



It's All Spiritual - Our Finances

When it comes to that which we segregate from the “spiritual” things in our lives, money tops the chart. Money is so important to us, perhaps even too important, and yet we see it as earthly and physical and not from above or spiritual. And yet, when we look at our lives and maybe especially our money in the light of God’s Word, we must remember the thrust of this series...“It’s ALL Spiritual!” My money is not MY money, it belongs to the Lord...not just 10% of it...but all of it. It’s His money given to me for my blessing and benefit. And so, if that’s true...how does that change how we look at our finances? We’ll answer that question this week!

Visiting today?

Welcome! We are glad you are here. There is a gift waiting for you at the Connection Center!

Got children? Awesome! We have a wonderful nursery for infant-3 years old. Please go through the “nursery” door in the southwest corner of the Gathering Area outside the Sanctuary. We also have an educational time on Saturdays at 5:45 p.m. and Sundays at 9:45 and 11:15 a.m. for children ages 3-grade 5.



The financial track of Phase Three will tackle the mortgage we continue to service. Our goal is to make significant headway on the balance during the course of this fiscal year. If you would like to help pay off our mortgage, please pick up an envelope at the Connection Center or go online.

Mortgage Balance	\$908,718
Upfront payment authorized by the Governing Board	(\$50,000)
Giving receipts to date:	(\$29,240)
Balance (10-31-2017)	\$829,478

Thanksgiving Worship in the Sanctuary

Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 23 at 9:00 a.m.

Give thanks unto the Lord!

Urbandale Food Pantry Ingathering

As you might expect at this time of year, we will be gathering non-perishable food for the **Urbandale Food Pantry**...but there’s a twist this year. We intend to gather the food (see list below) all of November and all of December, too. The twist is...we won’t deliver the food until after the first of the year! Doing it that way should prove to be a huge blessing to their efforts as we will bring the food to them after the Holiday rush when most food pantries are hurting for stock. So, carefully check the list below and bring your items to the center of the Gathering Place off of the Sanctuary right away!

(Healthy and Unexpired Items Only)

- cereal
- beans
- rice
- pasta
- peanut butter
- canned fruit (in water or 100% juice)
- canned vegetables
- canned tomatoes
- canned soup
- tuna (in water)
- canned chicken (in water)
- diapers
- baby wipes

Let's pray!

Prayer requests can be made on the back of the "Welcome" card located in the pews. Please indicate your prayer request and place the card in the offering plate. We have both e-mail and phone prayer chains available. Contact Pastor Phillips at 276-1700, or Diane Young between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 321-1566 with your request.

Rick Buhrke

Augie Wright

Paul Buttenhoff

Shannon Smuck

Maddie Wright

Bob Christensen

Tim McClelland

Ken Lee

Jennifer Dehnert

Larry Lewis

Jessica Kramer

Heather Kusel

Amy Luetje (Phillips)

Mike Burdick

Sandy Foreman

Paxton Bremer

Larry Kinsey

Sarah Smith

Julie Bowie

Grieving families of those killed in New York

November Challenge

Our "Going Further Challenge" for November is to read two books, or perhaps one of these two books: 1) "Eternity In Their Hearts" by Don Richardson or 2) "Bruchko" by Bruce Olson. Both will challenge your thinking about international mission work and both are available at www.cbd.com.

Save the Date! Advent by Candlelight

Monday, Dec. 4 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Please plan to attend this year's Advent by Candlelight, "Wait on the Lord." Sign-up sheets are available at the display in the Gathering Area.

Honduras Mission Trip Informational Meeting

Sunday, Nov. 19 at noon

Please consider a mission trip to Honduras from June 9-16, 2018. Pastor Tim and Kim Phillips have led a team to help the impoverished in Honduras for more than 10 years. The team will help provide medical clinics, wash children's hair, and share the Gospel. Medical experience is not needed, only a desire to love those in need. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Tim at tim.phillips@gdlc.church.

Monday's Women Bible Study

Here's a few studies to include in your fall and Advent lineup:

Monday, Nov. 20 (time to be determined) If you would like to watch "The War Room" with a small group of women, please contact Lisa Scherer at scherer5127@gmail.com.

Monday, Dec. 18 at 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.,

Join a group of women for an hour discussion on "In the Shadow of Jezebel" by Mesu Andrews.

Thank You for Your Generous Hearts!

We wanted to make sure you heard a huge "Thank You!" for your generosity towards our Houston Family. Because of your willingness to reach out to them, we were able to send an initial check for \$8,500! Rachel expresses her love and thankfulness on behalf of her family and cannot believe what you have done. God is good! (We will continue this fund until Thanksgiving.)

Facilities Manager Needed

With Pastor Bill Clark moving to full-time interim pastor at Christ Our Savior at the beginning of 2018, we are in need of a new Facilities Manager. This is a key full-time position that is responsible for the maintenance of church buildings, grounds and equipment. We are looking for someone who has strong organizational and maintenance skills combined with a passion for the ministry and mission of Gloria Dei. If you have an interest or want to learn more, please contact Chris Thomson and he can provide a job description and answer any questions you may have. Chris can be reached at chris.thomson@gdlc.church or at 777-3895.

Baptized Unto Jesus

Maya Marguerite Johnson, born July 17, 2017 to Ryan Johnson and Jenna Kubat, will be baptized this Sunday at the 9:30 a.m. service in the Family Life Center. Maya's spiritual sponsors are Kevin Kubat and Troy Johnson.

Save the date! Christmas is coming!

Gingerbread Tea

Saturday, Dec. 2

Time: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Cost: \$40

Bring your family to decorate a Gingerbread House (all trimmings included) and enjoy a light lunch. We'll hear a Christmas devotion and take home a Christmas devotion to share in the days leading up to Christmas. Registration is required for this event.

Family ADVENTure

Sunday, Nov. 12 from 4-5:30 p.m.

Families are invited to the Family ADVENTure where we will build a stable, and add nativity pieces. We'll journey to the stable where Jesus was born, and tell the story, using props. Come hungry, dinner will be provided. Families of all sizes and ages are welcome to come and create this heirloom nativity and stable. Registration fee is \$25.00 per family, which includes dinner, the stable and the nativity!



Registration is a must. Go to GDLC.CHURCH & click on "Registration" on top right corner.

Shepherds, Sheep and a Savior

Sunday, Dec. 10 at 3 p.m.

We invite children and families to be involved in our Christmas program. It is a great chance to learn about the events leading up to the birth of Jesus. It also helps children to become bolder in their faith while meeting new friends.

Rehearsals start Wednesday, Nov. 1 from 5:45-6:30 p.m. A meal will be served from 5:15-5:45 p.m. for \$2 per person. Please e-mail DeAnn at deann.mccue@gdlc.church to let her know that you are coming.

Girlz of Faith and Boyz of Faith

Sunday, Nov. 12 & Dec. 17 from 1-2:30 p.m.

Kids in grades 3-5 are invited to join the fun as we study God's Word, pray together, play together, and fellowship together. Girls and boys will meet separately for Bible study, but join together for fellowship and food. This active group is open to all students in grades 3-5. We will meet once a month throughout the year. No registration is required.

Stop by the Book Fair

Tiny Treasures and Children's Ministry are offering a book fair from Augsburg Publishing House. Check out the books on display near the computer kiosk near the Grace Place classrooms. Orders will be collected until November 12 to ensure early December delivery. There are some great children's Bibles and books offered at this book fair. Take a look today!

Special Thanks to Our Amazing Green Team

Throughout the year, a group of dedicated, passionate and cheerful workers tend to the grounds of Gloria Dei. Through all types of heat, cold, wind or sun, they nurture every plant on our grounds so that when visitors and members come to our campus, they can immediately experience God's amazing creation. Thanks so much!

**SURVIVING
THE
HOLIDAYS**
Thursday, November 16
6-8 p.m.

*Suffered a loss of a loved one?
Don't travel alone; come for a dinner
and a time of encouragement.*

Register at GDLC.CHURCH or call 276-1700.

The next 9 days...

Saturday, November 4

- 9:00 a.m. 12 Doughs of Christmas
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship (FLC)
- 5:45 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, November 5

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)*
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship (Sanctuary)*
- 9:30 a.m. First Communion for Youth in Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (FLC)
- 9:45 a.m. Grace Place
- 10:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 11:00 a.m. Financial Peace University
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)*
- 11:15 a.m. Grace Place
- 12:00 p.m. Senior ReCharge Discipleship
- 1:00 p.m. 12 Doughs of Christmas
- 4:00 p.m. Marriage on the Rock
- 5:30 p.m. Senior High ReCharge Leadership
- 6:00 p.m. 12 Doughs of Christmas

Monday, November 6

- 8:30 a.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
- 9:30 a.m. Monday Digging Deeper Bible Study
- 4:00 p.m. Young Patriots Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision
- 6:30 p.m. Monday Digging Deeper Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. Monday Evening Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, November 7

- 6:15 a.m. Rise and Shine Women's Bible Study
- 7:00 a.m. Regular Election
- 6:30 a.m. ICA Archery Practice
- 9:00 a.m. XYZ Group
- 3:15 p.m. ICA Archery Practice
- 4:00 p.m. Alzheimer's Support Group
- 6:00 p.m. Gloria Dei Chorale
- 6:30 p.m. Core - Teachings: Discipleship
- 6:30 p.m. Marriage on the Rock
- 6:30 p.m. Financial Peace University
- 7:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Sisters in Song Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 8

- 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Adult Bible Study
- 1:00 p.m. Sr. Adult Presentation by Matthew Sheeley
- 5:45 p.m. Christmas Program Rehearsals
- 6:00 p.m. ReCharge Meal, Opening & Small Groups
- 6:30 p.m. Faith Alive
- 7:30 p.m. Gloria Dei Bell Choir

Thursday, November 9

- 6:30 a.m. ICA Archery Practice
- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. Joyful Stitchers
- 3:15 p.m. ICA Archery Practice
- 5:15 p.m. Girl Scout Troup #236
- 6:30 p.m. Flute Ensemble
- 6:30 p.m. Grief Share
- 7:00 p.m. Operation Barnabas

Friday, November 10

- 5:00 p.m. Bogart/Aufdenkamp Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, November 11

- 6:00 a.m. Youth Omaha City Plunge
- 8:00 a.m. Girl Scouts Service Unit
- 8:30 a.m. Gloria Dei Quilters
- 4:00 p.m. Bogart/Aufdenkamp Wedding
- 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship (FLC)*
- 5:45 p.m. Grace Place

Sunday, November 12

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Traditional Blend Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (FLC)*
- 9:45 a.m. Grace Place
- 10:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 a.m. Grace Place
- 12:15 p.m. Financial Peace University Celebration
- 1:00 p.m. Girlz and Boyz of Faith
- 2:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop #763
- 3:00 p.m. Girl Scout Service Unit
- 4:00 p.m. Family ADVENTURE

Outpouring of Love (Oct. 22-28, 2017)	
General Fund Offerings	\$27,139
General Fund Offering Budget	\$28,900
2nd QTD Offering Total	\$149,475
2nd QTD Budget	\$146,400
YTD Offering Total	\$505,687
YTD Budget	\$505,300
Please note: Our fiscal year runs mid-year (July-June)	

* Communion is in the Sanctuary the 1st and 3rd weekend and in the FLC the 2nd and 4th weekend.

We are glad that you are worshipping with us today. We encourage families to worship together before children are invited to Grace Place on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 9:50 a.m. and 11:20 a.m.

Children:

(Infant to age 3):

Nursery: Located on the lower level, the nursery is staffed during all worship services for children ages 3 and under at no cost to the parent. The nursery can be accessed through the door on the southwest side of the Connection Center.

Communion:

The Lord's Supper or Communion is a Biblical event, given by Jesus for the strengthening of our faith and the forgiveness of our sins (Matthew 26). God's Word is very clear that when we receive the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper we also literally/physically receive the actual body and blood of Jesus (1 Corinthians 10:16 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-30). If you are a baptized Christian who trusts in Christ's presence, recognizes your sinfulness, and desires not only to be forgiven of those sins, but also needs strength from Jesus to amend your daily life, then you are welcome to join us! If you do not believe Christ is present, or are unsure of what you believe and want further explanation, then please feel free to speak with one of our Pastors at a convenient time. (We provide both non-alcoholic wine in the center of the tray and gluten-free wafers in containers.)