



Listen to Podcasts during the Week!

We all need some encouragement through the week. Here are two podcasts that could breathe new life into your week:



Pastor Joe covers various topics every week in 10 minutes 27 seconds.



Pastor Ben takes a few minutes each week to encourage parents to find rest in God's Word.

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Thank You for Your Generosity!

We are so thankful for your generosity! Our Devotions for the Devoted initiative kicked off just two weeks ago. We are providing devotional material to 15,000 men and women in the Armed Services for a full year. In the first two weeks you have already given half of the \$26,000 goal to purchase devotionals. Amazing! Thank you so much! Our over-all goal is to raise \$51,000 total so that we can not only fund the devotions, but then purchase 5,000 Bibles for our military men and women as well! Keep them in your prayers daily and give as you are able!



Items Needed

Clothes are needed for refugees who have recently moved to our city. We're not asking you to buy anything, but rather to clean out your house and purge things you no longer use or need.

- Outerwear - coats, hats, gloves, boots, etc. All sizes, for children and adults
- Children's books and toys in good condition
- Housewares - kitchen items, bedding, towels and linens

Donate items now until Monday, Nov. 5. Please drop off the items in a garbage bag with a "refugee clothes drive" label on it and place underneath the coat racks. Please tie in a bow (not knotted) or use a twist tie so we can reuse the bag. If you have any questions, contact Norma Rohn at mrohn@aol.com.

Plan for Advent & Christmas

As a staff, we do a lot of planning to make sure that our church is ready for Advent and Christmas. We don't want to rush into the season, but we do want to plan for it. So, we have created a reference sheet with all the Holy-day activities. Please pick up one today as you enter worship. And happy planning!

Today's Message: "Ridiculous Relationship"

Scriptures: Jonah 4:1-5 & 1 John 1:5-9

As a result of what you have received from God's Word today, what do you think He is giving you to believe or do this week?

Additional Notes:

Let's pray!

Prayer Wall: Post your prayer requests (anonymously, if you choose) to a pastor or the online community. (Go to: www.gdlc.church/prayer-wall/)

Connection Cards: Prayer requests can be made on the back of the "Welcome" card located in the pews.

Phone Calls: Contact Pastor Phillips at 276-1700, or Diane Young between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 321-1566 with your request.

Please Pray for:

Rick Buhrke	Jessica Kramer	Doug Jackson	Kevin Zehnder
Shirley Voshell	Heather Kusel	Mike Dehnert	The grieving family of Larry Kinsey
Tim McClelland	Sarah Smith	Paula Spark	
Jennifer Dehnert	Cooper Driscoll	Barb Kramer	
Larry Lewis	Taylor Peterson	Linda Trobaugh	

Baptized Into Christ



Hadley Grace Eilts born April 19, 2018 to Brian and Heather (nee: Dunman) Eilts, will be baptized on Sunday, October 28 at the 8 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. Hadley's spiritual sponsors are Chris Dunman and Andrew Eilts.

Outpouring of Love Oct-14-20, 2018 (Fiscal year July 2018 -June 2019)	
General Fund Offerings	\$47,992
General Fund Offering Budget	\$34,100
1st QTD Offering Total	\$78,895
1st QTD Budget	\$65,500
YTD Offering Total	\$516,460
YTD Budget	\$480,700

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That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster.
Jonah 4:2b (ESV)

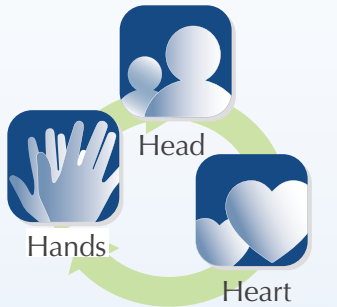


Visiting Today?

Welcome to worship! We are glad you're here. If you have any questions, please stop by the Connection Center or contact Pastor Ben Johnson at 777-3900 or ben.johnson@gdlc.church.

Infants-4 years old: Our fully-staffed nursery is waiting for your child! It is located through the doors at the southwest corner of the Gathering Area outside the Sanctuary.

PreK-Elementary Children: We would love for your children to join us during our educational time on Saturdays at 5:45 p.m. and Sundays at 9:45 and 11:15 a.m.



Wednesday, Oct. 31

Wednesday evening Bible study and Faith Alive will not meet. The Senior High ReCharge will meet at 6 p.m. The Bible study can be seen via livestream at 6:30 and 7:45 p.m. and online at gdlc.church/bible-studies/.



This is Ridiculous! Ridiculous Relationship

As we come to this final chapter of Jonah we're reminded of how ridiculous we can be and how ridiculous God's love is for us! Jonah's pouting because God didn't kill the Ninevites! What? How ridiculous, right? And yet, we're looking in a mirror on this



one. We're often petty and well... ridiculous. And yet, our wonderful God seeks us and disciplines and makes us better. Why? Well, because He is crazy in love with us in spite of all our weird ways. And

because, He's chosen to be involved in a ridiculously wonderful and ridiculously deep relationship with us both now and forever.

Leading Ordinary People to an Extraordinary Life in Christ.



CORE: Gifts

Session 1: Saturday, Nov. 10 from 9-11 a.m.

Session 2: Saturday, Nov. 17 from 9-11 a.m.

This two-part class will explore the unique gifts of the Holy Spirit and how God has uniquely gifted you to be a part of His work in this world. Register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.



A Worker Sent

We are thankful to Jesus that our congregation has been used by God to be a “sending” congregation. We equip God’s people and send them into the world to share their faith. We raise up church-workers and send them into the “harvest field.” Pastor Petrak has been asked to serve at Living Faith Lutheran Church (Clive) alongside Pastor Luke Timm. This is not a Divine Call and Pastor Petrak remains one of our Called workers, but Living Faith is growing so fast Pastor Timm desperately needs his help. We celebrate God using Pastor in this way and look forward to seeing what else the Lord has for him and Sarah and the kids!

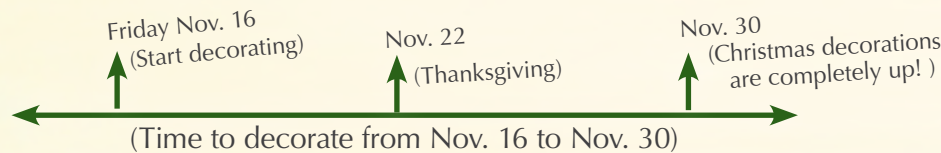


Deck the Halls

Starting November 16, we will have lots of opportunities to decorate our church for Christmas. At least 100 hands are needed. Sign up at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

Here are a few of the time slots:

- Friday, Nov. 16: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Saturday, Nov. 17: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Monday, Nov. 19: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Tuesday, Nov. 20: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Wednesday, Nov. 21: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Thursday, Nov. 22: Thanksgiving
- Friday, Nov. 23: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 20 volunteers)
- Monday, Nov. 26: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Tuesday, Nov. 27: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Wednesday, Nov. 28: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Thursday, Nov. 29: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Friday, Nov. 30: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Dec. 1 & Dec. 2: Decorations are completely up for Advent weekend worship!



W O M E N | Contact: DeAnn McCue at deann.mccue@gdlc.church



How-to Workshop - Making Quilts for Mission

Saturday Nov. 10 | 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Want to learn how to quilt? Already know how to quilt? Join us for a time of quilt-making for missions. All quilts will be donated to missions. Bring a sewing machine if you have one. All materials will be provided. Register at GDLC.CHURCH.



Sweaters & Cider

Season's Greetings

Tuesday, Nov. 13 | 6:30-8 p.m.

We will mix a few spices for cooking and use sugars and scents to make a sugar scrub, lip balm, etc. for personal use. Items will be packaged decoratively for giving or keeping. Cost is \$15. Register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

Project Night

Friday, Nov. 16 | 6-8 p.m.

This fun evening will be a chance to make any projects previously done during Sweaters and Cider this fall. We will use up left over supplies and take home some great projects. Registration is a must. Supplies are limited. Cost is \$10. Register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.



Advent by Candlelight - Save the Date

Monday, Nov. 26 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Save the date! This lovely evening is open to all women to celebrate the coming of our Savior, Jesus. You can host a table for ten or simply attend. We just desire for you to enjoy the glimpse of our Savior. Sign up begins in November.



Thanksgiving Worship Services

Tuesday, Nov. 20 at 6:30 p.m. (Blended service with Communion)
Thursday, Nov. 22 at 9 a.m. (Traditional service with Communion)

Join us in the Sanctuary as we thank the Lord for all His wonderful provisions.



Surviving the Holidays

Thursday, Nov. 15 | 6-8 p.m.

Holidays can be a tough time if you have suffered the loss of a loved one or have gone through a divorce. Don't go through it alone. Please join us for a meal, fellowship and a presentation. Register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.



C H I L D R E N | Contact: Jenn Fuller at Jenn.Fuller@gdlc.church



Grace Place

Saturdays at 5:45 p.m. | Sundays at 9:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Grace Place is a great place for preschool and elementary children to learn about Jesus. Our nursery is also available for infants-age 3.

Haven't registered your children? No problem. Simply go to one of the Children's Check-in stations in the Gathering Area and outside the FLC. **Check-in your children?** Please check-in your children at one of the Children's Check-in stations when you arrive at church.



Christmas Create Family Event

Sunday, Nov. 18 | 3-5 p.m.

Families will gather to create four gifts for kids to give to Dad, Mom, teacher and family. Additional gifts can be purchased for \$10 each. Cost is \$30. Registration is required at www.GDLC.CHURCH.



No Rehearsal, No Stress Christmas Program and Family Event

Sunday, Dec. 2 | 3:30-5 p.m.

It's going to be an interactive, and fun time as entire families gather to share about Jesus' birth and enjoy songs, crafts and food. This event is for all, so please invite your friends and relatives. Registration is required at www.GDLC.CHURCH.



W O R S H I P | Contact: Steve Kowbel at steve.kowbel@gdlc.church



Sisters in Song

Consider joining a group of women who will gather during the Advent season to sing His praises at Advent by Candlelight. We will rehearse two songs on Tuesday, Nov. 6 and 13 from 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary. If interested, contact Janna Amendt at bjamendt@aol.com.



Choir and Chorus

Come join us as we rehearse together a wide variety of music on Tuesday nights in the Sanctuary from 6-7 p.m. Never been in our choir or chorus? Take heart! We will make sure you have what you need to be a vital part of our team. If you have any questions, contact Nick Prenger at nick.prenger@gdlc.church.