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# THE DAILY NEWS

## January 2023

### DATE TO REMEMBER

<b>01/01/2023</b>	<b>8:00 AM -In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook</b>
<b>01/04/2023</b>	<b>6:30 AM - Bible Study Group</b>
<b>01/04/2023</b>	<b>5:30 PM - Confirmation Class</b>
<b>01/04/2023</b>	<b>7:00 PM - Wednesday Evening Service</b>
<b>01/08/2022</b>	<b>8:00 AM - In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook</b> <b>After services Sunday School and Adult Bible Study</b>
<b>01/10/2023</b>	<b>6:30 PM - Council Meeting</b>
<b>01/11/2023</b>	<b>6:30 AM - Bible Study Group</b>
<b>01/11/2023</b>	<b>5:30 PM - Confirmation Class</b>
<b>01/11/2023</b>	<b>7:00 PM - Wednesday Evening Service</b>
<b>01/15/2023</b>	<b>8:00 AM - In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook</b>
<b>01/18/2023</b>	<b>6:30 AM - Bible Study Group</b>
<b>01/18/2023</b>	<b>5:30 PM - Confirmation Class</b>
<b>01/18/2023</b>	<b>7:00 PM - Wednesday Evening Service</b>
<b>01/22/2023</b>	<b>8:00 AM - In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook</b>
<b>01/25/2023</b>	<b>6:30 AM - Bible Study Group</b>
<b>01/25/2023</b>	<b>5:30 PM - Confirmation Class</b>
<b>01/25/2023</b>	<b>7:00 PM - Wednesday Evening Service</b>
<b>01/29/2023</b>	<b>8:00 AM - In Person - Virtual Worship on Facebook</b>

### A note from Council President Michael Hetzner:

December at Gloria Dei was full of joy with The first communion of four young people December 11 with their families filling the church, Children's Christmas Program December 18 coordinated by Annette, with families filling the church again, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services.

The Church Council continues its work seeking ways to sustain and grow our community. Thanks to Council members, Pastor Jim, and the members of Gloria Dei for offering their opinions, talents, and time to our mission.

Congregation Annual Meeting is Sunday January 29 after worship. We will review the past year, make plans for the coming year, elect officers, and review the budget. Council members are asked to submit their annual reports by the next Council meeting, Tuesday January 10 at 6:30 pm, so our church secretary Ann will be able to have the complete annual report ready for members to review prior to the annual meeting.

### WORSHIP HELPERS FOR JANUARY

	<i>Filmer</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Greeter/Usher</i>
01/01/23	Barb Spiegel	Michael Hetzner	Michael Hetzner
01/08/23	Louie Lecker	Coleen Allee	Coleen Allee
01/15/23	Barb Spiegel	Kathy Welsch	Phyllis Kitzman/Barb Spiegel
01/22/23	Louie Lecker	Annette Pleshek	Annette Pleshek
01/29/23	Barb Spiegel	Anne Sellen	Phyllis Kitzman/Barb Spiegel

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**Current Covid Precautions Policy: Masking is voluntary. Side pews are marked off for optional social distancing. We take communion in the pews individually and share the peace at a distance.**

## SHARING MORE OF OURSELVES WITH GLORIA DEI

Did any of you get to attend other churches over the holiday season and get some ideas for Gloria Dei? I went to a large church in Sun Prairie Christmas Eve with my stepson Todd and family, which included a video of one man's spiritual path since joining that community one year ago, as well as a clip of other members showing a card with one side stating how they felt before, and then flipping it over to share how they feel now.

Could we take some time during Sunday morning services to share our personal story, perhaps why we are at Gloria Dei?

## Happy New Year!

It is the start of a new calendar year and oftentimes I think of the "goals" I achieved, those that I did not, and most seem to always be sort-of accomplished from the past year. Anybody else in the same boat?

Many a year, at tax time, I have been reminded of how my pledge/goal to financially support GDLC may have fallen a bit short. Sometimes, finances are/were tight and I remember feeling I could give by involvement, and yet, in my heart, my involvement physically did not help with the "costs" associated with pastoral and building expenses.

I am thinking of "goals" for 2023. My personal goals for GDLC can only be truly accomplished with help and input from congregational community members. A reminder that we want a large group to be attending our annual meeting at the end of January.

Here are a couple of my personal "GDLC GOALS" for 2023 -

1. Continue with decluttering and organizing what is in our church building cupboards.
2. Continue to grow Christian Education for our congregation. Starting this month of January, gatherings will be planned for the 2nd and 4th Sundays. Please join in the learning!

I see ads on tv requesting "for just a dollar a day" to help, in my opinion, a variety of very worthy causes. I got caught up, in past years, giving small monetary donations to, what I consider, worthy causes. For 2023, I am choosing less causes but increasing my donations, just a bit to a few. Could each family consider joining me in a minimal donation of "a dollar a day" each month, to GDLC???

GDLC can continue to move forward with input and the willingness and help from each member.

Peace,

Annette Pleshek

### 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-



## Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Council – December 7, 2022 Minutes

**Present:** Mike Hetzner, David Hoban, Sue Salzsieder, Jerry Jensen, Bryce Larson, Brenda Kobs, Annette Pleshek, Anne Sellen

**Absent:** Jennifer Lecker

**Call to Order & Devotion**—President Mike Hetzner called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. Prayer lead by Annette Pleshek.

**Approval of Meeting Agenda**—Salzsieder, Kobs

**Approval of Secretary's Report**—Pleshek, Larson

**Approval of Treasurer's Report**—Salzsieder, Kobs

The \$500 benevolence donation will be used at the [ELCA Good Gifts](#) website. Good news – we are keeping up with our budget.

### Treasurer's Monthly Report

Submitted by David Hoban

		<u>November</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>	
		<u>----2022----</u>	<u>----2022----</u>	<u>----2022----</u>	<u>----2022----</u>
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Planned</u>	<u>Planned</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>					
Operating Income	\$	7014	94,920	100,265	109,380
Capital Campaign	\$	0	2,250	917	1,000
Building Projects	\$	0	0	3,208	3,500
Benevolence Funds	\$	500	1,477	917	1,000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7514</b>	<b>98,647</b>	<b>105,307</b>	<b>114,880</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>					
Operating Expenses	\$	7387	85,456	82,697	90,215
Capital Campaign	\$	450	4,250	917	1,000
Building Projects	\$	0	0	3,208	3,500
Benevolence Funds	\$	0	1,226	917	1,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,837</b>	<b>90,932</b>	<b>87,739</b>	<b>95,715</b>
<b>INCOME MINUS EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-323</b>	<b>7,715</b>	<b>17,568</b>	<b>19,165</b>

For November, the general income was approximately \$323 less than general expenses. Year to date, income exceeds expenses by \$7,715.

\$450 was sent in for the Capital Campaign. \$2,250 has been donated year to date. There was also a \$500 donation to be used on benevolence.

November expenses included \$195 for lawn services, \$51 to fix the fan on the office computer, and \$240 for stamps.

**President's Report**—Council members who are willing to remain on 2023 Council are Hetzner, Lecker, Hoban, Salzsieder, Jensen, Larson, Pleshek. Joe Janicek has volunteered to run for Council President. HWY 57 will be resurfaced in 2023. We were thanked by the Salvation Army (food) and St. Joe's Pantry (spices). We believe St. Joe's thank you was meant for the GDLC congregation in Neenah. The thank you will be forwarded.

**Health Precautions Update**—COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic at the Courthouse will be discontinued after December 14, 2022.

**Call Committee Update**—Hetzner will contact St. Luke's in Sheboygan Falls about sharing a pastor again.

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## Committees & Reports

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- 1) Fellowship/Outreach—Thank you to Bryce Larson for continuing to provide treats and making coffee each Sunday. Second Sundays are Souper Sundays & Sunday School/Bible Study. Thank you to the Cobble Family and others who stayed to trim the Christmas tree on 12/4. A calendar has been proposed to highlight worship and fellowship events for 2023.
- 2) Property—Discussions are ongoing with Pastor Eric about the building and updating banners to appeal to younger members. Annette Pleshek has offered to gift a piece of furniture to hold extra hymnals.
- 3) Stewardship/Long Range Planning—Pledge cards have been mailed to all members to plan for 2023 budget. Pastor Jim has prayed and will continue to be our shepherd until his 75th birthday in August 2023. Members who want to be involved in long range planning should attend Bible Study held after church on the 2nd Sunday of the month.
- 4) Worship/Music—We will continue with individual wine/bread unless someone offers to coordinate. Members are welcome to commune together at the altar or remain seated.
- 5) Youth/Christian Education—First Communion – December 11. Celebration with cake & beverages!  
Annette Pleshek has gifted Bibles to be given to the children.  
—Youth Christmas Program – December 18  
—2023 – We hope to have Sunday School on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month.

## Calendar Update—First Communion, December 11

- Adult Bible Study, December 11
- Youth Christmas Program – December 18
- Confirmation Class will not be held December 21 & 28
- Christmas Eve Service, Saturday, December 24 @ 6PM
- Christmas Service will be Sunday, December 25 @ 8AM
- Council Meeting, January 10 @ 6:30PM
- Annual Congregation Meeting, January 29 @ 8:45AM
- Ash Wednesday, February 22
- Easter, April 9

**Adjournment** 6:55 p.m. —Pleshek, Salzsieder

Minutes are subject to council approval at the January meeting



### 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.

