



## Easter and Holy Week Worship Times

We are very excited as we continue our Lenten sermon series, "The Tapestry of Christian Living," from Romans chapter twelve!

### Lenten Midweek Worship Services

March 13, 20, 27, April 3, & 10 in the Sanctuary at 12:15 & 6:30 p.m.

### Holy Week Worship Services

April 18 - Maundy Thursday (Sanctuary-Traditional) at 12:15 p.m.  
 April 18 - Maundy Thursday (Sanctuary-Blended) at 6:30 p.m.  
 April 19 - Good Friday (Sanctuary-Traditional) at 12:15 p.m.  
 April 19 - Good Friday (Sanctuary-Blended) at 4:30 p.m.  
 April 19 - Good Friday (Sanctuary-Blended) at 6:30 p.m.

### Easter Worship Services

Saturday, April 20 at 5:30 p.m. (FLC-Contemporary)  
 Sunday, April 21 at 7:30 a.m. (Sanctuary-Traditional)  
 Sunday, April 21 at 9:00 a.m. (Sanctuary-Traditional)  
 Sunday, April 21 at 9:00 a.m. (FLC-Contemporary)  
 Sunday, April 21 at 10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary-Contemporary)



## Pastor Dan Petrak Accepts a Call

Pastor Dan Petrak has accepted the call to serve as Associate Pastor at Living Faith Lutheran Church in Clive. The following is a letter from him:

Since October of 2018, I have been assisting Pastor Luke Timm in serving the people of Living Faith while maintaining some of my duties of co-leading the Men's Ministry at Gloria Dei. In February Living Faith voted to extend a call to be a part-time Associate Pastor. My wife Sarah, son Gavin (17), daughter Kaylin (15), son Jensen (12), and I have prayerfully considered this call and have decided to accept it.

I would like to thank the people of Gloria Dei for all they have done for me and my family. It has been an amazing journey of growing and maturing in the faith. I never imagined this is where God would lead me when I walked through the doors of Gloria Dei as a skeptical, immature Christian 20 years ago. The Holy Spirit continues to work through Word and Sacraments to call, enlighten, and strengthen me and all the people of Gloria Dei. It has been an honor serving in the youth/young adult ministry, men's ministry, and participating in many of the service opportunities at Gloria Dei. I am so blessed to know we are not moving from our home in Grimes and our family will be able to maintain many of the relationships we have built with people even as I serve at Living Faith.

I want to specifically thank Pastors Joe Meyer, Tim Phillips and Ben Johnson for their encouragement and support. I also want to thank the Governing Board and lay leadership of Gloria Dei for calling me into pastoral ministry and helping equip me for this call. I pray God continues to bless Gloria Dei as we live out the Great Commission to make disciples by baptizing and teaching the faith. ~ Pastor Dan Petrak

**Message: "The Brotherly Love"**

**Scriptures:** Romans 12:10, Acts 2:42-47 & Mark 2:1-12. 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/](http://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:

Shirley Voshell  
 Dennis Mellencamp  
 Tim McClelland  
 Jennifer Dehnert  
 Larry Lewis

Jessica Kramer  
 Heather Kusel  
 Taylor Peterson  
 Doug Jackson  
 Paula Spark

Frank Leu  
 Safe travels and  
 meaningful experiences  
 for the group visiting  
 Israel



### Tiny Treasures' Spring Consignment Sale

**Friday, April 12 | 8 a.m.-5 p.m. & Saturday, April 13 | 8-11 a.m.**  
 Items for sale will include children's, teens', and maternity clothing, toys, books, baby accessories, bedding, décor, DVDs, and children's furniture. If you would like to be a seller, you can register on-line at [www.gdlc.church](http://www.gdlc.church).



### Joppa Outreach

**Sunday, March 31 from 12:30-4 p.m.**

Join us as we serve those who are shelterless. If interested, register at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH) or contact Mark Moeller at [mark.moeller@joppa.org](mailto:mark.moeller@joppa.org).

Outpouring of Love - Feb. 24-March 2, 2019 (Fiscal year July 2018-June 2019)	
General Fund Offerings	\$24,591
General Fund Offering Budget	\$25,300
3rd QTD Offering Total	\$266,528
3rd QTD Budget	\$262,900
YTD Offering Total	\$1,220,272
YTD Budget	\$1,198,300

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## CONNECTIONS

Love one another  
 with brotherly affection.  
 Outdo one another  
 in showing honor.  
 Romans 12:10 (ESV)

### Visiting Today?

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

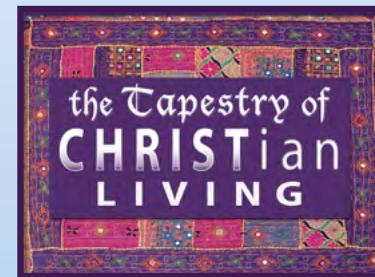
**Infants-4 years old:** Our fully-staffed nursery is waiting for your child! It is located through the doors at the southwest corner of the Gathering Area outside the Sanctuary.

**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.



### "Brotherly Love"

Today's focus seems so obvious and yet is also so difficult. In America, we tend to be loners in our lives. Some of us are better about it than others, but all of us tend to be more self-focused than we are ever other-focused. And yet the Holy Spirit of God calls us to not just love our neighbor as ourself, but to extend to our neighbor a love that brings them into our family. The people around us, the saved and the unsaved, should experience family love, or brotherly love from us. Brotherly love is the Lord's will in our lives and is one piece in the beautiful tapestry of the Christian life!

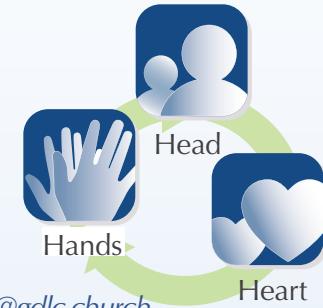


### Midweek Lenten Worship, March 13: "Showing Honor"

Join us this Wednesday as we come to a very important place in our Lenten journey together. Today's society desperately needs to hear the message. You see we live in a very disrespectful time in history where people freely and openly combine a very judgmental spirit with a very sharp tongue. As Christians, we are called to show honor where honor is due as well as to remember that we have no right to judge or speak evil against anyone.



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## Talk to the Board

The Governing Board has designated the second weekend of each month to be available for questions and conversations between and after the services. We invite you to take advantage of this opportunity to pose questions that the Board members can take back to the monthly meetings. As always, you can also send questions to the Board President, Scott Strachan, at [GLDC.President@gdgc.church](mailto:GLDC.President@gdgc.church) or the Vice President, Kurt Kromminga at [GLDC.VicePresident@gdgc.church](mailto:GLDC.VicePresident@gdgc.church).



## Old Band Instruments Needed

Do you have an old band instrument in your closet? Julie DenHerder is collecting band instruments in any condition for Ames Christian School. A new band program has been initiated at the school and instruments are needed for school children. If you have questions, please call or text Julie at 515-240-1626 or e-mail her at [Julie@livingmysong.com](mailto:Julie@livingmysong.com).



## ISU Scholarship

The Alumni of Beta Sigma Psi Lutheran fraternity are awarding a \$2,000 scholarship to Lutheran gentlemen entering Iowa State University in the fall of 2019. Applicants will be evaluated on their scholastic achievement and active participation in their communities and churches. Applications must be postmarked prior to Friday, March 15 to be eligible. Please e-mail Chris Thomson at [chris.thomson@gdgc.church](mailto:chris.thomson@gdgc.church) for further information.



## Senior Adult Ministry St. Patrick's Day Party

**Sunday, March 17 | 4 p.m. in the Youth Center**

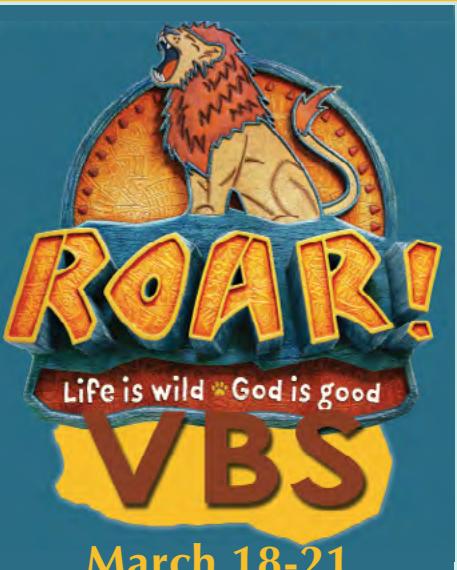
Please join the senior adults for a real St. Patrick's Day party with corned beef and cabbage. Guests are asked to bring a "Green" food item to donate to the Urbandale Food Pantry.

Reservations must be in by Wednesday, March 13. Please register at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH) (Click on "registration" at the top of the page.) or call Elaine Mueller at 515-276-8903.



**Delegate to Camp Okoboji's Annual Meeting**

Due to Gloria Dei being a church in the Iowa West District, we can send one delegate to Camp Okoboji's Annual Meeting, which is being held on Saturday, April 29, in their Christian Life Center. If you would like to represent our church and learn more about what is going on with this wonderful ministry, please contact Chris Thomson at [chris.thomson@gdgc.church](mailto:chris.thomson@gdgc.church). Delegate information must be filed by March 15.



**ROAR!**  
Life is wild God is good  
**VBS**

March 18-21  
9-11:30 a.m.

**Register your children today!**  
Visit [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH)!

**W O M E N** | Contact: DeAnn McCue at [deann.mccue@gdgc.church](mailto:deann.mccue@gdgc.church)  
Visit GDLC.CHURCH to register and to pay for each event.

**Mom2Mom Events**

Moms of any stage and age are invited to join us at Mom2Mom! We'll meet for coffee, Bible study, fellowship, and a craft. Registration is a must! Cost per event is \$10. Childcare is available\*

**Saturday, April 27 | 8-9:30 a.m. | Reclaimed Wood Sign**

**Walk the Talk**

**Tuesday, March 12 from 6:30 - 8 p.m.**

Women are invited to join us as we create a custom t-shirt. We talk about our faith, but do we walk what we talk? Our t-shirts will be a reflection of what we believe. All supplies will be provided as you create a unique t-shirt to wear. Cost is \$15. Registration is a must.

**Reclaimed Wood Cross**

**Thursday, April 4 | 6:30-8 p.m.**

Women are invited to join us as we create a reclaimed wood cross. All supplies will be provided as you create a unique work of art to take home. Cost is \$20. Registration is a must.

\*Childcare is available if the child is registered a week before the event.

## Important VBS Announcements

1. There will be a VBS leader/helper training on Monday, March 11 from 6-7 p.m. in room 112/114 in the Children's Wing.
  2. There will be a VBS kids' worship team meeting/rehearsal on Sunday, March 10 from 12-1 p.m. and Sunday, March 17 from 1-3 p.m. (if needed) both in the FLC.
  3. Items are needed for VBS – please see the display in the Gathering Area or the FLC. Please take a tag or two or as many as you like and purchase the items and return them to the display area as soon as possible or by Sunday, March 17.
- For questions, please contact Jenn Fuller at [jenn.fuller@gdgc.church](mailto:jenn.fuller@gdgc.church).

## "Unplanned" Coming to Theaters on March 29

**WHAT SHE SAW  
CHANGED  
EVERYTHING**

**Previews around March 29 (times tbd):  
B & B (Ankeny) & Century 20 (Jordan Creek)**

The movie, "UnPlanned" shows the transformation of Abby Johnson, the youngest director of Planned Parenthood. Her life took a radical turn from being a spokeswoman for Planned Parenthood to becoming one of the most ardent pro-life speakers in America.

At this point, B & B (Ankeny) and Century 20 (Jordan Creek) will be showing the movies. Specific movie times will be posted closer to the event. For more details, visit [unplanned.com](http://unplanned.com).

## Help Habitat for Humanity in Marshalltown

**Tuesday, April 23-Saturday, April 27 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

It's Marshalltown's first blitz event! Join Habitat for Humanity to help rebuild Marshalltown after the storm. Volunteer opportunities include home repairs, landscaping, handing out lunch, etc.

**No construction experience?** No problem. You don't need any experience.

Interested in volunteering? E-mail [volunteer@iowahabitat.org](mailto:volunteer@iowahabitat.org) or call 515-266-6886. Please note: a group from Gloria Dei will be heading to Marshalltown on Saturday, April 27. More information to follow.

