



Sing a New Song

One of the blessings in our culture is that we are inundated with the gift of music—it is everywhere and all the time. It is in the house, in the car, in the work-place, in the hallways, and on our phones. Music is not just part of our culture, it is at the core of our culture. In today's Psalm, we are reminded that in Christ we have a new song. God has made us His new creation, thus we can sing of love, salvation and freedom. Psalm 96 is a great reminder that we can indeed "Sing a New Song" because of Jesus and His love!

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.

Infants-3 year olds: We have a wonderful nursery for infants-3 year olds. Please go through the "nursery" door in the southwest corner of the Gathering Area outside the Sanctuary.

Preschool and Elementary Children: Grace Place will not be held in August. We will resume on Sept. 1 and 2 for our fall Grace Place. Grace Place is 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.

Congregational Surveys

We are very excited to hear from you through our upcoming congregational surveys, which you will receive via your e-mail. The first survey will be sent out this Monday.

If you already receive our weekly e-mails on Fridays, you will automatically be sent a survey.

If you do not receive our weekly e-mails, please go to www.gdlc.church and scroll to the bottom of the home page to sign up to receive our e-mail newsletter. That is all you have to do.

If you do not have any access to internet, please call Lisa Gibson at 276-1700.

We look forward to hearing your opinions and bringing them together over the next year to be a better congregation and to form a solid strategy for years to come. Questions? Ask Pastor Joe at joe.meyer@gdlc.church.

Military Tribute Concert

Monday, August 13, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

The choir and orchestra are joyfully preparing for the "Military Tribute Concert" at the Iowa State Fair. We are still collecting hygiene items for the VA Hospital. *For more information, see page 2.*



You are needed! BE the ONE!

It takes 4,160 volunteer hours a year to accomplish everything we do at Gloria Dei on a weekend?

The bottom line is that we all need to work together as a family so that we can continue to offer a safe place for people to connect with God and with one another.

We're asking for you and/or your family to select one area to serve at least once a month in the following places:

Worship Technicians
(Slides, cameras)

Offering
(Counters)

Children/ Youth
(Leaders/helpers)

Sign up today. See enclosed postcard.

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

Tim McClelland

Jennifer Dehnert

Larry Lewis

Jessica Kramer

Heather Kusel

Mike Burdick

Sandy Foreman

Patty Wright

Larry Kinsey

Sarah Smith

Cooper Driscoll

Taylor Peterson

Doug Jackson

Julie Bowie

Paula Spark

Our country

Our military

The Patriot Concert

Our veterans

Our children



MILITARY TRIBUTE CONCERT

Monday, August 13, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Please join us on the Anne and Bill Riley Stage at the Iowa State Fair for the "Military Tribute Concert."

Veterans Outreach Program

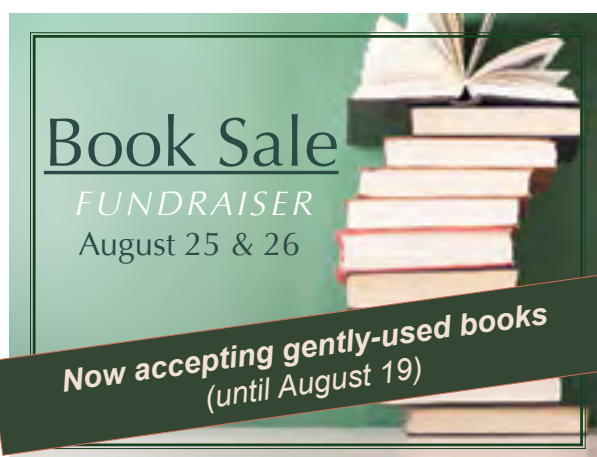
The Military Tribute Concert committee invites you to help Veterans and/or their families by donating 900 hygiene items to be placed in towel caddies for the VA Hospital.

- After shave (no aerosol)
- Deodorant
- Lotion (13 oz or less)
- Handkerchief
- Shampoo/body wash combo (13 oz or less)

Please drop off items in the Gathering Area. If interested in sewing towel caddies, contact Janna Amendt at 210-6328.

Naomi Circle Book Sale

The weekend of August 25 & 26 (before and after worship)



Naomi Circle invites you to donate some of your favorite gently-used books for the Book Sale fundraiser. Books of any flavor for any age will be accepted. Simply put your books in the tub underneath the coat racks.

If you have any questions, contact Tammy Scott at hawks331@gmail.com.

Baptized Unto Jesus

Cora Alexandra Grandgenett born March 24, 2018 to Christian and Tess (nee: Weaver) Grandgenett, will be baptized on Sunday, August 5 at 9:30 a.m. in the FLC. Cora's spiritual sponsors are Alexandra and Steven Hand.

Playdate @ the Park

Summer is here, so do you know what that means? Time to bring



your family to the park. Join us throughout the summer as we gather together for fun, fellowship, and food. We will provide the food, coffee, and treats.

In order to make sure we have enough food, please register at www.GDLC.CHURCH.

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| Saturday, Aug 11 9:00-10:30 | Dewey Park 5225 NW 64th Pl., Johnston, IA 50131 |
| Saturday, Aug 25 9:00-10:30 | Pointe Vista Park 9612 Enfield Dr., Johnston, IA 50131 |

Golf Outing

Thursday, Sept. 6 at 1 p.m.

The Gloria Dei Foundation invites you to participate in this event at the



Beaver Creek Golf Club, 11200 NW Towner Dr., Grimes. For more information, pick up a brochure at the Connection Center. Registration opens August 6 at GDLC.church.

Men Seek God While Reaching the Summit



Several men from Gloria Dei and other churches spent time seeking God individually and collectively in the beautiful mountains of Colorado.

Thank you

Thank you for the prayers, friendship, text messages, cards, calls and any act of compassion and kindness given to our family during the past three years as we journeyed through Bob's cancer and treatments. Our hearts are filled with gratitude for our Gloria Dei family and friends. Pastor Joe, Pastor Phillips and Pastor Ben your many visits and prayers were so uplifting and reassuring to Bob and us. We praise God from whom all blessings flow as we witnessed many blessings during his illness and passing. God's blessings to each of you today, tomorrow and forever! ~ Rhonda Christensen, Greg, Jen and Joe, and girls

Laurel Village Informational Meeting

Tuesday, August 14 from 6-7:30 p.m.

We are wrapping up our summer outreach at Laurel Village. We have served more than 1,000 dinners, taught VBS to children and made friends with many women and men during our English classes. We have also been enriched by the medical professionals from Methodist Hospital who came and presented on various topics.

We are so thankful for the generous help and support from this congregation.

In the fall, we are planning to continue our friendship with those in Laurel Village through becoming mentors and tutors. If interested, please attend our informational meeting. Dinner is included!

2018 Back to School

OUTREACH

Let's band together to give children some extra back-to-school resources to help students flourish during the school year.

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Chicago Bound

Please bring backpacks to church by August 5.

Pastor Robarge and family are working with some children in Chicago who need some extra help with backpacks filled with school supplies.

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Laurel Village

Please bring granola bars to church by August 25.

We are partnering with the Des Moines Public Schools to help teachers serve children from Laurel Village and the vicinity by providing each classroom with an abundant supply of granola bars.

- Large box of granola bars (48 ct. or 60 ct.)
- An appreciation note for a teacher

Urbandale Food Pantry

Urbandale Food Pantry is requesting the following:

Item for August: Shampoo

Please drop the item(s) in the bins under the coat racks.

Thank you!

Outpouring of Love (July 22-28, 2018)

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| General Fund Offerings | \$27,893 |
| General Fund Offering Budget | \$23,200 |
| 1st QTD Offering Total | \$129,037 |
| 1st QTD Budget | \$112,400 |
| YTD Offering Total | \$129,037 |
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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.

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.)