Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

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NEWSLETTER—WEEK of September 20, 2026

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Office Hours
Mon-Thurs:
9:30am-4:30pm
Closed Friday

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

Online Worship @ https://www.youtube.com/c/gloriadei (Sunday @ 10:30am)
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 Tom Flemming, Russ Stern, Sara Krueger, Jodi Main, Amelia, Robin Staffeldt, Ezra Shannon, Steve Jacob, Dave, Sarah, Inge Gramer, Scott, Melissa, Terry Gulke, Barb & Tom (sister and brother of Jane Blohm), Patty, and Jane Blohm.

Starting this Sunday, September 20 there will be 2 services - 8am and 10:30am. We need volunteers to sign up to help on Sunday mornings. Lots of opportunities to help during worship and around the church. There are 3 ways you can sign up: 1) online on the Gloria Dei website https://gloriadeilc.org/ then click on connecting tab and click on worship volunteer sign-up; 2) on the kiosk in the narthex, or 3) call the church office 920-725-6822. For more details, attend the ministry fair on Sunday.

Your Help is Needed!!
Blood Drive on Monday, Sept 21 from 1:00-6:00pm.
Please call Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767 to make an appointment or visit redcrossblood.org Appointments preferred, but walk-ins are welcome!

This Sunday, September 20, we celebrate with Gloria Dei 2nd & 6th graders who will be receiving Bibles. What an honor to be part of this milestone with our children and youth!

2nd Graders: Aviana Chugh, Ean Hilger, August Olson, Lucy Olson, Vivian Olson, and Liam Paulson.

6th Graders: Roslyn Coultas and Lydia Wedge

Youth Opportunity: Service Saturday, Oct 3 from 8:30-11am @ Feeding America, 2911 W Evergreen Dr, Appleton. Contact Kelly Wedge if you are interested in helping. See flyer on table in the narthex for more details.

Stewardship Ministry Fair: **This Sunday, Sept 20 • Between Services • Fellowship Hall**

Amazing Treats Await! You won't want to miss them!

Who Would Like $50 in FREE GAS?! That's right! Stop by the Stewardship Table for details on how to earn a chance to win **$50 in free gas!**

Stewardship Table - Be sure to stop by to pick up your **Financial Giving Plan** and learn about some **exciting new changes coming this fall** in our Stewardship Campaign.

You will NOT want to miss this AMAZING EVENT!

Come connect, discover, enjoy some treats, and be part of what Gloria Dei is doing through our church and ministries as the hands and feet of God!

Confirmation & Sunday School Students: You can also attend the Ministry Fair on Sunday, Sept 20 to win a mystery prize. Students will get a card and then when they visit a table they will write the ministry name on the back of the card and then they will receive a sticker. They must collect 5 or more stickers on their card and return the card to the Education/Youth table to receive a mystery prize. 3 yrs old - 5th grade students will start at 10am after Sunday school. Parents will need to assist their child to complete their card.

Volunteer Opportunities at Gloria Dei:

* Need someone to decorate the bell tower for **Christmas** - put up the lights, the swag, and the bows. If you can help, please contact Valerie Gulke.
* Coffee House starts **Oct 8**. If you are able to make a treat or volunteer, please let Christine Olsen know or call the church office.
* GWOH continuation: **Sunday, Oct 11** between services (9am-10:30am) we will have tables set up in the fellowship hall to finish measuring spices for St Joes.

Volunteer Opportunities in Community:

* Need someone to represent Gloria Dei at the FVCT Christmas Dinner planning meeting on **Monday Sept 21** at 5pm at St Paul's. This person will bring back information to the church of what is needed for the lunch on Saturday, Dec 12. Please email church office (office@gloriadeilc.org) if you can attend this meeting.

Gloria Dei's Fall Craft Fair - Sat. Nov 14, 2026, 9 a.m.—2 p.m.

Support from the congregation will help make GD's Fall Craft Fair a success! Here are some ways you can help:

1. Spread the word—to prospective crafters. Booths/spaces are available to rent.
2. Donate a case of can soda: 3 Diet Mountain Dew and 1 A&W root beer are still needed. Soda can be dropped off at the church office anytime now until Nov 2.
3. Consider donating items for basket raffle, or create a basket for the raffle. All items must be new. See suggestions on the kiosk. Basket or donated items need to be dropped off at the church office by Oct 9.
4. Consider ordering SCRIP gift cards that can be added to a raffle basket. Gift cards can be dropped off at the church office by Oct 9.
5. Consider asking area businesses to donate services or items: Pick up a donation request letter from the office or hand out flyers—at area businesses, your place of employment, and other community spaces.

Donations can be dropped off in the office. Thank you.

Fox Cities Marathon on Sunday. Please watch for runners. Check course map to see if it affects your drive to church: https://foxcitiesmarathon.org/race-week/maps/

Save the date for the 2027 ELCA Youth Gathering, taking place Jun 28-Jul 2, 2027, in Minneapolis! This event brings together thousands of high school youth from across the ELCA for worship, learning, and fellowship. Open to students who are in 8th–12th grade. Registration will open soon. Total cost TBD. A pamphlet about this gathering is available in the narthex or you can go online at https://www.elca.org/gathering for more information. If you are interested in attending, sign up on the kiosk or email youth@gloriadeilc.org.

THANK YOUS:

- Millie Golden would like to thank Gloria Dei for the cards and birthday wishes. See her letter posted on the kiosk.
- Sara Krueger called & wanted everyone to know her surgery went will and wanted to thank everyone for cards, well wishes, and meal. Greatly appreciated.
- Jane Blohm was hospitalized last week with an infection and is now home. Prayers of thanks for healing and continued improvement.

School for Seniors: Are you a senior who enjoys learning? Join in the SCHOOL FOR SENIORS, co-sponsored by the City of Neenah Committee on Aging and Lakeland University.

When: **Friday, Oct 16, 2026**, 8:45 am to 12 noon Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

Where: St. Mark's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 140 S. Green Bay Road, Neenah

What: Thought-provoking presentations and discussion in an informal setting presented by community experts. There's something for everyone! Get ready to be inspired by a nationally known motivational speaker, learn about fitness for the body and brain, and get tips for personal safety. Enjoy refreshments and an information fair featuring community resources.

Cost: Free of charge

RSVP: **Seating is limited**, please call City of Neenah at 920-886-6125 by 10/12/26.

Thank you Bob Seubert for mowing this week. If you can help mow the lawn this fall, sign up on the kiosk.

Coffee House Ministry - Starts Thurs, Oct 8 from 3:15 -4:15 p.m. for Middle School and High School youth and families. If you can help, contact Christine Olsen or the church office.

Flowers on the altar this morning are given by Terry & Valerie Gulke in memory of Erich & Lavonne Gulke.

		Acolyte	Ushers	Liturgy Assistant	Lector	Communion Assistant	Greeter	Nursery Att.	Coffee Host	Live Stream	Altar Guild
Sept 20	8:00		Paul Bonikowske/ Galen Drews	Chris Drews	Paul Bonikowske	Jeaneen Schoessow	Jenny Bonikowske				Christine Olsen
Sept 13	10:30		Lia & Garrison Cummings							Ryan Helms	Christine Olsen
Sept 20	8:00			Christine Olsen	Christine Olsen						
Sept 20	10:30			Christine Olsen	Christine Olsen						

Week at a Glance

20 SUNDAY	21 MONDAY	22 TUESDAY	23 WEDNESDAY	24 THURSDAY	25 FRIDAY	26 SATURDAY
8:00 Worship Service 9:10 Ministry Fair 9:10 Sunday School 9:10 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service *(Livestreamed on YouTube)*	7:30 Pilates 1-6 Blood Drive 3:00 Phillip Shredding 6:30 Council Mtg	9:00 Quilting 9:00 Zumba 2:30 Fall Craft Fair Mtg 6:30 Women w Hope NA	5:45 Jr Choir Practice 6:15 Confirmation Class 6:30 One Voice Choir Practice	7:30 Morning Bible Study 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	7:30 Pilates	