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THE DAILY NEWS

September 2019

The Loving Thing To Do

As I've been reflecting on various passages of Scripture over the last few weeks, a repeating theme of 'greed and godlessness' appears to recur. First, the words from Mary's Song resonated in my heart, **(Luke 1)**; "God brings down rulers from their thrones, and he raises up the humble. God fills the hungry with good things, but he sends the rich away with nothing." Secondly, the words we heard recently from **Luke 12**; "There was a rich man who had some land, which grew a good crop of food. The rich man thought to himself, 'What will I do? I have no place to keep all my crops.' Then he said, 'I know what I will do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones! I will put all my grain and other goods together in my new barns. Then I can say to myself, I have enough good things stored to last for many years. Rest, eat, drink, and enjoy life!' But God said to that man, 'Foolish man! Tonight, you will die. So, who will get those things you have prepared for yourself?' This is how it will be for anyone who stores things up only for himself and is not rich toward God."

While pondering this topic of greed, in light of what Scripture reveals to us, a vast majority of people in the United States live in various forms of prosperity and abundance. Most of us do not worry about having good food to eat or having adequate clothing to wear or having a decent roof over our heads. Yet, there are many in the United States that are worried day to day. They worry about if they will have food to eat or if they will get to sleep out of the rain / wind / cold tonight. There are

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- September 1 — 9am Worship**
Nolsy Change Offering Sunday
- September 2—Church Office Closed**
Labor Day
- September 4 – 5:30 pm Bible Study**
7pm Worship
- September 5—Profile Committee Meeting**
- September 8 — 9am Worship**
Name Tag Sunday
- September 9—6:30 pm Music & Worship Committee**
- September 10—6:00 pm Council Meeting**
- September 11 – 5:30 pm Bible Study**
7 pm Worship
- September 15 – 9am Worship**
Temple Talk Sunday
Ride Your Bike to Church
- September 18 –5:30 pm Bible Study**
7pm Worship
- September 22 – 9am Worship**
Food Pantry Sunday
- September 25—5:30 pm Bible Study**
7pm Worship
- September 22 – 9am Worship**

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many who live in the shadows of worry and fear. Given our nation's wealth, this is truly sad. I have however seen first-hand the response of many people, who have indeed stepped up to help with time, resources, and money; whether it was for a need in the world, a need in the United States or even a need right here in little Calumet County. But I suggest that there are still more needs to be done for there is an on-going need.

Gloria Dei, through continued congregational generosity and in spite of a very tight budget, has participated in helping those who have come to our doors with food and prayer. The area churches have banded together to help those in need. The local communities annually provide major support to families of critically sick individuals. And over the years, the ELCA has led multiple efforts to help the poor, the needy, and the disenfranchised; even as far back as World War II, when the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services was founded. Christians came together to care for those in need; without judgment, in grace, and abounding with love.

And once again, Christians are being asked to step and help. I wish to personally and emphatically endorse the position taken by the Synodical Assembly a month ago and affirmed by our East-Central Synodical Bishop the Most Reverend Gerald Mansholt, in declaring the ELCA a Sanctuary Church. In the words of Bishop Mansholt,

“What does it mean to be a sanctuary church body? I expect we will discover there are many ways that congregations and synods will live into this decision. I think it begins with taking to heart the action of the assembly and listening to the voice of others. Love of God leads to love of neighbor. Loving the neighbor begins with listening to their story, be that the story of the refugee at our border or our neighbor in the pew. The assembly is not asking any congregation or individual to do anything illegal. It is our right to advocate, our lawful right to participate in the democracy. It is our right to do acts of mercy and extend our arms of hospitality. Those arms may rub up against the law of the land when your neighbor is a DACA recipient or an immigrant who lives and works in the shadows. Congregations need to know that sanctuary has no legal standing. While the local congregation was perhaps once thought of as a sanctuary, a place of freedom from the long arms of the law, sanctuary has no legal standing in this country. I believe it was Dietrich Bonhoeffer who said it is the call of every Christian to seek to know and to do the will of God. These are days for discernment, for seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit in these present times.”

I'm not advocating that we take extreme actions of the early Christians, as recorded in Acts 2; however, I am asking that as we (Gloria Dei Lutheran Church) prayerfully address our stance in Outreach and Mission; particularly, as we discern who our next Spiritual Leader will be. Do we have a Spiritual void, when it comes to the needs of humanity? Our active willingness to engage in this type of Mission and Outreach helps make Gloria Dei a more attractive opportunity to a potential future leader.

For those who wish to discuss anything in more detail, please reach out to me directly. And as always, I remind you once again that God does indeed love each of you, and...

Dave



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Looking for volunteers to help keep the church clean. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex. Many hands make light work. Thank

Confirmation classes will be starting in mid-September - and will be held on Wednesday evenings starting promptly at 5:30. Please let Anne Sellen know if there is a student interested in joining Confirmation classes starting this fall. Gloria Dei Confirmation instruction is a two year program, typically starting in 7th grade. If there are new students interested in starting class, please let Anne Sellen know by email, text or call before September 1, so materials can be ordered. Anne's contact information is: sellenar@gmail.com or 920-917-9197.



THANK YOU for everything you have Shared – foods, thoughts, prayer, cards, Phone calls, compassion, hugs, etc. to us and the Daun family during the loss of Our Daughter, Sharon.

All gifts were given to the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church memorial fund.

The support you have shown will not be forgotten.

Fondly,

Ministry Sign-Up Table: As you look around in the Narthex, you'll see that all of our sign-up sheets for up coming events have been moved. Please review and sign-up, as your heart allows. If nobody signs-up for an event, it may be canceled. Thank you to Becca Zimmerman for adding beauty and color to the table. We also thank Becca for Providing a fresh look to the Kiosk

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS!

Now that everyone is back to school Sunday School will also get started again too. The new journey will begin September 15th. Come join the adventure! All are welcome to join in after Sunday worship. Any adults that are interested in helping out with Sunday School or have feedback please let me know. David Hoban, 286-1667.

Would you consider volunteering to set up communion? Our list of individuals willing to perform this function is getting smaller. We would appreciate having more volunteers, in order for Gloria Dei to continue having weekly communion. The process is relatively simple, requiring set-up before and clean-up after worship.

Please prayerfully consider becoming a volunteer. Please contact Dave Kohls, Raeline Springstroh or Barb Spiegel.

Karen's Korner

Are you ready for change? Just as sure as cool weather will arrive and trees will tell us it's Fall, Gloria Dei is beginning to gear up for the change that will mean more activity happening in a busy part of the church year. Council met on August 13th and the committee reports indicate there is much happening – and much to be done. Stewardship will soon begin working on a new budget The Strategic Planning Team is updating goals for the coming year. Fellowship has a host of Fall activities on the planning calendar. Sunday School will start soon with a new curriculum. Worship, as always, will continue to create meaningful services. The Property Committee will meet soon to look at existing and future needs for the building and grounds. The Profile Committee is active and busy. None of this can happen, of course, without volunteers from the congregation to lend a hand in time and service. If each of us did just a little, a lot can happen. What can YOU do? Talk to God about that and see what He might have to say.

This month I would like to emphasize our Sunday School program. I think we can all acknowledge that our youth are our future. Their faith education and participation are so very important. If you have children from three and up please be proactive in having them participate in Sunday School on a regular basis. If the older youth are encouraged to participate, they can restart the inactive youth class, assist the teachers on Sunday, or even teach! The best way to lead is by example. How about the adults participating in the adult forums offered on Sunday morning, or volunteering to assist somehow in youth education? David Hoban will be looking for that kind of help soon.

Our future is bright. We are being given an opportunity to shine even brighter by being a part of the action. When asked to serve on a long-term basis, or a short-term goal, please say yes. Christ lived his earthly life sharing the WORD and SERVING others. We can continue Making Christ Known is word and DEED.

Piggly Wiggly Receipts

Your receipts from Piggly Wiggly from both Kiel and New Holstein can be placed in the basket in the narthex. Both stores allow us to turn in receipts to get the same non-profit donation as purchasing SCRIP gift cards. **Receipts from purchases using gift cards are not eligible.**



PARKING LOT RESURFACING:

There are some beginning conversations about resurfacing the parking lot. Our generous Dinner Theater Group has promised Matching Funds, to make this project happen. If you are able and willing to help in this endeavor. Please Make a **SPECIAL DONATION** to the Building Fund. Any money in excess of what is needed will go to other buliding/maintenance projects.

Gloria Dei Church Council Meeting – August 13, 2019 - 6:00 pm

Present: Karen Ebert, Barb Spiegel, David Hoban, Julie Schaefer, Jerry Jensen

Absent: Roxie Ruechel, Dianne Fett, Dave Kohls & Ruth Camomilli

Call to Order and Opening Prayer –Karen opened with a prayer Roxie shared via email and called the meeting to order.

Approval of Meeting Agenda- Motion Barb second Julie to accept agenda. Carried.

Secretary's Report- Motion David, second Julie to accept secretary's report as presented. Carried.

Treasurer's Report-

Monthly Revenue 2019											
Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
7275	9720	8241	11874	7476	10063	11092					
Monthly Expenses 2019											
9060	7683	8410	9156	7867	7447	9091					
Checkbook Balance 2019											
155278	17748	16945	20444	20052	20062	22078					
Capital Fund Balance 2019– YTD											
310	1107	3602	4597	6061	7388	9337					
Memorial Fund Balance 2019											
1036	1036	978	978	978	978	920					
In-Kind Giving Balance 2019											
0	4	73	58	100	19	45					

Capitol fund monies (\$9000.00) were sent to Mission Investment.

Motion Barb, second Jerry to accept report as presented. Carried.

Committee Reports:

Stewardship/Long Range Planning –(Jerry) A payment was sent to Mission Investment to decrease the principle of our loan. The Strategic Plan was reviewed for 2019. Motion to approve Strategic Plan as present by Julie, second David. Carried.

Outreach/Fellowship- Roxie was unable to attend. Karen presented Roxie's email report. Concerns were expressed regarding any future Road America events. Sunday Morning Fellowship signup is on the opportunities table. Tables of 8 are still in the planning stage. Outreach to meet Sept. 8th after worship. Bake sales are going fantastically.

Education- (David) – VBS went well. Sunday School begins September 15 with a new curriculum.

A Mystery Night was held for the confirmation age youth.

Property (Julie) – The DNR inspected the well. Terry Erickson did the corrective action recommended. DNR approved that action. Meeting of Property Committee is scheduled for August 22nd: the yard, church cleaning and miscellaneous items will be discussed.

Worship-(Barb) Met 8/12/19. Congregation members have expressed concerns regarding music and other aspects of worship. Choir begins 9/11/19.

Director of Ministries Report-(Dave absent) – Karen discuss points of the DOM detailed report. Requests for membership - Bryce & Penny Larson (transfer) Phyllis Kitzman (affirmation of faith). Council suggested getting more information on an AED suggestion. Purchasing a new laptop with an Action Team was suggested as an alternative to repairing an older laptop. System requirements to be discuss with Dave.

Old Business

Rummage Sale – Is scheduled for September 13th & 14th. Ruth is coordinating. She's looking for donations to cover advertising expenses. Donations will be accept for again with some exceptions of more valuable items. Questions were raised regarding: 1-moving up deadline for donations. 2-Publishing a list of items that cannot be accepted. 3- Contacting Saint Vine's for a timeline to coordinate pick up the items not sold. 4- Volunteer support for both days.

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Parking Lot- Julie located the bid for the crack-fill and cover coat/lining from last summer. The crack-fill was completed last summer but sealing and lining have yet to be completed. That is expense is approximately \$5000.00. The Devine Time Players offered support with the project. Volunteers for a coordinating team are needed to move forward with the project. An updated bid will then be requested.

-Profile Committee – (David) The committee met August 1st with Associate Bishop Amy. They met again August 6th and will be seeking congregation input in the near future. The committee will be giving an update on August 18th and 21st

New Business

Three Council Goals - Tabled to next month. Goals sent to committees will be resent.

Benevolence money—There is \$423.66 in the fund. Motion Jerry, second Barb to send \$200.00 to the ELCA synod and the balance to be used for local charities later. Carried.

-Temple Talk- Profile Committee update

-Calendar Review

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 5:30p

Bake Sale- August 30th Chilton Farmer's Market

Sunday School begins September 15th

Choir Practice begins September 11th @ 6p

Rummage Sale- September 13 & 14th

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Choir Practice—September 11, 2019

Ride Your Bike to Church Sunday— September 15, 2019

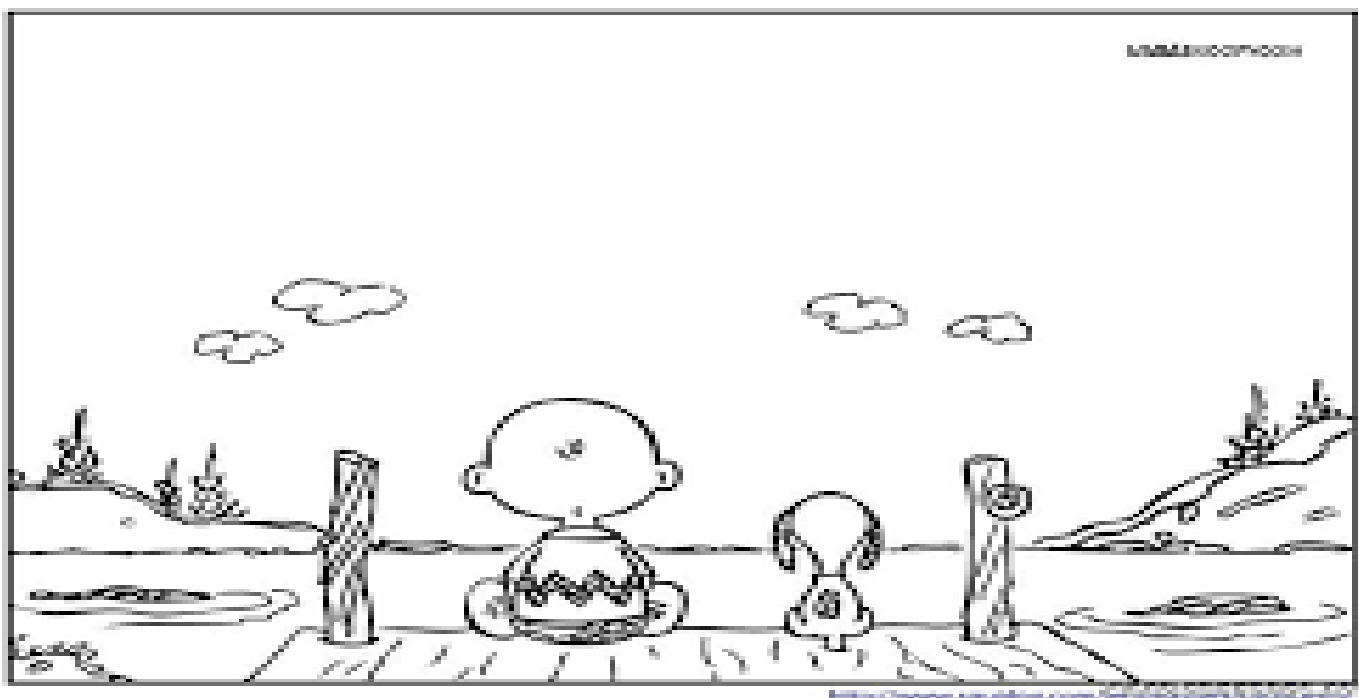


Next month agenda item: 1- Who reviews job performance of all paid employees?

2- Nominating Committee and council term limits

-Next Meeting September 10, 2019 6:00pm

Adjourn with Lord's Prayer Motion Jerry second Julie to adjourn. Carried.
Respectfully submitted,



Worship and Liturgy Meeting Minutes

Aug. 12, 2019



Present: Barb S., Doug E., and Raeline S. Excused: Dave Kohls, Ruth C.,

Meeting was opened with a prayer lead by Barb.

Baptismal and Confirmation supplies were inventoried. Just need to find the baptismal candles and put all together.

Reviewed Director of Ministry report obtained from Dave prior to him taking vacation. No follow up needed from this committee. Dave and Doug will continue to add more music to our digital library as time allows. There was some feedback from the congregation on the Sunday Pastor Jim used the Setting 2 liturgy. Members are also questioning why we are using "canned" music when Doug is at the service. It was explained that our ministers are working to ensure future services are sustainable if and when the day comes that Dave and/or Doug are not available. Doug will suggest in the future that if they are going to do something different for a service, Dave, Jim and Doug will get together prior and do a practice run through so it does not seem like we are "practicing" during services.

Dave is also working on creating a schedule for Lay Liturgists to promote more lay involvement in the worship service.

Choir practice will start again on Sept. 11th. Doug and Dave will continue to recruit more members for the choir.

Doug closed us out with a prayer.

Next meeting: September 9th, 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Raeline Springstroh



In-Kind Donations

Please fill out the in-kind donation form, (You can request a form from the Church Administrative Assistant Ann Martin) or turn in any receipts for items purchased and donated to the church. This would include boxes of tissues, toilet paper, office supplies and any other items that would normally need to be purchased as part of the budget. Keeping track of all the items that are donated helps to ensure that our budget is accurate.

Bike to Church Sunday
will be
Sunday September 15



Choir Practice

will begin again
Wednesday, September 11, 2019
@ 6:00 pm. If you would like to
share your vocal talents
please join in.

Congregation:

The Ministry Site Profile Team is excited to get the process of finding our new pastor going! During this process we will be asking for your help to find a person to fit into our congregation, by including you in multiple activities and asking a variety of questions. This process can NOT be done without your help! Please take time to review the first portion of this process. In the next two weeks please fill out the following information at church. All your input is very important to the future of Gloria Dei.

Following is a copy of what will be a church to for you to fill out.

AS A COMMUNITY

Please for each line only check one box.

	<u>A lot Like Us</u>	<u>A Little Like Us</u>	<u>A Little Like us</u>	<u>A lot Like Us</u>	
We Tend to Be Formal and Programmatic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We tend To Be Informal and Spontaneous
We Have Clearly Defined Goals& Plans for Our Future	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Have No Stated Goals or Plans
We are Racially and Economically Diverse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Are Demographically Homogeneous

OUR LEADERSHIP STYLE

We Welcome Ideas That Are Provoking & Challenging.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Prefer Ideas That Are Tried & True
We Rely on Our Leaders for Direction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Rely on Group Decision – Making
We Have Learned How to Use Conflict Constructively	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Tend to Perceive Conflict as Something Destructive



OUR PROGRAMMING

Our Facilities Are Often Use by Community Groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Our Facilities Are Only Used for Our Activities
We Train People to Minister Outside Our Walls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Train People to Minister Inside Our Walls
We Focus on Ideas and Beliefs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Focus on Skills and Action

OUR THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE

We Are Obviously Lutheran In Identify & Practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Are Less Obvious About Our Lutheran Heritage
We Participate in Synod & ELCA Activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Are Not Very Active in The Synod & ELCA
We Focus on Biblical Studies & Doctrine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	We Focus on Contemporary Issues & Topics

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9am Worship Noisy Change Offering Sunday	2 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED 	3 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel	4 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:30 pm Bible Study 7pm Worship	5 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs. Profile Committee Meeting	6	7
8 9am Worship Name Tag Sunday Outreach Meeting After Worship	9 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs. 6:30 pm Music & Worship Committee	10 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel 6pm Council Mtg.	11 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:30 pm Bible Study 7pm Worship	12 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs. Garbage & Recycling Pick Up Day	13	14
15 9am Worship Temple Talk Sunday Ride Your Bike to Church	16 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs.	17 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel	18 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:30 pm Bible Study 7pm Worship	19 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs.	20	21
22 9am Worship Food Pantry Sunday	23 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs.	24 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel	25 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:30 pm Bible Study 7pm Worship	26 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs. Garbage Pick Up Day	27	28
29 9am Worship Food Pantry Sunday	30 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs.					

WORSHIP HELPERS LIST

Date	Communion Assist	Communion Set-Up	Greeter(s)	Reader	Usher(s)	Acolyte	Penny Counter(s)
09/01/2019	Karen Ebert	Julie Schumacher	Dee Langohr	Tim Argall	Randy & Julie Schumacher	Noah Schumacher	Karren & Jeremy Cobble
09/08/2019	Allan Fett	Karen Ebert	Puro Family	Karen Ebert	Gary & Tyler Meyer	Braden Aprill	Allan Fett
09/15/2019	Dianne Fett	Hoban Family	Gladys & Scott Rickert	Jarmey Cobble	Dick & Kathy Welsch	Zoe Zimmerman	Julie Herschleb
09/22/2019	Cheryl Heller	Barb Spiegel	Schaefer Family	Allan Fett	Anne Sellen & Wayne Zwart	Annalee Puro	Jerry & Pat Jensen
09/29/2019	Julie Herschleb	Dianne Fett	Jaclyn Schreiner	Dianne Fett	Coleen Allee & Matt Aprill	Alex Jeanty	Jennica Krebsbach
10/06/2019	Jim Herschleb	Laurie Argall	Schumacher Family	Julie Herschleb	Jeremy Cobble & Allan Fett	Sarah Hoban	Anne Sellen
10/13/2019	Mike Hetzner	Tina Puro	Bev Thoma	Jim Herschleb	Cheryl & Craig Heller	Tyler Jeanty	Karren & Jeremy Cobble
10/20/2019	Joe Janicek	Jacyn Schreiner	Kathy & Dick Welsch	Mike Hetzner	Julie & Jim Herschleb	Vinnie Janicek	Allan Fett
10/27/2019	David Kohls	Julie Schumacher	Zimmerman Family	Laura Hoban	Pat & Jerry Jensen	Alex Jeanty	Julie Herschleb