



	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25
Organist	Barbara Erickson	Worship Band	Barbara Erickson	Mary Garner
Assisting Minister	Martha Carlson	Kristen Hylenski	Chelsea Froemke	Tanner Hall
Altar Guild	Judy Oman & Sue Anderson	Sherry Dalager & Stephanie Carlson	Marlaine Wilms & Alison Stucke	Elaine Wickstrom & Ruth Wittmers
Reader	Rod Dahlquist	Myrna Matheson	Paul Uecker	Cal Metts
Acolytes	Esmeralda Lew & Maggie Winesett	Mackenzie Albright & Samantha Stevens	Brynn Erickson & Adrian Erickson	Eliza Bauerkemper & Kingston Lew
Communion Assistant	Char Matheson & Theresa Johnson	Char Matheson & Theresa Johnson	Char Matheson & Theresa Johnson	Char Matheson & Theresa Johnson
Nursery Attendants	Self Serve	Self Serve	Self Serve	Self Serve
Sound Technician	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich
Ushers	Craig Haugen & Karen Dahlquist	Duane & Allison Stucke	Kathy Wimer & Barb Renick	Corrine Helmen & Elaine Wickstrom
Counters	Rod Dahlquist & David Gangeness	Bob Forbort & Sharon Stenberg	Barb Renick & Joan Gunderson	Janine Dahlquist & Julie Jagim
Coffee Servers	Roger & Judy Oman	Anna Madsen	Eve Gathering	Jason Hester

From the Pastor

(Pastor Carlson asked Pastor Karen Bockelman to write this month's article while he is on vacation.)

Dear friends in Christ,

Gordon Rasmussen was a beloved and somewhat quirky religion professor at St. Olaf College. He and his wife had seven children. One summer, when all the children were home, a neighbor offered to take a family photo. So the nine Rasmussens lined up—Dad, Mom, kids like stairsteps. When the camera shutter clicked, the youngest child said, “Why do people only take pictures of people’s fronts?” You guessed it—everyone turned around, their backs to the camera, and the neighbor took a second photo. Gordy loved that photo and hung a copy of it in his office. He loved watching students react to the picture. Some were so intent on their business that they never noticed it. Others kept looking at it out of the corner of their eyes but never actually acknowledged seeing it. But Gordy’s favorite students were the ones who, when they noticed the photo, marched over to it, took it off the wall, and turned it around to see what was on the other side!

I had a similar reaction this summer when I sat at the Gloria Dei table during the Tuesday Farmers Market. For the first time I *really* looked at our stained glass windows from the outside. The west window, Jesus and the disciples on the road to Emmaus, is one of my favorites. I love the idea of Jesus walking with his disciples, and us, *into* the city. But when I looked at the window from the parking lot I was startled to see Jesus and the disciples walking into the *church!* Somehow I had expected to see their faces as they walked *towards* me. I quickly realized stained glass windows don’t work that way, having a front and a back. With that realization, I fell in love with that window all over again, seeing in its two “sides” the essence of Gloria Dei as a congregation—being led *into* worship and *out* to the Central Hillside and beyond. We are reminded every Sunday “Wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome at Gloria Dei.” All are welcome in worship and all are invited to serve in God’s mission.

In these first months back in our renewed building, the movement inward and outward has been strengthened not only for members but for our friends and neighbors. I don’t think there’s been a Sunday when I haven’t seen new faces in worship. Folks who have stopped by our table at the Tuesday Farmers Market have talked about seeing the church burn and watching the many stages of rebuilding. Many expressed their delight that we’re back and open for business. We have hosted or welcomed events that bring people in—of course weekly worship and our regular Neighborhood Breakfast, but also several open houses, a Mozart concert, a Synod Council meeting, a gathering of area parish nurses, and coming up, a rummage sale, the synod lunch for retired rostered leaders, the Lake Superior Conference WELCA fall gathering, possible future concerts, and more. Our rental space now hosts LARCC (Lgbtq+ Arrowhead Resource and Community Center) and MNIPL (MN Interfaith Power & Light), both organizations bringing more people to our building. And thanks to Doug Maguire, Scott Ruzich, and Linda Kalweit people enter

our building for worship through the radio and video streaming on internet or phone. People are eager to “enter in.”

But we are just as eager to “go out” through leading worship at senior residential homes, participating in National Night Out at CHUM, helping with CHUM Church and meals, staffing a table at the Community Action Duluth Farmers Market, participating in Hillfest, engaging in community study groups such as Earth Harmony and Religion & Science in Dialogue, and more. As Pastor David wrote about last month, the Long Range Planning Team has scheduled times for intentional listening to community leaders to explore how Gloria Dei might be a supportive partner in responding to community needs, whether than means others being invited in or us being invited to go out.

It is this kind of movement in and out that is depicted in the stained glass window on the west side of the sanctuary. But there is another of our new windows that, in a different way, illustrates the same calling. During the planning for our rebuilding, the Window Committee, spent considerable time talking with the artist who designed our new altar window. We said that we wanted a window that did not close us in, like a fortress, but one through which we could look out and our neighbors see in. We also wanted a cross to remind us that it is through what Christ has done that we are called both to the worship of God and to service in God’s world.

One Tuesday at the Farmers Market a woman told me how her daughter was entranced with the altar window. As they drove down 6th Avenue toward the church, she said, her daughter just focused on the glowing circles she could see forming the cross. “Mom,” she said, “it’s so beautiful! When can we go there?” And I have heard many of you speak of what you see through the window as you look out—telephone and electric poles making crosses in the world, birds flying by, cars and ambulances moving along the streets.

As we continue to live into our renewed building, let us also be renewed in our calling as people of faith to welcome all, wherever they are on their journey, and to walk with Christ into the world God loved and for which Christ died.

See you in worship—and in the neighborhood!

Pastor Karen Bockelman

HEARING ASSISTANCE – 6 Pocket-talkers amplifiers are now available for use during worship. These amplification devices help those who are having difficulty hearing the pastor or other speakers during the service.

When using one of these devices, it will be as though any speaker using a microphone is speaking right into your ear! The ushers have several of these devices which are charged in the narthex by the sink area.

Once you put the earloop on your ear, turn the volume up to the level you wish. There will be no volume until a microphone is active in the sanctuary. So, don’t turn up the volume until the announcements begin.

Questions? Please ask your Gloria Dei audiologist, Linda Kalweit.

Thank you to my “adopted church family” for including me on your prayer list and for the cards, concern and prayers on my behalf. I had successful heart surgery July 2 (my Aortic Valve replaced with a pig’s valve and a repaired Mitral Valve) and returned home July 9. Recovery continues **very well**.

The last newsletter from my home church in Tucson, AZ included an article on Intercessory Prayer and I share part of it with you. “We usually think of prayer as a means whereby we reach another person through God. But I am suggesting that prayer is a way in which God can flow through us to that other person. We can all be sending agents for the love of God. I am convinced that in prayer we become channels through whom the passionate love of God flows and engulfs other persons.” Thank you, Gloria Dei friends, for being such channels for me.

With a grateful (and John quips” repaired”) heart,
Diane Hoelter

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

																																		
	1 ~ Journey Amundson	14 ~ Caprice Peterson			1 ~ Skylar Peterson	16 ~ Charlene Aaseng			6 ~ Kathy Frostman	17 ~ Darlene Anderson			7 ~ Susan Chicag	17 ~ Charlotte Rothman			8 ~ Maggie Winesett	21 ~ Stephanie Heilig			8 ~ Stephen Wlosinski	24 ~ John Pehkonen			10 ~ Carl Schramm	25 ~ Arianna Gault			11 ~ Brynn Erickson	25 ~ Christian Leight			12 ~ Clara Hensel	

July 29. This includes widening the parking lot sidewalk, replacing the 3rd Street sidewalk, and reconfiguring the concrete at the front entrance to facilitate handicapped parking. Repaving the parking lot will follow but the specific timeframe for that work has not been set. Fencing for the front planter needed to be reordered and is expected to be available in 3 weeks. Soil and mulch is expected to be placed in planter prior to the concrete work. The gardening crew has been reviewing design options for the exterior spaces and are anxious to have the 3rd Street planter area completed. Old World Windows is expecting to have the glass for the tower windows by the end of July and once it arrives, they will start installation. Final touches on all of the exterior windows will be completed at that time as they will have a lift on site. The last steps for installation are the glass inlays in the old doorways on 3rd street. Glass has been ordered but delivery is uncertain. We are working with Todd Signs to complete signage for our church building.

The Property committee is continuing to work on the air exchange system as we learn how the system works and ways to address the warm sanctuary on Sundays.

We are looking for a sound consultant to address AV concerns in the sanctuary. We will also be looking for installation of video equipment in the Lakeside and Hillside rooms.

Ryan Jagim Moving Forward Chair

LIVING INTO ... NEWS FROM THE TRANSITION TEAM

As Ryan Jagim said in his Moving Forward report, the list of ongoing projects is getting shorter. Much of the Transition Team's now has to do with interior work—window treatments (installed in July), furnishings for the Lakeside, conference, and class rooms (some received in July), bulletin boards (in process), display systems for art work. The next interior space calling for our attention is the narthex. There are two ongoing major issues we continue to address—the sound system (specifically how to balance the needs of spoken word and music) and the temperature in the sanctuary on Sunday morning. It's important to know that many people, both members and outside contractors) are working on these issues and that bringing together those folks can take some creative scheduling.

The Transition Team was authorized by the congregation Council to work through December 2019. At this point in our work we are increasingly turning over various projects and responsibilities to ongoing committees or task groups. For example, questions relating to the kitchen are being addressed by the three-person Kitchen Leadership Team, needs for shelving in storage spaces and disposal of items still in the trucks are being addressed by the Property Committee, storage of music and display of art work are being addressed by the Worship, Music and the Arts Committee.

As always, the Transition Team invites your questions, comments, and suggestions. It is helpful if you put things in writing rather than casual comments (especially on Sunday morning) so what you say doesn't get lost. Team members are Karen Bockelman, Pastor David, Janine Dahlquist, Terri Erickson, July Jagim, Ryan Jagim, Gayle Salmela.

Sunday, August 4, 2019 8th Sunday After Pentecost
Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's Supper and the encouragement of God's word. Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23, Psalm 49:1-12, Colossians 3:1-11, Luke 12:13-21

Sunday, August 11, 2019 9th Sunday after Pentecost
Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part today in assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear. Genesis 15:1-6, Psalm 33:12-22, Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16, Luke 12:32-40

Sunday, August 18, 2019 10th Sunday After Pentecost
The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today, in the assembly, we are surrounded by "so great a cloud of witnesses." In the word and in the holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith." Jeremiah 23:23-29, Psalm 82, Hebrews 11:29--12:2, Luke 12:49-56

Sunday, August 25, 2019 11th Sunday After Pentecost
Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing. Isaiah 58:9b-14, Psalm 103:1-8, Hebrews 12:18-29, Luke 13:10-17

Join us for a look at the text for the next Sunday every Tuesday at 12 Noon at the Synod building. All are welcome!

MESSAGE FROM SEMINARIAN CASSIE BORGES

Grace and peace of Christ to you, Gloria Dei!

How am I two years into seminary? That's halfway. I don't feel like I could be half a pastor yet; there's so much I want to learn still. I thank you all from the bottom of my heart for the love of this congregation over the past two years—your prayers, your thoughtfulness, your financial support. It has meant more to Richard and me than we can say.

The most challenging thing at seminary has not been the academic work, but the way this formation forces you to confront your emotional and spiritual scars. I came in full of shame (about leaving academia) and bitterness (about being raised in the Missouri Synod). There's still a lot of room to grow, but it has been incredibly healing to name these scars and show them to other people. Part of our training is Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE), which is in a sense an internship as a chaplain. I served at Trinity Hospital in Rock Island, Illinois last summer, working with patients in oncology and rehab. While learning to provide spiritual care for other people, I was challenged by my supervisor and cohort to see God's grace at work in my life, too. I don't think I am called to be a chaplain, but I think everybody should do CPE!

Other memorable seminary experiences include J-term trips to rural western North Dakota and Guyana; serving on chapel staff this past year and organizing the teams of students and faculty that organize worship; developing deep friendships with the distance students and learning ways to build bridges between those of us in the classroom and those of us scattered around the country; and enjoying impromptu potlucks with the students and their families in campus housing. Richard, meanwhile, has been thriving as part of the development department at Wartburg. He gets to do cool things with databases behind the scenes, and he's loving it.

This week, we are heading south. Way south. I will be serving my internship year at St. Peter Lutheran in Bay City, Texas. (We'll have a spare room, if anyone feels like getting away from the Duluth winter...) It is a small congregation, and my supervising pastor will be 40 miles away, so I will be the main pastoral presence at St. Peter this year—preaching and presiding every week, learning about church administration from the ground up, and getting to know the parishioners. Here's our address for the next year:

Cassie Borges and Richard Persky
3420 Briar Lane
Bay City, TX 77414

Thank you again, you beautiful children of God! We're so excited about the next phase of the adventure.

Thank you for supporting God's Mission through the ministry of Gloria Dei. 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!



SIMPLY GIVING - An increasing number of people at Gloria Dei are using Simply Giving, an automatic withdrawal process operated through Thrivent Financial. This process allows one to designate an offering amount and a schedule for giving automatically. Forms for Simply Giving are available through the church office—722-3381.

AUGUST EARTH STEWARDSHIP TIPS

- “A recent poll found 65 percent of Americans say they are concerned/very concerned about plastics in the ocean, compared to only 58 percent concerned/very concerned about climate change. How is this possible? Duke researches found: if people don't believe a problem is solvable, they're more likely to deny the problem's existence.”
- “Duke researchers found that climate change may be denied by some individuals if the proposed solutions violate their political positions. Climate change solutions such as, pollution taxes, emissions restrictions and general governmental intervention are not particularly aspirational stuff for political conservatives or libertarians.”
- “Tough environmental laws passed in the 1970s have reduced carbon emissions 74%, nitrogen oxide emissions 41%, and sulfur dioxide emissions 66%. And yet serious air and water quality problems persist. For example, EPA reported that 20% of Americans live in areas with unhealthy levels of particulate pollution, one of the most dangerous pollutants.”
- “Each year 5 to 6 billion pounds of insecticides, herbicides, fungicides, rodenticides, and other biocides are added to the world's environment, with roughly one-quarter of this amount released or sold in the U.S. And yet, it is estimated that far less than 1 percent of this material may actually reach a pest.”



AUGUST 2019 MOVING FORWARD REPORT

We continue to finish projects on our list including our 6th Ave canopy, the majority of our electrical additions (kitchen outlets, kitchen phone line, additional controls to regulate fan speed, outlets in the offices, and installation of under counter lighting in Narthex and Lakeside rooms). Final electrical work includes the balcony elevator stop key wiring and installation of track lighting in altar area.

The parking reconstruction work begins with concrete work scheduled for

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 AND RADIO - Seeking 4 or 5 members who can join a fabulous new ministry rotation at Gloria Dei called "Sound and Radio". Handouts and video training is available to make learning the "Sound and Radio" a snap to learn. Join the fun and become a member of this important ministry rotation! This 5-6 person team will take turns on Sundays doing "Sound and 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.... we are looking forward to having more newbies join us. Please do!
 Doug, Scott, Linda, and..... YOU!

TUESDAY FARMERS MARKET Community Action Duluth organizes a weekly farmers market in the parking lot between Essentia and Gloria Dei on Tuesdays from 2-5 p.m. Gloria Dei will have a table there August 13 and 27. If you can help you can sign up in the church office. A good opportunity for us to meet neighbors!

**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 THRU JUNE 2019

Needed per month \$20,208; per week \$4,664
 Envelope Offerings:
 Budget, 6 months \$121,250
 Actual, 6 months \$122,880 101.34%
 Difference, ahead \$1,630

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.

A PLACE IN THE PEWS - Each Sunday Pastor says, and we all try to live it, "Wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome here at Gloria Dei". When we designed the seating in the sanctuary, we tried to think ahead to the place in our journey where we might need accommodation for movement disability (think walkers, wheelchairs and crutches). There are two double pew cuts designed for wheelchairs. And the adjoining pew or chair is for their family or companion. You will notice that these short pews have different ends on them, allowing family to easily reach across the wheelchair arm. There are some single cuts which would accommodate a walker for the worshiper seating behind them. These are near pillars. And there is the entire front row of chairs which can be moved or rearranged for flexible needs. When early worshippers sit in these spaces (or chairs get placed in them), the mobility challenged person cannot use them. This also makes the ushering job a bit more complex. As the population ages and we live longer lives, we each may experience these mobility challenges. Gloria Dei has promised to be accommodating. We have built considering that. When the weather warms, the parking lot will be more flexible as well. We will watch for you and try to lend a hand with a chair or hymnal. We may also wheel you through the communion line if you want to join the family in this way. You are welcome at Gloria Dei.

EUCHARIST AT Ecumen Lakeshore on August 6 at 2:00 in the Chapel. Each month, Gloria Dei conducts a service and fellowship time at a senior residential home. This month it will be at Ecumen Lakeshore. All are welcome.

SAMARITAN SUNDAY, August 4 - 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.

ONE BREAD, August 11 Blues Service - Thanks to One Bread, our worship band, for accompanying worship once a month. The next Sunday planned is September 15. Other Sundays, the liturgy will be accompanied by piano and choir. We thank God for the gifts of all musicians at Gloria Dei!

STAINED GLASS SILENT AUCTION -- Special stained glass items featuring pieced together symbols from our original windows are being

sold in a silent auction. They can be viewed in the narthex. Bids will be accepted through August 11

MINISTRY OF DISCIPLESHIP

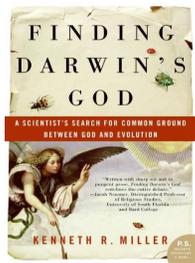
Nurture members in the Word of God so as to grow in faith and hope and love, to see daily life as the primary setting for the exercise of our Christian calling, and to use our gifts of the spirit for our life together and for our calling in the world.

EARTH HARMONY STUDY GROUP, Aug 8 - 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 study group usually meets on the second Thursday, from 8-9 a.m. at Sara's Table. This month, we are reading *Morality and the Environmental Crisis* (2019) by philosopher Roger Gottlieb

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY -- WELCA is offering a special summer Bible study on *Esther*, on Tuesday, August 13, 1:30 - 3 p.m. in the Lakeside Room. Copies of the study, from the summer issues of *Gather* magazine will be available and treats will be served. All are welcome (men too)! A special invitation is being extended to Trinity Lutheran.



RELIGION & SCIENCE IN DIALOGUE, Aug 14 - 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 the first chapters of *Finding Darwin's God* by Ken Miller.



WHAT IS LAY LEADER NETWORK'S YEARLY SEMINAR SERIES?

Our Synod Advisory Board of the Lay Leader Network (formerly School of Lay Ministry) invites congregations to send lay leaders to its Yearly Intensive Series. The first of four one-day seminars is scheduled for September 7 (in Brainerd) or September 28 (in Duluth). Each day-long workshop is led by accomplished theologians (Dr. Jim Bailey, Dr.

NEIGHBORHOOD BREAKFAST AT GLORIA DEI, August 24 - 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.



SOUP SUPPERS AT ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

Beginning this fall, Star of the Sea will start serving soup suppers once a month for those in the neighborhood. This came about because of a gift to them from us for their cooperation with the neighborhood breakfast. Neither congregation really wanted to stop assisting one another in feeding folks. Planning is happening this summer at Star of the Sea. It looks as though a Monday evening once a month will be chosen for a soup and bread meal. And work will be divided between a prep crew during the day and a serving crew over the supper time. We can remember how scary this is to begin an ongoing feeding program. Carol Uecker has agreed to be a point person for Gloria Dei members who would like to help at either prep or serving shifts. The meal would be for congregation members and the surrounding neighborhood. More details will be coming as Star of the Sea works this out. Please be watchful for ways to encourage this continuing mission between our congregations.

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 May 31, Radio Ministry has received \$5,464 which is \$464 ahead of 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 \$230 to sponsor a Sunday or in any amount continue to make this an important outreach.

- 3 - Assorted pocket only folders
- 1 - Colorations crayons, 24 ct
- 1 - 16 x 11 x 5 backpack
- 2 - Colorations purple small washable glue stick, 32 oz
- 6 - No. 2 yellow pencils (latex free)
- 1 - Blunt 5" scissors
- 1 - Colorations washable broad markers, 8 ct.

6th - 12th Grades

- 6 - No. 2 yellow pencils (latex free)
- 3 - Black medium stick pens
- 3 - 1 Subject college-ruled spiral non perforated notebooks, 70 pages
- 1 - Hardback vinyl binder
- 1 - College-ruled 8" x 10.5" filler paper, 200 ct
- 3 - Assorted pocket folders
- 1 - 7" Presharpened colored pencils 12 ct.
- 1 - 17" x 12: x 5" backpack with side mesh pockets
- 3. **Make a financial donation**, and we'll purchase the backpacks in your name.

Donations accepted now through August 12. We hope to have 1,500 backpacks to distribute to local school children at the [City of Duluth Parks and Rec SchoolSupply giveaway](#) on Thursday, August 22, where families with limited resources can receive the school supplies and backpacks they need.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING LOCAL STUDENTS!

CHUM CHURCH

CHUM Church will be held on August 11 at Peace Church, 1111 N. 11th Ave. East. Pre-worship gathering is at 4:00, worship at 4:30, and supper at 5:00.

CHUM Church intentionally invites people of all abilities who wish to worship in an accessible, welcoming, and inclusive environment. Worship is open to all.

The worship service is about a half-hour long, has an easy-to-follow order of worship, familiar hymns, and a time for socializing. The worship service is accommodating to people who previously many not have felt comfortable in other worship settings or those experiencing memory loss.

RUBY'S PANTRY Aug15 - 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.



Dave Mesner, & Dr. Mark Skinner) and features group learning based on engagement with biblical texts, presentations, and assigned readings. The aim is to foster transformative engagement with God's word and with current missional thought and practices.

The Duluth site is **Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Sept. 28, 2019, Nov. 2, 2019, Feb. 8, 2020, and May 30, 2020** (also being offered in Brainerd). The cost for the four-session series is \$220, which does not include books (\$45-50 for four books) or travel.

Gloria Dei's Church Council approved **\$150 scholarships for each of four persons** to participate in the Series and is hoping that at least four will want to join this exciting learning experience. Contact Jim Bailey (jimjudybailey@gmail.com or 218-481-7195) for further details and a syllabus as well as the "promotional code" needed for registering on the Synod's website (www.nemnsynod.org).

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.

GLORIA DEI QUILTERS, Aug 6 - Quilters meet the 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm and put together warm and colorful quilts that are then donated to Lutheran World Relief and other needy organizations. Newcomers are welcome. No sewing experience necessary. For questions, call Marianne Kjolhaug at 722-1493. If you can help, please join us! We can teach you all that needs to be done! Our goal is 30 quilts so helpers are appreciated!



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 or 624-4589.

BOOK CLUB - No book discussions for the summer months. We resume meeting on Monday September 16 with *Educated*, by Tara Westover. All are welcome. For more information, call Carol Kelley 525-6098.



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.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT - Patti Maguire

As usual July was a busy month particularly with the Pastor gone. On the 3rd, the Health Cabinet met in the morning and we worshipped at Edgewood Vista in the afternoon. I was on vacation for the next week, but had great back-up support for the needs of the health ministry. In August we'll be at Ecumen Lakeshore for a worship service. Everyone is invited to join us at these monthly worship opportunities with our friends who cannot always get to church.

Please remember to notify the church if you or family members are in the hospital. We will add names to the prayer list, visit and bring communion as needed.

HEALTH Reminder: Summer is here filled with hot days and good weather! Enjoy the blessings of summer, but don't overdo the fun in the sun. Please remember to drink plenty of water when working and playing outdoors. Early indication of dehydration is increased thirst, but can lead to lightheadedness and muscle cramps or even palpitations as dehydration progresses. And don't forget a hat the SPF 30 or higher. Water and sunscreen can help keep you safe.

CANCER Fund-raising: No Relay for Life event this summer, but I am going to Washington DC in September to talk with our legislators about increase funding for cancer research and legislation that will support cancer patients and their families. Contact me if you would like to send Lights of Hope luminary bags with me. The Lights of Hope bags line the large reflecting pool at the Lincoln Memorial to remind our political leaders of the all the lives touched by cancer. Lights of Hope bags and memberships in the Cancer Action Network will be available in August.

2019 HILLFEST, Sunday, August 18 from 2-6

This is the 10th annual neighborhood celebration of the HillFest in the Central Hillside. It is a great opportunity to get together with our Hillside community at the intersection of 6th Ave E and 4th St. Music, games, vendors, activities, and fun are available all afternoon. Gloria Dei has participated each year both as a church and as part of the Central Hillside Parish Nurse Program. This year



we celebrate our return to the Hillside. Bring your family and friends to HillFest X to this fun-filled afternoon.

GLORIA DEI GREAT SALE - Welcome Home!

Will be held at Gloria Dei on August 16th from 2 pm to 7 pm, and August 17th from 9 am to 2 pm. Donations of new and gently used items are welcome. Drop off will be anytime after worship on Sunday August 11, through Friday morning August 16. Set up will be Thursday August 15 from 4-8 pm, and Friday August 16 starting at 10 am. We are looking for volunteers to help set up, work during the sale and then cleanup afterwards. All proceeds will go to the Gloria Dei Rebuilding fund. Call Kathy Wimer to volunteer or if you have questions 218-727-1987 or 218-355-0817.



PASTOR ON A STICK - Have you met him? He is the famous Pastor David on a stick. He is on a mission to help us fill the "quarter bank" with donations to reduce the number of people in need of food. Watch for him around the building and slip some quarters his way. God's work, our hands!

CHUM NEWS

National Night Out is

Join us for the best free cookout of the year on Tuesday, August 6 as we celebrate National Night Out. From 6 - 8 pm, we'll have a picnic in the CHUM Food Shelf parking lot, 120 N. 1st Ave. West.



Adopt-A-Backpack Help give every child in Duluth a successful start to the school year!

Three ways to donate:

1. **Purchase a backpack already filled with school supplies**

Purchase online at:

<https://www.educationalproducts.com/donate/category.aspx?&categoryLevel=1&category1=PP&category1Name=Pre%20Packs&category2=CHU092&category2Name=CHU092>

2. Purchase a backpack locally and fill it with school supplies. Every backpack is filled identically - we request you **ONLY** include items on the list. Donations accepted at the CHUM Food Shelf, 120 N. 1st Ave. W, Monday - Friday, 9 am - 1 pm.



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