

WORSHIP LEADERS - JULY

There in God's garden stands the tree of wisdom whose leaves hold forth the healing of the nations, tree of all knowledge, tree of all compassion, tree of all beauty. Its name is Jesus, name that says "Our Savior"...
 – ELW # 342

From the Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

There's a new "tree" in our church garden – a Peace Pole that was dedicated during worship June 8. Even some weeks afterward, both older and younger members have told me how meaningful it was to hear different speakers talk about Gloria Dei's connections through the Holy Spirit locally and across the globe and to learn words of peace in Swedish, Swahili, Hindi, Russian, Spanish, Anishinaabe, and English, as well as remember our kinship with the natural world. Special thanks to all who participated in the service, which coincided with the Day of Pentecost. A booklet is being posted on our church website (www.gloriadeiduluth.org) with pictures of the pole along with Gloria Dei's history with these languages, the background of the Peace Pole project to spread peacemaking in response to the bombings in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and our prayers for peace in all these relationships.

"How did the idea come about to have a peace pole at Gloria Dei?" someone asked me. While there are Peace Poles around the world at places of worship, including in Duluth at First Lutheran and First Methodist, in our case at Gloria Dei the idea began to germinate last summer in conversations about Intergenerational Sunday School. As kind of a continuation of last year's sabbatical and congregational renewal theme of *being rooted in faith and rooted in our neighborhood* (see Jeremiah 17:7-8), we chose *Tree of Life* as our monthly Intergenerational Sunday School theme. Beginning in September and wrapping up last month, we observed that the bible has a tree of life in the very first book (Genesis) and a tree of life in the very last book (Revelation). And we chose scripture passages each month in which the image of a tree is the backdrop for God to encounter his people:

+ Genesis 2:19 – Tree of Life. The creation story reminds us that just as God provided Adam and Eve with everything they needed in the Garden of Eden, so also God continues to provide abundantly for us and all living things.

+ Exodus 3:2 – Burning Bush. In the Exodus, God hears the cries of those who suffer and delivers them, raising up leaders like Miriam and Moses who hear God's call and are empowered to participate in God's liberation and justice.



	July 6	July 13	July 20	July 27
Organist	Barb Erickson	Mary Garner	Mary Garner	Barb Erickson
Assisting Minister	James Crane	Sue Anderson	Kathleen Gates	Tanner Hall
Sound Technician	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Doug Maguire & Scott Ruzich	Steve Dalager & Scott Ruzich
Reader	Linda Kalweit	Janet Worthing	Janet Schramm	Char Aaseng
Acolytes	Raine Amundson & Christian Leight	Deonta Lew & Joey Peterson	Esmeralda Lew & Martha Carlson	Katie Carlson & Noah Wiresett
Ushers	Joann & Wayne McCall	Per & Elaine Wickstrom	Tom & Carol Uecker	Nancy & David Gangeness
Nursery Attendants	Self Serve thru the summer months			
Counters	Bob Forbort & Sharon Stenberg	Barb Renick & Joan Gunderson	Mary Gagnon & Rod Dahlquist	Bob & Carol Kelley
Coffee Servers	Mary Savolainen	Sherry Dalager	Church Council Pot Luck	Rick & Marcia Troy

ALTAR GUILD for the Month of July is Barb Renick, Sharon Stenberg & Carol Kelley.

COMMUNION ASSISTANT for the month of July is Alice Lahti.

+ Isaiah 11:1 – Branch of Jesse. Like a shoot coming out of a stump, with God there is always hope—even for those who have given up. The promise of the coming Messiah, which we celebrate at Advent and Christmas, gives new life and a future to God’s people in exile.

+ Matthew 1:1 – Family Tree. Jesus’ family tree, which includes both famous and colorful characters, invites us to look at how God has been at work in the generations that have come before us. Faith is profoundly shaped by family and especially by baptism in which we become part of God’s family.

+ Luke 19:4 – Sycamore Tree. Short Zacchaeus climbs a tree to see Jesus, whose presence at their subsequent meal is transformative – moving Zacchaeus toward justice and compassion from then on. The sacramental meal Jesus shares with us weekly can also transform us.

+ Matthew 13:32 – Mustard Shrub. The birds of the air make their nests in the branches of this tree, which Jesus likens to the kingdom of God, which may come from the smallest of beginnings.

+ Acts 13:29 – Tree of the Cross. In the preaching of the apostles, the instrument of crucifixion becomes the Bible’s most central “tree of life,” effecting our salvation through the death and resurrection of God’s Son.

+ John 15:5 – Vine and Branches. Jesus promises to remain in his disciples through the power of the Holy Spirit. Centered in Christ the vine, we are enabled to reach out with God’s love for the world.

+ Revelation 22:2 – Tree of Healing. This tree, planted by the river flowing from God’s throne, bears fruit every month of the year, “and its leaves are for the healing of the nations.”

At the start of Intergenerational Sunday School we planted two elm trees between 3rd Street and our parking lot, a wonderful hands-on activity. And this final scriptural image of the “tree for the healing of nations” led us at the end to think of “planting” a Peace Pole, to see ourselves participating with God in relationships of peace and healing, near and far. More trees – in the form of *quilted panels* – are also making their way into the sanctuary during the Season of Creation, thanks to Karen Kjolhaug and the quilting group.

“Trees don’t seem so ordinary anymore,” a resident at an area nursing home told me when I shared this story in a communion service. Indeed, as scripture reminds us, they can point beyond themselves and remind us of God’s presence and purpose. This summer, with tree foliage finally emerging fully after a chilly spring, I invite you to reflect on your connections to God’s creative and redeeming work in the world.

See you in worship!
+ Pastor David Carlson

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Note: you will only hear the live audio while the service is being broadcast, so if you are early just wait a few more minutes and try the link again

FINANCE REPORT MAY 2014

Needed per month \$16,500

per week \$3,807

Envelope Offerings

Budget, 5 months \$82,500

Actual, 5 months \$79,952 96.9%

Difference, *behind* (\$2,548)



Our regular offering is a sign of worship and thanksgiving for all that God has done and continues to do. In our offering, we return to God a portion of what God has so graciously entrusted to us. THANK YOU for remembering your offering as a regular part of your worship, especially during the summer months!

GLORIA DEI LAUNCHES ONLINE GIVING - A new option to make financial gifts to Gloria Dei is here. At the web site (www.gloriadeiduluth.org), click on the "Donate Now" button for a convenient way, through automatic withdrawal or secure credit/debit card transactions, to support God's mission through Gloria Dei with a donation or monthly commitment.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 ~ Olivia Ellis | 17 ~ Charlene Ralph |
| 2 ~ Shakirra Johnson | 19 ~ Greg Garmer |
| 3 ~ Rod Dahlquist | 19 ~ Roman Pass |
| 3 ~ Mekenna Hills | 21 ~ Kathleen Gates |
| 3 ~ Shantrice Johnson | 22 ~ Della Curtis |
| 4 ~ Mary Savolainen | 24 ~ Andy Switzer |
| 4 ~ Michael Savolainen | 28 ~ Nancy Aronson-Norr |
| 5 ~ Donald Hoaglund | 28 ~ Tim Raun |
| 5 ~ Heather Winesett | 28 ~ Doug Paulson |
| 7 ~ David Carlson | 28 ~ Per Wickstrom |
| 9 ~ Trista Turnbull | |

EVANGELISM - WITNESS

1) Proclaim God's saving Gospel of justification by grace for Christ's sake through faith alone, according to the apostolic witness in the Holy Scripture, preserving and transmitting the Gospel faithfully to future generations. 2) Carry out Christ's Great Commission by reaching out to all people to bring them to faith in Christ and by doing all ministry with a global awareness consistent with the understanding of God as Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier of all.

GARDEN NOTES

- Several people got divisions from our hosta and sedum. Keep those gardens going! The pollinators need all the help they can get.
- The new raised veggie beds in the alley are principally the work of Paul Steklenski with some assistance by Tom and Carol Uecker.
- The teepees are for beans, the city wide veggie this year.
- Rhubarb is ready...in the alley. Feel free to harvest. The leaves can be put into the yard waste bin within the garbage corral (fenced area in parking lot).
- Want to help with the garden, but can't work? Donations are welcome! These pay for soil enrichment, raised beds, bean teepees, green waste disposal, and new plantings.

Finally, the area where the snow was dumped has killed all the grass. We are hoping to move some unwanted prairie type plants here to help stop the run off in heavy rains.

RADIO MINISTRY SINCE 1942

Become a friend of Gloria Dei Radio Ministry

- Worship with us on Sunday morning at 10:00.
- If you can't attend in person, listen to the live broadcast on AM 710 WDSM Radio.
- Make a difference in our community by supporting Gloria Dei's Radio Ministry through your regular gifts, or as a special gift in memory or in honor of someone to recognize an event.
- Each Sunday broadcast costs \$230.
- Call the church office at 218-722-3381 to sponsor a Sunday and support the spread of the Gospel!

WORSHIP STREAMING LIVE ON THE INTERNET

1. Listen live using Windows Media Player: Download Windows Media Player for best software interface with the audio stream.
2. After opening up the media player, type CTRL U (Hold down CTRL key, then press U key) which will open a new window asking for



JULY LESSONS

July 6, 2014 - Season of Creation—LAND

Our intimate relationship to the land is reflected in language: Adam is formed from adamah (Hebrew for soil), humans from humus. Our spiritual forebears remind us that sin is not isolated but is manifest in a web of broken relationships, including with the land on which we depend. The parable of the sower, seed, and soil reveals Jesus' life giving grace that has the power to reconcile all relationships. **Genesis 3:14-19, 4:8-16, Psalm 139:7-18, Romans 5:12-17, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

July 13, 2014 - Season of Creation—HUMANITY

Human beings are created in the "image of God," creatures but also co-creators. The early church spoke of Christ Jesus as the image or "icon" of the invisible God, showing God's self-giving love in a word and saving deed. Within the mind of Christ, "dominion over" creation looks different" a place of privilege means a call to serve the well being of all living things. **Genesis 1:26-28, Psalm 8, Philippians 2:1-8, Mark 10:35-45**

July 20, 2014 - Season of Creation - WATERSHED

Today we give thanks for rivers and streams that empty into Lake Superior, a watershed community through which God has nurtured life in this region for thousands of years. Mindful of this precious gift and of people and places that lack access to clean water, our hope is in Jesus who quenches our thirst for living water and the renewal of the earth.

Ezekiel 47:1—12, Psalm 65:5-13, Revelation 7:13-17, John 7:37-39

July 27, 2014 7th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

As Solomon prays for wisdom, we seek to more deeply know the treasures of faith. In today's gospel Jesus offers everyday images that reveal to us the reign of God: a tree that becomes a sheltering home, yeast that penetrates and expands, a treasured pearl, a net that gains a great catch. Even as we seek the riches of God's reign, the great surprise is that God's grace finds us first! **1 Kings 3:5-12, Psalm 119:129-136, Romans 8:26-39, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52**

Join us for a look at the text for the next Sunday every Tuesday at 12 Noon in the Hillside Room. All are welcome!

POTLUCK AND PARISH CONVERSATION—JULY 20 (Lake Superior Sunday)

In an effort to increase communication and awareness in the parish, Pastor David and the Council have planned quarterly "parish conversations" after worship with a potluck, during which everyone can hear updates about various ministries, receive a quarterly financial report, and become more aware of parish leaders, newcomers, and upcoming events. *A BIG thanks to all who went on the Annual Fishing Trip for providing fish for the potluck. In keeping with the Season of Creation, consider other locally grown ingredients for your potluck dishes. All are welcome!*

+LIFE'S LANDMARKS+*Birth*

Mason Allen Hills, June 3
to Rachele Hills & Dianna Boortz

Burial

Gifford Taft, June 4
Muriel Jorgensen, June 13

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Worship God in proclamation of the Word and administration of the sacraments and through lives of prayer, praise, thanksgiving, witness, and service.

SEASON OF CREATION 2014 From June 22 through July 20, each Sunday will focus on a specific aspect of creation, each praising the Creator in its own way. Since last summer, Gloria Dei has observed this 5-week alternative lectionary beginning with the anniversary week-end of the 2012 Northland Flash Flood and ending with our annual Lake Superior Sunday. Our worship uses portions of the Earthkeeping Liturgy developed by Dakota Road for Luther College, our quilters have created beautiful paraments for use throughout the summer, and our readings are adapted from the Season of Creation developed by the Australian Lutheran Church. This year's themes are:

June 22 – **ECOSYSTEM**,

June 29 – **WILDERNESS**,

July 6 – **LAND**, July 13 – **HUMANITY**,

and July 20 – **WATERSHED** (Lake Superior Sunday).



NEW HYMNAL INSERTS - Check out the new inserts in the back of the ELW, "Seasons at Gloria Dei," describing the rhythm of our worship life during the summer, including notes on the Season of Creation, Blues Sunday, and the Sundays after Pentecost. Thanks to Karen Bockelman for putting these together.

THANKS TO THE CHOIR – Many thanks to the choir and to Director of Music Stan Wold for another wonderful choral season! We are richly blessed by the dedication of all members, variety of anthems, and enhancement of congregational singing the Gloria Dei choir brings to our regular worship. Choir rehearsals will start up again in September.



and friends in the community. Select a table captain and gather a table of ten to join us at this delicious dinner.

Background: Koresh and Jill Lakhan have organized fundraising dinners for Chum, Sister Cities, Men as Peacemakers, and other organizations, hosting wonderful Indian meals at UUUCD. They recently offered to host one for Gloria Dei's free monthly neighborhood breakfast, to open up the opportunity for other congregations and community members to participate in this ministry who might not otherwise be able to do so. Gloria Dei - Help is needed:

- Help as a Table Captain (to organize a table of 10 people)
- Help set up tables and the dining area early
- Help serve the buffet meal
- Help clean up the dining area afterward.

Please save the date, and spread the word. If you can help with any of the above, please contact Carol Kelley 525-6098.

CHUM RHUBARB THANKS – Kudos to everyone involved with making this year's CHUM Rhubarb Fest a success, from rhubarb donations and pie makers to volunteers at the festival.

**STEVE O'NEIL APARTMENTS – HOUSEWARMING REGISTRY**

CHUM is building a new six-unit emergency family shelter in conjunction with the Steve O'Neil Apartments, now under construction in Duluth's Hillside neighborhood. In addition to the new CHUM Family Shelter, the Steve O'Neil Apartments will provide 44 units of permanent supportive housing for families with children who have a history of recurrent or long-term homelessness.

We are excited about the potential impact of the Steve O'Neil Apartments for Duluth's homeless families. We are inviting you to help us! The Community Housewarming Campaign is a **registry** where you can purchase an item, a room or an apartment of furnishings and items necessary to welcome families to their new home (items range from \$1 to furnishing a room, to furnishing a whole apartment!)

Help Gloria Dei sponsor a room: Furnishing one kitchen through the registry costs \$600 (without the toaster, which the O'Neil family is buying for all apartments). To contribute to Gloria Dei's collective effort and support, above your regular offering, checks in any amount can be made out to Gloria Dei with "O'Neil Apartments" in the memo. Specific items and amounts needed for the kitchen are also on a special web site via www.chumduluth.org). Depending on the response, the kitchen could be just a starting place - thank you for helping us make this a reality!



MANY THANKS to everyone who: gathered items for the various kits, sewed the kits, cut, sewed or tied quilts, contributed toward postage, or delivered kits and quilts to UMD. Thanks to your efforts, Gloria Dei contributed the following to Lutheran World Relief: 15 school kits, 10 baby care kits, 3 personal care kits, 29 fabric kits, 23 quilts, and 23 pounds of soap!! A great example of "God's work, our hands" !

PAINTING LOAVES & FISHES - The Loaves & Fishes community is painting the exterior of two of their houses and they need your help! We will be painting on July 12 and July 26 from 9-4. Please bring along paint brushes, scrapers, masks, and/or ladders. There will be extra painting supplies available too. Meet at 1614 Jefferson Street. Call Chelsea Froemke (651.276.9384) with any questions.

RUBY'S PANTRY July 17 Ruby's Pantry-Coppertop has been distributing food at the Coppertop Church, 230 East Skyline Parkway, Duluth on the third Thursday of every month since 2010. Due to increased transportation and warehouse expenses, the cost for a share of food is now \$20.00. For \$20.00 those purchasing a share will receive approximately two large boxes of food. Cash only, no checks or EBT cards will be accepted. You will need to bring your own boxes (laundry baskets work very well). There are no income guidelines. The Pantry operates the third Thursday of every month with distribution from 5:30-7:00 pm. We depend upon volunteers to help with the distribution process. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please call First Methodist Church at 727-5021 or talk with Sue Anderson.



NEIGHBORHOOD BREAKFAST July 26—All are welcome to join us for our free fourth Saturday Neighborhood Breakfast on Saturday April 26 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the Hillside Room.

DINNER FOR THE BREAKFAST - A fund-raising dinner for Gloria Dei's Free Neighborhood Breakfast, Saturday, August 9, 2014 – 6:00 PM, hosted by the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Duluth, 835 W College St. * Dinner menu includes Indian cuisine buffet (gluten-free, with both meat and vegetarian options) and dessert. Gloria Dei Lutheran Church's free monthly neighborhood breakfast started in January 2006 and every 4th Saturday now serves near 200. This ministry of hospitality to the hungry is funded by Gloria Dei's budget



ALSO THANKS to the Rev. Karen Bockelman for preaching and leading worship on July 27 while Pastor Carlson is on vacation. A member of Gloria Dei, Karen is retired and a former assistant to the bishop of the Northeastern MN Synod.

SAMARITAN SUNDAY, July 6 – Thanks for remembering: 1) canned food items to help replenish the CHUM Food Shelf, which are brought forward as part of our offering. 2) Our loose cash offering on the first Sunday has for several years gone to the Gabriel Fund, a ministry started by Gloria Dei and other Central Hillside parishes and managed through CHUM, for direct assistance to the needy.

EUCHARIST AT EDGEWOOD VISTA JULY 2 - Each month, Gloria Dei conducts a service and fellowship time at a senior residential home. This month, Chaplain Patti Maguire and the Health Cabinet are planning to meet at Edgewood Vista in the Chapel on July 2 at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome.

SUMMER IN BLOOM! – we all look forward to blooming flowers. It is our wish that you will consider sharing fresh flowers for our Altar, perhaps in memory of a loved one or in honor of a birthday or anniversary. Sign up for a Sunday on the Flower Chart in the hallway outside the church office, or call the office. They can be ordered for you for a very reasonable price. Also... call the church office with your announcement for the bulletin,.



ONE BREAD— Thanks to One Bread, our worship band, for leading and accompanying worship once a month. The next Sunday planned is Blues Sunday, August 10 Other Sundays, the liturgy will be led on organ, piano, and choir. We thank God for the gifts of all musicians at Gloria Dei!

END OF LIFE MINISTRY ITEMS NEEDED - The funeral serving folks would like to begin using fresh flowers on tables for funerals. If you are spring cleaning and find clear, 6 inch vases that would hold 2-4 blooms, please bring them to Carol Uecker. If you need her to pick them up, call her: 525-4173. Also, as an option, it would be nice to share some family photos on tables rather than on the "science fair boards". To do this, we need a collection of self standing, clear acrylic frames, either 4 x 6 inches or 5 x 7 inches. Again, Carol will collect these.

MINISTRY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Nurture members in the Word of God so as to grow in faith and hope and love, to see daily life as the primary setting for the exercise of our Christian calling, and to use our gifts of the spirit for our life together and for our calling in the world.

ADULT FAITH FORUM – All are welcome to join us at 8:45 in the Hillside Room before worship.

July 6 - Sustainability Illustrated videos from the Natural Step

July 13 - LSS Homeless Youth & Center for Changing Lives, with special guest Kathy Hansen, LSS Vice President for Advancement

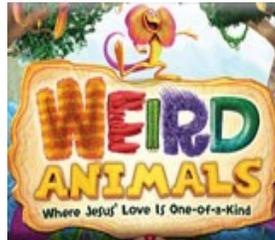


July 20 - Lake Superior Sunday 45-min film: "Mysteries of the Great Lakes" (2008) It takes a drop of water nearly 400 years to travel from the headwaters of Lake Superior to the edge of Lake Ontario. Along the way, the water passes by towering cliffs dotted with early Native American pictographs, caribou and moose grazing on the shores, over giant prehistoric sturgeon lurking among thousands of shipwrecks and past nearly 40 million people who live along the more than 10,000 miles of coastline. It is a dramatic journey through some of the most spectacular scenery in the world.

July 27 - No adult forum, resuming in September

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - July 21-25

Gloria Dei will again partner with Trinity Lutheran to offer "Weird Animals; Where Jesus' Love is One of a Kind" for this summer's VBS program. Mark your calendars for July 21-25 and watch for registration forms for your kids. Adult and teen volunteers needed—please see Patti for details.



RELIGION AND SCIENCE IN DIALOGUE JULY 23 - 8 a.m. at Valentini's (London Rd). Pastor Carlson facilitates a monthly discussion group in the community on the topic of Religion and Science. The group is lively and engaging and group members continually bring in their own experience to connect our readings with current events and daily life. Newcomers are welcome! For July's discussion we're finishing *Religion and Science: A Short Introduction* by Thomas Dixon (Oxford Univ. Press, 2008).

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT – Patti Maguire

I was gone for the first week of June, but jumped right back into the action with a worship service at King Manor on June 11th for our friends there. We'll be at Edgewood Vista at 1pm on July 2nd in the Chapel.

Although the weather has been changeable, the Care Team continues to visit, call and bring communion to homebound members. A few members have had health issues or other life changes. Our prayers, visits, calls and cards go out to them. Please keep us informed if you or someone you care about would like more contact with Gloria Dei or the Care Team.

On a personal note, thank you to all of you who offered your good wishes and prayers for me and my friends as we walked the last part of the Camino de Santiago de Compostela in Spain. It worked, no blisters! During the pilgrimage, I carried you all in my prayers too. Often I sang parts of the liturgy, hymns, and children's songs as I walked. One of my favorites tunes was "I want to walk with Jesus"; that sustains me. Feel free to ask if you have any questions about the trip.

*God of surprising grace,
meet me today along the road,
wherever my travels take me.
Open my eyes to see you and
let my heart burn with joy,
knowing your near presence and
your unfailing love. AMEN*



- ELW Prayerbook for the Armed Service

RELAY FOR LIFE July 18

RELAY for LIFE needs you! This year's event is at the College of St Scholastica on Friday, July 18th. Cancer survivors will be honored starting at 5pm and the opening ceremonies begin at 6pm. The special luminary lighting starts about 9:30. Please join the Gloria Dei team by registering on line at www.relayforlife.org/duluthmn and come to CSS and celebrate with us all night with music, games, food and festivities.

Please donate to our team either at the website, or by purchasing a luminary bag. See Patti for more information. Thank you for supporting Gloria Dei's Relay team.



peoples society and also the “Sorocis” Society. She studied to become a deaconess in St. Paul. In 1909 she became one. For two years she was a deaconess at First Church in St. Paul. She also spent more than a year at Gloria Dei as a deaconess. She was an administrator at Bethany Home in Duluth for a year. At this time she is stationed at Bethesda Hospital in St. Paul, Minnesota. —*From Jubelalbum, 1921*

Hello—I am Sister Jenny Johnson, a daughter of Gloria Dei!

Whew! When I look back on the last 9-10 years, I am amazed at how fast the world is changing. This year, 1909, is an exciting year for me because I became a deaconess in the Lutheran church. Options are limited for women and I wanted to serve the Lord, so it was the right choice for me.

Change is all around. Our president, Teddy Roosevelt, is a good leader for our country, I think. But everything is going so much faster. Why, I read in the newspaper, some Wright brothers are trying to FLY out in North Carolina. I wonder if God meant for man to fly? And just last year they began selling motor cars! I can't believe they'll ever replace horses. I do enjoy riding the train to the baseball game in West Superior Park, though. When I have an extra 25 cents, sometimes I go. And now we are in our new church building! It's so beautiful! Pastor Salmonson gave such a good sermon at our first service in June 1906—already three years ago.

I am so grateful for my church family at Gloria Dei. They have given me such a firm foundation. I am eager to see what the future holds.

— *From a 1909 interview with Sister Jennie [in various documents, her name is spelled both “Jennie” and “Jenny”]*

Need your lawn mowed and trimmed this summer?

JS Mowing – experienced, reliable and insured mowing and trimming in the Duluth area. Call (218) 269-1584 for a quote. *Submitted by Barb Switzer*

MINISTRY OF SERVICE

Purpose: Serve in response to God's love to meet human needs, caring for the sick and the aged, advocating dignity and justice for all people, working for peace and reconciliation among the nations, and standing with the poor and the powerless and committing to their needs.

HAVE A QUESTION? NEED A REFERRAL? Call 211 for help! This free resource service sponsored by the United Way is available 24/7 by phone or on-line at www.211.org. They have access to local, state and national resources.

FELLOWSHIP— “KOINONIA”

Manifest the unity given to the people of God by living together in the love of Christ and by joining with other Christians in prayer and action to express and preserve the unity which the Spirit gives.

DEI DREAMERS SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

June 19th rained out make up game will be announced as soon as we get the information.

Bring a lawn chair and come cheer the team on!

July 1	Field # 3	7:00 pm	Vs. Grand Avenue Slammers
July 8	Field # 3	8:00 pm	Vs. Twin Ports LDS
July 15	Field # 3	6:00 pm	Vs. Abundant Life
July 22	Field # 2	6:00 pm	Vs. New Life Covenant
July 29	Field # 3	6:00 pm	Vs. Methodist Enthusiasts
Aug 5	Field # 3	7:00 pm	Vs. Salem Lutheran Saints.



CHURCH DATABASE PROFILES – THANKS to all who have verified or added important dates for each member in their household on the profiles from the church database (birth, baptism, confirmation), ethnic origin (for the ELCA Office of the Secretary), and primary/ preferred contact information (phone & email). If you have questions, please contact the church office (722-3381). A reminder to PLEASE RETURN your checked profile to the church office if you haven't done so by putting it in the offering plate, handing it to an usher or pastor, or mailing it to the church office. Thank you!

VLM BLUEGRASS CHURCH CHALLENGE

Our outdoor camp ministry partner Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry (VLM) is gearing up for their annual Bluegrass Festival fundraiser July 26. This great food and music event raises funds to support camp scholarships and their mission. This year, VLM is challenging each member congregation (of which Gloria Dei is one) to provide a silent raffle gift basket.

We are hoping to put together a unique basket from Gloria Dei filled with great items. If Gloria Dei can create a basket that receives the most raffle tickets, we will receive a free congregational overnight at one the camps. Please call or email Brett Amundson (349-9013, brett.amundson@yahoo.com) with your ideas, a basket theme or any basket donations.



LGBT ELDERS - This group gathers for support and fellowship and will not be meeting in June or July, but will resume meeting starting in September. For more information, please contact Kathleen Gates gatespea@centurylink.net or 624-4589.

THE MANY FACES OF GLORIA DEI

In the words of band "The Who" – "Who are you? Who, who, who who?.." or, if you are from a younger generation – "Where's Waldo?" Ever wish you remembered the name of someone at church? Or... Do you need help matching a face with a name at church?

THE MANY FACES OF GLORIA DEI is coming! It's a new picture board featuring our Gloria Dei Family. It's better than a directory of pictures at home – it's where you need it – AT CHURCH!

This new Velcro fabric bulletin board will feature:

- small "head shots" of each of us (individual pics – not family pics)
- as new "faces" join our Gloria Dei family, the Velcro backing makes easy movement of pictures on the board
- each face will be labels with your First Name and your Last Name initial.

How do I get my Gloria Dei "FACE" on this cool board?

- Linda K. can take your picture during coffee hour most Sundays (after July 1 st), or
- Bring Linda a picture and she will scan it and return the original to you, or
- Email Linda a picture at below email address. If you have questions please email or call Linda. Lkalweit@d.umn.edu or 728-6206.

GLORIA DEI QUILTERS - will meet on Tuesday July 1 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lakeside Room. New comers are welcome. No sewing experience necessary. For questions, call Marianne Kjolhaug at 722-1493.



MARTHA CIRCLE will meet Thursday July 3rd. We will omit our health bag project for these meetings and will review and discuss the Bible Study in the Gather magazine. If others would like to join us, please do! We will meet from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room. Bring your Gather magazine if you have one.

COFFEE & CONVERSATION will meet on Tuesday July 15 at 9:00 a.m. in the back room at London Road Perkins. For more information please call Marjorie Nelson.



BOOK CLUB will not meet during the summer. On September 15, we will discuss "The Book Thief" by Markus Zusak. The October 20th book is "Wild" by Cheryl Strayed. On November 17th, the book to read is "Philomena" by Martin Sixsmith.



FROM THE ARCHIVES... BOLD WOMEN SUNDAY JUNE 1

By Karen Bockelman and the Heritage Committee

Gloria Dei's Ladies Aid Society was formed in 1891 to help the church in a financial way. In their report for the 75th anniversary of the congregation, the following contributions were noted:



"...no less than three gas stoves have been bought for the parsonage; the Church heating plant was paid for at a sum of \$850.00; a sum of over \$1,000.00 was given towards the organ, and in one year alone kitchen supplies were bought for \$925.00, and \$1,100.00 given to Bethphage. The Aid also helped pay for the Lakeside Chapel [which became Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd] and Bethany Home. It paid for choir robes and altar cloths."

THE LADIES AID

We built a new addition to the church way back home.

It has all the latest kilter, a gallery and a dome.

It will seat 2000 people, finest church in all the town,
And when it was dedicated, we plunked 10,000 down.

At least we paid 5,000, and every deacon did his best,
And the Ladies Aid Society promised all the rest.

Have an organ in our church, the finest in the land.

Has 100 pipes or more; its melody is grand.

And when we sit on cushioned seats and the masters play,
It carries us to realms of bliss 100 miles away.

It cost a cool 3,000, but it stood the hardest test.

We paid 1,000 on it; the Ladies Aid paid the rest.

They'll hold 100 sociables, cantatas too, and teas.

They'll bake 1,000 angel cakes, and tons of cream they'll freeze.

They toil and work and scrimp and save for 20 years or more

And then they'll start all over for a carpet for the floor.

When the Ladies Aid gets busy and says, "We'll pay off the rest."

We're proud, you know, of our church from pulpit to the spire.

It's the cream of our delight, the crown of our desire.

But when I see the work it takes to raise the cash that lacks,

I sometimes think the church is built on tired women's backs.

And I cannot help but think when we reach the regions blest...

That the men will get the toil and sweat, and the Ladies Aid the rest.

Author Unknown

SISTER JENNIE JOHNSON

Sister Jennie, daughter of the John Johnson family, was born in Duluth on the 15th of February, 1885. She grew up in Duluth. She was diligent in church and Sunday School and was confirmed by Pastor J.A. Krantz. She was a faithful member of the congregation, the young