



Pizza and Pairings

Thursday, Oct. 24 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

The Fellowship Group invites you to a fabulous fall event at Beer Styles in West Glen, that pairs pizza with beer. It will not only be a learning and tasty experience, but a great time to meet fellow worshippers in a relaxed and fun setting.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.gdlc.church. Each ticket is \$20, and includes four-beer-flights and pizza pairings.

Location:

Beer Styles

5513 Mills Civic Parkway, (West Glen) West Des Moines, IA



Clean-Water Initiative

We are very excited about our clean-water initiative. The World Health Organization says “that every year more than 3.4 million people die as a result of water-related diseases, making it the leading cause of disease and death around the world. ... (voanews.com).”

So, during the next two years, we intend to raise \$60,000 to equip a congregation in the Dominican Republic with water filtration equipment for their own community. With Compassion International’s guidance, this local congregation will then “sell” the water, very inexpensively, not only supporting their ministry but also providing clean water to those who are getting sick and in some cases dying from drinking the water in the Dominican Republic.

Please pick up a “water jug” from the display this weekend. This jug can be used at home and/or in the workplace as a way to raise support to provide clean water for an entire community.



Staff Anniversaries

The Governing Board would like to invite you to recognize the 10th Anniversary of employment for JoLynn Yeutsy; Gale Webb; Lisa Gibson; and Steve Kowbel. We are asking that you send them a personal note and/or card to convey your love and appreciation for their ministry among us. All cards should be sent to Gloria Dei, 8301 Aurora Ave. Urbandale, IA 50322.

We’d also ask that you honor them by donating towards their chosen ministry. The four of them met and asked that all donations be given to Ruth Harbor, a shelter for women in crisis pregnancies.

You can also give by marking “Ruth Harbor” with your online gift at www.gdlc.church.

Thank you for your help in recognizing these dedicated employees!
~ Your Governing Board

Message: “Joining Our Hearts”

Scriptures: Revelation 8:1-4; Matthew 6:5-14

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:

Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the altar today are in celebration for the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Vic and Deb Kesse.

Baptized Unto Jesus

Olivia Ann O’Brian, born August 15, 2019 to Jordan and Amber (nee: Glover) O’Brian, will be baptized on Sunday, Sept. 29 at the 9:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. Olivia’s spiritual sponsors are Nick and Kerstan Mason, and Travis and Stephanie Griffith.

Allison Marie Ahrens, born May 26, 2013 to Adam and Elizabeth (nee: Zisko) Ahrens, will be baptized on Sunday, Sept. 29 at the 9:00 a.m. service in the FLC.

Ava Katherine Ahrens, born December 6, 2016 to Adam and Elizabeth (nee: Zisko) Ahrens, will be baptized on Sunday, Sept. 29 at the 9:00 a.m. service in the FLC.

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/)

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:

Shirley Voshell	Jessica Kramer	Bob Sams	Sandra Jackson
Larry Lewis	Heather Kusel	Roger Cling	Lou Schroedel
Paula Spark	Taylor Peterson	Kern Schwartz	Farmers during the harvest

Outpouring of Love - Sept. 15-21, 2019 (Fiscal year July-Dec, 2019)	
General Fund Offerings	\$35,168
General Fund Offering Budget	\$41,300
1st QTD Offering Total	\$393,545
1st QTD Budget	\$381,700
YTD Offering Total	\$393,545
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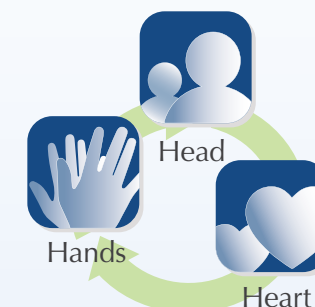
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Pray then like this:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven...

Matthew 6:9-10

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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.

Infants-4 years old: Our fully-staffed nursery is located through the doors at the southwest corner outside the Sanctuary.

PreK-Grade 5: Fall Grace Place is available for children ages 3 through grade 5 on Saturdays at 5:15 p.m. and Sundays at 9:15 and 10:45 a.m.



“Living Koinonia Lives: Joining Our Hearts”

One of the more beautiful gifts we’ve been given by the Lord Jesus is the Lord’s Prayer. How wonderful is it when we stand together and speak together the words of Jesus from the Gospels “Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name...” That God-given prayer not only brings unity among us as in unison we speak our “Family Prayer,” but it also speaks into the unity we have in the koinonia lifestyle. When we pray, we are “Joining Our Hearts” because our prayers are directed toward God who we rely on together, not only for daily bread and other every day needs, but also for salvation itself. Today we remember that we are not only family, but as brothers and sisters in Jesus, we are “Joining Our Hearts” in prayer to our Heavenly Father.



Renovation Discussions

Thursday, Oct. 3 at 6:30 p.m. | Sunday, Oct. 6 at 11:45 a.m.

Join us at one of the renovation discussion meetings in the Family Life Center. Turn the page for more information.



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The Governing Board would like to invite you to an informational discussion of the renovation of the Family Life Center, the updating of the kitchen, the creation of new storage areas and the expansion of and ADA compliance for our restrooms. The architect has proposed a design for us and has furthermore compiled a budget amounting to \$1,870,000. While this clearly far exceeds what we expected for the renovation, it is nonetheless a project that we are recommending to you at this time. Before we ask you to vote on this at our October 27 Annual Meeting, we want to give you as much information as is possible ahead of time. We want you to hear about the project from Pastor Meyer and other staff members, but we also want to hear how you feel about it as well as get your feedback on the plan, the scope and the budget. There will be two meetings for this purpose, and will be in the Family Life Center. If you want information ahead of time, please speak with Pastor Meyer and he can either answer your question directly or he can direct you to the staff person that would be the most help to you. We look forward to seeing you and talking through this wonderful new phase of growth here at Gloria Dei!



Our Family Photo Directory

We cannot tell you how excited we are about the turn-out for the directory! In fact, all of our sessions are currently filled so we had to add another date, **Thursday, Oct. 3 from 2-9 p.m.** Please schedule your session today at www.gdlc.church.

We also wanted you to be aware that we are intensely concerned about your personal information. We have, therefore, decided that both the printed directory and the online version will exclude addresses, phone numbers, e-mails, etc. We will only have your first and last names printed underneath your pictures but no contact info. This will prevent any possibility of illicit behavior. If, as you look through the directory, you need the contact information for one of our members, you can always call the GDLC office and we'll get that information to you after gaining permission from the family to do so. Again, thank you, thank you for making this so successful! Blessings, Pastor Joe



Sunday's Events

Just a gentle reminder of the three exciting events today:

[Joppa](#) | **Sunday, Sept. 29 from 12:30-4:30 p.m.** | If you have any questions, please contact Mark Moeller at 515-330-8456

[Fall Men's Event](#) | **Sunday, September 29 | 2-4 p.m.** | [Big Creek Lake Marina in Polk City](#) | If you have any questions, please contact Mike Martens at mike.martens@gdlc.church.

[Senior Adult Event](#) | **Sunday, September 29 | 4-6 p.m.** | [Villas at Stonewater Clubhouse](#) | If you have any questions, contact Elaine Mueller at 515-577-1271.



Help Those with Breast Cancer

Monday, October 7 | 6-8 p.m.

Join Anna Circle as they create items for women going through breast cancer. They will be tying blankets to give to women at Mercy Infusion Center, decorating clothespins, designing cards of encouragement, and much more. If you have been recently diagnosed with breast cancer, please e-mail DeAnn McCue so we can bless you with items we are making!



Creative Arts Fellowship - Poured Paint & Quilts

Poured Paint | Friday, Oct. 11 | 6-8 p.m.

Bring your own project or work on poured paint drink coasters or a trivet, and help tie blankets to be donated to Infusion Centers for women who received chemo and create cards of encouragement for women newly diagnosed with breast cancer. Bring a pair of socks to be donated to Joppa. Registration is required. Childcare available Friday night from 6-8 p.m. Cost is \$5 for the make-n-take.

Quilts | Saturday, Oct. 12 | 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Women are invited to join us as we sew quilts for missions. Sew-ers, please bring a machine. Want to learn to sew a quilt, please come! Non-sew-ers, we need your help tying quilts to finish them. All quilting supplies will be provided. Please bring sewing machine and threads. Registration is a must at www.gdlc.church.



Fall LWML Zone Rally

Sunday, Oct. 13 | 1:30-4:30 p.m.

All women are invited to the Fall LWML Zone Rally. We'll hear from Agape Pregnancy Center, Joppa Homeless Ministry, Freedom for Youth, and Perry Lutheran Home. We'll be collecting supplies for Agape (diapers, wipes, Walmart or Target gift cards; and items to fill Health Kits: combs, travel-size shampoo, soap, wash cloth, deodorant, tooth paste and toothbrush.)



Diaper Project

Workday: Wednesday, Oct. 9 after Bible Study Class

While you're getting ready to put away those summer clothes, put your clean unwanted t-shirts in a bag and bring them to church for the Diapers for the Dominican Project. We also, need 1" sewable Velcro.



Help Urbandale Food Pantry

As is often common this time of year, Urbandale Food Pantry could really use an infusion of canned goods. We don't want to delay getting them what they need by bringing it to Gloria Dei, so please take them directly to the Pantry at 7611 Douglas Ave. #34-35, Urbandale, (515) 251-6688. Thank you in advance! **Hours of operation:** Monday-Thursday: 9:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m. and Saturday: 8 a.m.–noon



Fall Family Festival

Sunday, October 27 | 4-5:30 p.m.

Families are welcome to meet in the FLC to carve pumpkins, create their own caramel-covered apples, and many other fall activities. Food will be provided. Cost is \$15 per family and each family will need to bring their own pumpkin carving tools.

Please register at www.GDLC.CHURCH



Consignment Sale

Friday, Oct. 18 | 8 a.m.-5 p.m. & Saturday, Oct. 19 | 8-11 a.m.

Tell all of your friends about Tiny Treasures' Fall Children's Consignment Sale! Items for sale will include children's, teens', and maternity clothing, toys, books, baby accessories, bedding, décor, DVDs, and children's furniture.



Thrivent Financial Retirement Seminar

Sunday, Sept. 29 at 10:30 a.m.

Will I have enough to retire? Will my retirement income last? Are my assets protected? To help answer these pressing questions, Thrivent Financial is hosting a free educational seminar. No products will be sold at either event. If you have not registered, feel free to drop in.



Operation Barnabas Conference

Saturday, October 12 | 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

St Paul Lutheran Church, 1844 Highland Dr., Carroll, IA
The conference is hosted by the Iowa District West Operation Barnabas, along with Lutheran Church Extension Fund. There is no charge for the conference. Lunch will be provided. Join us as we work together to serve our military families. Hear presentations from national Operation Barnabas leaders and learn how churches can be "called to serve." Register online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P2QSQ7Q>.



Gloria Dei Foundation Board Update

The GDLC Foundation Board is currently active and dedicated to providing opportunities for members who wish to donate gifts or bequests in support of the mission of the church. The members of the board are currently working on updating and revising the Foundation By-Laws, developing a Financial Investment Policy, and creating a marketing plan. Please feel free to contact any Foundation Board member for information or for questions. The current Foundation Board members:

Jack Fries	Matt Nuetzman	Scott Snyder
Becky DeVries	Liz Rowen	Scott Strachan
Greg Carstensen	Jennifer Jaschen	Gayle Culbertson