



Gloria Dei Newsletter



Living our Faith with Joy and Enthusiasm

April 2011

Holy Week

"The purpose of Holy Week...was to set the facts of the Gospel before the worshippers; but this should not be taken to mean that Holy Week is merely an occasion for pious remembrance. It is or should be more than a series of commemorations of past events recalled to mind; *it is or should be the means whereby the worshippers participate in the saving events* (emphasis added).

Unless the Church can learn to identify itself with Christ in His death and resurrection,... it cannot accomplish its mission, which is not only to proclaim the good news but to embody it and to make it the pattern of corporate life, even as Christ Himself not only proclaimed the Gospel but was and is the Gospel."

J. Gordon Davies. Holy Week: A Short History, page 65

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION/PALM SUNDAY EUCHARIST

April 17, 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

This liturgy is in two parts. It begins with a procession with palms, and continues with a celebration of the Passion of Jesus Christ. The procession with palms provides for an appropriate outburst of joy which does not lose sight of the solemn goal of Jesus' triumphal entry. He rides on to the cross.

If you are able, please gather in the courtyard to join in our procession around the outside of the church and then in and around the Nave.

MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK

April 18: 9:30 am Eucharist

TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

April 19: 5:30 PM Eucharist

WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

April 20: 5:30 PM Eucharist

As your schedule permits, join us for a quiet, reflective Eucharist on each of these days.

MAUNDY THURSDAY EUCHARIST WITH ABSOLUTION & FOOT-WASHING

April 21: 12:10 PM & 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday began with an extended confession of sins; the absolution was deferred until Maundy Thursday. This service begins in an unusual way: with the sermon, which concludes with absolution and sharing of peace.

Maundy Thursday is the beginning of one great three-day liturgy, the Triduum (or Three Holy Days), and so at the normal time for a sermon, the Gospel is proclaimed in the washing of feet, following our Lord in humble service.



There is no benediction. The altar is stripped following the 7:00 p.m. service in preparation for the austerity of Good Friday. This marks the transition from the eucharistic celebration to that of Jesus' crucifixion and death. It also provides a symbolic remembrance of Christ's humiliation by the soldiers.



GOOD FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE CROSS

April 22, 12:10 PM & 7:00 PM



We celebrate the Lord's sacrifice on the cross. It is appropriate for Good Friday to be an austere time of reflection and intercession as well as the adoration of the Cross of Christ.



VIGIL OF EASTER

April 23, 7:00 PM

The vigil is the crowning liturgy of the entire year. The climax of what began on Maundy Thursday is reached in this service, which is full of contrasts between darkness and light, death and life, chaos and order. The cross is vindicated as the Lord's throne, and the fullness of salvation finds expression--creation and redemption, old covenant and new covenant, Baptism and Eucharist. Through the Word the sacraments are revealed as means of God's salvation.



Four sections comprise the Vigil of Easter: the Service of Light, the Service of Readings, the Service of Baptism, and the service of Holy Communion. A festival reception follows the service.

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

April 24, 2010

8:30 AM

FESTIVAL EUCHARIST

9:45 AM

EASTER BREAKFAST

10:15 AM

EASTER EGG HUNT

11:00 AM

FESTIVAL EUCHARIST

Easter (or Pascha) is the day God began creation, transforming darkness into light. Easter is the day when the church celebrates its birth from the waters of baptism and its new life in the holy supper. Easter is a continuing experience. We are an Easter People. Easter Sunday is not just a commemoration of a historical event but a realization of union with the risen and reigning Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.



Attention Parents: Childcare will be provided for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday & Easter Vigil evening services.



From the Director of
Music & Christian Education

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

NOW WE CAN CELEBRATE PASSOVER!

A Lenten Study for ages
 four through 5th grade
 Wednesdays, April 6 & 13
 Downstairs in Room 9

Led by Mike and Jill Honas



Adult Forum in FHA

THE LUTHERAN LITURGY REDUX-

How Come We Do It Like We Do?

Led by Dr. John Buckner

April 3, 10, & 17



Coffee and Conversation in FHB:

Facilitated by Kent Koehler

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 5:00 P.M.

SEDER (PASSOVER) MEAL

Adults: \$10 Child's Plate \$5 (reduced portion of
 brisket and applesauce replaces haroset, pudding
 dessert)

Menu: Beef Brisket, Seasoned Rice, Mixed Greens,
 Haroset (apple/nut) Garnish, Deviled Eggs, Matzah
 Crackers, Sparkling Grape Juice, Cheesecake.

Reservations with payment after both services on
 April 3, & April 10.

Special Thanks to

Zoe Hoyle

for planning the Palm Sunday Seder Meal



CLIP & SAVE

Music Ministry Schedule

Sunday, April 3 - 11:00 Parish Choir and Carillon
 Youth Bells

Sunday, April 10 - 8:30 Parish Choir; 11:00 Children's
 Choir and Jubilate Youth Bells

Wed., April 13 - Final Rehearsal for Prime Chimes
 until Fall; Regular rehearsals for all music ministry
 groups

Sunday, April 17 - 11:00 Parish Choir and Prime
 Chimes

Maundy Thursday, April 21 - 7:00 p.m. Children's
 Choir (warm-up at 6:30 in rehearsal room)
 Parish Choir (warm-up at 6:30 in the choir loft)

Good Friday, April 22 - 7:00 p.m. Jubilate Youth Bells
 (warm-up at 6:30 in the nave) Parish Choir (warm-
 up at 6:30 in the rehearsal room)

Vigil of Easter, Sat., April 23 - 7:00 p.m. Liturgical
 Dancers and Parish Choir (warm-up at 6:15 in the
 choir loft; dancers in the nave)

Easter Sunday, April 24 - 8:30 & 11:00 Gloria Dei
 Ringers and Parish Choir

Wed., April 27 - Final Spring rehearsal for Children's
 Choir, Carillon & Jubilate Youth Bells

Perfect Attendance!

ELEMENTARY LEVEL SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR FEBRUARY

2 & 3 year olds

Maxton Swenson

Elle Jones

Pre-K, Kdg.

Aiden Gornick

Darby Parks

Leah Combs

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grade

Mallory Helton

Garrett Aker

Benjamin Sherwood

LENTEN VESPERS

Sunday, April 3, 5:00 p.m.

Fellowship Meal following at Savute's Restaurant

Sign-up Sheet on the Music Bulletin Board

Confirmation & Youth Group Schedule

6th grade confirmation will resume in April. We will have four more sessions: April 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th. If you haven't already memorized all of the books of the Bible, please be practicing! Wednesday the 27th is your last chance to get your prize. Youth group will follow all confirmation classes and the high school Bible study at 7:45 each Wednesday. Come join us for fun and fellowship!



Youth will be selling home baked goods after each service in Fellowship Hall A on April 17th to raise money for their summer mission trip to Minneapolis/St. Paul. Donations of baked goods are welcome from all members of the congregations. There will be a sign up sheet on the youth board to let Sara know what type of baked goods you will be donating. Youth also need to sign up to work the bake sale.



Spring Cleaning

It's time to do a little work around the church. The youth are going to help with Spring Cleaning on April 9th beginning at 9:00 AM. Please wear older clothes and come ready to work. It will be a great day to serve our own community.

Youth Committee Meeting

All parents and high school youth are invited to attend the youth committee meeting on April 10th during the Sunday School hour in the high school youth room.

Movie Night:

All youth are invited to a movie night! After the mission trip meeting on April 15th at 8pm, we will pop some popcorn and watch a movie. There is a sign up sheet on the youth board for movie suggestions (all suggestions must be PG 13 or under, Sara has final decision). Please bring a snack to share.



YOUTH GARAGE SALE

Garage Sale

Youth are hosting a garage sale on Saturday April 30th. Please sign up on the youth board to help set up items on Friday evening and work the sale on Saturday. Please start collecting items you would like to donate to the sale (donations from anyone in the congregation are very welcome!). Items may be dropped off at Kari Schmidt and Jeff Emerson's on Thursday the 28th and Friday the 29th after 6pm. If you have larger items to donate and need help in transporting them, please contact Sara for more information.

Dollars for Liliyanti



Please don't forget about Liliyanti! Please bring your offering to Sunday School or Youth Group. It only takes \$2 a month from each youth to meet our monthly commitment.



Youth mission trip

Mission Trip Meeting

April 15th 7pm in Fellowship Hall A: All high school youth and their parents are invited to attend an information meeting about the mission trip to Minneapolis/St. Paul. I will be presenting information about trip costs and requirements, the retreat center, service activities, and sight seeing. If you are interested in coming on this trip please come!

*God Bless,
Sara*





Thank you for your prayers at the recent days of the death of my brother, Ingo Petersen. I appreciate your sympathy and God's everlasting love. -*Marlene Miene*

Many thanks to all that made my 80th birthday very special. Thanks for the lovely reception, flowers, gifts, and numerous cards. Just makes one proud to have such a wonderful family, as well as my Gloria Dei family. Thanks and God Bless all of you. -*Audrey Dilley*

Thank you for your wonderful gifts of Bags of Blessings! Our grand total is around 600 Bags, which will Bless many people in need. That's more than 7,200 much needed supplies, a big help and savings to our neighbors. We are giving your Blessings to area agencies and programs that reach out with help — places like Wichita Children's Home, United Methodist Open Door, St. Anthony Family Shelter, Union Rescue Mission, Inter-Faith Inn, St. Paul's Community Breakfast, St. John's Episcopal Church's Sandwich Saturdays, and more. Imagine the fun for a family to open their Bag of Blessing to see the good things you have given, a sign of your caring. Thank you for making all this happen! Peace to you!

*Pastor Sally Fahrenthold,
Volunteer for Partners for Wichita*

We appreciate the words of sympathy and messages of condolence received upon the death of our brother and uncle Ward W. Westerberg. Thank you.

-Ruth Rulifson, Joy Leimer and family



Our prayers and sympathy are extended to John and Susan Vetter and family. Susan's dad, Clyde Meador passed away March 10th.

Special Easter Offering

Our 2010 Easter Offering has been designated for Ronald McDonald House and Cystic Fibrosis research. The regular Sunday offering envelope is included in your offering envelope box. Special Easter Offering envelopes are available in the pews and in the narthex. Please use the special envelope for your Easter Offering.



Join your Gloria Dei family for Easter breakfast on Sunday April 24th! The Church Council will host and serve the annual Easter Breakfast at 9:45 am. If you would like to provide rolls, coffee cake, muffins, or bread for the Easter breakfast, please bring your goodies to the church on Saturday morning, April 23rd, or at the latest, before first service on Easter.

It's Global... It's Local... It's Glocal!



The ELCA is bringing a Glocal Mission Gathering to our Synod and our Area, to St. Paul's-Wichita, on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 30-Oct. 1. The theme "Migration/Immigration" will offer faith, foods, music, mission and personal stories that bring us together.

Put this on your calendar now, and plan for a team to take part, with sessions for pastors, Council members, musicians, education & service folks. Lutherans and others who come from many lands will share experiences.

Pr. David Fulton, St. Paul's-Wichita, and Pr. Sally Fahrenthold are "co-facilitators," with assistance of Pr. Janice Kibler, Synod, Bishop's Associate. They will form a Leadership Team and seek volunteers for hosting this event, which is expected to draw people from across the Synod and other places. Cost is \$35 each. Register on line or by phone. Website: www.elca.org/glocal.

GREETERS SCHEDULE

There is a signup poster for greeters similar to the ones we have for flower and coffee signup posted on the bulletin board by the office. Any member and/or families interested can signup for a convenient Sunday and service time to greet fellow members fifteen minutes prior to service. This is a great opportunity to get to know more members of the church and to create fellowship. A smile, a handshake and a "Good Morning" is a small gesture that can make someone feel welcome in our church. I would like to start the signup with the month of June and fill to the end of the year. Please choose as many Sundays as you would like. I will continue to call on members to greet for April and May and then call to fill any spots vacant in the months after that. After signing up, continue to check the newsletter as the greeters will be listed each month. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 721-0094. *Sally Seemann*



Spring Cleaning

Spring cleaning day is April 9th. We'll be washing windows, cleaning floors, and planting flowers beginning at 9:00 AM. Our gardener, Jamie Clay, has a great plan for the outside beds and flowerpots. If you would like to donate a rose bush, a few bags of mulch, a tray of annuals, etc., please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the library. Then bring your contributions on April 9th, and Jamie will do the rest. Let's make the church sparkle for the Easter season.

Women's Ministry

Pages and Sages Book Club is reading Five Quarters of the Orange in March, 2011 with discussion April 2, 2011 at Wichita Art Museum, 11:00 a.m. Five Quarters of the Orange by Joanne Horan "As a child, Framboise Dartigen and her family were driven from their small Loire village because of a tragedy that took place during the German occupation - an event that still haunts the town. Now, as an adult, Framboise will find the terrible truth of that long-ago time hidden among the newspaper clippings, herbal cures, and cherished recipes that fill the pages of the scrapbook her mother bequeathed to her." NY Times Review

Gloria Dei Writers Club welcomes new members. If you are developing your gift as a writer and would like to grow with like-minded women, join us the last Saturday of the month (except for holidays) at 11:00 a.m. in the Café at the Wichita Art Museum. We always leave with the enthusiasm to write and a smile on our faces.

The Triennial Gathering is planned for this coming July in Spokane, Washington. The theme will be "Renew, Respond, Rejoice!". Dates are July 14 - 17.

Guild leaders should let Joan Pritchard know if you plan to use *The Lutheran Woman* next year for Bible Study AND if you want a leader's guide. Some guilds are opting not to order a guide.

Least Coin for Christian Women United - 2011

January	\$3.00
February	\$9.00
March	\$24.00



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Ark River Valley Cluster Area Ministry meeting & Luncheon



Hosted by the Women of Gloria Dei

Saturday, April 16, 2011

9:00 Registration and Coffee
Registration is \$1.00; lunch \$4.00

9:30 Opening and general information:
Synod convention, triennial, and synod board.

Program: Hands-on for Lutheran Missionaries
Participants are asked to bring scissors and spare yarns. Projects will include butterflies, Lutheran prayer beads, yarn scarves and cards for Lutheran Missionaries.

Two offerings: CSS Women of the ELCA and Convention Scholarships

The In-kind-gifts recipient was selected by Gloria Dei and will be the Women's Crisis Center. Participants should bring toiletries/personal or household items.

Gloria Dei women should have their Easter themed tables decorated no later than 8:45 a.m. and luncheon salads delivered by 10:45 a.m. We hope that our Gloria Dei attendance will be good and appreciation is given for the wonderful volunteer work offered by all the women of our church. Lola Mae Hershberger is our contact individual for this event and any questions may be directed to her at lmhersh@cox.net or 682-6984.

49ERS PLUS--Noon luncheon, Monday, April 18th. Bring a dish to share, your table service, and a friend. The program is a surprise, you must come to enjoy.

Please check the kitchen to see if you've left any baking dishes, etc. There are also some coats and jackets hanging in the hallway. Items that are not picked up by April 9th, Spring Cleaning Day, will be donated.



News & Notes from Gloria Dei Library

Ladies of Liberty: The Women Who Shaped Our Nation (973.4 ROB) by veteran Washington journalist, Cokie Roberts, is an entertaining follow-up to her popular biography *Founding Mothers*. Some of Robert's figures include Louisa Catherine Adams, wife to John Quincy, and court life in Russia and Austria; the sociable Dolley Payne Madison, known as "Queen Dolley"; Elizabeth Monroe, a staid and sickly return to formality; and a host of children, acquaintances, advisors and socialites whose letters read as a political counterpoint to history. If you love a gossipy history with quotes from primary sources, then you'll enjoy this book. This selection is a gift to the library from Zoe Hoyle.

Author and Harvard professor Robert Putnam and University of Notre Dame coauthor David Campbell have written a sweeping chronicle of national change over time entitled **American Grace: How Religion Divides and Unites Us** (201.70 PUT). The bulk of the book explores in detail cultural developments: the boom of evangelicals; the rise of feminism in the pews; the liberalization of attitudes about premarital sex and homosexuality; and the dramatic increase of people claiming no institutional religious affiliation. The authors complement their statistical analysis with colorful vignettes, humanizing their numbers with episodes from the lives of individual Protestants and Catholics, Jews and Mormons. This book is an essential resource for anyone trying to understand twenty-first-century America. Funds from the Irene Jacob Memorial were used to purchase this book.

In **Of Thee I Sing: A Letter to My Daughters** (J 179 OBA) by Barack Obama, our 44th President introduces thirteen American icons and heroes as exemplars of personal virtues, from Georgia O'Keeffe and Jackie Robinson to Helen Keller and Cesar Chavez. In characteristically measured prose, Obama offers general summations of why each figure merits admiration. A closing painting of Obama walking with his daughters and a page of historical notes end this first introduction to some of our country's great heroes. School Library Journal recommends this book for grades 2-5. Melanie Chase donated this book to the Gloria Dei Library.

"You've really got to start hitting the books because it's no joke out here" —Spike Lee



Audrey and Arnold Dilley delivered 21 bags of food and 7 bags of clothing to UM Open Door in March.

Lutheran

SEASONAL READING: *The Lutheran's* April issue moves readers from Lent, through Holy Week and into Easter. In "Making Lent Count," learn how to make the season meaningful for children-and adults too. Go "Beyond the Resurrection" to see how an Indianapolis church adds a twist to the traditional Stations of the Cross. Where is the risen Jesus? Read the Easter reflection titled "Christ at the Crossroads" to find out.

WHO ARE THEY? The evangelicals, that is. *The Lutheran's* April issue asks: "Who are the Evangelicals?" Find out how Lutherans relate and respond to evangelicals. The section includes a study guide by Robert Blezard, an ELCA pastor in Pennsylvania, which is available in the print edition and at www.thelutheran.org (free to print and Web subscribers; click on "study guides").

LET'S DISCUSS. *The Lutheran's* April issue gives you some articles to think about and discuss. Read Peter Marty's column and ponder "The world of sin." Think about Tom Erich's six suggestions for a course change at the congregational level. Would your congregation benefit from trying one or all of these serious challenges? Study "Blessings and privileges" to see how correcting our semantics is a theological opportunity (to help your discussion, a study guide is available for this article at www.thelutheran.org; click on "study guides." It's free to print and Web subscribers).

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU? Plenty! *The Lutheran's* April issue has stories for all interests: discover how Lutheran agencies are helping older adults go high-tech at home ... find out why one agency is keeping "The Lutheran brand of caring" ... travel to California, where a congregation's community garden is reaping rewards ... read reviews of musician Chris Tomlin's latest album, the movie *Of Gods and Men* and the children's book *Images of God for Young Children* ... see how you can introduce bedtime prayers to your children, a healthy habit for body and soul ... learn about the 2011 Churchwide Assembly theme "Freed in Christ to Serve" ... get a jump start on planning for Pentecost ... and meet an ELCA member who addresses agricultural issues for California. Don't forget the "News" and "Higher education" columns, where you can find out what's happening in the church locally, nationally and globally.

BUDGET REPORT	
Year to Date Budgeted Income	\$ 62,235.87
Year to Date Actual Income	\$ 62,673.95
(As of February 28, 2011)	

April Prayer of the Week

One of the ways we live out our Christian faith is through a life of prayer. Sometimes, however, it's easy for us to neglect prayer—to let it get crowded out by all the other things that demand our attention at work, at school, or at home. To help us be more intentional in our lives of prayer, we have established a **Prayer of the Week**, and we call on all members of Gloria Dei to pray our *Prayer of the Week together at 9:00 AM each day*. If you can't always (or ever!) pray at 9:00 AM, you can choose an alternate time, or if you forget, you can still know that the rest of your brothers and sisters in Christ have been praying with you and for you.



This month our prayers focus on the conclusion of Lent, Holy Week, and the Resurrection of our Lord and the new life we know in him.

The following prayers will be used for the Sundays indicated and for the week following:

(April 3) Teach us, heavenly Father, to hold lightly to the things of this world, and enable us in this holy season gladly to forego some of the good things of your creation, so that we may attain the greater good of serving you with all our heart and mind and strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

(April 10) Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, you bore our sins in your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death, and grant to us, your servants, with all others who devoutly remember your blessed Passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and, through your grace, eternal glory in the life to come; where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, God forever. Amen

(April 17) Almighty, ever-living God, you have given the human race Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of humility. He fulfilled your will by becoming man and giving his life on the cross. Help us to bear witness to you by following his example of suffering and make us worthy to share in his resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

(April 24) Father, by the Easter mystery you touch our lives with the healing power of your love. You have given us the freedom of the sons of God. May we who now celebrate your gift find joy in it for ever in heaven. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen



About Being Lutheran

The Easter Vigil

What is the Easter Vigil?

The Easter Vigil is a way of proclaiming and celebrating the death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is the climax of Holy Week; the barrenness of Good Friday's stripped altar is changed into beauty; light pierces the darkness; all of the church's signs of joy replace the signs of sorrow; The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

Although its exact origins are unknown, the Easter Vigil was already spoken of in the third century by Tertullian as being so old that he does not know its origin. Some believe that Acts 20:7, speaking of such an all-night vigil, may reflect its origins.

The Easter Vigil consists of four parts. It begins with the **Service of Light**, in which a new fire representing the Resurrection is lighted. From this fire is lighted the newly-blessed Paschal candle, the sign of Jesus' Resurrection Light, which then leads the congregation in procession into the darkened church. All lights are taken from this candle. The Easter Proclamation, the *Exsultet*, is sung.

A **Service of Readings** follows, twelve being anciently appointed, but fewer are used in many parishes. Old Testament passages recounting God's acts of salvation are read, interspersed with the singing of hymns, psalms, and canticles.

A **Service of Baptism** and/or the Renewal of Baptismal Vows is the third part. In the early centuries of Christianity, the only time Christians were baptized was at the Easter Vigil. Because this was everyone's baptismal anniversary, the Vigil became the time for renewal of baptismal vows, recalling Paul's association of Baptism and the Resurrection in Romans 6 which Luther used in the *Small Catechism*. Although most of us have been baptized on different days, we too still renew our baptismal vows at the Vigil. The baptismal water is used as a sign of our baptismal remembrance by sprinkling the baptized during the Creed.

A **Service of Holy Communion** concludes the Vigil, being the first Eucharist of the Easter season. Here our Lord Jesus Christ by the power of his resurrection comes to be present among us through the preaching of his Word and the celebration of his Holy Sacrament. Thus, the Vigil leads us through death to life in our risen Lord.



Baptism Anniversaries

Bill Bothner	4/1
Bob Pedroja	4/1
Joan Layman	4/1
Jeff Emerson	4/1
Karen Pleming	4/2
Marsha Stenholm	4/4
Audrey Dilley	4/5
Kevin Girton	4/6
Royce Ann White	4/7
Peter Jacobson	4/8
Kristian Jacobson	4/10
Seth Girton	4/10
Carla Boster	4/11
Clarice Poindexter	4/11
Karen Haynes	4/12
Dean Wasser	4/12
Jean Hagbom	4/13
Carl Sundeen	4/13
Dennis Schade	4/13
Karma Tidemann	4/14
Mike Florio	4/15
John Fuller	4/15
Madison Shriner	4/15
Kris Maugans	4/15
Darby Parks	4/15
Dolores Brunk	4/16
Joy Leimer	4/17
Laura Seemann	4/18
Jenette Drake	4/19
Robert Frahm	4/21
Justin Saathoff	4/23
Sharon Pedroja	4/24
Carol Gornick	4/24
Ryan Benton	4/27
Reid Abbott	4/27
Holly Jones	4/28
Melba Compton	4/28
Ryan Feil	4/28
Kelli Florio	4/29
Audrey Udland	4/30
Matthew Honas	4/30
Thomas Jacobson	4/30



Joanna Short	4/3
Gerry Sundeen	4/3
Sheryl Dragoo	4/5
Brandon Johnson	4/5
Kimberly Swenson	4/5
Ardis Ahre	4/6
Tom Udland	4/6
Shirley Morgan	4/7
Ian York	4/8
Joan Bowen	4/9
Patty Hanson	4/9
Herb Michaelis	4/11
Vivian Pham	4/11
Marlene Bayer	4/12
Gary Fulton	4/12
Laura Lund	4/12
Dan True	4/13
Verna Young	4/13
Jeremy Koehler	4/14
Daniel Shoemaker	4/15
Pam Spears	4/17
Brittany Collins	4/18
Ruth Rulifson	4/18
Elizabeth Sherwood	4/18
Jack Clutter	4/19
Katelyn Timmons	4/21
Lauren Benton	4/23
Preston Timmons	4/23
Roberta Witte	4/23
Ivar Hanson	4/24
Bryce Abbott	4/25
Jeremy Thorpe	4/29
Braden Brungardt	4/30
Brandon Lam	4/30

Anniversary Blessings



Ross & Karma Tidemann	4/4
Ray & Doris Richards	4/14
Lawrence & Jackie Volbrecht	4/14
Gary & Pam Fulton	4/15
Charles & Renate Thorpe	4/21
Kent & Julie Koehler	4/21
Ruth & Howard Johnson	4/23
Glenn & LaDora Meier	4/24
Jack & Norma Clutter	4/25
Reuben & Edna Hanson	4/26



The Social Ministry committee needs one person to help coordinate the Transportation Ministry at Gloria Dei. Please talk to Lee Morgan or Jeff Combs for more information."



Highlights from the meeting held March 14, 2011

Members Present: Brandon Parks, President, Karen Fleming, Mick Haugen, Earl Buck, Valarie Magana, Barrett Ellis, Joan Pritchard, Phil Seemann, Jana Abbott, Julie Koehler, Tom Yingling, Jay York, Pastor Peter Jacobson, Cathy Latta; staff.

The meeting was called to order by President Brandon Parks. Pastor Jacobson led devotions and opening prayer. Correspondence was circulated. Secretary's minutes from February 21, 2011 were approved as presented.

Treasurer Phil Seemann presented the Treasurer's Report. Income for February exceeded budget by \$1,037. Year to date, actual income exceeds budget by \$438. Gloria Dei has collected/received \$25,286 cumulatively toward the capital campaign as of February 28. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the Treasurer's report.

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee discussed Galen Shriner's request for a special, additional Sunday offering to be taken for the ELCA on a regular basis. Since the ELCA is already funded through our budget, the committee's recommendation is to leave it as it is. After discussion, no action was taken.

The Finance Committee discussed funding of the gardener's position and made a recommendation to Council that the position be funded from Account # 57373 Repair/Maintenance of Grounds. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the recommendation.

Finance Committee also discussed two recent contributions designated for specific trust funds and made the recommendation that those gifts be accepted with the condition they are used within a certain time frame or the funds will be allocated at Council's discretion. After discussion no action was taken. Designated contributions will be considered on a case by case basis going forward.

Youth Committee: Report accepted. No action was taken on the Youth Committee's request to hold a Redwheel fundraiser for youth trips. Val was asked to bring back more information and a plan for youth trips and fundraising while limiting the number of fundraisers and focusing on a few successful fundraisers.

Property Committee: The dishwasher has been repaired as well as the sink drain in the men's restroom. Jay will get a list of needed plantings, mulch, etc. from Jamie for spring planting and ask for contributions to be brought on spring clean up day. The list will be published in the bulletin and newsletter.

Social Ministry/Outreach Committee: Tom Yingling reported that a request from Love INC for rent assistance for one of their clients was approved.

Staff reports: Written reports were accepted from Annette Lindal and Sara Humburg.

Executive Committee: Joan Pritchard reported on five items that the Executive Committee considered since the last council meeting.

1. Designated gifts
2. Carpet Committee
3. Personnel issue
4. Gardener salary account change
5. To set agenda for this meeting

Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve all committee and staff reports.

Old Business

Capital Campaign Update: Carpet selection committee has been selected and a meeting scheduled for March 28, 2011. Jay York, Property Chair will attend carpet committee meetings.

Easter Breakfast Plans: Julie Koehler and Jana Abbott will coordinate the event this year. Council members will be needed for set up, serving, and clean up.

New Business

Synod Assembly is scheduled for June 2-5 in Kansas City. For the past few years we have sent two lay voting members. Names for consideration will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

Pastor's Vacation Request: After discussion, motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve Pastor's request to take vacation time during the Christmas holiday.

Executive Session

Council entered into executive session at 8:30 PM for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter and exited at 8:55 PM.

ASSISTING IN



ASSISTING MINISTERS

Apr 3 8:30 Joan Pritchard, John Buckner
 11:00 Jenette Drake, Valarie Magaña
 Apr 10 8:30 Joan Pritchard, Arnold Dilley
 11:00 Judy Every, Andrew Koehler
 Apr 17 8:30 Joan Pritchard, Kent Koehler
 11:00 Jenette Drake, Mick Haugen
 Apr 24 8:30 Joan Pritchard, Jerry Proffitt
 11:00 Judy Every, Royce Ann White

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Apr 3 8:30 Karma Tidemann
 Bob and Zoe Hoyle
 11:00 Andrea Leimer
 Howard and Ruth Johnson
 Apr 10 8:30 Mike Florio
 Laura Aker, Quentin Aker
 11:00 Dennis Schade
 Mick and Sandy Haugen
 Apr 17 8:30 Mike Florio
 George Haynes, Paul Lueker
 11:00 Lana Scheuerman
 Diane Ellis, Steve Aker
 Apr 24 8:30 Jackie Proffitt
 Rachel Proffitt, Kelsey Proffitt
 11:00 Dennis Schade
 Mick and Sandy Haugen

ACOLYTES

Apr 3 8:30 Erik Tolle
 11:00 John Short
 Apr 10 8:30 Jarod Honas
 11:00 Madelaine Keller
 April 17 8:30 Brady Sherwood, Ian York
 Reid Abbott, Thomas Jacobson
 11:00 Addison Aker, Adam Keen
 Emma Girton, Nathaniel Strifler
 Apr 24 8:30 Jarod Honas, Ian York
 Reid Abbott, Erik Tolle
 11:00 Emma Girton, Brady Helton
 Nathaniel Strifler, Mackenzie Lund

LAY VISITOR TEAMS

Apr 3 Glenn and LaDora Meier
 Apr 10 Bob Frahm
 Apr 17 Charles and Marjorie Holloway
 Apr 24 Charles and Jenette Drake

GREETERS

Apr 3 8:30 Larry and Rosanne Kelley
 Ross and Karma Tidemann
 11:00 Eleanor Cork
 Harold and Helen Drennen
 Apr 10 8:30 Ray and Doris Richards
 Richard and Karen Fleming
 11:00 The Randy Johnson Family
 Lloyd and Lola Mae Hershberger
 Apr 17 8:30 George and Karen Haynes
 Tom Yingling
 11:00 Jerry and Joan Layman
 Roberta Witte
 Apr 24 8:30 Phil and Sally Seemann
 Linda Liebe
 11:00 Howard and Ruth Johnson
 Greg and Jody Helton

LAY READERS

Apr 3 8:30 Mike Florio
 11:00 Callie Grater-Combs
 Apr 10 8:30 Anna Flynn
 11:00 Jenette Drake
 Apr 17 8:30 Karen Haynes
 11:00 Sandra Haugen
 Apr 24 8:30 Kent Koehler
 11:00 Mick Haugen

ASSISTING CANTOR

Apr 3 8:30 Paul Meissner
 11:00 Kari Schmidt
 Apr 10 8:30 Hannah Bothner
 11:00 Sara Humburg
 Apr 17 8:30 Shirley Meissner
 11:00 Anne Jacobson
 Apr 24 8:30 Parish Choir
 11:00 Parish Choir

USHER TEAM Bruce Swenson, Captain. Jim Bothner, Deb Cook, Arnold Dilley, Dan Hogan, Larry Kelley, Rosanne Kelley, Richard Fleming, Randy Swanson, Ross Tidemann, Dan True, Dale Wells, Kristin Wells

COUNTING TEAM: Roy White, Head. Royce Ann White, Dean Wasser, Marilyn Wasser

SACRISTANS: Carol Henson, Royce Ann White

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 8:30 AM Eucharist 9:45 AM Chris Ed 11:00 AM Eucharist 4:00 PM Confession 5:00 PM Lenten Vespers	4 9:30 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM CE Comm Mtg. 7:00 PM Committee Mtgs 7:00 PM Cub Scouts	5 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry	6 4:50 PM Prime Chimes 5:30 PM Child. Choir 5:30 PM Eucharist 5:30 PM WEM 6:00 PM Carillon Bells 6:20 PM Jubilate Bells 6:30 PM Lenten Study 6:45 PM Adult Bells 6:45 PM Confirmation 7:30 PM Parish Choir 7:45 PM Youth Group	7 9:30 AM Prayer 10:00 AM Matins 10:30 AM Study Group 1:00 PM Quilters 6:00 PM Girl Scouts	8 6:00 PM Scandinavian Society 9:00 AM Spring Clean Up Day 1:00 PM Rebekah Guild	2 8:30 AM Habitat Build 10:00 AM Sacristan Training 11:00 AM Pages & Sages
10 8:30 AM Eucharist 9:45 AM Chris Ed 9:45 AM Leah Guild 9:45 AM Youth Committee Mtg 11:00 AM Eucharist	11 9:30 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Staff Meeting	12 9:30 AM Hannah Guild 7:00 PM RCA Mtg	13 10:00 AM Ruth Guild 4:50 PM Prime Chimes 5:30 PM Child. Choir 5:30 PM Eucharist 5:30 PM WEM 6:00 PM Carillon Bells 6:20 PM Jubilate Bells 6:30 PM Lenten Study 6:45 PM Adult Bells 6:45 PM Confirmation 7:30 PM Parish Choir 7:45 PM Youth Group	14 9:30 AM Prayer 10:00 AM Matins 10:30 AM Study Group 1:00 PM Quilters 6:00 PM Girl Scouts	15 7:00 PM Mission Trip Meeting 8:00 PM Youth Movie Night	16 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Women's Cluster Mtg.
17 Palm Sunday 8:30 AM Eucharist 9:45 AM Chris Ed 11:00 AM Eucharist 5:00 PM Seder Meal	18 9:30 AM Eucharist 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 12:00 PM 49'ers PLUS Mtg. 7:00 PM Church Council 7:00 PM Cub Scouts	19 1:00 PM Tabitha Guild 5:30 PM Eucharist 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry	20 5:30 PM Child. Choir 5:30 PM Eucharist 5:30 PM WEM 6:00 PM Carillon Bells 6:20 PM Jubilate Bells 6:45 PM Adult Bells 6:45 PM Confirmation 7:30 PM Parish Choir 7:45 PM Youth Group	21 Maundy Thursday 9:30 AM Prayer 10:00 AM Matins 10:30 AM Study Group 12:10 PM Maundy Thursday Service 1:00 PM Quilters 6:00 PM Girl Scouts 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service	22 Good Friday 12:10 PM Adoration of Cross 7:00 PM Adoration of Cross	23 7:00 PM Easter Vigil followed by Festival Reception
24 Easter Sunday Newsletter Deadline 8:30 AM Eucharist 9:45 AM Easter Breakfast 10:15 AM Easter Egg Hunt 11:00 AM Eucharist	25 office closed 7:00 PM Pack Meeting	26	27 5:30 PM Child. Choir 5:30 PM Eucharist 5:30 PM WEM 6:00 PM Carillon Bells 6:20 PM Jubilate Bells 6:45 PM Adult Bells 6:45 PM Confirmation 7:30 PM Parish Choir 7:45 PM Youth Group	28 9:30 AM Prayer 10:00 AM Matins 10:30 AM Study Group 1:00 PM Quilters 6:00 PM Girl Scouts	29	30 Youth Garage Sale 11:00 AM Writer's Club

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