



We See Sin Differently

We remember this week that one of our foes, while defeated, is nonetheless quite active in our lives. This week we consider the fact that sin is not only our enemy, and that sin constantly plagues us...but we will also remember that the Resurrection of Jesus changes everything! His Resurrection gives us the power to overcome sin in our lives! His Resurrection is also the reminder that one day we will live with Him forever without sin in our lives!

Through the Resurrection we see sin differently!

Visiting today?

Welcome to worship! We are glad you're here. If you have any questions, please stop by the Connection Center where a friendly person will assist you.

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.

Thank you for your compassion!

What an amazing weekend we were all able to experience. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped the 2,075 people walk through the Compassion Experience and the 109 children released from poverty in the name of Jesus! Wow!

We can't say a big enough thank you to all who prayed for this weekend, volunteered, sponsored a child, and participated.

What a great way to display the heart of Gloria Dei and the heart of Jesus! Thank you again and we pray that God would continue to bless us all as we strive to be a blessing to others. ~ Pastor Ben

SINGLE MOMSTM MORNING OUT

Saturday,
May 5



9 a.m. to
noon

In two weeks, we will have more than 100 single moms plus their children at our church. We need volunteers and donations. We encourage parents with teens to volunteer together.

Register at gdlc.church/single-moms

➔ Volunteers ←

- **Children's Area (teens and adults)**

Lots of helpers are needed to assist with easy tasks, or helping with special needs children. We also need one craft leader and one game leader.

- **Car Care (teens and adults)**

Join us outside as we take care of the Moms by cleaning their cars. Lots of spots are still open.

➔ Donate ←

- \$10 gas gift cards (for moms' gift bags)
- Consignment sale & Financial Peace gift certificates
- Devotionals for single moms

➔ Other ways to help: ←

- Host a work-site donation drive
- Loan an item – shop vacs and air compressors

Register to volunteer at
gdlc.church/single-moms

Less than 2 weeks
away



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
Shirley Voshell
Shannon Smuck
Maddie Wright
Bob Christensen
Tim McClelland
Ken Lee
Jennifer Dehnert
Larry Lewis
Jessica Kramer
Heather Kusel
Mike Burdick
Sandy Foreman
Larry Kinsey
Sarah Smith
Julie Bowie
Cooper Driscoll
Taylor Peterson
Terry Gosch
Doug Jackson
Single moms
Syria

Becky DeVries and family who are grieving the loss of her brother

Children throughout the world

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are in celebration of Lou and Hazel Schroedel celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary.

Joppa Outreach

Sunday, April 29 from 12:30-4 p.m.

Consider joining us as we partner with Joppa to reach out to those who are shelterless in Des Moines. As Joppa volunteers, we will visit 250-300 people living under bridges, in tents, in vehicles and recently off the streets. We will meet at Joppa Outreach, 118 SE 4th St., Des Moines, at 12:30 p.m. Please register online at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

Information about Joppa

Joppa's mission is to create communities of unconditional love, support and hope for the homeless as we work together to prevent and ultimately end homelessness.

Pastor Tim's Israel Travelogue

Sunday, April 22 from 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Travel with Pastor Tim on a monthly tour through the Holy Land. If you missed a meeting, no problem, you can join the group at any time. If you have questions, contact Pastor Tim at tim.phillips@gdlc.church.

Spring Women's Event



May 16 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Women of all ages and stages are invited to an evening where we will create, learn and study together. A light dinner will be served. The fee for this evening is \$10, which includes a take-away item, dinner and lots of laughter. Please register and pay online at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

Baptized Unto Jesus

Makenzie Scarlett Bolton born March 13, 2018 to Andria Bolton will be baptized this Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Makenzie's spiritual sponsors are Nick Bolton, Jamie Eager, and Brandon and Jackie Bolton.

Adayla Marie Rohrs born December 12, 2017 to John and Lynnette (nee: Wilson) Rohrs will be baptized this Sunday at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Adayla's spiritual sponsors are Jill Wilson, Dustin Haney and Andrea Haney.

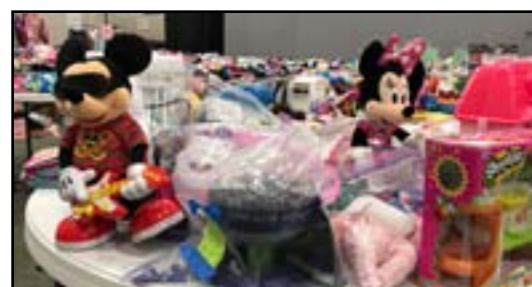


What a week!

The last several days have been packed with lots of grace-filled moments. We hosted the Compassion Experience, we had 37 youth profess their faith in a meaningful worship service, our senior adults rocked and rolled in the Family Life Center during a “Chair Necessity” session and Tiny Treasures set up for their Consignment Sale. It has been packed full! We are thankful for God’s blessings on our church and how we can be a blessing to others. Stay tuned... there is a lot more to come. God is good!



Left to right: 37 youth professed their faith; Kaylee, a Compassion volunteer, answers questions about sponsorship; senior adults exercised in the transition class; the Muench family selected a child to sponsor; Holli Barthel and daughter visit the Compassion display and Tiny Treasures sets up for the Consignment Sale.



Laurel Village-Summer Outreach

Last year, we were blessed to continue our friendship with Laurel Village through daily lunches as well as our weekly VBS and English tutoring classes—all held outside at Laurel Village.

Recently, we asked some key community leaders at Laurel Village what is needed for their community this summer and how Gloria Dei could assist. Through many translations and questions, we came up with the following plan:

Starting June 12, we will share a community meal, worship, children's activities, and adult English lessons on Tuesdays and Thursday evenings at Laurel Village. Each night will be a bit different, but in essence, everything will be designed to build friendships that come alongside to empower and to encourage those living at Laurel Village.

There will be lots of opportunities to volunteer and to donate items for our summer activities at Laurel Village. Sign-ups will be available in May.

Want to plug in today? We are looking for key leaders to help with meals, children, and the adults. If you would like to take a lead in one of these areas, please contact Pastor Tim at tim.phillips@gdlc.church, DeAnn McCue at deann.mccue@gdlc.church, or Karen Kennedy at karen.kennedy@gdlc.church.



The children and women at Laurel Village enjoy learning new skills.

Peak Challenge

July 26-30, 2018 | Cost: \$200

(\$70 to register online, plus \$130 for food and travel)

Peak Challenge is an annual opportunity for men, sons (ages 13 and up), fathers, brothers and friends to get away from the everyday routines in life and to experience all that God has for them in a wild setting—the mountains of Colorado.

To register, please go to www.peakchallenge.net. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Bill Clark at Bill@COSNORWALK.org.

| Outpouring of Love (April 8-14, 2018) | |
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| General Fund Offerings | \$25,641 |
| General Fund Offering Budget | \$37,300 |
| 4th QTD Offering Total | \$89,665 |
| 4th QTD Budget | \$74,600 |
| YTD Offering Total | \$1,420,597 |
| YTD Budget | \$1,395,100 |
| 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 worshiping 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 4):

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.)