

THIS WEEK AT GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUN.	9:00	Holy Communion Worship
	10:00	Fellowship Hour/SCRIP
	1:00-3:00	Luett Family Concert
MON.	8:00	Pilates
	6:30	Finance Meeting
PASTORS ON VACATION		
TUES.	10:00	Zumba
	4:30-6:00	NAMI Youth Support Group
	6:00	Adult NAMI Support
WED.	9:00	Priscilla Circle
THURS.	7:00-7:45	Morning Bible Study
	6:00	Midweek Worship Service Blessing of the Backpacks
FRI.	7:00	Narcotics Anonymous
	8:00	Pilates
	9:00-11:00	Y-Nots Practice Office Closed
SAT.	10:00-4:00	Lutheran Church of the Wilderness Work Day
Next SUN.	7:00	Depart for Hephatha Service and Lunch
	9:00	Worship Service/Blessing of the Backpacks
	10:00	Fellowship Hour
	10:15	Book Club

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Come **Grow With Us!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK OF August 12, 2018

Ordination Celebration
for René Mehlberg

*Come & Celebrate
the Ordination of Gloria Dei
Member*

René Mehlberg

Sunday August 26th, 2018

9 a.m. Worship Service

Brunch to Follow

This is a special occasion for Gloria Dei Lutheran Church. We have called René up from the congregation to pursue a vocation in Ordained Ministry. René had entered this process of discernment over 4 years ago and has gone through the process of graduate education and candidacy. And now she has received a call to serve a congregation (Trinity Lutheran, Laporte, MN).

Having received and accepted the call to serve as Pastor at Trinity, she

will now go through the Rite of Ordination at Gloria Dei.

This will happen on Sunday, August 26th at the 9 a.m. worship service. We wish to worship with her and support her during this ordination service.

We also want to celebrate with her. Extra help will be needed to prepare for this day. We are looking for helpers to pick out flowers for the day, be greeters before and after worship, bring a dish/food for the potluck brunch, and help with set up and clean up for brunch. Please contact the pastors if you would be willing to help in any way. In addition, we would appreciate your signing up on the kiosk if you plan to attend the brunch and/or if you are willing to donate a brunch item.



Large Print DeiLites are available from the ushers.

Go to our congregation website - www.gloriadeilc.org for more information

**Blessing of Backpacks, Computer Bags, & Work Bags
Thursday, August 16 at 6 p.m. Worship
& Sunday, August 19th at 9 a.m. Worship**

All ages are invited to bring whatever you carry, for your back to school or work items, to receive a blessing.

As we begin a new year of school, or return to work after the more relaxed feeling that summer brings, this blessing offers us a fresh start and new energy as we approach fall 2018. All are welcome to be part of the blessing!



For You created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I will thank you because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

-Psalm 139: 12-13

Visitors to Gloria Dei

We are blessed by your presence among us. May God continue to bless and nourish you in worship here. If you are looking for a community of faith, we encourage you to join with us at Gloria Dei. We welcome all of you who are return visitors and invite you to join us again.

Judy Hebl

Dick & Marlene Beck

Dave & Mary Volkman

Dee Sim

Carol Anderson

Woodcraft items for Sale – Woodcraft items on the table in the Narthex were donated by Jerry Lindow (toys, bird houses & feeders, etc.) to raise funds for the August 18 Wilderness Workday. IOUs will be accepted.

The Gloria Dei Quilters have quilts on the pews that will travel to Hephatha, our sister church in Milwaukee, with the group providing a meal next Sunday. The quilts range in size from baby to queen. Our next quilting day is August 21st, 9 AM and on September 4th we start quilting weekly once again. Thank you to all who helped tie on July 22nd. Five quilts were tied.

August Craft Nite – We will meet on Wednesday, August 22nd at 6:00 PM to work on some beaded keychain projects. Kathy Nelson will be teaching us some simple beading so sign up on the kiosk if you'd like to learn a new skill! Thanks to all who helped this past week with painting and coaster projects. They look great!!

Pastors on Vacation Next Week—Call Marlene in the office at 725-6822 or at home 725-0230 if there is an emergency.



Prayers – We remember those who are struggling with illnesses today: **Mary Staffeld, Rich Kreitz, Vicki Mayefski, Bonnie Swensen**, (friend of Mel & Veryl Kiekhaefer), **Andrea Akins, Judy Hildemen** (Jim Klitz's sister), **Tracy Fisher** (co-worker of Staci Miserlian), **Kim** (Laura Kraus's cousin), **Barb Kreitz, Sharyn Hendrickson, Larry Coutts**, (friend of Kathy Nelson) and **Mickey Weber** with cancer concerns.

We also remember in our prayers **Jean Swayne, Braeden Harrison** (grandson of Tom & Sue Harrison), **Randy** (Maxine Reese's son), **Pat Birrenkott**, (friend of Jeaneen Schoessow's), **Mike Crouch, Tim Grapengieser, Roger Staffeld**, (Tes Krisch & Lance Staffeld's father), **Russ & Shannon Stern Family**, (Karen Stern's son and family), **Darlene Gutzman, Karen Stern, Heather Staffeld, Scott** (friend of Ron & Robin Fischer), **Bethel Lindland, Danny Buch** (brother of Dennis Buch) and **Lloyd**.

Lutheran Church of the Wilderness has planned two special events in August and Gloria Dei members are invited to participate, along with members of other Synod congregations. "Wilderness" is the only Native American congregation in our East Central Synod and one of two ELCA Native American congregations in Wisconsin. Like "Lutheran Church of the Wilderness" on Facebook for more information. Contact the pastors with your interest in either or both of the events.

Event #1 – A Saturday, August 18, Workday on the grounds of the church and the congregation's nature center. The 10 to 4 Workday, for skilled (masons, carpenters) and unskilled, will include a feast and fellowship. A Gloria Dei member has applied for a \$250 Thrivent Action Team grant for the Workday project.

Event #2 – The annual "Wilderness Friends Day" celebration is set for Sunday, August 26. Join in the 10:00 am worship service and stay for the 2:00 pm feast. Various activities have been planned for after worship.

Thank you's posted on the hall bulletin board for recent donations, and a thank you from Neenah Summer Fun Runs is posted on the kiosk. Average attendance at the Fun Runs was just under 500 youth per race evening and 741 t-shirts were distributed to those who participated in at least two races! Gloria Dei is one of the Fun Run sponsors each year.

Places to Go... Things to Do

Lawn mowing signup is posted on the kiosk, starting in May. Please sign up for any week that you could help with mowing the church lawn. Thanks to Doug Rohloff for mowing this week.



Little Library in need of some new books. If you've been cleaning and have some books to donate, please drop them in the basket by the mailboxes so that we can restock our Little Library.



Raffle Basket Needs – This week's Featured Raffle Basket is Car Care. We are looking for items to supplement such as car care products (window cleaner, wax, etc.), chamois, drying towels, gas gift cards, etc. Thank you to all who donated for the Pool Basket! We've gotten some really great items in and appreciate the support. Still looking for a few possible grilling items like sauces/rubs from last week's basket for Grilling.

Take Me Out to the Ball Game – Brewers Game on Saturday, August 25th leaving from St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Neenah. Cost is \$50/person for box lunch, coach bus, tickets to the game. Leaves at 2:30 PM and return about 11:00 PM. Contact Mary Jane by August 12 at 920-810-3587 with questions or to reserve a space. Brewers vs Pittsburgh Pirates.



Save the date: Women's Fall Retreat at Imago Dei, Sept 21-22. Contact Linda Evenson for more information. See flyer on kiosk.

Fall and Winter Crossways Retreats available for Crafters, Women, Couples. See flyer posted on kiosk for dates, costs, etc.

Jim and Sherry Klitz are sponsoring the Coffee Hour this month. Thank you!

Interfaith Gathering Synopsis posted on the kiosk from last Sunday's event.

Sunday School Teachers Needed—We are starting to gear up for Sunday School which will begin on September 16th. We are in need of teachers for Preschool—5th grades. We try to have at least 2 teachers per class so that you can trade off/team teach with someone else. If you would like more information on curriculum, etc., please contact the office. A signup sheet will also be posted on the kiosk.

Pet Blessing Worship Service

Calling all Pets!

Please bring your Parents (owners!) to Gloria Dei, for a special time of Worship & Blessing.



Thursday, August 30th at 6 p.m.

Gloria Dei Backyard. (Or inside church if bad/scary weather)

Have your owners bring a lawn chair, and items to clean up any gifts you might leave.

If you're a dog or cat, there will be a T-R-E-A-T for you after you receive your blessing.

God's Work Our Hands Signups are now available on the easel and online at www.gloriaceilc.org/events page. You can sign up at either place for a variety of projects, either at church or out in the community. A few more projects will be added when we get confirmations from the local parks and possibly Youth Go. If you have questions about any of the projects, please check in with the office or Chris Drews. If you would be willing to lead a project, please contact the office also.

God's Work Our Hands Coming in September—Donations being Collected!

We are beginning to collect items for various agencies, schools where we will be serving on September 9th. You will see numerous containers around the kiosk where we are collecting items for the Christine Ann Center and school supplies for Hoover School and Hephatha. One of our projects will also be to help at the Neenah Animal Shelter. Feel free to drop off bags or cans of dog/cat food, kitty litter, chew toys, etc. that can be taken along when we head over there to clean on September 9th. We will also be collecting children's socks and underwear for Hoover School if you are out shopping!

Needed for LWR Health Kits for God's Work Our Hands Day: Bath Towels, Bars for bath soap, Nail clippers

Christine Ann Center: We are in urgent need of the following items: Bath towels and washcloths, Tampons, Toilet paper, \$10 gas cards, Twin-size bed bug mattress protectors. Call 920-235-5998 for any questions about donating items.

Need a New Yellow God's Work Our Hand T-Shirt? Signup sheet posted on the kiosk if you need a new one or different size. We will all be wearing our shirts on September 9th for our God's Work Our Hands Work Day.



God's Work Our Hands
"Home Fire Campaign" Project



Did you know? 7 people die everyday from a home fire, most in homes that lack working smoke alarms. Sadly, children and the elderly disproportionately lose their lives. In addition to replacing batteries regularly, smoke alarms wear out and should be *replaced* every 10 years. You can help *save lives* by installing smoke alarms, replace batteries, and educate families on fire safety during our God's Work Our Hands Day on September 9th.

Here are the details:

Teams of 2-3 people will go out into our Gloria Dei neighborhood

"Just in Time" training will be provided on the morning of Sept. 9 at 8:30

There are three different roles people can play on a team

Installer - actually installing the smoke alarms (furnished)

Safety Educator - discussing with the resident/family some fire safety tips, escape plan, and another disaster topic that is seasonal (flood, tornado, or winter storm)

Documenter - documenting on a form what we did in each home

Drills, step stools, and all materials will be provided, however, Gloria Dei members are invited to bring their own if they want

Minimum age is 16 or 17 as long as parents fill out a consent form

Gloria Dei members will promote the event and pre-canvass neighborhoods with door hangars announcing the event and inviting residents to sign-up

Gloria Dei members are also invited to sign up for appointments.

Visit www.getasmokealarm.org, text "Alarm" to 844-811-0100 or call Red Cross (888) 231-3590

Sign up on the God's Work Our Hands Easel in the narthex. Contact Chris Drews (920) 205-4618 with any questions.

Dinner Groups.

We are re-organizing dinner groups again! For those of you who have not participated yet, it is very easy to get involved. Sign up on the kiosk or email Jean Herman at jean-er94@new.rr.com. Include your name(s), email address and phone number. Those of you who have been participating this spring and summer will receive an email asking if you would like to continue to be involved. The names I have received by August 23 will be organized into groups of six to eight.

Group assignments for September thru December will be sent out during the last week of August.

The name(s) at the top of each list are the group leaders. It is their job to contact other group members and to set up the first gathering. Most groups meet monthly and the job of organ-

izing subsequent meetings should rotate through the group members—each taking a turn. Or, group members can plan together at each gathering for their next outing. Please take a turn with the planning so that it does not become a burden for anyone.

Gatherings can be simple. They do not need to be huge events. They do not even need to be dinner dates. Many groups meet for breakfast or lunch if that fits participant's schedules. The goal is to get together, share a meal and spend time getting to know each other better.

Please contact me at my email address if you have questions!

Looking forward to a year of good food, fun and fellowship!!

Jean Herman

Saints Alive! Living Generously

We are Saints of God, Living our Generosity!

One of the Scripture readings for today is Ephesians 4:31,32 – *Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.*

As God's called and blessed community, Christians live by different rules than "the world," which is sometimes angry and blameful. We are good stewards of community and relationships when we do our best to live with kindness and love.