



Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

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NEWSLETTER—WEEK of June 22, 2025

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Worship with us - Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

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

**SCRIP
Sunday**



Prayers for Sarah Mercier and Laura Kraus who is having total knee surgery.



1st Annual Gloria Dei/Ken & Vicki Uslabar Memorial Scholarship Announced:

Congratulations to GD Member Johnathan Guif, who is the inaugural recipient of the Ken and Vicki Uslabar Memorial Scholarship!!! We were blessed with the presence of members of the Uslabar Family on Jun 8 who announced the scholarship and presented it to Johnathan!!

Additional information about this scholarship: *Ken and Vicki Uslabar were lifelong educators, Ken's career in the Neenah School District, and Vicki with family education through UW Oshkosh. They were long-time members at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, and both felt individual education was a responsibility and a freedom. Ken and Vicki encouraged their*

children, and grandchildren to attend college, and both were constantly taking classes and participating in new learning opportunities until they died. The Ken and Vicki Uslabar Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in 2025 to keep their spirit of education alive. An annual \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to an applicant who is an active member of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, is graduating from high school, or is a current post-secondary student and will be continuing their education at a College, University, or Technical College.

We are grateful to the Uslabar family for establishing this scholarship in their parent's memory and inviting Gloria Dei to be part sharing in their legacy of faith and learning!!



Baptismal Anniversary: Congratulations to Grady Alan Swanson & Reese Hope Hansen on their one year Baptismal Anniversary on June 23. A gift of a baptismal medallion will be given to them to commemorate this special milestone on June 22.



Looking for volunteers to provide special music this summer either at the Thursday evening or Sunday morning service. If you are interested, please contact Myron Jones or church office.



Thank you Thursday morning Bible Study group for donating and serving meal at FVCT this past Saturday. 74 people were served.



Thank you Christine Olsen for mowing the lawn week ending Jun 14 and pulling weed Jun 16 and Gary Kruger for mowing the lawn week ending Jun 21. If you can help with outdoor tasks please sign up on kiosk or contact church office.

Can you help make "God's work Our hands" possible this year?

Can you help with GWOH planning this year? In order to make it happen, we will need 3-5 GD volunteers to help plan GWOH day, Sunday, Sept 7. We are exploring making some changes to the format/date for this year, but still need help in coordinating. Please consider helping so that we can continue this meaningful ministry. Please contact Pastor Tabitha if you can help.



Flowers on the altar this morning are given by Al & Jean Follendorf.

June Coffee Hour is being sponsored by The Bezier's. Thank you.



We are still collecting plastic bags to get a bench in memory of Fritz Schoessow. Drop off your bags in box in hallway by the north doors. Thanks.

Hephatha Visit and Meal June 29, 2025: Our friends at Hephatha Lutheran Church in Milwaukee serve their community by offering a meal to youth and others in the community following worship services every Sunday. This ministry developed several years ago when the members recognized many children in their neighborhood received at least one good meal at school every week day, but often could not count on this for the weekend. As Hephatha's partner in mission, Gloria Dei has offered to sponsor and serve this meal on June 29.

We need your help in several ways to ensure this trip to support our partner is successful:

- You can help by preparing the meal on Saturday, Jun 28 at GD, donate money to purchase meat and buns, or bring in salads (pasta, oriental, Jell-O, etc.), fresh fruit/melons, and cupcakes, cookies, or dessert bars. The church will be open on Saturday morning and items may be left in the ref or on the counter marked "Hephatha". Contact Annette Sikma if you need access to the church outside the normal hours to make your delivery. For those providing food, please put items in disposable pans or bags.
- You can travel to Hephatha with us to worship and to serve the meal. The group will depart Sun, Jun 29 at 7am and return around 2pm.
- Monetary donations may be placed in the regular offering marked for "Hephatha Meal". If any money collected for this event is not needed, it will be used to support our Thanksgiving Basket program this fall. Please sign up on the KIOSK to indicate how you will participate.



Happy Birthday to GD member

who will be celebrating a birthday in June: Steve Elbing, Weyno Hager, Valerie Gulke, Karen Jewell-vanBuskirk, Maxine Gehrt, Gary Kruger, Jane Lantz, Cath Mode, Don Pohlman, Ramona Bureau, Debbie Hunt, Kim Novak, and Hazel Anderson. God's blessings to you. Let the church office know if you would like to be included in the monthly birthday blessing.



2025 Synod Golf Tournament will be held on Aug 12 at the beautiful Glacier Wood Golf Club in Iola. Get a foursome together and come join the fun! Registration form is posted on kiosk.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church



Certified Instructors

BLS TRAINING

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

Learn Lifesaving Skills

- High-quality CPR for adults, children, and infants
- Important early use of an AED
- Effective ventilations using a barrier device
- Relief of foreign-body airway obstruction (choking) for adults and infants

MONDAY, JUNE 23
Arrive by 5:45 PM with class from 6 PM - 10 PM
Site: St. Mark's Church, 140 S. Green Bay Rd.
920-725-2828 office@stmarksneenah.org

Cost for St. Mark's members will be covered by the church. St. Mark's members are asked to call or email the church office with their interest in attending this class. Limited spaces available.

Calling All Pie Bakers (and Pie Eaters):

Join Linwood Community for their Pie and Ice Cream Social on **Sun, June 22 from 10:30am-2:00pm** at 425 N Linwood Ave, Appleton. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$30 max per household and can be purchased at the door.



Explore Mountains of Fun!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Aug 3-7 5:30-8:00pm
3yrs old to 5th grade
All are welcome

Registration Now Open

<https://forms.gle/eQ7iCB4yvPjxx53v6>

Looking for Volunteers for VBS: 8 youth/adults to help shepherd groups, 2 adults to help with registration and check out, and 1 youth/adult to be timer. A supply list will be forthcoming if you would like to donate.

"Christ in Our Home" Jul-Sep 2025 devotionals can be picked up on the table by the church mailboxes.

God Pause Devotion on Galatians 3:23-29 (NRSV)

On one of my visits to Tanzania, I was taken to the city of Bagamoyo. It was the last place that native Africans were held before they were herded onto slave ships and sent to Europe and the mid-East. The name "Bagamoyo" is Kiswahili for "lay down your heart," or in more common language, "give up all hope." The Apostle Paul writes to the Galatians that before faith (Jesus) came into their lives they inhabited Bagamoyo, captives with little hope. Now their chains have been removed, and they are no longer held by the law. Regardless of their gender, position in life, or nationality, they are now free in Christ—as are we also. We are not only unshackled but united with all others who claim the promise given through Jesus the Christ.

Prayer

Freeing God, may your Holy Spirit help us remember that the law no longer holds us from loving you and our neighbor. We have been set free to worship and love. Amen.

Rev. Roger Pruess, Sarona, WI

Source: <https://www.luthersem.edu/godpause/>

Looking Ahead:

- Hearts & Minds 5 wk class - Mondays 6/23-7/21, 6-8pm, NAMI Fox Valley
 - Hephatha Visit - Jun 29;
 - Whitewater Rafting - Jul 12
 - Linwood Community Concert in the Park - Jul 13 @ 2pm - "Talk of the Town", New Orleans Jazz
 - Fun Run @ Memorial Park - Jun 29 & Jul 13
 - Community Production of Mary Poppins - Jul 11/12 - Winneconne Community Arts
 - Christmas in July Worship Service - Jul 27
 - Blood Drive @ GD - Jul 28
 - VBS @ GD - Aug 3-7
 - Synod Golf Outing - Aug 12.
 - Friends Day @ Church of the Wilderness - Aug 17
- See kiosk for more info.

	Altar Guild	Greeter	Acolyte	Ushers	Liturgy Assistant	Lector	Communion Assistant
Jun 22	Sandy Wahamaki	Valerie Gulke	Jackson West	Steve Graf/ Christine Olsen	Betsy West	Betsy West	Valerie Gulke
Jun 29	Carol Anderson	Carol Anderson	Ava Corbin	Vincent Guardiola/ Nancy Swanson	Jay Olson	Jay Olson	Jeaneen Schoessow

WEEK AT A GLANCE

22 SUNDAY 9:00 Worship Service (Live Stream on YouTube) 10:00 Fellowship Hour 10:15 Book Club on Patio SCRIP	23 MONDAY 7:30 Pilates	24 TUESDAY 9-4 Jubricosa 9:00 Quilting 9:00 ZUMBA 1:00 Swanson Card Group	25 WEDNESDAY	26 THURSDAY 7:30 Morning Bible Study 9-4 Jubricosa 6:00 Thursday Night Worship Service 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	27 FRIDAY 7:30 Pilates 9-4 Jubricosa 7:00 Women of Hope NA	28 SATURDAY
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