



Worship & Education Updates: We will continue the current worship & education schedules. Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. Sundays at 9 a.m. indoor in-person, parking lot & Livestream. Livestream on Gloria Dei's YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjgBVJbJWxlHrob28Egjhcg> Sunday School Classes: Sundays at 10:05—11:05 a.m. & Adult and Youth Bible Study: Sundays mornings at 10:15 a.m.

**REMINDER - NO MIDWEEK SERVICE ON THANKSGIVING DAY, NOVEMBER 25
JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAY EVENING AT OUR SAVIOR'S IN NEENAH AT 6:30 PM**

Worship Schedule for December - New Year's

- ◆ Advent Worship services on Sunday, November 28, December 5, 12 & 19 at 9:00 AM
- ◆ Midweek Advent Worship on December 2, 9 & 16 at 6:00 PM. (No Midweek service on Thanksgiving Day)
- ◆ Sunday School Christmas Program at the 9:00 AM Sunday Service on December 12
- ◆ Choir Cantata on December 19th at the 9:00 Worship Service.
- ◆ There will be **NO** Thursday evening worship on **December 23rd or December 30th.**
- ◆ Christmas Eve Festival Worship on December 24th at 4:00 and 6:30 PM. Prelude music at 3:45 PM and 6:15 PM
- ◆ **NO** service Christmas Day, December 25th.
- ◆ Christmas Day will be celebrated on Sunday, December 26th at the 9:00 AM service.
- ◆ Lessons & Carols Service on January 2nd at 9:00 AM - Non-communion, Parking Lot & In Person Worship only.



Poinsettias for decorating the altar on Christmas will be available to order this year. We have preordered 10 red and 5 white poinsettias that you can sign up for on the kiosk, or by calling the church office. Cost of a plant will be \$14.00.

Please place your orders as soon as possible so we can add to our order if need be. Orders placed after November 28th may not be guaranteed.



Become Part of Our Church Family

Interested in Membership?

If you have visited or are not currently a member of Gloria Dei you are invited to consider becoming one! We will be hosting a new member orientation process this fall. Call 725-6822 or email: pastort-abitha@gloriadeilc.org to indicate your interest or to ask additional questions about membership. Members will be received December 12 & 19th.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS UPDATE

Thanks to your **overwhelming** generosity, 27 Thanksgiving baskets were delivered to local families last Saturday. These "baskets" contained turkey or chicken and ham along with traditional Thanksgiving food. Milk, eggs, cheese, fresh produce, personal hygiene items, toilet paper, tissue, and laundry detergent were donated—even warm winter hats—plus so much more!!!

As you could see from the many items that were on display in the Narthex, your combined donations amounted to a lot of food and supplies!! A lot is needed to stock the cupboards of 27 families. We also purchased hundreds of items with your extremely generous cash donations plus shopping cards from Thrivent! You are amazing and have helped so many families! These families were very appreciative of your generosity, and many were very moved to receive groceries that are so desperately needed.

The shoppers and sorters worked so hard and efficiently in preparing bags of food, personal hygiene items, and other necessities for the families. A hard-working team carted the many bags of goodies to the carport and loaded volunteer's vehicles who then delivered the baskets directly to the homes of these local families. With a project of this magnitude, it takes many volunteers to get the job done, and you stepped up to the plate!

Thank you to Pastor Tabitha, Pastor Jon, Marlene, Tori Imhoff, Dawn and Joel Ortiz, Dennis and Kathy Brotz, Jeaneen Schoessow and the Loopy Loomers, Chris Drews, Festival Foods, Thrivent, Sturtevant & Associates, Simplicity (CONE) Credit Union, and the many volunteers who supported this program in any way.

Jim and Vicki Wippich



Thanksgiving Baskets



Celebrating The Seasons of Our Stewardship

Thank you to those

who have had the chance to respond to our Seasons of Stewardship Fall Emphasis. If you haven't had a chance to return your plans, please do so as soon as possible. Stewardship materials are available in the Narthex at church and here:

<http://gloriadeilc.org/resources/>

[deilitesnewsletter](#)

Your Stewardship plans may be left in the basket in the narthex or returned to the office.

You're participation and support is vital to planning for the ministry for 2022. Our commitment will help the leaders of the congregation make a comprehensive ministry plan for the year.

Vision 2025 Invitations

Come be part of the important work on the Vision 2025 Initiatives:

We're forming a Tech Task Force to investigate 3-4 technology enhancements that will help fulfill our Vision. **You do not need to have technology experience, just an interest in helping your church!**

We plan to meet to learn, explore and share our opinions and recommendations in at least a few areas: Visual Worship technology for the sanctuary, Building security, Gloria Dei's Website, improvements with cameras and sound in the sanctuary.

Some of these projects and priorities may be able to be funded yet this winter; therefore we want to begin these projects soon.

For those interested in helping learn and explore these technology projects, there will be a brief initial meeting on Thursday, December 9th at 5:30 p.m. at church. This meeting will be available in-person and via zoom. Please indicate if you'd like to attend by video conference. Contact Pastor Tabitha to indicate your interest or with questions.



CHRISTMAS GIVING NEEDS - We will again work with the Brigade's Christmas Giving Project to provide supplies for families in need. We will not be adopting individual families. Donations of money will also be accepted to help purchase needed supplies. All items need to be dropped off at the church by December 8th. Donations may be left on the marked table in the Narthex. A complete list of items that are needed is posted on the kiosk, and on the church website.

Some needed items are: Teenage Art Supplies/Coloring books, Monopoly and other fun for all ages games, Legos, LOL Surprise dolls, dress-up/pretend play clothes, beginner and high school level reading books, dinosaur stuff, video game gift cards. Personal care items such as Nail polish, age appropriate make-up, Wet Brush Brand hairbrushes, African American Hair Care, perfume & Body lotion; Age 8-12 Shampoo/conditioner/bath stuff, AXE deodorant.

Also needed are women's small (Size 5) underwear, 4T Boy & Girls clothes, Boys pants/Junior pants/Men's pants - all sizes; Women's/teen girls pants - all sizes; Teen Girl/women's tops and teen boys/men's shirts both mainly medium size.



Sunday School Christmas program will be held December 12 at the 9 a.m. service. Sunday School children pre-K through 5th will be learning their songs during Sunday school time and are expected to be a part of the program.

There will be one Saturday morning practice on December 4th for All Sunday School youth in PreK-5th grade, along with older children doing the extra songs and acting.

Please include in your prayers:



◇ Prayers for Chris Poquette, Prayers for Kathy Krueger, Don's mom, who has entered Hospice. Please keep these people in your prayers as we ask for God's presence and comfort to be with all of them as they face these health issues.

◇ Prayers for Bart & Hannah Hillberg Family at the birth of their daughter, Violet Rose, who was born on November 12. Congratulations to the Hillberg Family as they rejoice in the new addition to their family.



Christmas Prelude Music – If you would like to provide prelude music for either the 4:00 PM or 6:30 PM Christmas

Eve Services, please contact our Music Director, Myron Jones as soon as possible so he can go over your selections with you.



Papa Murphy cards are available for sale for \$5 each. They may be found on the table by the candy bars. A great value and something that makes a great stocking stuffer also if you are thinking ahead.

Scrip Sunday!

It's a **Scrip Order Day Sunday, November 28th, December 5th & 12th.**



Order forms located in Scrip mailbox next to family mailboxes or on table in the narthex. Return orders by Sun. 9a.m. Return to Scrip Mailbox.

Thank you to all who donated blood this past week. A total of 31 units were collected! Next blood drive will be January 17th.