

## A HISTORY OF GLORIA DEI IN OBJECTS

In celebration of our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we're planning a creative way to tell our history—through photos/objects and text. Examples might be: the Santa Lucia Crown of Lights as illustrative of our Swedish heritage, a drum from Tanzania as illustrative of our global partnerships, Per Wickstrom's fish fillet knife as illustrative of our annual fishing trips and Lake Superior Sunday.

So—think and talk about ideas, look around at church and note things that say “Gloria Dei” to you, and use this form to “nominate” objects and/or events/ministries to be included in a book/let form, on social media, as part of displays at anniversary celebrations. (You can list more than one.) Return to the church office.

### I NOMINATE (name object or event/ministry)

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What does this say about Gloria Dei?

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What does this say about Gloria Dei?

“Human progress never rolls in on wheels of inevitability; it comes through the tireless efforts of men and women willing to be co-workers with God.”  
– Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., “Letter from the Birmingham Jail”



### From the Pastor

Dear friends in Christ,

At the Interfaith worship service during Martin Luther King Jr. weekend at Gloria Dei last month, I quoted these words in my welcome to thank the 160 or so people for attending. “Look around you,” I said. “Here among people whose tireless efforts continue to inspire us in this community, I pray we would all take heart knowing we are not alone but connected as co-workers with each other and with God, who renews our strength for the work ahead and shapes us for relationships of grace and equity, justice and love. May the Spirit of the living God fall fresh on us today.”

The *willingness to be a co-worker with God* can also be seen as a theme of the season of Epiphany. Jesus’ call compels disciples to leave their nets and follow him. And their eyes are opened to God’s work in him as he teaches and heals, and reveals himself in glory. They become caught up in the work he is doing and their imperfections throughout the journey remind us that this relationship is one of grace. Jesus’ invitation and call are not about disciples being effective but only faithful, with a willingness to try, again and again.

I give thanks for such *willingness* as I look around our congregation, too. It was evident at our annual meeting last month:  
+ when we thanked off-going council members and welcomed new council members and officers that will be installed on Feb 3  
+ when we thanked staff and introduced Kristen Bauerkemper our new Community Health Coordinator, and Cammie Jane our new Custodian  
+ when we heard Warming Center details, including that there are 87 volunteers signed up to help with hospitality, many outside our congregation  
+ when people step up to serve coffee hour or read at Myers Wilkins, or carry through an idea like the Community Dinner, or convene Life Groups  
+ when people simply see a need and respond as a reflection of God’s love.

In the Liturgy for Holy Baptism, the congregation says these or similar words: “We welcome you into the Lord’s family. We receive you as fellow members of the body of Christ, children of the same heavenly Father, and *workers with us in the kingdom of God*” (LBW, p. 125). How is God inviting you to be a co-worker? Thanks be to God for the Holy Spirit that enables us to respond to Jesus’ call with willingness, tireless efforts at times, and the camaraderie of others.

See you in worship!  
+ Pastor David Carlson

[The following was emailed to the congregation on January 16, 2020:]

*O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. – ELW p. 304*

Dear friends in Christ,

As you may know, the Northeastern MN Synod of the ELCA is in the process of electing a new bishop. The details of this process are outlined on the synod web site: <http://www.nemnsynod.org/2020-bishops-election.html>.

I am writing to let you know that I have been nominated, and after prayerful thought have filled out the requisite forms. At the moment I am among several nominees, whose profiles will be posted on the synod website February 1 and considered at conference assemblies on February 9, including the Lake Superior Conference Assembly hosted this year at Gloria Dei that afternoon.

By allowing my name to go forward, I want this in no way to be perceived as a negative reflection of Gloria Dei. I love the people and ministry of Gloria Dei. Gloria Dei is a wonderful congregation, I am excited about so many ways in which God is working in our midst, and I am committed to our ministry 100%. There is also a real possibility that I will not be elected, in which case I would be very thankful to be continuing in parish ministry with you.

At the same time I feel I need to be open to the Spirit as this process unfolds. The synod needs a bishop, and this is a call process involving all of us. If my gifts and experience resonate with what the synod is discerning, I would pray for the ability to provide faithful leadership in that role.

So I ask for your prayers -- for me and for all nominees, for our synod and for the Spirit to guide us in the process of calling a new bishop. In the midst of an uncertain future, many unknown factors, and even mixed feelings, I encourage us all not to focus on any particular outcome. Instead, I pray that we will be attentive to the process, open ourselves to God's leading, and be supportive of one another in our ongoing ministry.

May God who is faithful uphold us all in the weeks and months ahead.

Yours in Christ,  
+ Pastor David Carlson

### LIFE'S LANDMARKS

*Funeral*

Mary Savolainen, January 18

will want to be kept informed about anniversary planning. Perhaps you are willing to help set up displays for the Homecoming Weekend (September 26-27, 2020). Perhaps you'd be interested in working on a joint event with folks from First Lutheran, a congregation that shares our anniversary. (The founders of both congregations came to Duluth on the same ship!) Suggestions, ideas, offers of help can be sent to Karen Bockelman ([kgbockelman@gmail.com](mailto:kgbockelman@gmail.com)).

### INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL & HEALTH, Feb 2

The newly elected council will be installed during worship on Sunday, February 2: Janine Dahlquist (President), Bob Asleson (Vice President, Long Range Planning), Julie Jagim (Treasurer), Mary Gagnon (Secretary), Sherry Dalager (Worship), Craig Haugan (Evangelism), Janna Diggan (Discipleship), Candice Maki (Fellowship), Char Mathe-son (Service & Justice), Ryan Jagim (Accompaniment), Judy Bailey (Stewardship), Greg Stevens (Anniversary), and Andy Ernst (Property). Gloria Dei's new Community Health Coordinator Kristen Bauerkemper will also be installed the same day. We give thanks to God for all who offer themselves for service in Christ's name and ask that you please keep Gloria Dei's council and staff in your prayers throughout the year.

**LAKE SUPERIOR CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY, Feb 9** - Hosted by Gloria Dei at 3:00 pm. All pastors and voting members are asked to attend this assembly of congregations within the Northeastern MN Synod in Duluth and the North Shore. Agenda items include reports and the Bishop election process. Attendees are invited to come at 2:30 to see the rebuilt facility if they wish, and it will be a privilege to host this gathering. If you would like to help with hospitality and/or greeting, please contact Julie Jagim, Judy Bailey, or Patti Maguire.

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 ~ Ebba Brooks	11 ~ Sarah Wicklund
1 ~ Kate Sutherland	12 ~ Sally Maki
2 ~ Sharon Stenberg	13 ~ Heidi Baker
3 ~ Steve Dalager	13 ~ Will Stenberg
3 ~ Mary Garmar	14 ~ Robert Maki
6 ~ Barb Switzer	16 ~ Janine Dahlquist
6 ~ Janet Worthing	20 ~ Chelsea Froemke
9 ~ Corrine Helmen	20 ~ Ed Martin
9 ~ Elwood Oman	23 ~ Munda Forbort
9 ~ Darci Tessier	24 ~ George Madsen
10 ~ Bob Kelley	24 ~ Ellen Taube
11 ~ Amara Chicag	25 ~ Amanda Alexander
11 ~ Christopher Lew	27 ~ Kent Dewey

WORSHIP LEADERS - FEBRUARY 2019											
Coffee Servers	Counters	Ushers	Sound Technician	Nursery Attendants	Communion Assistant	Acolytes	Reader	Altar Guild	Assisting Minister	Organist	February 2
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Linda Kalweit & Paul Steklenski	Barb Renick & Joan Gunderson	Paul Steklenski & Linda Kalweit	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Sherry Dalager	Greg Stevens & Candice Maki	Campbell Florence & Kingston Lew	Ryan Jagim	Sandy Uecker & Thomas Leight	Tanner Hall	Mary Garner	
Beth & Mark Olson	Janine Dahlquist & Julie Jagim	Elaine Wickstrom & Corrine Helmen	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Cara Weberg	Greg Stevens & Candice Maki	Adrian Erickson & Eliza Bauerkemper	Maury Aaseng	Marlaine Willms & Alison Stucke	Kristen Hylenski	Barbara Erickson	
Eve Gathering	Barbara Switzer & David Gangeress	Wayne & Joan McCall	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Betsy Hill	Greg Stevens & Candice Maki	Samantha Stevens & Maya Smith	Ed Martin	Elaine Wickstrom & Ruth Wittmers	Patti Maguire	Worship Band	
Jason Hester	Kristen Hylenski & Laura Hoelter	Bob & Candice Maki	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Barb Switzer	Greg Stevens & Candice Maki	Gigi Calland & Maggie Winesett	Barb Renick	Jackie DeVogel, Linda Kalweit & Es Lew	Dan Pass	Mary Garner	

## FEBRUARY LESSONS

**Sunday, February 2, 2020 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

*Who are the blessed ones of God? For Micah, they are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. For Paul, they are the ones who find wisdom in the weakness of the cross. For Jesus, they are the poor, the meek, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers, those who mourn, and those who hunger for righteousness. In baptism we find our blessed identity and calling in this countercultural way of living and serving.*

**Micah 6:1-8, Psalm 15, 1 Corinthians 1:18-31, Matthew 5:1-12**

**Sunday, February 9, 2020 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

*Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.*

**Isaiah 58:1-9a, Psalm 112:1-9, 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, Matthew 5:13-20**

**Sunday, February 16, 2020 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**

In today's reading from Deuteronomy we are called to choose life by loving and obeying God. Much of today's gospel reading echoes portions of the Ten Commandments. Jesus' instructions to the crowd reveal a pattern of behavior that honors both God and the neighbor, resulting in life and health for the whole community. We too are invited to embrace these commandments, not out of fear of retribution, but because God has promised that to do so means life for us.

**Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Psalm 119:1-8, 1 Corinthians 3:1-9, Matthew 5:21-37**

**Sunday, February 23, 2020 Transfiguration of Our Lord**

Today's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close today and the Lent-Easter cycle that begins in several days. On a high mountain Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem. We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This word of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

**Exodus 24:12-18, Psalm 2, 2 Peter 1:16-21, Matthew 17:1-9**

**Join us for a look at the text for the next Sunday every Tuesday at 12 Noon at the Church. All are welcome.**

## 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.*

**SAMARITAN SUNDAY, Feb 2** - 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.

**CHOIR REHEARSAL - 7:00 pm on Wed., Feb 5** The choir has weekly rehearsals at 8:30 a.m., on each Sunday except when the band plays. For more information, please contact Director of Music Stan Wold, 728-5925.



**HEALING SERVICE, Feb 9** - "Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow." During worship on Sunday, February 9 we will incorporate the Order of Healing (ELW pp. 276-78) into the service, which includes the Prayers of Intercession, the Laying On of Hands and anointing, and a Blessing.



**EUCHARIST AT LAKESHORE, Feb 11** - Each month, Gloria Dei conducts a service and fellowship time at a senior residential home. This month a Holy Communion service will be held at Ecumen Lakeshore on Tuesday, February 11 at 2:00 p.m. in the club room. All are welcome.

**MIDWINTER BLUES & ONE BREAD, Feb 16** - Thanks to One Bread, our worship band, for accompanying worship once a month. The next Sunday planned is Feb 16 with the annual Midwinter Blues Service. Other Sundays, the liturgy will be accompanied with organ, piano, and choir. We thank God for the gifts of all musicians at Gloria Dei!

**LENT BEGINS WITH ASH WEDNESDAY, Feb 26** - Our invitation to the season of Lent will include worship with ashes and Holy Communion at 7:00 p.m.

+ Sundays During Lent – Mar 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
11:30 a.m. class with lunch after worship for new members  
+ Wednesdays in Lent – Mar 4, 11, 18, 25, Apr 1  
5:15 Soup Supper (Hillside Rm)  
5:45 Lenten Bible Study (Hillside Rm)  
7:00 Evening worship in the sanctuary



producing food that never gets eaten, and growing that never-to-be-eaten food requires an agricultural area the size of China."

- "Nearly 60% of food waste in North America, and more than 40% in Europe, is caused by consumers. We buy too much food, and we don't use it in time. When we waste food, we waste *all the resources* that went into producing that food —the land, the water, the labor and the energy it took to process and transport and store it."
- "Producing a single quarter-pound burger takes over 14 gallons of water, 13 pounds of cow feed, and 64 square feet of land, plus the carbon footprint of raising, slaughtering, packaging, transporting, storing and selling the ground beef. When we leave that burger languishing in the freezer for months and then decide it's too old to eat, we're throwing away all those resources along with it."

**CLEAN WATER STARTS HERE, Feb 3** - The Unitarian Universalist Congregation invites you to interact with your legislators on the issue of clean water, Monday, Feb 3 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Register online at [ourmississippifuture.org/events](http://ourmississippifuture.org/events). Questions? Contact Katie at [hauer064@d.umn.edu](mailto:hauer064@d.umn.edu)



**ECOFAITH SUMMIT, Mar 28** - In Earth's distress, we sing the promise of renewal... "Now the Green Blade Rises: Raising A Grassroots Movement Among the People of God" on Saturday, Mar 28, 2020 at Bethlehem Lutheran in Brainerd, 9 am Registration, 9:30-3:30 summit. What will happen at the summit? Worship that sings Easter for the whole creation + Breakout sessions for worship and grassroots action in your congregation and community + Young activists share what motivates them + How to have conversations about important yet sensitive environmental issues + Networking for musicians, students, creation care teams + church gardeners + youth leaders + preachers + and more. Organized by the Ecofaith Network of the Northeastern MN Synod, ELCA. Cost is \$20 per person / \$10 up to age 25. Online registration opens Feb 1 at [nemnsynodecofaithsummit2020.eventbrite.com](http://nemnsynodecofaithsummit2020.eventbrite.com).

## 150th ANNIVERSARY

We've already started to receive some suggestions for objects that tell something about the history and ongoing life of Gloria Dei. Those who were in church on January 19 saw this idea in action with the "opening" of the time capsule Ebba Brooks put together from the 125th anniversary! Don't hesitate to fill out a nomination form or just send the information to Karen Bockelman ([kgbockelman@gmail.com](mailto:kgbockelman@gmail.com)). Maybe you can't think of a specific object, but do have an event or a ministry in mind that "says" Gloria Dei to you. Put that down and those working on the project will see what object might convey that ministry.

As we move further into the anniversary year, people will be needed to share ideas, talents, and help in helping to make the year a special one. Perhaps you know of people with a past Gloria Dei connection that

**STEWARDSHIP**

*Our stewardship celebrates the abundance and the value of God's gifts, practicing sustainability and generosity as joyful expressions of God's love for all creation.*

**FINANCE REPORT—ADOPTED BUDGET 2020**

Thank you for supporting God's Mission through the ministry of Gloria Dei. A complete financial report for the year was included in the Annual Report, including maintaining offering commitments over 100% through December 2019. The adopted budget for 2020 increases our offering commitments from 242,500 to \$249,500, which translates to \$20,792 per month, or \$4,798 per week.



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!

**INITIAL OFFERING** - In your offering envelope box, the first envelope is called the Initial Offering. We are encouraged to put at least \$3.00 in that envelope to cover the cost of offering envelopes. Thanks!

**REBUILDING + RENEWING THRU DEC 2019**

Campaign goal: \$500,000  
Actual pledges: \$561,767  
Pledges Rec'd: \$398,326 70.9%



Rebuilding Gloria Dei has been an opportunity for us to strengthen our relationships with God, each other, and the community. Giving above our regular offering has allowed us to enhance and expand the important ministries we carry out in the Central Hillside Area and the world. Our 3-year pledge period ends in March 2021, and if all pledges come in we will have enough to cover all expenses. Any pledges received early will help, since some major expenses like the new organ will come due in August 2020. Thank you for your faithful and generous giving!

**EARTH STEWARDSHIP TIPS—FEB**

- Rank the following three strategies for reducing carbon emissions from most effective to least effective. "Eat a plant heavy diet." "Throw away less food." "Improve polluting cook stoves in 3<sup>rd</sup> world." [If we all threw away less food it could be similar to 495 million fewer cars on the road. Plant heavy diet = 464 million fewer cars and improved stoves = 111 million fewer cars.]
- "Nearly a third of all the food produced in the world is lost or wasted each year, accounting for an estimated 8% of annual greenhouse gas emissions. A quarter of all water used by agriculture goes to



**ORGAN UPDATE**

The Worship, Music, and Arts (WMA) Committee is continuing to be in communication with Fenris Organ Company as they are building our new organ. The organ pipes are nearly finished and will be shipped to Fenris in early February, along with other parts of the organ: the bellows, keyboards and pedalboard, expression pedals, blower. As soon as the pipes arrive, the tall pipes (8' and 16') will be unboxed and stood upright so no settling and change in shape happens to the metals. Fenris now has all the lumber to build the windchests. The switching boards are finished and at the shop, along with a touchscreen system for setting memory and other options.

If much of this language is incomprehensible to you, you're probably not an organist! But after nearly four years, it's not just organists who are eager to have an organ again. Whether or not you understand the language, this may give you some sense of how complicated organ building can be. An organ is not something that can be ordered from Amazon and delivered by a drone! WMA will continue to share updates.

**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, Feb 2** - Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" is our theme for the year, one that we will explore through different "I AM" statements in scripture. Metaphors like bread and light, shepherd and vine, resurrection and life help us know the Lord's saving purpose for us and the world. Join us once a month for singing, bible verses, crafts and conversations that will focus on how God's identity shapes who we are as people of faith. See you there!

**YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS, Feb 5 & 12.** In addition to regular worship, our confirmation class will be focusing on the biblical story of God and God's people in the Old and New Testaments. We meet most Wednesdays from 3:45-4:45 p.m. in the Conference Room. All students in grades 7 & up are welcome—please speak to Pastor Dave.

**CARDIA DEO** - Mark your calendars for the synod high school retreat - February 28 - March 1, 2020. We are Called, Gathered, Equipped and Sent to share the Heart of God (Cardia Deo) in the world. This year we focus on what it means to be Sent. Through Bible studies, worship, and time together, youth and adults will experience and learn to share the hope of



God's love story in the world. Cardia Deo is a full weekend of fun and faith-nurturing activities including Bible studies, a mystery event, service learning, worship, and camp life—all planned and led by the LYO Board! Talk to Chelsea if you are interested! chelsea.froemke@gmail.com

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

Feb 2 - Intergenerational Sunday School: "Who do you say that I am?"

Feb 9 - "Together Here" with Deacon Candidate Colleen Bernu

Feb 16 & Feb 23 - Reading Biblical Literature DVD discussion

**EARTH HARMONY STUDY GROUP, Feb 13** - The Oreck-Alpern Inter-religious Forum of the College of St. Scholastica offers a study group on environmental stewardship, facilitated by Pastor Carlson. These sessions explore a variety of spiritual perspectives that recognize our deep creaturely interrelatedness, lament our negative impact on the earth's well-being, and highlight our vocation as stewards. This group meets at Sara's Table on the second Thursday from 8-9 a.m. at Sara's Table. This month, we are reading the beginning of *Spiritual Ecology*, a collection of essays from various faith traditions edited by Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee.

**RELIGION & SCIENCE IN DIALOGUE, Feb 19** - 8 a.m. at Valentini's (London Rd). Through the College of St. Scholastica, 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 our readings with current events and daily life. Newcomers are welcome! This month, we're reading Part 2 of *The Lost Art of Scripture* (2019) by Karen Armstrong.

**TRAVELING TEXT STUDY, Feb 25** - Most "First Word" bible studies on Tuesdays at 12 noon are in the conference room at the church. All are welcome! But once a month, we are invited to the home of Marianne Kjolhaug - either meet us there, or arrive at the church by 11:45 to carpool. The Word is on the move!

#### 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.*

**BIRTHDAY WISHES** - Pearl Johnson, long time member of Gloria Dei is turning 97 on March 8. It would be fun if we could bombard her with as many birthday wishes as we can. Pearl's address is 1850 Wallace Ave, Duluth, MN 55803. Thank you

major repair projects, including a renovated kitchen. We are so thankful to have our beautiful new kitchen at Gloria Dei. Can Gloria Dei members help to match this donation to our community partners at Loaves & Fishes so that they, too, can more effectively share their own kitchen, and other resources, with our neighbors in need? Gifts above your regular offering are welcome anytime, with checks payable to Gloria Dei and "Loaves & Fishes" in the memo. Thank you.

#### 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

*It takes \$1000 per month to fund our ongoing Radio Ministry. As of December 31, Radio Ministry has received \$9,903 which is \$2,097 behind our budget needs. Thanks to all who responded to the anniversary appeal in March—this figure reflects that. Thanks to all who sponsor broadcasts and give regularly throughout the year. Gifts of \$245 to sponsor a Sunday or in any amount continue to make this an important outreach.*

#### WORSHIP WITH THE RADIO

+ Live Radio Broadcast Sundays 10:00 a.m. on AM 710 or FM 98.1 - WDSM Radio, since 1942  
+ Live Audio stream Sundays at WDSM Radio website <https://wds710.com/> - click "Listen Now" near the top. Gloria Dei's website also has a link to this service.



#### VIDEO STREAMING LIVE ON INTERNET OR PHONE

+ Live Video streaming of our worship is available each on Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. and during special worship services  
+ Visit: <http://gloriadeiduluth.org/worship/livestreamingworship.html>  
Or, download "Sunday Streams" app on your phone: ID is gloriadeiduluth. This app offers viewing and recorded worship services.

**SOUND, STREAM & RADIO** - Seeking 4 or 5 members who can join a fabulous new ministry rotation at Gloria Dei called "Sound, Stream & Radio." Handouts and video training is available and a snap to learn. Join the fun and become a member of this important ministry rotation! This team will take turns on Sundays doing "Sound, Stream & Radio," and also potentially be able to sign up to do the "Sound" for weddings and funerals at Gloria Dei. Linda has signed up to be on the 5-6 member team and is also a contact person (728-6208). We are looking forward to having more newbies join us!

shifts of workers: set up and clean up. Anyone who would like to volunteer, contact Carol Uecker (cruecker1@q.com).

**RUBY'S PANTRY Feb 20** - Volunteers Needed At Ruby's Pantry—Coppertop, 3rd Thursday of Every Month, 3:30-5:30pm: Set up for food distribution, 5:30-6:45pm:



Assist with food distribution, 6:45-7:30pm: Assist with clean-up. For a \$20.00 donation, people receive approximately two boxes of food. Cash only, no income guidelines. If you are interested in volunteering at Ruby's Pantry-Coppertop, please contact First United Methodist Church at 727-5021, located at 230 E. Skyline Parkway, Duluth.

**NAACP FREEDOM FUND DINNER, Feb 21** - Celebrate the NAACP Duluth 100th anniversary in 2020! Our annual Freedom Fund Dinner will be held on February 21, 5pm, at Clyde Iron. This year's theme, "The Life, The Work, The Fight: Black History in Duluth" will highlight the contributions of people, past and present. We will celebrate our achievements and build energy to continue our efforts. The program will feature NAACP Duluth leaders, a film with generational conversations with Daniel Oyinloye, music by the Bell Family, artwork by UMD Graphic Design students under the direction of Terresa Moses, and the panels created by the CJMM Board documenting the history of Duluth's African American Community. Tickets are \$65 which includes a yearly membership to the NAACP and may be purchased until Feb 13 on the website by credit card, PayPal account, as well as by check or money orders (made out to "Duluth NAACP" with "Freedom Fund Dinner" in the memo line and mailed to P.O. Box 494 Duluth, MN 55801 ATTN: Freedom Fund Committee). Doors open at 5:00 for the art exhibition and the dinner and program begin at 6:00. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit the website: [duluthnaacp.org/freedomfund](http://duluthnaacp.org/freedomfund)

**NEIGHBORHOOD BREAKFAST, Feb 22** - All are welcome to join us for our free fourth Saturday Neighborhood Breakfast from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at Gloria Dei. Hunger takes no vacation—we can use your help any time from 7:30 to 11:30. Please let Paul (728-6206) or Carol K. (525-6098) know if you can help.



**WARMING CENTER VOLUNTEER INTEREST?** – Sign up at [gloriadeiduluth.com](http://gloriadeiduluth.com) under Outreach. Questions? Email Char at [charm64@gmail.com](mailto:charm64@gmail.com) or Chelsea at [Chelsea.froemke@gmail.com](mailto:Chelsea.froemke@gmail.com).

**SUPPORT FOR LOAVES & FISHES** - Gloria Dei has enjoyed a long partnership with the Loaves & Fishes community, which is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year. This winter, several L & F community members have helped at the Gloria Dei Warming Center. After serving many people in need of housing, and Olive Branch and Dorothy Day House are showing their age. In honor of this remarkable anniversary, Gloria Dei Council has made a \$1,000 donation to assist with some

**CALLING TREE** - The Calling Tree for Gloria Dei is for members/friends who do not have access to church information electronically. The Tree is ONLY used for major events/emergencies and notices of deaths of members or friends. Pastor Dave and/or the Church Council President will be the ones to activate the Calling Tree. IF you do not have electronic access (email, text, Facebook, etc.) and have not received calls in the past, please let the Church office know and we can be sure to add your name to the list. Questions? Contact Mary Gagnon or Patti Maguire.



**PUT ON YOUR DANCIN' SHOES, Feb 8** - Its Valentine Party time!

Join in the fun on Saturday, February 8 from noon to 2:00 p.m. Terrence Smith will be with us at Gloria Dei for musical activities, a picnic lunch, cookie decorating, card making and prizes for all! This event is for all ages, and our First Presbyterian friends are also involved. We can use your help! Small prizes for all ages would be great. Stephanie and Jim Heilig have the Fish Pond covered. Heart shaped undecorated cookies, cans of beans, liters of pop, potato chips, red jello (fruit or plain), would all be appreciated. Join us for prep help at 10:30 a.m. on the 8th! For more info or to help, contact Sue Anderson or Carol Kelley (525-6098).



**COFFEE HOUR ROTATION SIGN UP** – the 2020 Coffee Hour rotation schedule is being created. Perhaps there is one specific Sunday that you or your group would like to serve. Now is the time! If you wish to be added or make changes in the rotation, the sign up sheet is on the bulletin board by the stairs in the Hillside Room.

- Coffee hour snacks can be simple! Perhaps one sweet and another for those with a restricted diet such as fruit, cheese and crackers,
- For new coffee hour servers, join a partner to serve! There are written directions, and leaders will help with learning to use the kitchen.
- We are here to help! ~ Sue Anderson, Sharon Stenberg, and Gayle Salmela

**LIFE GROUPS** - Gatherings of Gloria Dei members in 8 neighborhoods around the Duluth area are starting up, and you're invited! We plan to meet 4 times in the coming months (Dec, Feb, Apr, Jun) for fellowship, devotions, prayer, and relationship building. A great way to get to know other Gloria Dei members and the ministry we share - hope to see you! If you aren't yet connected and would like to attend, please contact the church office.

**MARTHA CIRCLE, Feb 13** - We gather on the 2nd Thursday of each month through May, with a bible study and conversation starting at 9:30 AM in the conference room. Please join us!

**EVE GATHERING, Feb 19 \* NOTE THE NEW TIME -**

We resume our meetings and bible studies on the 3rd Tuesday each month September through May. The group meets at church at **2:00 p.m.** with a bible study (from the *Gather* magazine). All women in the congregation are welcome to attend.

**MEN IN MISSION, Feb 15 - Breakfast at**

9:00 am held at the Lyric Café in the Holiday Inn. Parking is free. We encourage all men in the congregation to come and participate. Great ideas for 2020 were shared at our first meeting in January, and we are following up. Please RSVP to Rick Troy at [rtroy44@yahoo.com](mailto:rtroy44@yahoo.com) or text at 218-340-2021 by Wed Feb 12. See you there!



**COUNCIL MINUTES** - For the sake of increasing communication, the Council is making a binder of approved minutes from previous months available in the Narthex cabinet above the hearing devices.

**GLORIA DEI GEAR** - Thanks to Greg Stevens, the "GD" cross logo is finding its way onto coffee mugs and embroidered on sweatshirts, jackets, and hats. Checks are made out to Gloria Dei and orders are made at the display table at during coffee hour. A new way to wear GD in the community!

**GLORIA DEI QUILTERS, Feb 4** - We continue to meet the first Tuesday of each month, but will start at 2:00 and go to 4:00 in the Lakeside Room until spring when we will go back to evening hours. Newcomers are always welcome. For questions, call Marianne Kjolhaug at 722-1493. If you can come during the day, please join us.



**BOOK GROUP, Feb 17** - The 2020 schedule will include: February, *The Street Of a Thousand Blossoms* by Dale Tsukiyana; March, *Virgil Wander* by Leif Enger; April, *I Can Do No Other: The Church's New Here We Stand Moment* by Anna Madsen; May, *Just Mercy*, By Brian Stevenson. Join the group on the third Monday of each month, 9:30 a.m. at Gloria Dei.

**BINS FOR WELCA** School kit, Baby kit, Newborn kit and Health kit bins are now out for collection in the hallway under the coat rack on the 2nd floor landing. New and gently used items are now able to be brought and added to the totes.

**LGBT ELDERS** meets the 2nd Monday each month, 6:00 p.m. at the LARCC (at Gloria Dei). For more information, please contact Kathleen Gates [gatespea@centurylink.net](mailto: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.*

**HEALTH COORDINATOR - Kristen Bauerkemper**

With much gratitude, I join the Gloria Dei congregation in giving thanks for the many gifts and blessings Patti Maguire shared during the past 12 years in her role as Chaplain. Thank you, Patti, for your caring and dedicated leadership and ministry! I am excited to step into the role of Community Health Coordinator and to join in the important work of the Health Cabinet and Care Team. My education and work experience is in the field of social work and I look forward to the opportunity to bring this perspective to this role as together we continue to build connections and support within our congregation and community.



My husband, Joseph, and I and our children, Eliza (9) and Thomas (6), are members of Gloria Dei and we give great thanks for our faith community here and the many ways to participate and contribute! In our family, this includes being a part of the service and justice committee, and the One Bread worship band, acolyting, and Sunday school (and, of course, coffee hour snacks, paper airplanes and the chance to pull the wagon on Food Shelf Sundays!). In addition, our family enjoys heading outside to experience the wonders of the four seasons here in Duluth, including canoeing, hiking and skiing.

I look forward to conversations with you about how our congregation can continue to embrace "a holistic concept of health which encompasses body, mind, and spirit" (a statement from the Mission Statement of the Central Hillside Parish Nurse Program) as we live into our renewed space here in the Central Hillside neighborhood. Please let me know your thoughts and ideas!

**TAX SITE OPENS AT GLORIA DEI** - Feb 5 is the 1st Wednesday for tax preparation. Appointments can be made by calling Donna at the church office, 722-3381. Tax prep days at Gloria Dei will be every other Wednesday.



**CENTER CITY SOUP SUPPER, Feb 17** - St. Mary's Star of the Sea has begun hosting FREE soup suppers to those in the neighborhood on the 3rd Monday each month. Gloria Dei and First Presbyterian help serve from 4:30-6:00 with prep time and clean up before and after. Donations of soup and bread have been secured from Blackwoods/Perkins and Super One. You and your families are invited as part of our center city community as well. There will be two