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THE DAILY NEWS

November 2019

Service and Recognition

The Gospel according to St. Luke, the 17th Chapter

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

⁷"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

I've been listening to a few whispers floating around the congregation and I thought it would be prudent to address a few generic topics that may hopefully reground ourselves a bit.

There is no doubt that Gloria Dei is making some excellent strides moving forward. As I mentioned at the last Quarterly Information Huddle, we should feel good about how things are beginning to turn around. While our progress remains a bit fragile, an increase in ministry and outreach is evident. I submit that anyone who says that Gloria Dei is hurting and won't survive hasn't been here in quite a while. Point 1 – look around the congregation and observe who hasn't been here in a while. Take the initiative and reach out to our members who haven't been here in a while or have been moved to the inactive role. Pastor Jim does regularly reach out to inactive members, but I submit, the best source of convincing a member to return are friends and neighbors.

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

November 3— 9am Worship

All Saint Sunday

Noisy Change Offering Sunday

Day Light Saving

November 6 – 5:30 pm Bible Study

6 pm Choir Practice

7 pm Worship

November 7—Garbage & Recycling Pick Up

November 10 – 9am Worship

Name Tag Sunday

November 11—6:30 pm Music & Worship Committee

November 12 —6:00 pm Council Meeting

November 13 –5:30 pm Bible Study

6 pm Choir Practice

7pm Worship

November 17 – 9am Worship

Temple Talk Sunday

November 20—5:30 pm Bible Study

6 pm Choir Practice

7pm Worship

November 21—Garbage Pick Up Day

November 24 – 9am Worship

Food Pantry Sunday

November 27 —5:30 pm Bible Study

6 pm Choir Practice

7pm Worship

November 28—HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Church Office Closed

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I hope you read the Gospel lesson above. It shows that God expects us to do our jobs in service to others. Look to those who are hurting, whether they are in our congregation or not. Listen to them. Help them. Care for them. That all equals 'Loving Them'. This brings me to Point 2 – we all have responsibilities for God's Kingdom here on Earth. And sometimes we may not get the recognition 'we feel – we deserve'. Our Gospel reminds us that we are to be like slaves, in service to one another. Notice the story, the master wants to be taken care of first, before the slave takes care of himself – and this is most likely done without fanfare or accolades. What do we do for the church, for ministry, for outreach? Do we only do things that bring us recognition? Or do we focus on getting the job done – and if we happen to get recognized; great! If not, oh well <smile>, the job still needs to be done.

Whether we're in school or at work or even among friends, or even in our families, when we do something positive, we like to be recognized for it, right? Sure we do! It's normal – it's natural. We like to feel appreciated – it makes us feel good – it gives us new energy to go out and do more. Maybe in a way, when we get recognized, it's like someone planting an energy seed inside of us.


Consider when we go to another person and tell them – thank you – job well done – you are appreciated. Point 3 – Please take time to try to recognize the work that is done by others, for those words or some sort of symbolic thank you, could uplift the spirit of someone who's having a not so good type day.

Some call this being a friend. Some might call this ministry. Jesus tells us to do this. Jesus tells us to lift up others. Whatever you want to call it, it's something that each of can very easily do and doesn't cost a dime.


Who have we (individually or collectively) reached out to recently to show appreciation? Perhaps this month you may want to reach out to our new neighbors, the Pentecostals of New Holstein. Have you noticed the front windows how clean they are? Have you noticed that the kitchen floor has been cleaned, with the smell of 'cleanliness' permeating throughout the church? Have you noticed that all the pew cushions were vacuumed? Perhaps, individuals could reach out in neighborly love and appreciate the work being done for us? Lastly, I don't want our own congregational members to go unnoticed either. We do have faithful members who help with trash collection, flowerbed maintenance, vacuuming, and other routine chores as well (who don't take time to sign the clean-up sign-up list). I would like to say thank you to each and everyone one of you who prefer to be nameless. You are noticed and appreciated. Acts, such as these, help save Gloria Dei from incurring additional expenses in our budget.

Remember that God loves you all and...

+ Dave



And the Angles Sang 2019 Women's Retreat December 7, 2019



Plans are underway for the 2019 women's Christmas retreat at Gloria Dei. Watch for more information soon. Coleen Allee, Karen Ebert, and Barb Spiegel are co-chairing the event. Annette Pleshek will also assist the group. More ideas and many hands are welcome. See any one of us for more detail. This year we will be partnering with the Youth Group for certain features of the event.

It is our sincere hope that more women than ever will attend the event. Sharing faith, food, and fellowship is always a good thing!

Stay tuned!

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

Looking out at the woods around my house, I am beginning to see red, yellow, orange, and brown mixed in with the green. A hodgepodge of color just as my mind is a hodgepodge of thoughts about our congregation this month. As a result, you will see the random thoughts I have about the blessings and needs I think we are experiencing at the current time. So here goes:

Welcome to our newest members; Bryce, Penny, Phyllis, and Daniel. We also welcome the Pentecostal Church of New Holstein who now share our building and faith in Christ.

Thanks to the rummage sale team and all those who helped make this year's sale a huge success.

Continued prayers for our Profile Team who are working diligently to keep us moving forward toward a part time settled pastor. Is Donna Lee a great baker or what!? If you aren't aware, Donna is the one who shares her tasty talents with us on Sunday and Wednesday after the team reports to the congregation.

What a great job our congregation has done in keeping up their giving pledges to both the general fund and the capitol campaign. In addition, through generous giving to building projects, with just a little more help we should be able to resurface the parking lot next spring.

I am going to need help with this year's Women's Christmas Retreat. If you have ideas or are willing to be part of the organization team please see me soon. We hope more women will choose to join us this year.

Thought to ponder: If you have been reading the charts provided by the Profile Team on questions they have asked the congregation to answer; you will see under 'How can our congregation improve' that a majority of people answered they would like to see more volunteers in all the areas of church. Amen to that – but I can't help but wonder, if that many people feel that way, why isn't it happening? In our future soon?

Thanks to the highway cleanup crew who provided a great service this month.

Thanks to Dave and Pastor Jim for all they do for us both in front of the camera and behind the scenes.

That's it for this time. Let's hope I get to do one more article about the warmth of Christ's sunshine over our earth and our church before the snow flies. Unending blessings abound in your life!

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:

We Have almost raised enough money, between our donations, rummage sale, and matching funds. Please Make a **SPECIAL DONATION** to the Building Fund. Any money in excess of what is needed will go to other building/maintenance projects.

Gloria Dei Church Council Meeting – October 8, 2019

Present: Karen Ebert, Barb Spiegel, David Hoban, Jerry Jensen, Roxie Ruechel , Dianne Fett, Dave Kohls & Julie Schaefer
Absent: Ruth Camomilli

Call to Order: Karen @ 6:00pm

Opening Prayer -Roxie opened with a prayer.

Approval of Meeting Agenda- Motion Dave, second Jerry to accept agenda. Carried.

Secretary's Report- Motion Jerry, second Roxie 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 | 6820 | 10588 | | | |
| Monthly Expenses 2019 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9060 | 7683 | 8410 | 9156 | 7867 | 7447 | 9091 | 7720 | 8280 | | | |
| Checkbook Balance 2019 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 155278 | 17748 | 16945 | 20444 | 20052 | 20062 | 22078 | 21198 | 25791 | | | |
| Capital Fund Balance 2019– YTD | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 310 | 1107 | 3602 | 4597 | 6061 | 7388 | 9337 | 9562 | 11738 | | | |
| Memorial Fund Balance 2019 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1036 | 1036 | 978 | 978 | 978 | 978 | 920 | 799 | 799 | | | |
| In-Kind Giving Balance 2019 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0 | 4 | 73 | 58 | 100 | 19 | 45 | 0 | 22 | | | |

David presented treasure's report. Motion Barb, second Dianne to accept report as presented. Carried.

Committee Reports:

Stewardship/Long Range Planning –(Jerry) Committee met October 1st starting 2020 Budget. Stewardship/Fall Fun Fest will be Nov 17th following worship.

Outreach/Fellowship- (Roxie) Cookies for College Kids will be Nov. 3rd following worship. Highway Clean-Up 10/9. Empty Bowls in planning stage. Table of 8 in planning stage. Spaghetti supper date TBD. Chili Supper date in 2020 TBD.

Education- (David) –Sunday School began September 15 with a new curriculum. David & Laura Hoban continue to lead, volunteers are welcome (Contact David or Laura). Anne Sellen has started confirmation on Wednesday evening. Monday morning and Wednesday evening Bible studies continue.

Property (Julie)– A new bid is being sought for seal coating of parking lot. It is too late in the season to seal coat this fall. Fund raising will continue.

Worship-(Dave) Will meet next week.

Director of Ministries Report-(Dave)- A detailed report was presented.

Old Business

AED purchase and training- Dave, Roxie and Coleen were unable to meet. Options are being explored and will be addressed next month.

Computer item – An Action Team was created to help with cost of new computer. Dianne will reach out to Divine Time Players for approval of matching funds.

Church Cleaning- Dianne will reach out to a cleaning service for pricing of basic services.

New Business

Staff review system- Karen & Dave will develop job descriptions and performance review documents for all paid employees(clerical, music, DOM, Pastor) of Gloria Dei

Nomination Committee and Term Limits- Dianne volunteered to serve on the nominating committee as the person leaving council. The Nominating committee will meet with the Executive Committee in the near future.

Temple Talk- Karen

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Calendar Review

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 5:30p

Stewardship Fall Fest –November 17th

Choir Practice Wednesday evenings @ 6p

Monday Morning Bible Study in Kiel @6:30am

Nov. 3rd – Cookies for college after worship

All Saints Day Nov. 3rd

Nov. 27th Thanksgiving Eve worship with pumpkin pie and coffee to follow

Dec. 7th women's Christmas Retreat

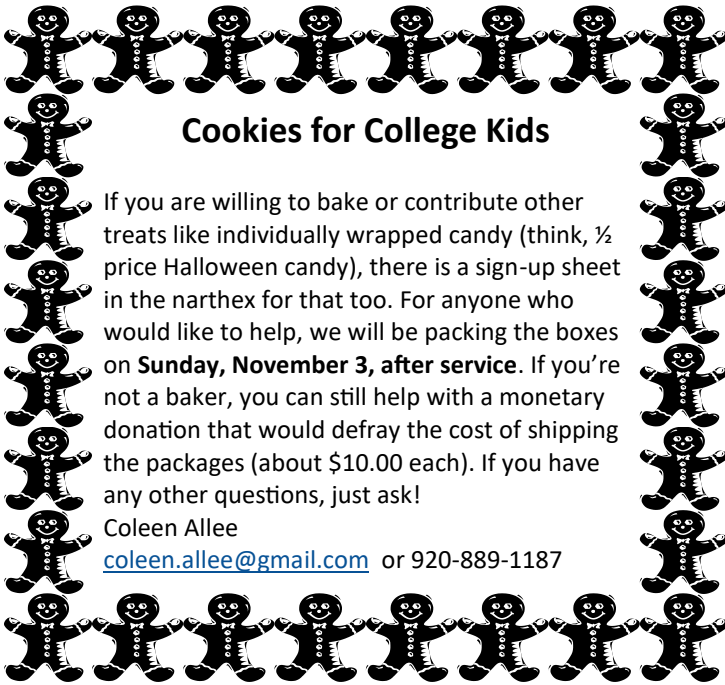
-Next Meeting November 11, 2019 6:00pm

Adjourn with Lord's Prayer Motion Jerry second Dianne to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Spiegel

Minutes are subject to council approval at the November meeting



Cookies for College Kids

If you are willing to bake or contribute other treats like individually wrapped candy (think, ½ price Halloween candy), there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for that too. For anyone who would like to help, we will be packing the boxes on **Sunday, November 3, after service**. If you're not a baker, you can still help with a monetary donation that would defray the cost of shipping the packages (about \$10.00 each). If you have any other questions, just ask!

Coleen Allee

coleen.allee@gmail.com or 920-889-1187



It's time to order poinsettias to decorate our altar for Christmas. As usual, we'll be ordering 6½-inch pots from Millhome Nursery. You can find order forms beside the decorated box in the narthex. Please place your order form, along with a check or cash, in the box. Payment must accompany your order. All orders must be turned in by Sunday, December 1st. If you have any questions, contact Barb Spiegel.



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.

Worship and Liturgy Meeting Minutes

Oct. 14th, 2019

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

Meeting was opened with a prayer lead by Raeline

Dave gave update as Director of Ministry. Dave has gathered the items he had found (certificates, crosses) and put them by the other sacramental supplies. Council members are considering the possibly of cleaning up the office areas. Dave and Raeline met shortly with Caleb Holmgren whom runs the music program for the Pentecostal church of Sheboygan. Caleb has agreed to partner with us to offer a contemporary music service which was requested by one of our younger members this past summer. We are hoping to be able to offer at least one service shortly after the first of the year with contemporary music. If it is successful, we will try to incorporate more through out the year. Dave has drafted the worship schedule from now through the end of the year. The schedule was approved by Council at their last meeting.

Oct. 27th – Reaffirmation Sunday (change banners to Red)

Nov. 3rd – All Saints Sunday (banners will be changed to White)

Nov. 17th – Gloria Dei Fall Fest, potluck, stewardship fair, raffle baskets – will be immediately following Sunday worship.

Nov. 24th – Christ the King Sunday (change banners to White)

Nov. 27th – Thanksgiving Eve Service – Pie and ice cream fellowship to follow evening service

Dec. 1st – First Sunday of Advent. We will add requests for candle lighters to the Opportunity Table in the Narthex. Wednesday services throughout Dec. will be Holden service.

Dec. 24th – Christmas Eve service at 7:00pm (No Christmas Day service and no Wednesday evening service on Jan. 1st).

Council has agreed to extend Pastor Jim's contract for another year, with the same terms and conditions previously negotiated as in the last agreement. Dave also reported that the council has updated GD's wedding policy. Dave will send this out to the Liturgy & Worship committee electronically.

Lastly; Dave was able to purchase new followers for the 1 ½ inch candles. New candles were also obtained. We will have them out on the alter for All Saint's Sunday. Raeline has a catalog with banners and has made some selections for new banners. She will contact Dee Langohr to fine out exactly how much we have to spend. More to follow this at next month's meeting.

Dave closed us out with a prayer.

Next meeting: Nov. 11th, 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Raeline Springstroh



Choir Practice

Has begun again
Every Wednesdays', @ 6:00 pm.



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 you!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Fall Fun Fest—Nov. 7, 2019

Thanksgiving Eve: Nov. 27, 2019

Pie & Ice-cream after

1st Sunday of Advent—Dec. 1, 2019

Midweek Advent (Ash Wednesday) -
Dec. 4, 2019

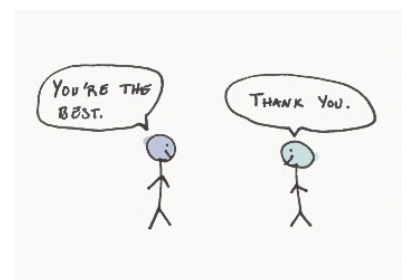
Lest we have forgotten...



Whether you're in the kitchen or anywhere in or around the church, please take time to tidy up. We really have no budget for outside cleaning services. Please and Thank You.



We do care about the sustainability of our surroundings. Gloria Dei does actively participate in recycling. If you have paper, plastics, or anything that could be recycled, please empty / clean the item before placing it in the proper container.



November 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 9am Worship Noisy Change Offering Sunday Day Light Saving | 4 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs. | 5 | 6 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:30 pm Confirmation 5:30 pm Bible Study 600 pm Choir Practice 7pm Worship | 7 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs. Garbage & Recycling Pick Up Day | 8 | 9 |
| 10 9am Worship Name Tag Sunday | 11 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs. 6:30 pm Music & Worship Committee | 12 6pm Council Mtg. | 13 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:30 pm Confirmation 5:30 pm Bible Study 600 pm Choir Practice 7pm Worship | 14 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs. | 15 | 16 |
| 17 9am Worship Temple Talk Sunday | 18 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs. | 19 | 20 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:30 pm Confirmation 5:30 pm Bible Study 600 pm Choir Practice 7pm Worship | 21 12pm – 5pm Ann's Office Hrs. Garbage Pick Up Day | 22 | 23 |
| 24 9am Worship Food Pantry Sunday | 25 6:30am Bible Study Riverview Rest., Kiel 1pm—6pm Ann's Office Hrs. | 26 | 27 9am – 1pm Ann's Office Hrs. 5:30 pm Confirmation 5:30 pm Bible Study 600 pm Choir Practice 7pm Worship | 28 OFFICE CLOSED HAPPY THANKSGIVING | 29 | 30 |
| NOTE: The Pentecostals of New Holstein have Bible Study every Tuesday @ 6:30 pm and Worship every Sunday evening @ 6:00 pm. | | | | | | |

WORSHIP HELPERS LIST

| Date | Communion Assist | Communion Set-Up | Greeter(s) | Reader | Usher(s) | Acolyte | Penny Counter(s) |
|------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| 11/03/2019 | Gary Meyer | Barb Spiegel | Wayne Zwart | Joe Janicek | Gary & Tyler Meyer | Annalee Puro | Jerry & Pat Jensen |
| 11/10/2019 | Nealeay O'Brien | Barb Spiegel | Coleen Allee | Jennica Krebsbach | Randy Schumacher & Anne Sellen | Alex Jeanty | Jennica Krebsbach |
| 11/17/2019 | Jaclyn Schreiner | Hoban Family | Aprill Family | Nealey O'Brien | Kathy & Dick Welsch | Braden Aprill | Anne Sellen |
| 11/24/2019 | Randy Schumacher | Karen Ebert | Argall Family | Tina Puro | Wayne Zwart & Coleen Allee | Zoe Zimmerman | Karren & Jaremy Cobble |
| | | | | | | | |
| 12/01/2019 | Anne Sellen | Dianne Fett | Aschenbach Family | Scott Rickert | Matt Aprill & Jaremy Cobble | Sara Hoban | Allan Fett |
| 12/08/2019 | Barb Spiegel | Tina Puro | Karen & Al Ebert | Julie Schumacher | Allan Fett & Craig Heller | Tyler Jeanty | Jullie Herschleb |
| 12/15/2019 | Dick Welsch | Jaclyn Schreiner | Cheryl & Craig Heller | Anne Sellen | Cheryl & Craig Heller | Annalee Puro | Jerry & Pat Jensen |
| 12/22/2019 | Becca Zimmerman | Julie Schumacher | Julie & Jim Herschleb | Barb Spiegel | Julie & Jim Herschleb | Zoe Zimmerman | Jennica Krebsbach |
| 12/29/2019 | Coleen Allee | Barb Spiegel | Michael Hetzner | Kathy Welsch | Pat & Jerry Jensen | Gordy Janicek | Anne Sellen |