



## Marriage Conference

Friday, Feb. 14 | 5:30-9:30 p.m. & Saturday, Feb. 15 | 8:30 - 11:00 a.m.

You and your spouse are invited for a two-day experience, along with thousands of other couples around the world, that provides expert marriage advice and practical teachings to help couples navigate their marriage journey.

As part of your \$30 registration fee, you'll be treated to a lovely Valentine's dinner and a delicious continental breakfast.

Childcare is not available for this event. For more information, please register online at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH) or contact Janet Strachan at [j.strachan@mchsi.com](mailto:j.strachan@mchsi.com).



## Valentines for Veterans

Saturday, Feb. 1 from 10-11 a.m.

Young Patriots Club is joining forces with Mt. Olive Lutheran Church & School, and Gloria Dei to bless a wounded veteran through hosting a Valentine cookie decorating event at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.

They have set a huge goal of raising \$18,000 to fund one Puppy Jake Foundation (PJF) service dog to help a veteran battle wounds seen or unseen in a life-changing way,

For \$20 each, participants will get to decorate a plate full of valentine cookies, meet PJF trainers and their dogs, enjoy community fellowship, and hear some valentine and patriotic music by Young Patriots Club and Mt. Olive Lutheran School students. Please help spread the word! We'd love to see you there!

If interested in attending the event or would like donate to the cause, please pick up a registration sheet at the Connection Center or contact Julie Dueker at [youngpatriots1776@gmail.com](mailto:youngpatriots1776@gmail.com).



## Get Involved Serving in the Worship Ministry

There are lots of ways to serve your fellow Gloria Dei members during the weekend worship services. Please review the following to see if there is an opportunity that you would like to pursue:

**Tech Teams and Livestream Services** | Reach the world with the truth of the Gospel through technology. We will train and equip you to serve. For more information, contact Steve Kowbel at [steve.kowbel@gdlc.church](mailto:steve.kowbel@gdlc.church).

**Guitars, Keys, Drums, Bass and Vocalists** | Consider auditioning for the worship band or the vocal rotation for either the Blend or Contemporary Service. For more information, contact Steve Kowbel at [steve.kowbel@gdlc.church](mailto:steve.kowbel@gdlc.church).

**Gloria Dei Chorale** | We would like to extend an invitation to singers from high school age through adult to join this multi-voice group with a variety of backgrounds, skill levels and experience. For more information, please contact James Thompson at [james.thompson@gdlc.church](mailto:james.thompson@gdlc.church).

**Message: "One Voice-One in Faith"**

**Scriptures:** John 17:1-11; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

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.

Shirley Voshell	Bob Sams	Anna Shoup	Peace in the Middle East
Larry Lewis	Greta Cling	Our nation and the world	
Paula Spark	Sandra Jackson	Wildfires in Australia	
Jessica Kramer	Lou Schroedel		
Taylor Peterson	Ginny Swift		

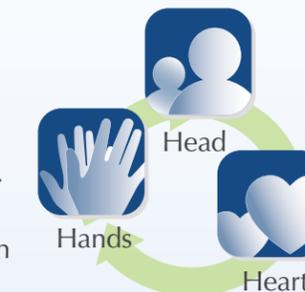
Outpouring of Love Dec. 28-31 2019 (Fiscal year July-Dec, 2019)	
General Fund Offerings	\$84,155
General Fund Offering Budget	\$52,200
2nd QTD Offering Total	\$575,023
2nd QTD Budget	\$546,100
YTD Offering Total	\$1,022,373
YTD Budget	\$985,700

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# GDLC CONNECTIONS

"Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him." John 17:1b-2

Jan. 11-12 | 2020



## 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](mailto:ben.johnson@gdlc.church).

**Infants-4 years old:** Our fully-staffed nursery is located through the doors at the southwest corner outside the Sanctuary.

**PreK-Grade** Join us this week as we welcome children ages 3 through grade 5 on Saturdays at 5:15 p.m. and Sundays at 9:15 and 10:45 a.m.



## "One Voice-One in Faith"

In our worship services you will often hear the ringing of the Apostles Creed being confessed. Along with the Apostles Creed we also hold to the Nicene Creed and the Athanasian Creed as statements to our shared beliefs. What is remarkable is that throughout Scripture we see that creeds are a very important device that gives a unity of belief and a One Voice approach to the faith that is held by the community. 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 is known to be one of the early churches' statements of faith from around the years 31-35 AD and the Apostles Creed is dated around 370-390 AD. Needless to say we follow in a long line of Christians who have shared with One Voice the things that we are One in Belief on.



Leading Ordinary People to an Extraordinary Life in Christ.

# CORE TEACHINGS

STARTS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

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## CORE Teachings

Scripture says that “The Word of God is living and active” which means that as we read Scripture that same Scripture is also reading us. Scripture is at the core of who we are as a people of God and so it is vital that we are learning and growing in the Word together. This winter, there will be two Core teachings offered as shown below:

### Wednesday Evening Bible Study: “Revelation”

Starts Wednesday, Jan. 15 | 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Joe will be leading the second half of his study on the Revelation. Take time to grow in your discipleship in Jesus as you immerse yourself in that wonderful book known as the Bible! If you have questions or just want to connect with Pastor Joe, please reach him at [joe.meyer@gdlc.church](mailto:joe.meyer@gdlc.church).

### Online Bible Study “Book of Daniel”

Starts in mid-January

Pastor Ben will be leading an online study that will be walking through the book of Daniel. In this Core Teachings class, you will be brought into many stories of incredible faith, promises of God being fulfilled, and visions of what was (and is) to come for this world. If you have questions or just want to connect with Pastor Ben, please reach him at [ben.johnson@gdlc.church](mailto:ben.johnson@gdlc.church) or at 777-3900.



## Photo Directories Available

The photo directories are here! If you had your photo taken last fall by Lifetouch, please pick up your free photo directory (only one per family, please).

If your photo is not in this directory and would like one, please contact [office@gdlc.church](mailto:office@gdlc.church) and we will do our best to order a directory for you.

**Your photo is not in the directory?** No problem! Lifetouch will offer photo sessions in 2020 to those who are new or were unable to be in the Fall 2019 Photo Directory.



## Urbandale Food Pantry

During the winter months, the Food Pantry’s shelves become bare. So, please consider donating canned soup, canned vegetables and and canned fruit. Thank you! January’s requested item is diapers (sizes 4-6 & pull-ups).

## A Few Upcoming Dates

Ash Wednesday | February 26

Confirmation | Saturday, March 28 at 3 p.m.

Easter | Sunday, April 12

Single Moms’ Morning Out | Saturday, May 2

## Women’s Events

For more information on additional upcoming events, pick up a Winter booklet or contact DeAnn McCue at [deann.mccue@gdlc.church](mailto:deann.mccue@gdlc.church).



### “Finding God Faithful” Women’s Bible Study

Mondays | 9:30 a.m. | 6:30 p.m.

“Finding God Faithful” by Kelly Minter will focus on the life of Joseph. From the back cover it says it will remind us of God’s faithfulness through Joseph’s story. If you would like to order a study guide (approximately \$16), please let Lisa Scherer know at [scherer5127@gmail.com](mailto:scherer5127@gmail.com).



### Tuesday Evening Women’s Bible Study

Tuesdays | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

This study is based on a book from the Bible, taking women into a deeper understanding of God’s Word. To register or for information, contact Jane Lamfers at [janelamfers@hotmail.com](mailto:janelamfers@hotmail.com).



### “When Grace Walks In” Women’s Bible Study

Wednesdays | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Join us in the Gathering Place for “When Grace Walks in” by Stacey Thacker. We know God’s grace is absolutely necessary—but what does grace look like shining in and through us? No registration is needed.



### Dominican Republic Diaper Project Service Night

Thursday, Jan. 16 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Women of all ages are invited to help us create cloth diapers to send with the mission team going to Dominican Republic. Please register online at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH). Contact DeAnn McCue with questions at [deann.mccue@gdlc.church](mailto:deann.mccue@gdlc.church).



### Mom & Me

Mom & Me is designed for Moms (and Grandmas) and kids ages 4 to 10 to come together for a time of fellowship, Bible study, and creativity. Cost for each family is \$10. Registration is a must.

Des Moines Silhouette | Sunday, Jan. 12 | 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

You are invited to create a piece of artwork that has the silhouette of Des Moines. This artwork will be a great reminder to pray for our city.



### Mom2Mom

Mom2Mom is for moms of all ages to come together for a time of fellowship, Bible study, and creativity.

Personal Care Homemade Items | Saturday, Jan. 18 | 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Join us as we create a lotion bar, hand soap, lip balm, and sugar scrub. A light breakfast and hot coffee will be served as we begin our time together with Bible study. Cost is \$10. Registration is required by Jan. 16 at 6:30 p.m. Childcare is available upon request.



## Footsteps of Paul’s Trip

Pastor Tim is leading a 10-day trip to Greece following the footsteps of the Apostle Paul. The trip includes visits to Thessaloniki, Philippi, Kavala, Meteora, Athens Piraeus, Delphi and Corinth as well as a three-day cruise to the Greek Islands and Ephesus. An optional extension to Rome is also available. The trip dates are October 4-13, 2021. Please see Pastor Tim for a brochure with more details.



## Pastor Tim’s Travelogue

Starts Sunday, Jan. 26 at noon

As a preview to the Footsteps of Paul’s trip, Pastor Tim and his team are covering a day of their itinerary each month starting January 26 at noon. We will gather every month on the last Sunday at noon.



## GriefShare

Starts Thursday, Jan. 16 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

GriefShare is designed to help those who have suffered the death of a close friend or relative. Contact Pastor Phillips at [tim.phillips@gdlc.church](mailto:tim.phillips@gdlc.church).



## Anna’s Sisters

Mondays, Jan. 13, Feb. 10, March 9, April 13 | 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Women who are widows are invited to join us as we fellowship, pray, eat dinner together and study God’s Word. Each person is asked to bring a dish to share for dinner. Registration is not required.



## Honduras Mission Trip 2020

Please consider joining the Mission Team serving in Honduras from July 25-August 1. The team will help in the following ways:  
Optical—helping Hondurans receive glasses  
Dental—assisting Honduran dentists in treating patients  
Concrete—putting concrete floors in houses  
Painting—painting houses  
Pharmacy—helping the pharmacy distribute medicine  
Medical—seeing patients and giving a basic diagnosis  
Children—teaching the message of Jesus to children and washing their heads for lice  
Evangelism—sharing the Gospel with Hondurans.  
Spiritual Growth—many people come away from the trip with a deepened faith and understanding of God’s love. We worship in a Honduran church on Sunday. We have a Bible lesson each day in addition to prayer and the joy of serving our Lord.  
For more information, pick up a brochure at the Connection Center.

INFORMATIONAL  
MEETING  
Sunday, Jan. 19 at  
noon