

NEWSLETTER—WEEK of October 12, 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, Sandy Wahamaki, Sharron, Robert, Jerry Lindow, Tom Flemming, George Bureau, Liam, Sandy, Ken Mercier, Myron Jones, and Mary Staffeld.

Baptismal Anniversary: Congratulations to Henry Vernon Teigen on his one year Baptismal Anniversary on October 13. A gift of a baptismal medallion will be given to him to commemorate this special milestone this Sunday, October 12.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO GLORIA DEI:

Properties of the common of the coming of th the following individuals and families into the

fellowship at Gloria Dei. New member reception will be held between services. Come and introduce yourself to the new members.

Judy Hebl Lana Hoks

Carla & Todd Joseph Kayla Wippich - Colton & Norah

New members are already in the church directory except for Lana Hoks. Please update your church directory with her information: Lana Hoks, 920-205-4719, 1750 Elk Trail Drive, Neenah, WI 54956, lanahoks@yahoo.com.

Game Day is this Tuesday, Oct 14 @ 1pm. We play all kinds of games: board and card games and bunco or bring your favorite game and teach the rest of us how to play. Bring a friend and join in on the fun. See you there!



Celebration of Life for Bryan Engstrom will be held Saturday, October 18 with 9:30-11am visitation and 11am service.

October Coffee Hour is being sponsored by Keith & Colleen Mustain. Thank you.



Planning an Advent Intergenerational craft event in November. If you have any empty dip jars, please drop them off at the church office before Nov 1.



Fall Colors Hike & Pizza @ Pine Lake Sat, Oct 11 for confirmation students and families - Come FALL COLOR HIKE explore the fall colors, then enjoy wood-fired

pizza served fresh from noon-2pm. This event is free and open to all. Hike from 10am-3pm.

Address: W5631 Akron Ave, Waupaca, WI 54981

Coffee House Ministry – Thurs from 3:15 – 4:30 p.m. Coffee House opened its doors to Neenah students. Served 68 students and parents last week. This year we are trying to have no nuts or peanut butter treats. Thank you to all you have brought treats or volunteered. If you would like to volunteer or bake treats, please contact Pastor Jon.

Hephatha Mission Partners Appreciation Day -Sat. Nov. 1: Our Milwaukee based partner church, Hephatha, is holding its ministry partner appreciation event. 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 1:15pm and arrive back about **7:30pm**. 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.

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

A calendar raffle is a raffle where instead of purchasing a raffle ticket, you are purchasing a chance to win \$500 a day for 30 days. A single ticket can win multiple times. Winners will be selected randomly at 9:30am each morning Nov 1-30. Winners will be called and will also be posted on Facebook daily. Gloria Dei will be selling 1000 tickets. We need your help selling tickets. Please stop by church office or pick up some on Sunday to sell to friends and family. Each ticket costs \$25. All proceeds will go to the Capital Fund.

Gloria Dei Fall Craft Fair Sat. Nov 8 from 9am-2pm Upcoming Craft Committee meetings are planned for: 10/13 and 11/3 @ 3:30pm and 10/18 @ 3pm.

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

Themed baskets will be assembled soon. Craft Committee is still looking for gift cards or cash to add to the baskets. If you can donate a gift card or cash, please drop off at the church office anytime before Oct 18. Thank you.

Thank you to Shepherding Group 11 for donating and serving the FVCT meal at St Paul's this past Saturday, Oct 11.



Soweto Gospel Choir is performing at the PAC on Thursday, Nov. 6 @ 7:30 pm. A special group rate of \$21.83 has been approved and we are encouraging confirmation students to attend along with other family and church members. For more information, see flyer on kiosk.

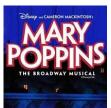
💖 🛮 Gloria Dei Ministry: Reaching Out in Living m Community - ELCA: We are an ELCA Generously congregation. The Evangelical Lutheran

Church in America (ELCA) is one of the largest Christian denominations in the United States, with nearly 2.8 million members in more than 8,500 worshiping communities across the 50 states and in the Caribbean region. "We are a church that is deeply rooted and always being made new. Our roots are in Scripture and a collection of writings called the Book of Concord, as well as in the rich histories of our congregations. We're a church that strives to be faithful to the gospel and work toward more justice and wholeness in the world. We are equipped to live and serve in the world with all its complexities, tensions and ambiguities. All are welcome here." (Website) www.elca.org.

This summer the ELCA held it's churchwide assembly in Phoenix, AZ. At this assembly a new presiding bishop was elected. For more information about the assembly go to www.elca.org/about/leadership/churchwideassembly.

Installation of ELCA Bishop: Presiding Bishop Yehiel Curry was installed on Sat, Oct 4 at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. It was a day of rejoicing & celebration as ecumenical and global partners joined with the conference of bishops and people from all across the church to mark this new beginning in our life together.





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

> Jubricosa November 20-22



Looking Ahead:

- 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.

2025 GLORIA DEI THANKSGIVING BASKETS

We have the privilege of sponsoring Thanksgiving Baskets for families in the area who could use a helping hand. Last year we distributed **33 baskets** to families who were referred by Winnebago County Social Services, local schools, and families connected to Gloria Dei. The love and generosity of our members makes this mission possible. Thank you! Jim and Vicki Wippich

Oct 12-Nov 16 - COLLECTION OF FOOD, HOUSEHOLD, **AND PERSONAL ITEMS:** Donated items should be left on the benches and tables outside the sanctuary. Monetary gifts are welcome at any time and can be left in the offering plate with the following designation: THANKSGIVING BASKETS. Donations can also be made online. Food, household, and personal items will be purchased using these monetary donations.

Sunday, Nov 16 - LAST COLLECTION DATE

Wednesday, Nov 19 - SORT DONATED ITEMS IN CHURCH KITCHEN AT 9 a.m.

Saturday, Nov 22 - DELIVER BASKETS 9-10:30 a.m.

Please sign up on the kiosk or contact Jim and Vicki to help sort and deliver baskets.

Suggested Donations for the Thanksgiving Baskets:

Canned fruits, vegetables (especially corn and green beans), green bean casserole ingredients, beef stew, spaghetti sauce, soup, gravy, baked beans, canned pasta/ravioli, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, canned chicken, fruit juice, baby food.

Packages of crackers, cereal, instant oatmeal packets, pancake mix, syrup, breakfast bars, pasta, mac & cheese, minute rice, boxed instant stuffing, instant potatoes, cookies.

Personal/household items such as body wash, shampoo, adult and kids toothpaste, kids toothbrushes, bars of soap, soft soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, lotion, laundry detergent, cleaning products, dish soap, toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, diapers, baby wipes.

Kids dental supplies—infant toothbrushes and kids toothpaste. Thank you!

WEEK AT A GLANCE

12 SUNDAY Name Tag Sunday 8:00 Worship Service (Live streamed on You Tube) 9:00 Fellowship Hour -New Member Reception 9:00 Stewardship Drive Handouts 9:10 Sunday School 9:10 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service

13 MONDAY **Church Office** Closed 7:30 Pilates

3:30 Fall Craft Mtg 1:00 Fun & Fellow-6:30 Fin Comm astors @

Theological Conf.

6:00 Ed/Youth Mtg ship - Game Day Pastors @ Theological Conf.

14 TUESDAY

9:00 Quilting 9:00 ZUMBA

15 WEDNESDAY 9:00 Priscilla Circle

No Confirmation or Jr 6:30 One Voice Choir Pastors @ Theological Conf

16 THURSDAY 7:30 Morning Bible Study

3:15-4:15 Coffee House 5:00 Book Club-Zuppas 7:00 N.A. group @ GD

17 FRIDAY 7:30 Pilates

5:30 Women of Hope NA

18 SATURDAY 9:30 Visitation 11:00 Celebration of Life for Bryan Engstrom 3:00 Fall Craft Mtg

2026 Stewardship Emphasis



As God's people, we are oriented with the following stewarding truths:

- 1.God is lavishly Generous!!
- 2. We are recipients of God's Generous Gifts, which include all we are and all we have.
- 3. God inspires our response to these generous gifts to give, share, love and care for God, this world and each other.

Let's envision together what we can do to in response to God's Generosity this coming year. The vision for ministry includes the partnership and investment of all members of this church community. In the next 4 weeks, we are asked to discern all the ways that we will be able to be directly involved in the ministry of Gloria Dei for 2026.

All Gloria Dei families are asked to complete a set of 2026 Giving Plans, to help your church leaders prepare and plan for Gloria Dei ministry for the 2026 calendar year.

There are three ways to access your 2026 stewardship materials:

Pick up a stewardship packet before or after worship on Sunday, October 12th.

If you aren't able to pick up your packet in person, it will be mailed to your home.

If you prefer, we can email an electronic copy of the packet. Contact the office to request one.

Please complete the stewardship forms, return to church and place in the stewardship basket in the gathering space or offering plate on or before Sunday, November 9th (or mail/drop off packet in the church office)

If you haven't completed a stewardship plan in the past, we invite you to consider it for this year. Your vital feedback from your giving plans is utilized to determine what ministries we can plan for in the coming year. If you want to know more about how your giving plans are used to plan for ministry or about the process, please feel to contact the church office or church council.

On Sunday, November 9th, during worship we will bless our plans for the ministry of this Church!

¹¹ You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. ¹² This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. ² Corinthians 9:11-12