=59079

Register by June 2nd to be sure you get your T-shirt.

2) **Give blood** and earn funds for Relay for LIFE! Kolar Toyota will give Relay for Life \$25 for every blood donation on June 14th at the Bloodmobile in their parking lot. To schedule your time to give, call Michele Keil at 740-1541 or go online at mkeil@mbc.org with sponsor code 2296. Be sure to say you are part of the Gloria Dei Relay team.

3) **Donate** to one of the Relay team members or

4) **Purchase** a luminary bag to honor a cancer survivor or in memory of your loved one who died of cancer.