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THE DAILY NEWS

January 2022

DATE TO REMEMBER	
01/02/2022	8:00 AM – In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook
01/05/2022	6:30 AM - Bible Study Group
01/08/2022	9:00 AM—Confirmation Class
01/09/2022	8:00 AM - In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook
01/11/2022	6:30 PM - Church Council Meeting
01/12/2022	6:30 AM - Bible Study Group
01/15/2022	9:00 AM—Confirmation Class
01/23/2022	8:00 AM - In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook
01/26/2022	6:30 AM - Bible Study Group
01/29/2022	9:00 AM—Confirmation Class
01/30/2022	8:00 AM - In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook - - Annual Meeting after Services

New Covid Policy, approved by Council December 14, 2021:
 Given the even higher risk of COVID now in our area (Calumet County 12/13/21 “very high risk” with 14.6% positive tests), we want to remind everyone attending indoor activities at Gloria Dei to be particularly mindful of our ongoing precautions:

1. We recommend everyone wear a mask.
2. Maintain social distancing. Families may sit together. Everyone else stay 6 feet apart.
3. Cleanse hands upon entry.
4. Vaccination is the surest way to avoid getting and spreading the virus.
5. If you are sick, stay home and view the service on Facebook.

Worship team, for events with larger numbers of people attending, should have adequate ushers to facilitate appropriate entry and exit. Upon leaving the worship area, the worship leader (Pastor) leaves to the narthex first. Ushers will then advise attendees to exit, beginning from the back toward the front. Promptly leave the building after exiting the worship area. Adopted by Gloria Dei Council 12/14/2021

WORSHIP HELPERS FOR JANUARY			
	<i>Recording</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Greeter/Usher</i>
01/02/22	Barb	Julie	Julie Schaefer
01/09/22	Nealey	Michael	Michael Hetzner
01/16/22	Barb	Coleen	Coleen Allee
01/23/22	Louie	Kathy Welsch	Barb/Phyllis Kitzman
01/30/22	Nealey	Dianne Fett	Tim & Laurie Argall

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LOOKING TOWARD SPRING AND THE SEASON OF LENT—PASTOR JIM

I know it's early, but it is time to think Spring, And, thinking of Spring, let's think of Lent. Lent begins this year on March 2 with an evening church service. We are going to try to have Wednesday evening church services through Lent, and, if there is interest, continuing with Wednesday services after Easter.

As part of Lent, we would like interested church members to do devotional talks on the Seven Last Words of Christ. We are looking for approximately 4-8 minute talks. We are not especially looking for sermons, although that is o.k. if that's what someone wants to do. But more like a thoughtful and prayerful response to the words of Christ.

These are the dates, scriptures, and subjects of the talks:

March 2 "Father, forgive them, they know no what they do" Luke 23:32-34. This talk will be part of the Ash Wednesday service.

March 9 "Today you will be with me in Paradise" Luke 23:39-43.

March 16 "Woman, behold your son . . . Behold your mother" John 19:25-27.

March 23 "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?" Matthew 27:45-49.

March 30 "I thirst" John 19:28-29.

April 6 "It is finished" John 19:30.

Thursday April 14 "Lord, into your hands I commend my spirit" Luke 23:44-47. This talk will be part of the Maundy Thursday service.

If you would like to do a devotional talk on one of these passages, please contact Pastor Jim Liddle, either in person, or by phone (920-565-3149), or email (jmlbjl@mail.com). First come, first choice of date and subject.



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.

Treasurer - David Hoban.

Worship Committee- December 1, 2021- 6pm

Present: Nealey, Pastor Jim, Anne & Barb. Excused: Doug.

Thanksgiving Eve – this service went well.

Christmas Eve- Discussion. The service will be at 6pm. Readers, Greeters, Ushers and Lighting assistants will be needed. The service for December 26th will be tradition rather than readings and carols, as Christmas Eve is readings and carols.

Equipment: Usage of equipment was discussed. Nealey will investigate future projection equipment usage. One piano has been removed from the sanctuary. Property is investigating manners of disposal.

Lent: Pastor Jim suggested using the “7 Last Words” as a devotional- message during the Lenten Season. Volunteers will be requested to provide a 5-10 minute message/devotion for each week. Anne will share documents she has in her file.

Pastor Jim adjourned the meeting with prayer.

Respectively submitted,
Barb Spiegel

2022 Commitment time

Now is the time to return for Commitment Cards and Time and Talent sheet. A big Thank You to all of you that have already returned you Commitment Cards and Time and Talent Sheets. If you need commitment cards or time and talent sheets call us and they will be sent to you.

SCRIPT NEWS: FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO PURCHASE SCRIPT FOR THE TIME BEING SCRIPT DOES NOT OFFER \$100.00 BP CARDS or the \$50.00 Gift Cards. The Inventory will be replaced when gift cards become available. SORRY FOR ANY INCONVEINCE.

GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL—December 14,2021 Minutes

Present: Julie Schaefer, David Hoban, Michael Hetzner, Brenda Kobs, Bryce Larson

Absent: Sue Salzsieder, Nealey Janicek, Anne Sellen, Jennifer Lecker

Call to Order—President Julie Schaefer 6:35 pm. Opening prayer—Mike

Approval of Meeting Agenda—(M Hetzner, B Larson)

Approval of Secretary's Report—(B Larson, B Kobs)

Approval of Treasurer's Report—(M Hetzner, B Larson)

Treasurer's Monthly Report

Submitted by David Hoban

	<u>November</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>	
	<u>----2021----</u>	<u>----2021----</u>	<u>----2021----</u>	<u>----2021----</u>
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Planned</u>	<u>Planned</u>
TOTAL INCOME				
Operating Income	\$ 7,153.13	90,706	94,673	103,280
Capital Campaign	\$ 500	2,770	9,167	10,000
Building Projects	\$ 0	17,125	3,208	3,500
Benevolence Funds	\$ 0	100	2,292	2,500
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 7,653	110,701	109,340	119,280
TOTAL EXPENSES				
Operating Expenses	\$ 7,247.04	90,729	110,579	120,632
Capital Campaign	\$ 500	2,770	9,167	10,000
Buiding Projects	\$ 0	14,853	3,208	3,500
Benevolence Funds	\$ 100	100	2,292	2,500
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 7,847	108,452	125,246	136,632
INCOME MINUS EXPENSES	\$ -194	2,249	-15,906	-17,352

At the annual meeting, Gloria Dei passed a budget that projected a shortfall for 2021 of over \$17,000. This report is intended to keep the congregation informed on overall budget on a monthly basis. Please reach out to me if you have any specific questions.

In June, the congregation set a goal of raising \$15,000 for the building staining project. \$17,125 were raised. The work was completed with \$14,853.

For November, the general income was \$194 less than general expenses. Year to date, income exceeds expenses by \$2,249 which includes the extra \$2,272 from the building project.

For expenses, this month did not contain any quarterly or year bills.

The income also includes the \$400 rent from the Pentacostals.

Fall Pledge Drive Update—David reports that pledges are coming in. David, Nealey, and Jerry Jensen are drafting a letter, coming out soon, and one of them will make an announcement in church.

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Request of Call Committee—David: Joe Janicek and Dianne Fett have joined the committee, to replace Jim Herschleb, who was unable to serve. The candidate we interviewed has begun the process with another congregation. It is possible she may return. Results of our pledge process will clarify our ability to call a part time pastor. Rev. Asher at Synod is keeping in touch and has referred us to Rev. Grant, who with his wife previously served 5 congregations together, is available to help us re-evaluate our situation. Meanwhile Pastor Jim is ably serving as our permanent part time supply pastor.

Annual Meeting and 2022 Council Members—Annual meeting will be Sunday, January 30 after worship service. Bryce and Nealey are completing their terms. Julie has declined another term as President. Bryce and David voiced their interest in continuing to serve on Council. Mike volunteered to chair a nominating committee and will enlist two other members.

Discussion of COVID Precautions—Mike updated Council on the escalating rate of COVID infections in our area, with Calumet County on December 13 “very high risk” with 14.6% positive tests. Mike recommended initiating stricter precautions including universal masking and strict social distancing. A lively discussion ensued. Given varying views on Council and in the community, Council adopted an educational rather than a mandate approach (M Hetzner, B Larson). (See separate report). Mike will ask Ann, Church Secretary, to email this to everyone and publish it in the bulletins and newsletter.

Committees and Reports as Needed

1. Fellowship/Outreach—Brenda: Dick and Cathy Welsch took our food collections to the Pantry. Seven volunteers assisted the Salvation Army in Chilton December 9-11. A hygiene drive is planned for February.
1. Property—Bryce: Six water samples have now tested OK. We need to run the coffeemaker and dishwasher occasionally.
2. Stewardship/Long Range Planning—David: see Pledge Drive above.
3. Worship—no report
4. Youth/Christian Education—David: Sunday School is being taught when children are available. A Christmas program at worship service with 12 children from 5 families participating is planned for Sunday December 19.

Calendar Update—Annual Meeting January 30, 2022; next Council meeting January 11, 6:30 pm; Christmas Eve service December 24, 6:00 pm.

Adjournment with Lord’s Prayer (B Larson, B Kobs)



Piggly Wiggly Receipts

Your receipts from Piggly Wiggly from Kiel can be placed in the basket in the narthex. The Kiel Store allows us to turn in receipts to get the same non-profit donation as purchasing SCRIP

