



Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

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NEWSLETTER—WEEK of September 28, 2025

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

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

3K-5th grade Sunday School @ 9:10-10:10 a.m. 6th-8th grade Confirmation Wed @ 6:15-7:30pm

Adult Bible Study - Thurs @ 7:30 a.m. and Sunday @ 9:10 a.m.



Prayers for Sarah Mercier, Gale Zimbrick (mother of Michelle McGlin), Sandy Wahamaki, Sharron, Robert, Jerry Lindow, Tom Flemming, George Bureau, Bryan Engstrom, Liam, Sandy (Jim Klitz's sister-in-law), Ken Mercier, and Mark Catlin.



Happy Birthday to GD member who have or will be celebrating a birthday in September: Sarah Hanson, Dave Ertmer, Carrie Raeth, Ryan Helms, Greg Vandecorput, Michelle Buss, Staci Miserlian, Joel Ortiz, David Guif, Cindy Vandelist, James Hiltunen, Lucy Bebow, Deb Mathison, Gary Novak, Mike Yost, Carol Anderson, Julia Lange, Jean Herman, Bill Mode, Kathy Crouch, Karen Morton, Erliss Helling, Christine Grunwald, Marsha Schmidt, Inge Gramer, and Edna Frank. God's blessings to you. Let the church office know if you would like to be included in the monthly birthday blessing.

Gloria Dei Blood Drive: Thank you to all the volunteers who helped the blood drive run smoothly & to everyone who donated blood. Red Cross collected 44 units.

Coffee House: Starts This Thurs, Oct 2 @ 3:15-4:15pm

Coffee House is a ministry of hospitality and food to Middle & High School Youth and their families throughout the school year. You can help by spreading the word to young youth in your neighborhood to come to Gloria Dei after school on Thurs for free food & unconditional welcome. Pick up a flyer in the Narthex to distribute.

Game Day is starting up again in October. We'll plan to get together on the second Tuesday of each month starting at 1pm at Gloria Dei. We play all kinds of games: board and card games and bunco. Bring your favorite game and teach the rest of us how to play. We'll also have games available for us to play together. Bring a friend and join in on the fun. Join us October 14 @ 1pm. See you there!

Hephatha Mission Partners Appreciation Day - Sat. Nov. 1
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 3pm 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 if you will attend and indicate if you can drive.**

THANKSGIVING BASKETS: Gloria Dei's Thanksgiving baskets drive will begin in early October, although it is an active ministry all year long. Thank you to everyone who has been donating cash and nonperishables/personal items in 2025. It really helps to get a head start as the need for assistance increases every year. Jim and Vicki Wippich



Lutheran
World
Relief

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 61 baby kits, 49 health kits, and 32 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.

Quilts and kits will be dropped off at First English Lutheran Church, 6331 N Ballard Rd, Appleton on Saturday, October 4 from 8 a.m. to noon.



Please come join us for Priscilla Circle on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 9am to 11am. All are welcome.

September Coffee Hour is being sponsored by Mel & Veryl Kiekhaefer. Thank you.



Thank you Christine Olsen for mowing the lawn this week. If you are able to mow the lawn at church this fall, please sign up on the kiosk.

Looking for a volunteer to coordinate the Oct 11 FVCT at St Paul's for Shepherding Group 11. Contact Pastor Tabitha if you are able to help.



Interested in Membership?

If you haven't attended new member orientation class yet, Pastor Tabitha is available this Sunday, Sept 28 or next Sunday, Oct 5 at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall. We look forward to welcoming and celebrating with new families on Sunday, October 12 during worship. Email: pastortabitha@gloriadeilc.org or call church office at 725-6822 to indicate your interest or to ask additional questions about membership.



Less than 50 lbs left of plastic bags to get a bench in memory of Fritz Schoessow.



Gloria Dei Ministry: Reaching Out in Community - Lutheran World Relief
 “At Lutheran World Relief, we envision a future where all people, in every corner of the world can live full, dignified lives.” (website) Founded by Lutherans in the United States at the end of World War II, LWR helps people around the world to end poverty, injustice and human suffering. They work in East and West Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Middle East. Best known for their handmade quilt distribution to areas hit by war and natural disasters, they also coordinate the distribution of personal care and baby care kits. For more information go to www.lwr.org.

Gloria Dei Fall Craft Fair Sat. Nov 8 from 9am-2pm

Upcoming Craft Committee meetings are planned for: 10/1, 10/13, 11/3 all @ 3:30pm and 10/18 @ 9am.



Registration form is on the Gloria Dei Website or you can pick one up at church.

If interested we are putting together themed baskets, please donate any new, unused items that we can combine with other donated items to make a basket. Donations can be dropped off in church office.

Donation suggestions: gift cards to local businesses, games, puzzles, coffee basket, tailgate basket, Bloody Mary basket, sporting basket, dog basket, movie night, jams, chocolate, girlfriend basket.

REUSABLE SHOPPING BAGS NEEDED: Please bring reusable shopping bags to church to be used for packing groceries and personal items for the Thanksgiving baskets. Also needed are large paper grocery bags **with handles**. They can be dropped off in the church office or the coat room.

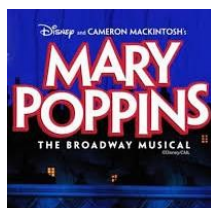
BARS OF BATH SOAP NEEDED: Please consider donating bars of soap, preferable wrapped in plastic, not boxed. Sue Schroeder crochets wash clothes around the soap. They are in demand in the blessing box, especially for homeless people. There is a crate near the kiosk. Thank you!!

Men's Ecumenical Retreat Day: God's Word is Near
 Saturday: Oct 25, 2025 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Cost \$25
 Zion Lutheran Church, 912 N. Oneida St, Appleton
 For more information or to register, contact: Rev. Jake Czarnik-Neimeyer: jake@zionappleton.org

Cayla Radtke and her Girl Scout Troop 2581 are doing a Silver Project. A Silver Project is a Take Action project for a specific community need. The troop is making a little bookshelf library at the Christine Ann Center in Oshkosh for school age children. They are in need of books for elementary and middle school kids. **Please bring in any new or gently used books so they can stock the library.** A collection basket will be under the table in the narthex. If you would like to donate money, they will have a donation box on the table. See kiosk for more information.

CHANGING LEAVES//CHANGING LIVES CALENDAR RAFFLE - NOVEMBER 1-30, 2025

What is a calendar raffle? A calendar raffle is a **raffle where instead of purchasing a raffle ticket, you are purchasing a chance to win \$500 each day for 30 days!** Unlike traditional raffles with a single prize, calendar raffles spread the excitement and offers for winning over a longer period. A single ticket can win multiple times, increasing its value. Winners will be selected randomly at 9:30am each morning Nov 1-30. Winners will be posted on Facebook daily. Gloria Dei will be selling 1,000 tickets. Each ticket costs \$25. Tickets can be purchased Mon-Fri during office hours & Sunday during church time. All proceeds will go to the Capital Fund.



NHS Fall Musical
 October 22-26
 Senior Dinner Oct 22
 See kiosk for more information



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 November 20-22

Looking Ahead:

- School for Seniors @ St Marks - Fri, Oct 3 from 8-12
 - LWR Quilt Delivery - 1st English Lutheran Appleton 8-12
 - Feeding America Service Project - Oct 4 @ 9am
 - Early Learning Center Vendor & Craft Blitz - Saturday, Oct 11 from 9am-2pm - 2425 Industrial Dr Neenah.
 - Fun & Fellowship - Game Day - Tues, Oct 14 @ 1pm
 - St Mark's Craft Fair - Saturday, Oct 25 from 9am-2pm
 - Men's Retreat - Oct 25 @ 8:30 @ Zion Lutheran Church
 - Hephatha Appreciation Day - Sat, Nov 1 @ 3:00pm
 - Holiday for the Horses @ BEAMING - Friday, Nov 7
 - WELCA Biennial Convent: Love w/o Limits - Nov 8 @ St Mark's Neenah
 - GD Fall Craft Fair - Saturday, Nov 8 from 9am-2pm
- Check out kiosk for more information.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

28 SUNDAY	29 MONDAY	30 TUESDAY	1 WEDNESDAY	2 THURSDAY	3 FRIDAY	4 SATURDAY
8:00 Worship Service (Live streamed on YouTube)	7:30 Pilates	9:00 Quilting		7:30 Morning Bible Study	7:30 Pilates	LWR Delivery of Quilts & Kits
9:00 Fellowship Hour	12:30 Klitz Card Group	9:00 ZUMBA		3:15-4:15 Coffee House		
9:10 Sunday School			5:45 Jr Choir Practice	7:00 N.A. group @ GD	7:00 Women of Hope NA	
9:10 Adult Bible Study			6:15-7:30 Confirmation			
10:30 Worship Service	6:00 Worship/Music Ministry Mtg		6:30 One Voice Choir			
12:30 Woodchippers						