

## Wednesday Evening Bible Study

We are still going strong on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the FLC as we look at the book of Luke. Can't make it? Livestream or watch online at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).



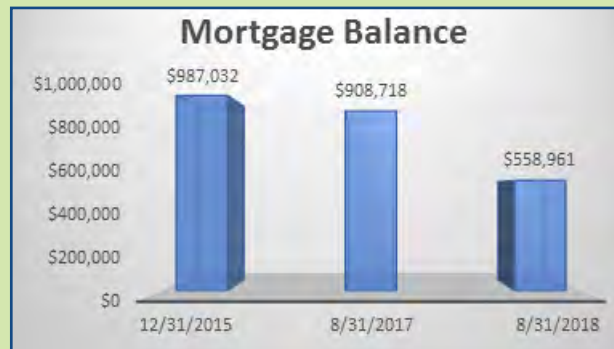
## Thank You for Your Generosity!

We are so thankful for your generosity! Our Devotions for the Devoted initiative kicked off a few weeks ago. We are providing devotional material to 15,000 men and women in the Armed Services for a full year. In the first two weeks you have already given half of the \$26,000 goal to purchase devotionals. Amazing! Thank you so much! Our over-all goal is to raise \$51,000 total so that we can not only fund the devotions, but then purchase 5,000 Bibles for our military men and women as well! Keep them in your prayers daily and give as you are able!

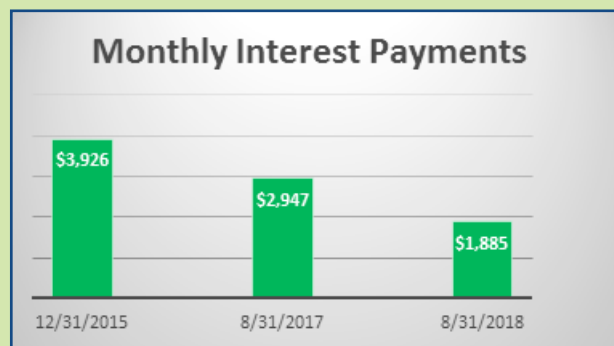


## Mission to Mortgage

As you can see from the graphs below, we have made significant strides in reducing our mortgage balance since the beginning of our Phase 3 "Mortgage to Missions" endeavor in September 2017. Between our refinancing in the spring of 2017 and your generous gifts, we reduced our mortgage balance by \$350,000 in the span of one year, while also reducing our monthly interest payment by \$2,041. That translates into annualized interest savings of \$24,492, which can now be used for ministry purposes on an ongoing basis.



Please consider how you can continue to assist in this effort as you are led by the Holy Spirit.



## Today's Message: "enTRUSTED" With His Life

**Scriptures:** 2 Corinthians 5:14-15 & Deuteronomy 32:1-6

As a result of what you have received from God's Word today, what do you think He is giving you to believe or do this week?

### Additional Notes:

## Let's pray!

**Prayer Wall:** Post your prayer requests (anonymously, if you choose) to a pastor or the online community. (Go to: [www.gdlc.church/prayer-wall/](http://www.gdlc.church/prayer-wall/))

**Connection Cards:** Prayer requests can be made on the back of the "Welcome" card located in the pews.

**Phone Calls:** Contact Pastor Phillips at 276-1700, or Diane Young between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 321-1566 with your request.

### Please Pray for:

Rick Buhrke	Larry Lewis	Cooper Driscoll	Paula Spark
Shirley Voshell	Jessica Kramer	Taylor Peterson	Barb Kramer
Tim McClelland	Heather Kusel	Doug Jackson	Linda Trobaugh
Jennifer Dehnert	Sarah Smith	Mike Dehnert	Kevin Zehnder

## Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar are in celebration of the 54th wedding anniversary of Jared and Mary Walter.

Outpouring of Love Oct-21-27, 2018 (Fiscal year July 2018 -June 2019)	
General Fund Offerings	\$20,588
General Fund Offering Budget	\$28,800
1st QTD Offering Total	\$101,927
1st QTD Budget	\$94,300
YTD Offering Total	\$539,492
YTD Budget	\$509,500

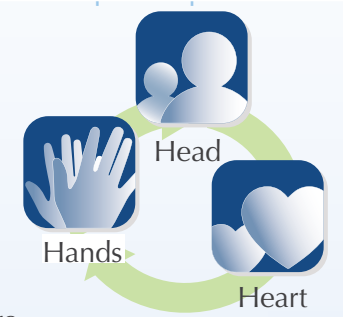
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# GDLC CONNECTIONS



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For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.  
2 Corinthians 5:14-15



## Visiting Today?

**Welcome to worship!** We are glad you're here. If you have any questions, please stop by the Connection Center or contact Pastor Ben Johnson at 777-3900 or [ben.johnson@gdlc.church](mailto:ben.johnson@gdlc.church).

**Infants-4 years old:** Our fully-staffed nursery is waiting for your child! It is located through the doors at the southwest corner of the Gathering Area outside the Sanctuary.

**PreK-Elementary Children:** We would love for your children to join us during our educational time on Saturdays at 5:45 p.m. and Sundays at 9:45 and 11:15 a.m.



## enTRUSTed: With His Life

Sometimes we forget that we do not own ourselves...we are owned. God made you, He "knit you together in your mother's womb" and "your days are numbered and are in HIS book" as Psalm 139 states. That means God owns your body and your life. More than that, as a Christian, He has purchased and won you for eternity with the precious blood of Jesus and so your life is really, genuinely, absolutely..."His Life"...now and for eternity. Today we'll remember then, we are enTRUSTed with the life the Lord has given us!



## Advent & Christmas Handout

If you have not picked up the Holy-days handout, please grab one at the Connection Center.

Leading Ordinary People to an Extraordinary Life in Christ.



## CORE: Gifts

**Session 1: Saturday, Nov. 10 from 9-11 a.m.**

**Session 2: Saturday, Nov. 17 from 9-11 a.m.**

This two-part class will explore the unique gifts of the Holy Spirit and how God has uniquely gifted you to be a part of His work in this world. Register at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).



## A Worker Sent

We are thankful to Jesus that our congregation has been used by God to be a “sending” congregation. We equip God’s people and send them into the world to share their faith. We raise up church-workers and send them into the “harvest field.” Pastor Petrak has been asked to serve at Living Faith Lutheran Church (Clive) alongside Pastor Luke Timm. This is not a Divine Call and Pastor Petrak remains one of our Called workers, but Living Faith is growing so fast Pastor Timm desperately needs his help. We celebrate God using Pastor in this way and look forward to seeing what else the Lord has for him, Sarah and the kids!



## Deck the Halls

Starting November 16, we will have lots of opportunities to decorate our church for Christmas. At least 100 hands are needed. Sign up at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH). Thank you!

Here are a few of the time slots:

- Friday, Nov. 16: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Saturday, Nov. 17: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Monday, Nov. 19: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Tuesday, Nov. 20: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Wednesday, Nov. 21: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Thursday, Nov. 22: Thanksgiving
- Friday, Nov. 23: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 20 volunteers)
- Monday, Nov. 26: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Tuesday, Nov. 27: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Wednesday, Nov. 28: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Thursday, Nov. 29: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Friday, Nov. 30: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Dec. 1 & Dec. 2: Decorations are completely up for Advent weekend worship!

**W O M E N** | Contact: DeAnn McCue at [deann.mccue@gdlc.church](mailto:deann.mccue@gdlc.church)



## How-to Workshop - Making Quilts for Mission

**Saturday Nov. 10 | 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

Want to learn how to quilt? Already know how to quilt? Join us for a time of quilt-making for missions. All quilts will be donated to missions. Bring a sewing machine if you have one. All materials will be provided. Register at [GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).



## Sweaters & Cider

**Season’s Greetings**

**Tuesday, Nov. 13 | 6:30-8 p.m.**

We will mix a few spices for cooking and use sugars and scents to make a sugar scrub, lip balm, etc. for personal use. Items will be packaged decoratively for giving or keeping. Cost is \$15. Register at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).

**Project Night**

**Friday, Nov. 16 | 6-8 p.m.**

This fun evening will be a chance to make any projects previously done during Sweaters and Cider this fall. We will use up left over supplies and take home some great projects. Registration is a must. Supplies are limited. Cost is \$10. Register at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).



## Advent by Candlelight

**Monday, Nov. 26 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

**Save the date!** This lovely evening is open to all women to celebrate the coming of our Savior, Jesus. You can host a table for ten or simply attend. We just desire for you to enjoy the glimpse of our Savior. Sign up begins in November.



## Thanksgiving Worship Services

**Tuesday, Nov. 20 at 6:30 p.m. (Blended service with Communion)**

**Thursday, Nov. 22 at 9 a.m. (Traditional service with Communion)**

Join us in the Sanctuary as we thank the Lord for all His wonderful provisions.



## Surviving the Holidays

**Thursday, Nov. 15 | 6-8 p.m.**

Holidays can be a tough time if you have suffered the loss of a loved one or have gone through a divorce. Don’t go through it alone. Please join us for a meal, fellowship and a presentation. Register at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).



**C H I L D R E N** | Contact: Jenn Fuller at [jenn.fuller@gdlc.church](mailto:jenn.fuller@gdlc.church)



## Christmas Create Family Event

**Sunday, Nov. 18 | 3-5 p.m.**

Families will gather to create four gifts for kids to give to Dad, Mom, teacher and family. Additional gifts can be purchased for \$10 each. Cost is \$30. Registration is required at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).



## Gingerbread Tea

**Saturday, Dec. 1 | 10-11:30 a.m.**

Bring your family to decorate a Gingerbread House (all trimmings included) and enjoy a light lunch. We’ll hear a Christmas devotion to share in the days leading up to Christmas. Registration is required at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH). Cost is \$40 per family for a gingerbread house. Additional houses can be purchased for \$10.



## No Rehearsal, No Stress Christmas Program and Family Event

**Sunday, Dec. 2 | 3:30-5 p.m.**

It’s going to be an interactive, and fun time as entire families gather to share about Jesus’ birth and enjoy songs, crafts and food. This event is for all, so please invite your friends and relatives. Registration is required at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).



**W O R S H I P** | Contact: Steve Kowbel at [steve.kowbel@gdlc.church](mailto:steve.kowbel@gdlc.church)



## Sisters in Song

Consider joining a group of women who will gather during the Advent season to sing His praises at Advent by Candlelight. We will rehearse two songs on Tuesday, Nov. 6 and 13 from 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

If interested, contact Janna Amendt at [bjamendt@aol.com](mailto:bjamendt@aol.com).



## Choir and Chorus

Come join us as we rehearse together a wide variety of music on Tuesday nights in the Sanctuary from 6-7 p.m. Never been in our choir or chorus? Take heart! We will make sure you have what you need to be a vital part of our team.

If you have any questions, contact Nick Prenger at [nick.prenger@gdlc.church](mailto:nick.prenger@gdlc.church).

