

Lutheran World
Relief Sunday

Worship with us - Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Online Worship @ <https://www.youtube.com/c/gloriadei> (Sunday)

Sunday School - 9:10 a.m. - 10:10 a.m. Adult Bible Study - 9:10 a.m.



Prayers for Mary Staffeld, Mike Crouch, Kerry Kurtz, Jeaneen Schoessow, Sharyn Hendrickson, Brenda Marks, Darlene Bilstad, and Trisha for healing. Prayers for Sue Schroeder who will be having surgery. Prayers for Bob Archer/Allen Borgwardt & Klitz family.

Additional Photo Sessions for Pictorial Directory: If you missed getting your picture taken for the church directory, Don Krueger has volunteered to take pictures:

Sundays Oct 6, Oct 27 from 9am-1pm

Wednesday Oct 2 starting at 5pm.

No appointment needed. Please consider getting your picture taken so our directory can be complete. If you cannot make any of these times, please consider emailing your family picture to Office@gloriadeilc.org so it can be included in the directory.

Gloria Dei Fall Craft Fair is fast approaching. We will need your help in selling raffle tickets. More information will be announced in the next few weeks. Continue to watch the DeiLites for more information. If you would like to buy SCRIP for Craft Fair Raffle Baskets please place order on or before October 22. This will allow us to still get your donation in this year's baskets. We plan to have different gift card baskets so any SCRIP gift card is good. Just note on your SCRIP order that you plan to donate that gift card to the Craft Fair Raffle Basket. Any other questions regarding the Craft Fair, please contact Robyn Krueger.

Guys & Dolls – Neenah High's Senior Citizen's Dinner Theatre on Wed, Oct 16. Tickets are \$10 includes dinner and show. Purchase tickets at the NHS Main Entrance Office. Dinner at 5:30pm with music provided by Touch of Class orchestra. Show starts at 7pm. See flyer on the kiosk for more information.

Additional show times are: Oct 17-19 @ 7pm and Oct 20 @ 2pm. Tickets for all shows will be sold online at rocketplayers.com. Reserved seat tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students (online fee applies).

Hephatha Mission Partners Appreciation Day - Sat. Nov. 2

Our Milwaukee based partner church, Hephatha, is holding its ministry partner appreciation event and you are invited to attend. This is a great opportunity to visit this inner city Milwaukee Congregation and to be uplifted by the great work they are doing through our support, the support of other churches, and the power of the Holy Spirit in action. **We will car pool to Milwaukee leaving Gloria Dei at 1:15 PM sharp and arrive back about 7:30 PM.** The worship and recognition service starts at 3:00 PM followed by a fantastic meal provided and prepared by the members at Hephatha. There is no cost for this trip or meal as it is Hephatha's gift back to their Partner churches. **Please Sign up on the kiosk by Monday, October 28 if you will attend, and indicate if you can drive or need a ride.**



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LWR Sunday - On Sunday we will celebrate the work of Lutheran World Relief of the ELCA. Gloria Dei has supported and helped in

these ministry efforts in years past and this year we continue to support this ministry. We give thanks to God for those who have been directly involved in the donating, making, and working to supply necessary items for people around the world. **This year Gloria Dei will donate 46 baby kits and 22 quilts to LWR.** Thank you to everyone who helped out with these projects. We especially give thanks to the Quilters Ministry for creating warmth, comfort, and care by making quilts to help those in need around the world.

A volunteer opportunity for the **Lutheran World Relief Ingathering** that will be hosted at First English Lutheran Church, Appleton on Saturday, Oct. 5 from 7 a.m. to noon

Volunteers will help unload quilts and kits from area churches and load them into a waiting semi-trailer. It's physical work but a great way for youth to get up to 5 service hours. Donuts, juice and coffee will be provided. Go to <https://onrealm.org/felc/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=MDkzNmZmNGltNjFkMi00OWZiLTlmNGUtYjFhZmJmU00TBI> to sign up or click on this link [Here is the link to sign up.](#)

Retirees & Friends -- Bingo at Our Saviors Lutheran Church Neenah on Monday, Oct 7 at 1pm. All are welcome.

Game Day at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church on Tuesday, Oct 8 at 1pm. See you there.



This year Trunk or Treat will be held at St. Timothy Lutheran Church Parking Lot (473 7th St Menasha) on Sunday, October 27 from 4:00-5:30. Sign up on the kiosk if you plan to decorate your car and hand out candy/treats.

Christ in our Home Quarterly Devotionals for Oct-Dec are available to pick up near church mailboxes.

Thank you Christine Olsen for mowing the lawn this past week. Thanks.



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Saturday October 5th, 1pm

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Coffee House Ministry Begins Anew! Thursdays from 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.

Informational “Coffee House Meeting” will be held Thurs, Sept 26 @ 1 pm at church for GD members and friends interested in helping with this ministry.

Coffee House was a ministry of hospitality and food to High School Youth throughout the School year. Well, we’re opening it up to Middle School Youth and families now!!

We’re beginning Coffee House this fall, beginning on Thurs, Oct 17 from 3:15 -4:30 p.m. We are beginning this important ministry anew with a new twist: inviting the youth from Neenah Middle School across the street, in addition to NHS students from our neighborhood, and families. Whether 10 youth or 100 youth attending, we are looking forward to the opportunity to welcome youth and provide good food and a safe space for young people. You can support Coffee House ministry by: 1) Spread the word to neighbors, family, friends: Invite Youth to coffee house on Thursdays! 2) Bake some treats or donate supplies (baking supplies or groceries). Bring homemade or store-bought brownies, cookies, bars, etc. Drop off items by 2:30 Thursday. 3) Volunteer your time: Thursdays anytime between 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. You can help prep food, serve food, or clean up or welcome Middle School & High School Youth and families.

Inspirational Speaker & Concert Pianist
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Chili Cookoff Competition - Hosted by Our Saviors and including all Neenah ELCA Churches

Gloria Dei has entered a friendly competition on Election Day (11/5). We are looking for folks willing to make batches of tomato based chili to donate. If you can make a crock pot worth of chili we will be dumping all chilis together to make five nescos of Gloria Dei chili. Please sign up on the kiosk or contact the church office. More details to volunteer will be coming.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS: Even though the Thanksgiving Baskets drive doesn't start for another month, we appreciate those of you who have found deals and are bringing your early donations to church. That's great! Our September request is for shoppers to purchase laundry detergent. It's a necessity that we like to provide for every family and it's more expensive than most items that are purchased. Laundry detergent can be placed by the kiosk. Thanks. Jim & Vicki Wippich

WEEK AT A GLANCE

29 SUNDAY	30 MONDAY	1 TUESDAY	2 WEDNESDAY	3 THURSDAY	4 FRIDAY	5 SATURDAY
LWR Sunday 8:00 Worship Service (Live Stream on YouTube) 9:00 Fellowship Hour 9:10 Sunday School 9:10 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Book Club 10:30 Worship Service	7:30 Pilates	9:00 Quilting 9:00 Zumba 4:00 Craft Fair Mtg	5:45 Jr Choir Rehearsal 6:15 Confirmation Class 6:30 One Voice Choir Rehearsal	7:30 Morning Bible Study 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	7:30 Pilates 7:00 Women of Hope NA	9-12 Jubricosa 9-2 Craft Fair @ Early Learning Center 1:00 Beaming 20th birthday celebration

2024 God's Work, Our Hands Results!!

ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton has said, "We are a church that rolls up our sleeves and gets to work." Thank you for daring to roll up your sleeves and do God's work with your time, energy and your hands! The following are just some of the results of God's work using your hands on September 8. This is NOT a comprehensive list; it's merely a snapshot...But what a snapshot it is!!

16+ projects and over 145+ people (children, youth & adults) participated.

- + 1000 bags of measured Basil (17.5 lbs), ~800 bags of Salt & Pepper (about 37 lbs), ~50 bags of Turmeric (~2 lbs), and 150 bags of Cinnamon (5 lbs) were assembled for St. Joe's Food Pantry.
- + 95 homemade journals were made for youth and adults for Hephatha Lutheran Church ministry.
- + 77 Handmade Greeting cards were created for Day By Day Homeless Shelter in Oshkosh.
- + 7 Quilts were Tied for Lutheran World Relief ministry, to be distributed globally.
- + Supplies were unpacked and organized in 2 large room cabinets and in 1 wall of drawers at Neenah Animal Shelter. 100 adoption pet packets were assembled, supplies were inventoried, and 18 cats were cared for and had socialization time inside and outside!!
- + 209 items were donated for Blessing Box donations: 96 canned food, 65 boxed food, 48 miscellaneous. 24 green bean casserole kits were assembled.
- + 6 GD folks made the journey to Lutheran Church of the Wilderness Friends Day Worship for a meal and fellowship.
- + \$250 of school and household supplies donated for Christine Ann Center.
- + 6 Lutheran World Relief Baby Care Kits were made and donated.
- + Baskets of the following made and delivered to community helpers: 10 trays of Ham Roll ups/Pinwheels, 10 platters of Fruit/Veggie Crosses, 10 containers of Ranch Dip, Zucchini bread, 6 doz. Peanut Butter Cookies, 6 doz. Chocolate chip cookies, other fruits and relish items. Delivered to Neenah Police & Fire Departments, Fox Crossings Police & Fire Departments, Menasha Police & Fire Departments, Kaukauna Police and Fire Departments, and Grand Chute Police Department.
- + Total of 65 Fleece Blankets were tied- 35 blankets for Fox Valley Children's advocacy & 30 blankets for Hephatha.
- + 9+ GD members and Tenants enjoyed worship, refreshments and fellowship at VNA, Neenah.
- + \$250 of Kitten & cat food and pet supplies were donated to the Neenah Animal Shelter.
- + 1 Shelter Building at Memorial Park was stained a beautiful brown color! (Approx. 500 sq. Ft. Building)
- + 12 GD members & Tenants enjoyed bingo, prizes, refreshments and fellowship at Linwood Place, Appleton. \$250 of Bingo Prizes were won!
- + 25 fall craft ornaments were made and 80 autumn snack bags were filled for tenants at Renaissance Senior Apartments, Appleton and VNA, Neenah.
- + Windows, saddles, helmets & cubbies cleaned at Beaming Equine Therapy Farm. Stalls were also power washed! Bird feeders filled, general areas, ramp and riding arena ramp were swept. Fly tape was hung, tic tac toe cleaned, Insulation was reaffixed in riding arena. Ceiling in Storage area was repaired, weeds were removed, areas of overgrowth trimmed, & branches cut and cleaned up.
- + 2 GD members grilled 80 Hamburgers for Delicious Lunch.
- + 9+ people worked preparing the meal for over 115 people at Gloria Dei. 20 lbs. of hamburgers and 12lb of Turkey sandwiches were consumed once we finished all this work!!

Vision 2025 Initiative Work Update *Part 1!*

Throughout the last year, we have continued to focus on Vision 2025 ministry directions and Initiatives for Gloria Dei Ministries.

Your support of this ministry work and vision has been vital in advancing the mission and vision of Gloria Dei! The following project/ministry areas reflect your financial and hands-on gifts and your talents at work in this congregation! This is part one of a DeiLites Series with highlights. Thank you for investing in active ministry through your church!



Here's a snapshot (part 1!) of some of the work over the last several months and looking ahead in the next couple of months:

+ Establish/strengthen connections with ELCA groups/organizations for the purpose of outreach:

It has been so refreshingly exciting to collaborate with the ELCA churches in Neenah/Menasha on ministry, especially around worship and outreach (and some fellowship mixed in!) This ministry includes coordinating direct help for those in need in our neighborhoods. In addition, leading outreach to youth and families like participating together in the National Youth Gathering, & Vacation Bible School. Outreach and presence in the community with Worship at Riverside Park, brought together not only church members, but also friends and neighbors of members, and provided visibility and presence in Neenah. Efforts in shared outreach this October will also include a shared Trunk-or-Treat Event on October 27th at St. Timothy's Lutheran, Menasha.

The benefits of these shared ministry efforts are important – we increase our reach into the community, we reflect a larger Christian identity and church, and people experience God's love and help.

+ Update Technology at Gloria Dei:

This summer, Gloria Dei Financial Secretary Team made some technology improvements in their work processing financial gifts that occur through online giving and simply giving. This change has been one more step in helping to streamline their processes and improve efficiency in this important ministry.

In addition, they have transitioned to a new version of a giving page on our website, utilizing a more modern layout, through the gift processing company that we use, called Vanco. As a result, Gloria Dei members and community members will see a refreshed "Give" page on Gloria Dei's website, all with descriptions of ministry areas and some visual depictions of ministry through Gloria Dei. The opportunity for giving to the ministry will adjust throughout the year to reflect vital seasonal ministry that occurs.

A new Gloria Dei website is now live: <https://gloriadeilc.org> There are still kinks to work out and training and practice in new processes to manage the content on the website. We appreciate your patience and feedback as we navigate utilizing this new website for supporting Gloria Dei members in their faith and reaching out to the wider community as a communication tool and as an invitation to experience Jesus' love through Gloria Dei.

These are your stories of ministry at work through your presence and support! Thank you! *More updates can be found in the DeiLites next week!!*