



## Called by the Holy Spirit

Often we talk as if we had something to do with our faith in Jesus. "I believed in Jesus;" "I trusted Christ;" "I follow God"...we assert. And yes, I get it and understand why we say that. But the truth is, you were actually grasped by the truth of the Gospel and were so by a gift of faith...the gift of faith in Jesus and His life, death and resurrection. Today we will then remember that, as Luther would write it, "I cannot by my own reason or strength come to my Lord Jesus or believe on Him, but the Holy Spirit has called me...". Today, on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate then the fact that God has brought us to faith or as we are saying it, we were "Called by the Holy Spirit!"

### 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 infants-3 years olds. 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.

### Young Patriots Club Annual Hearts for Heroes Night

**Tuesday, May 22nd at 6:30 p.m.**

You're invited to an evening to honor God and our American heroes with patriotic music, drama, military tribute, and our 2018 Heart of a Hero award presentations. Refreshments will follow.



### Want to join the next year?

In September, children and youth are invited to be involved in sharing the love of Jesus and giving gratitude for our American heroes through songs and writings. For information, visit [www.youngpatriotsclub.com](http://www.youngpatriotsclub.com) or e-mail, Julie Dueker at [youngpatriots1776@gmail.com](mailto:youngpatriots1776@gmail.com).

### Annual Meeting and Luau

#### Annual Meeting (2:30 p.m.) and Luau on the Lawn (4:00 p.m.)

Please plan on attending our Annual Meeting on June 10 at 2:30 p.m. At this meeting, besides voting on the budget and the new Governing Board members, we will also hear Pastor Meyer's comprehensive discipleship strategy for the next three years. Don't miss out on this important Annual Meeting.

**Luau on the Lawn (4:00 p.m.)** Join us for our first ever "Luau on the Lawn!" We will provide Hawaiian pulled pork sandwiches. We ask that if the first letter of your last name is A-L please bring a dessert. If the first letter of your last name is M-Z, please bring a salad or a side dish. Please think about wearing your Hawaiian attire and bring your lawn chairs to sit in. Please tell us you are coming by clicking the "registration" button at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
Please pick up the Annual Report before or after worship. The report outlines Pastor Meyer's comprehensive 3-year-strategy, the proposed budget as well as the celebrations of what God has done at GDLC.

### Honduras Mission Team Prepares for Trip

**June 9-16, 2018:** The Honduras Mission Team is ramping up for the June trip serving the people of Honduras. Please join them by praying for the team as well as for those they will be serving.

This year's team consists of the following: Amanda Lamb, Jessica Lamb, Lauren Snyder, Dan Snyder, Greta Mueller, Alyse Messa, Tom Driscoll, Randy Dierenfield, Jamison Haller, Nicholas Rezek, Ken Knox, Grace Phillips, Kim Phillips and Pastor Tim Phillips.

**ITEMS NEEDED!**  
In order to help provide the medical assistance, medical supplies are needed. See display for a complete list. **Please drop off all medical supplies by May 27.**

## 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  
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  
Ann Moylan  
Merle Knuth  
Syria  
Urbandale Food Pantry  
Our military  
The worship team as they minister with Pastor Robarge and those in Chicago

## Extra Years of Zest (XYZ) Group

**Tuesday, June 5 at 9 a.m.**

Senior adults are invited to a time of lively fellowship and discussion at Cozy Cafe in Johnston. If you have any questions, contact Carol Dickey at 707-3975.

## Let's Meet the Governing Board Candidate

The Governing Board, a policy-driven board, focuses on the mission of Gloria Dei. Collectively, the board spends hundreds of hours overseeing the business of the congregation and planning for the church's future. Please take time to thank Scott Strachan, Kurt Kromminga, Lorrie Graaf, Gregory Carstensen, Ruth Ebke, Brian Frantum, Craig Grundmeier, Jennifer Jaschen and Anne Sheeley for their commitment to this church. Please say a special thanks to Lorrie as she completes her three-year term on June 30.

### **Martha Raecker** (First-term Governing Board Candidate)

Martha and Scott Raecker have been married for 27 years. They have two children, Emily and Max, who are both Drake graduates and live and work in Des Moines. The Raeckers have been Urbandale residents since 1992 and members of Gloria Dei since 1998. Martha works as the office manager at Olmsted Elementary. Free time finds Martha golfing, walking with friends, journaling, attending Iowa football games, and enjoying as much family time as possible. Martha has served on the Building MAT and volunteered at Gloria Dei with the bell choir, and various special events where needed. She also spent several years assisting in the Tiny Treasures Preschool office. Martha's thoughts: "I am extremely excited about this opportunity to serve and honor God and Gloria Dei."



### **Scott Strachan** (Second-term Governing Board Candidate)

Scott and Janet Strachan have been married for 38 years. They have three children: Jeremy (Megan), Andy (Hannah), Becca (Jared); and three grandchildren: Tyler, Sophia and Hunter. Scott works in technology at Casey's General Stores. He enjoys biking, camping, kayaking, Cyclone athletics and tailgating. He has been a member of Gloria Dei since 1984. In the 90's, he served on the church board and as a treasurer. In recent times, he served on the worship team, Missions MAT, Honduras mission trip and Men's Ministry. He has been honored to be the Governing Board President this past year. "I am passionate in expanding God's Kingdom in our community, and wherever I can reach," says Scott.



### **Brian Frantum** (Second-term Governing Board Candidate)

Brian and Beth Frantum have married for 23 years. They have four children, Olivia 13, Faith 11, Gabe 8, and Maddie 6. Brian works at Albaugh LLC as a Financial Reporting Director. He enjoys competitive shotgun shooting, hunting and fishing. Brian is passionate about spending time with his family in their numerous sports activities. He has been a member of Gloria Dei for 8 years and has served as a Worship Assistant and led Financial Peace University. "I want to share my business and financial knowledge to help Gloria Dei continue to grow," says Brian.



## Laurel Village-Summer Outreach

**Sign-up to help today!** Starting June 19, we will share a community meal, worship, help with children's activities and adult English lessons on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. at Laurel Village. Each night will be a bit different, but everything will be designed to build friendships 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. Here are a few of the openings:

- Help adults with ESL
- Read books to children
- Assist with VBS
- Prepare meals
- Deliver meals



### Presentation from Matthew Sheeley

**Thursday, May 24 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.**

Matthew Sheeley, a member of Gloria Dei, and Assistant State Public Defender, will speak about the State of Iowa v. Jay Rodney Lewis. This case became known when Mr. Lewis spent 112 days in jail before he was found "not guilty" of defending himself after two men chased him down in West Des Moines.

### Games, Pie and Ice Cream Social

**Sunday, June 3 from 2-4 p.m.**

You are invited for a fellowship time with games and dessert. A variety of fun games will be followed by the serving of pie and ice cream. Please register by Wednesday, May 30 online at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH) or call Elaine Mueller at 276-8903. No need to bring anything, just yourself. Everything is provided.

### Noah's Ark and Creation Museum

**September 20-23, 2018 | Registration deadline is July 20**

The Senior Adult Ministry is planning a trip to Williamstown, Kentucky to see the life-sized Ark and the Creation Museum where the history of the Bible vividly comes to life. This bus tour organized by the Senior Adult Ministry through Leisure Tours, LLC, will start and end at Gloria Dei. Information sheets about the pricing and the specific 4-day itinerary can be found at the Connection Center. For more specific questions, contact Leisure Tours, LLC at 223-1468.

## Pastor Tim's Israel Travelogue

**Sunday, May 27  
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.

## Summer Grace Place

Grace Place has taken a short break while we gear up for Summer! Summer Grace Place will begin June 2 and 3!

We need teachers! Parents, can you teach for one hour this summer? Sign up at the computer kiosks today! We need you!



## Dinner and a Study

Wednesday, June 6, 13, and 20 from 6-7:30 p.m.

Women: You are invited for three days in June as we prepare dinner and eat together while enjoying a time of fellowship and study of God's Word.



The cost is \$15 for the three weeks. Each participant will receive the recipes from each week. Child care for children 4 and under is provided. Register and pay at [www.GDLC](http://www.GDLC).

## Quilts going to Honduras on display



(1 to r): Elaine Anderson, Connie Cook, Karen Hoff and Phyllis Johnson  
(not pictured: Shelia Oolman and Cindy Koepp)

Quilters from Gloria Dei have been busy creating quilts that will be given to families in Honduras. Please take some time to view these beautiful quilts and then pray for those who will be receiving them.

## Urbandale Food Pantry

Urbandale Food Pantry is requesting toilet paper for the month of May. Please drop the items in the bins under the coat racks. Thank you!

## Kitchen Ministry Outreach

**June 7 and 8:** We are bringing cookies to the Police and the Fire Stations in Des Moines, Clive, Grimes, Johnston, Norwalk, Urbandale, Waukee, West Des Moines and Windsor Heights to express our extreme gratitude for everything they do for our community.

**We need your help.** Please sign up by clicking on the "registration link" at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH) for the following:

- Frost and decorate on Thursday, June 7 or Friday, June 8 at 8 a.m.
- Deliver trays of cookies on Friday, June 8 or Saturday, June 9 anytime after 10:30 a.m.

Outpouring of Love (May 5-12, 2018)	
General Fund Offerings	\$41,099
General Fund Offering Budget	\$37,600
4th QTD Offering Total	\$233,335
4th QTD Budget	\$207,100
YTD Offering Total	\$1,564,266
YTD Budget	\$1,527,600
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.)