



## Giving Tree

We are very excited to provide you an incredible missions opportunity through our Christmas Giving Tree 2019!

### International \$25 Donation Outreach:

These two items are what \$25 will provide:

**Mama Kit:** In Uganda the women giving birth are required to have a \$5 medical kit in order to be allowed to have their baby in the hospital or clinic. No kit? No hospital! Many of them cannot afford the paltry \$5 for the kit! So, in partnership with Shining City, you can make that happen for them!

**Shoes That Grow:** All over the world children are going without shoes and even if they have them, they often grow out of them quickly ending up bare-footed after all. "The Shoe That Grows" is a ministry that provides expandable shoes for children and adults that are not only sturdy, but that also expands (forward and sideways) with the growing foot. The shoes are \$20 a pair.

So for your very small gift of just \$25 (\$5 kit and \$20 shoes) you can provide children/families two vitally important health needs this Christmas Season. Stop by the giving tree for more information and to donate your \$5...or \$20... or \$25... or \$50...or \$100... or \$500... today!

See you at the tree this weekend!



## Deck the Halls

Due to Thanksgiving being later in the month, the turnaround for Advent is a few days! So, please consider helping, especially the few days before and after Thanksgiving. At least 100 hands are needed. Sign up at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH). Thank you!

- Sunday, Nov. 24: 12-4 p.m. (need 20 volunteers)
- Monday, Nov. 25: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Tuesday, Nov. 26: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Wednesday, Nov. 27: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)
- Thursday, Nov. 28: Thanksgiving
- Friday, Nov. 29: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 20 volunteers)
- Saturday, Nov. 30: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Monday, Dec. 2: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 10 volunteers)
- Tuesday, Dec. 3: 9-11 a.m. & 1-3 p.m. (need 5 volunteers)

### Message: "Church"

**Scriptures:** James 3:13-18 and Luke 18:9-14

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:

## Baptized Unto Jesus

**Camille Judith Pompei** born August 19, 2018 to Joseph and Bertha (Flores) Pompei will be baptized on Sunday, Nov. 24, 2019 at the 9 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary. Camille's spiritual sponsor is Bianaca Flores.

### 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.

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| Shirley Voshell | Heather Kusel   | Sandra Jackson | The grieving family of Phil Ehm |
| Larry Lewis     | Taylor Peterson | Lou Schroedel  |                                 |
| Paula Spark     | Bob Sams        | Ginny Swift    |                                 |
| Jessica Kramer  | Roger Cling     |                |                                 |

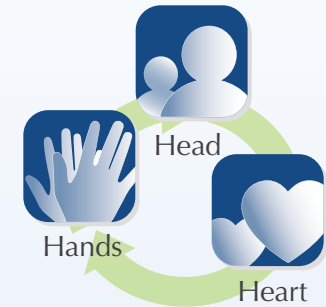
Outpouring of Love November 10-16, 2019 (Fiscal year July-Dec, 2019)	
General Fund Offerings	\$46,071
General Fund Offering Budget	\$38,900
2nd QTD Offering Total	\$227,117
2nd QTD Budget	\$217,300
YTD Offering Total	\$674,467
YTD Budget	\$656,900

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# GDLC CONNECTIONS

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. James 3:17

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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](mailto: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.



## "From God for Others: Church"

We understand that the Church is "From God," but In our sermon series today, we have to ask, "What about the "For Others" part? How is "The Church" "From God AND For Others", after all...Church is just "For ME!"...or is it? The truth about the Body of Christ known as "The Church", is that the Lord gave it as the avenue/opportunity for His grace and mercy and love to be given through The Word and Sacraments. When God's people, assembled as the Church, take seriously His charge to reach out in Jesus' name and not only invite but also bring others...we are being what the Lord intended the Church to be...both "From God!" AND "For Others!"



**Thanksgiving WORSHIP**

TUESDAY, NOV. 26 AT 6:30 P.M.  
THURSDAY, NOV. 28 AT 9:00 A.M.

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

Leading Ordinary People to an Extraordinary Life in Christ.





## Sweet! Holiday Bake Sale!

**Saturday, Nov. 30 & Dec. 1 | before & after worship services**  
 The LWML Circles are busy collecting their favorite family recipes for a Holiday Bake Sale. They will have lots of holiday goodies, including hundreds of delicious cupcakes collectively made and decorated by these women. It will be a great place to pick up all your holiday treats, put them in your freezer and then serve them at holiday parties. All proceeds will go toward local missions.



## Christmas Caroling

**Saturday, Dec. 14 | 1-5 p.m.**  
 Come and lift the hearts of those who are home bound. Please meet at church at 1 p.m. Afterwards, we will finish by eating a meal together at church. Register online at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH).



## ReCharge Breakfast Fundraiser

**Sunday, Dec. 15 | 8 a.m. to noon**  
 Join us for a delicious hot breakfast lovingly made by our youth and their parents. All profits will help support the Youth Ministry and mission trips. The delectable menu is:

- French Toast • Ham • Eggs • Baked goods • Fresh Fruit
- Drinks (OJ, milk, coffee)



## Lessons in Carols

**Sunday, Dec. 15 | 3 p.m.**  
 Hear the musical telling of the nativity story in the Sanctuary delivered by a variety of voices and instruments of Gloria Dei.'



## Tiny Treasures Christmas Program

**Thursday, Dec. 19 | 6 p.m.**  
 Come and experience the Christmas story through the eyes of our preschool children.



## Save the Date

**Wednesday, Jan. 8 | 6 p.m.**  
 From your Fellowship Ministry Action Team: Wednesday January 8th will be a church-wide potluck with chili, soup and stew at 6 p.m. Get it on your calendar now!

**Children's program & family event  
 Celebrate the Savior**



**Sunday, December 8 from 4-5:30 p.m.**

Plan to attend this amazing rendition of the Christmas story told by our children.

**Last Rehearsal!**  
**Sunday, Nov. 24 from 10-10:30 a.m.**



## Advent by Candlelight

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 only desire for you to prepare to see the Savior. Sign up at the display.



## Christmas Brunch Women's Event

**Saturday, Dec. 14 | 9-11 a.m.**  
 Join us for a time for women of all ages and stages to come together to celebrate Jesus, our Savior, born in a manger. This event will help us slow down and focus on His presence as we prepare for Christmas. We eat, have fellowship, worship, and have a time of Bible study. For more information, please contact DeAnn McCue at [deann.mccue@gdgc.church](mailto:deann.mccue@gdgc.church).



## Save the Date - XO Marriage Conference

Save the Date...for a date with your spouse on Valentine's Day ! The 2020 XO Marriage Conference simulcast at Gloria Dei will be Friday, February 14 and Saturday, February 15. There's no better gift for your spouse than to show him/her that your marriage is a priority! More information to come.

## Senior Adults on Wednesday mornings



Given any day, there are a lot of options for our senior adults—caring for their families, their church and their community. No matter how busy they are, they find time to dive into God's Word in the Wednesday morning Bible study led by Pastor Tim.

## Senior Adult Christmas Party

**Sunday, Dec. 15 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.**  
 Reserve your spot for the Senior Ministry Christmas Party on Sunday, December 15 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at GDLC. They will have games, caroling, a devotion and a delicious chicken dinner for you to enjoy! Wear your favorite Christmas glitz or your ugliest Christmas sweater. Bring a White Elephant gift or a purchased gift costing no more than \$5.00 to exchange with another GDLC senior.

Reservations are due no later than Wednesday, Dec. 11 by calling Elaine Mueller at 515-276-8903 or registering online at [www.GDLC.CHURCH](http://www.GDLC.CHURCH). Anyone desiring a ride to or from the party (you may already be at church because of the Lessons in Carols), please call Elaine Mueller.