



## Gracious, Merciful, Patient, Loving

We conclude our "Sitting with the Psalms" sermon series with a Psalm that is not as well known as many of the Psalms we've studied...and yet... one that has a profound and amazing reminder of who God is for us! In the first seven verses, the Psalmist talks about extolling, praising and glorifying God, but He does so for a reason that is revealed in verse eight, namely, "The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love." What is it that drives our praise? He is gracious and merciful and slow to anger because He abounds in steadfast love! We'll end this series, remembering the Lord's amazing grace...remembering that He is "Gracious, Merciful, Patient and Loving!"

### 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. 8 and 9 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.

**New Registration!** We are using a new registration service, so all families need to register their children by going to [www.gdlc.church](http://www.gdlc.church).

### Help me Understand

Our September sermon series will be a great opportunity for you to help your friends and family members better understand what we believe, teach and confess. There may be people in your life who are wondering about the following topics...or...maybe you are wondering. Check the dates and messages below and plan to invite your friends and loved ones to worship with us and grow in faith and understanding.

Sept. 1& 2: "Does the Bible Contradict Itself?"

Sept. 8 & 9: "How Can We Know God Exists?"

Sept. 15&16: "Why Are Christians So Narrow?"

Sept. 22&23: "Don't Hypocritical Christians Invalidate Christianity?"

Sept. 29&30: "Does God Create Evil?"

### It's going to be a great fall!

#### Pick up your fall brochure today!

Since this year we will concentrate on the mind or Head, we will have lots of great messages, Bible studies, events and activities that will challenge us to think deeper on what it means to be a disciple. To plug into all that is happening this fall, pick up a brochure today.



## Book Sale

FUNDRAISER

This weekend  
rooms 136-38



## Naomi Circle Book Sale

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

Naomi Circle will be hosting a fundraiser in rooms 136-38 before and after worship. All proceeds will go towards purchasing items to bless our elderly as well as those who are homebound.

Please note: They are still in need of extra shoe boxes. Please drop them off under the coat racks. Thanks!



# WEEKLY WORD

Leading ordinary people to an extraordinary life in Christ.

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## 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

Patty Wright

Larry Kinsey

Sarah Smith

Cooper Driscoll

Taylor Peterson

Doug Jackson

Mike Dehnert

Nathaniel Wunsch

Paula Spark

For Foreman family and friends who are grieving the loss of Sandy

For family and friends who are grieving the loss Autumn Rupkey

## Altar Flowers

Flowers for this weekend are in memory of Patricia Westby Boal, beloved wife, aunt, sister, sister-in-law, and daughter.

## Golf Outing - Registration Now Open

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. Register today at [www.GDLC.church](http://www.GDLC.church).

## Children's Ministry Director

We are very excited to announce the extension of a Divine Call to Jenn Fuller to be our Children's Ministry Director, partnering with DeAnn McCue in the ministry to families.

Jenn will handle Children/Family and DeAnn will dovetail with her in the Family Ministry and continue her ministry with the women of our congregation as a focus, rather than as an add-on.

Pray for Jenn and her husband Jason as they consider our Call and pray that the Lord's will would be done. We will keep you informed about Jenn's decision regarding her role in our congregation.

## Senior Adult Social

Make plans now to have a fun time with your fellow Gloria Dei friends at our Senior Ministry Social on Sunday, Sept. 30 from 4-6 p.m. at 2831 SW Westview Lane, Ankeny. Each guest is asked to bring an appetizer to share with the group.

Guests can RSVP by e-mailing Lisa at [Lisa.gibson@gdlc.church](mailto:Lisa.gibson@gdlc.church) or by calling Elaine Mueller at 515-276-8903 no later than September 26.

We will plan to meet at the church (north parking lot) by 3:15 p.m. and carpool to Ankeny, leaving the church promptly at 3:30 p.m.. Guests will need to tell Lisa or Elaine if they are planning to drive themselves or would like to ride with someone else. If you are driving, would you be willing to transport anyone else and if so, how many? If you choose not to drive, we will make arrangements for you to ride with another guest. Cars will leave Ankeny at 6 p.m. and return to GDLC before 6:30 p.m.

The Young Patriots, directed by Julie Dueker, will provide entertainment along with lots of appetizers, conversation and fellowship with others. Make plans now to have a fun time with your fellow Gloria Dei friends.

Senior Adult  
Ministry

## Meals from the Heartland

The 11th Annual Meals from the Heartland Hunger Fight is fast approaching. It's a sight to behold when thousands of central Iowans come together over a 4-day period of time to package 5 million meals to feed hungry people here in Iowa, throughout the U.S., and around the world. You don't want to miss it!

**Event Dates:** August 29 – September 1

**Event Location:** Hy-Vee Hall

**When to Arrive:** Please arrive 15 minutes early for your shift. Parking is free in the north lot.

**To register:** Please go to [www.mealsfromtheheartland.org](http://www.mealsfromtheheartland.org).

## Financial Peace University

Live financially sound! Financial Peace University will walk you through



the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more. Each class will be made up of small groups of people and are a great way to share ideas, be encouraged, and stay motivated. One Financial Peace University membership per family is all you need to get started in a class.

Choose from one of the following classes:

→ **Sunday, Sept. 9 at 11 a.m.**

→ **Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 6:30 p.m.**

→ **Thursday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m.**



Enter "MEMBER" to get the discount to pay only \$50 for the class.

If you have questions, contact Pastor Phillips at [tim.phillips@gdlc.church](mailto:tim.phillips@gdlc.church).

## Women's Fall Event

**Thursday, Sept. 13 | 6:30-8 p.m.**

**Come to the Table:** An evening event for women with a time for fellowship, light dinner, service for others, and a Bible Study. Bring a friend and be refreshed and renewed by God. Register by Sept. 10. Cost is \$10 per person. Contact: DeAnn McCue at [deann.mccue@gdlc.church](mailto:deann.mccue@gdlc.church).

## LWML Fall Kick-Off

**Wednesday, Sept. 5 from 6-8 p.m.**

**Vessels for the Master's Use:** All women are invited to join us for an evening of laughter, fellowship, light dinner, Bible study and special presentations by Dick Dorn and Gary Thies. Contact: DeAnn McCue at [deann.mccue@gdlc.church](mailto:deann.mccue@gdlc.church).

## Pastor Tim's Israel Travelogue

**Sunday, August 26  
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.



## Marriage on the Rock

Whether you've been married for years or just preparing for the journey, "Marriage on the Rock" will transform your marriage to be the fulfilling relationship as God designed.

**Choose from one of the following 6-week classes:**

→ **Sunday, Sept. 9 | 4:30-6 p.m.** → **Tuesday, Sept. 11 | 6:30-8 p.m.** → **Thursday, Sept. 13 | 6:30-8 p.m.**

Free childcare provided (infants-grade 5) for all classes.

Pick up a postcard today! Register at [www.gdlc.church](http://www.gdlc.church)

## Tiny Treasures Teachers Prepare for School



(Front l to r ) Jane Meythaler, Susie Mitchell, Marcia Gearhart, Tracy Hoffman, Cyndee Kusy,  
(Back l to r ) Rachel Kent, Beth Mitchell, Jo Lynn Yeutsy, Lisa Beringer

All the Tiny Treasures teachers gathered this week to prepare for the school year that begins on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

## Not for the Faint at Heart

Do you love God? Do you not break out in hives when you're around teenagers? If you can answer "yes" to both of these questions then you have what it takes to lead a small group of teens! We are looking for a few small group leaders for our Recharge Wednesday ministry. If you feel God is leading you to be a partner with us leading teenagers into a deeper relationship with God, please contact TK at [tim.kightlinger@gdlc.church](mailto:tim.kightlinger@gdlc.church).

## Nursery Help Needed

If you are 16 years and older, and are available 1-3 weeknights between Monday-Wednesday, or are able to help occasionally on weekends or during special events, please contact JoLynn Corkrean at [jjrobe76@hotmail.com](mailto:jjrobe76@hotmail.com). Weeknight hours will end the week before Thanksgiving. We are attempting to expand our childcare offerings and have a variety of needs for individuals who love children and want to make a difference for our ministries.

\* 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.)

## Help Needed for Children

Teachers and helpers are needed for Grace Place on weekends and Faith Alive on Wednesdays.

### Grace Place

**Saturday at 5:30 p.m.**

Preschool teacher & Elementary leaders

**Sunday at 9:30 a.m.**

Elementary teachers

**Sunday at 11 a.m.**

Preschool teacher

### Faith Alive

**Wednesday at 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

Meal helpers

**Wednesday at 6:15-7:30 p.m.**

Elementary leaders

If you would like to help, please

email DeAnn McCue at

[deann.mccue@gdlc.church](mailto:deann.mccue@gdlc.church).

Outpouring of Love August 12-August 18, 2018

General Fund Offerings	\$40,624
General Fund Offering Budget	\$34,300
1st QTD Offering Total	\$227,772
1st QTD Budget	\$209,100
YTD Offering Total	\$227,772
YTD Budget	\$209,100

Please note: Our fiscal year runs mid-year (July-June)