

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church's Weekly E-News The Gloria Gazette for July 2 , 2021

Great News!

We have survived the pandemic!



Beginning July 4, Gloria Dei will reopen to in-person worship with the choir leading congregational singing!

- A maximum occupancy of 75 attendees including choir and worship leaders will be allowed
- We will continue to encourage people to RSVP by contacting the office.
- Zoom live streaming will continue.
- Per CDC and other guidelines, folks that are willing to present their vaccination documentation will not need to wear masks. *Remember, our insurance company says they will defend us for related issues if we follow official guidelines.*
- Folks may bring their documentation in at any time to be added to the list.
- Folks that are not vaccinated or are unwilling to present their documentation will need to continue to wear masks during the service and will seat in an area near the rear of the sanctuary to maintain physical distancing.
- The choir will be seated at the front, away from the congregation. In order for members to participate in choir, they will need to be vaccinated.
- Singing will be allowed for vaccinated members present.
- Sunday school and nursery will be discussed at a future meeting later in the summer.

Around the Church

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Gloria Dei is planning a modified vacation Bible school program and we'd like you to invite the children in your life...your own, your grandchildren, your neighbors...

"To Mars and Beyond: Explore Where God's Power Can Take You"

July 26 – 30 • 10:00 a.m. - Noon
Children ages 5 – 12

We're planning fun and engaging Bible story lessons, games, and crafts/science activities to reinforce the main theme each day: Going Beyond with Faith, with Boldness, with Kindness, with Thankfulness, and with Hope!



Registration is limited to 30 children and all activities will be outdoors, following health guidelines. Pre-registration is required to guarantee a spot; no fee.

Please call Gloria Dei Lutheran church office for further information and to register:

541-267-2347

Around the Church – Bits & Pieces

2021

Call Committee

Mo Aakre	Angela McAlister
Curtis Buell	John Meynink
Ken Denton	Dorothy Miller
Leslie Green	John Olson
Marilyn Halvor	Sarah Reher
Dave Jordan	Linda Strine
Sharon Larcom	Debbie Wright

Remember in Prayer

For the healing of this nation. For the people of India, overwhelmed by the COVID-19 pandemic. For peace between the Israelis and the Palestinians. For the victims of the FL apt. collapse.

Kay Hamilton – recovering from thyroid surgery

Becky Bell-Greenstreet – chronic back pain

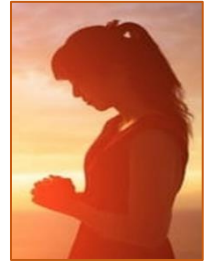
Ray Nelsen – home from eye surgery

Sandi Carter's brother, Michael – beginning course of radiation

Kathy Whitwer – on the death of her father, Buzz Heath

Monita Johnson – recovering from a serious auto accident

Jacob Strine – has sought treatment to recover from addiction



Log-In Links

All worship services and meetings held via Zoom and in-person

Adult Education Bible Study

Every Sunday at 9:00 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8997130571>

1 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 8997130571

Sunday Worship service 10 am

Every Sunday at 10 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82393074728>

1 301 715 8592

Meeting ID: 823 9307 4728

"God's work. Our hands." Sunday



Sept. 12
2021

Share your Birthday

Your church family rejoices with you in the day you were born. Your church family would like to help celebrate. Please call Violet to let the office or drop her an email to let us know your birthdate. No need to share the year!

Pictorial Directory

PLEASE

Send a recent photo
to Pastor Peggy

pastorpeggy@hotmail.com

On Sunday, September 12, 2021, congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) will come together for "God's work. Our hands" Sunday.

In the past, Gloria Dei has people sign up to do odd and ends for other church members that need assistance with projects such as yard work, etc. We are asking if you are interested this year that you call the church and sign up early so that we can order shirts and know how many projects we can tackle this year.

If you have a project that we can assist you with, please call the office to be put on the list. We cannot guarantee that all requests will be answered but we will do our best with the volunteers we have. Please remember that this is not until September 12th, however if you have a need for something now you can always reach out to the office and we can always see if we can find someone that can assist you.

Thank you

As you explore opportunities to participate in our dedicated day of service, visit ELCA.org/DayOfService for helpful planning resources

Around the Town – Coos Bay & North Bend



If you know how to make good use of the mud,
you can grow beautiful lotuses.

– Thich Nhat Hanh

Beloveds,

The light is getting brighter! The vaccine news just keeps getting better and Oregon is soon to hit it's goal of 70% vaccination. As of today, all state restrictions have been dropped. Whew. It's been a long ride. Now we navigate the tricky waters of reopening.

Take a breath.

Reopening requires navigating both practical, safety, and emotional concerns. We've all been through a challenging year. Differences in temperament and risk tolerance are still in play.

Let us hold each other in grace and kindness as we move through this final stage of the pandemic process. We are not the same as we were before. For one thing, our ministries have expanded into the virtual domain. We must be intentional, nimble and ready to learn as we make our decisions about reopening. Please be kind to yourselves and to everyone else. Pray. Listen. It might be a bumpy landing, but we will all cross together to the other side. And Spirit goes with us every step of the Way.

Looking forward to greeting you all again in person,

Bishop Laurie



Mama doe
with her
week-old
fawns.



THIRD HEAVEN?!
THIS IS WEIRD!



PAUL SEEMS TO HAVE HAD SOME KIND
OF HEAVENLY EXPERIENCE, WHICH
MIGHT LEAD SOMEONE TO BRAG. BUT
HE ALSO SUFFERED DEBILITATING
WEAKNESS...



WHICH HE ACTUALLY
DID BRAG ABOUT.



WWW.AGNUSDAY.ORG / THE VACCINATED EDITION

2 CORINTHIANS 12:2-10 © WETZSTEIN 21-06-30

Around the Church – Educational Opportunities

To Mars and Beyond!

Explore where God's Power can take you

Vacation Bible School

July 26-30, 10am-12 noon

Kids ages 5-12 • FREE to all

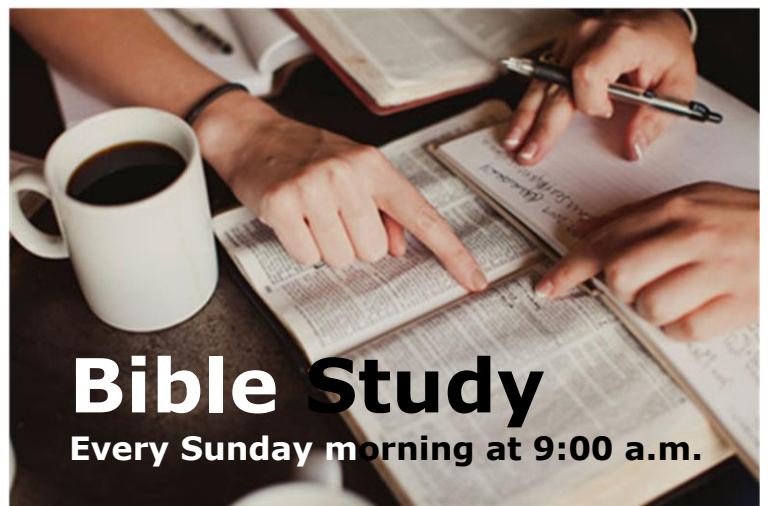
Everyone must pre-register at:

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Wednesday Evening Bible/Book Study *on hiatus through the summer*

Online via Zoom and in-person



Bible Study

Every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.

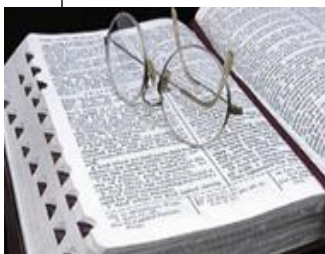
Each week, Dr. Jim Gilbert leads a discussion on one of the Bible's 66 books. Meet at Gloria Dei's Fellowship Hall, or log onto Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8997130571>

or call 1 301 715-8592, then enter the Meeting ID: 8997130571

Weekly Text Study

Every Friday at 8:30 am via
Zoom




Join us online to discuss the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings.

A link is sent out every week.

Around the Church – Calendar

July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					2 WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – 8:30 am	3 COMMUNITY MEAL 11-1
4 6th Sunday WORSHIP Adult Bible Class 9am One service 10 am	5	6 AA Group 6pm	7 CHOIR 6:30-PM	8 KNITTERS 10am Worship & Music Noon Q & A Young Adults – 5:30pm	9 WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – 8:30 am	10
11 7th Sunday after Pentecost Adult Bible Class 9am One service 10 am	12	13	14	15	16	17
Pastor on vacation						
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18 8th Sunday after Pentecost Adult Bible Class 9am One service 10 am Pr. David Paulson	19	20	21	22	23	24
Pastor on vacation						
		AA Group 6pm	CHOIR 6:30-PM	KNITTERS 10am Church Council 6:00 pm	WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – 8:30 am	

Vacation Bible School July 26-30, 10-Noon

Around the Oregon Synod



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

Friends of faith & fierce love,

WE DID IT!

When we gathered over the past months we squinted our collective eyes and hearts toward a **Horizon of Community Stabilization in Oregon:**

- Families able to stay in their homes, healthily and affordably
- More affordable housing for those who are houseless or displaced, stabilizing our neighborhoods, schools and faith communities
- Living wage, creation-honoring work for those most impacted by injustice in our systems

Well, thanks to each of you, your faith communities, and the many partners who worked tirelessly to get the word out, lift up our stories, and made radical invitation to your legislators to join us to journey toward this horizon, **ALL THE COMMUNITY STABILIZATION BILLS PASSED** -- HB2008 & SB8 and Oregon Clean Energy Opportunity Campaign (HB2842, HB2475, HB2021B)!!!

You can dig into the bills HERE:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1o0qGVUXLgZEOW1Kim16SQRb7kkSG67s2pYguSc_aRbg/edit

This was a wild legislative session when it felt like many of these bills would die before they made it to the floor. Please take a moment to bring to your heart everyone impacted by systemic racism, this climate crisis, gentrification and displacement while you also CELEBRATE the power of love among us that is weaving a new reality with every step forward. A world we are called to build together.

We are humbled and overjoyed to continue to walk alongside you into this future.

With Courage,
Melissa & your Design Team -- Jake Bailey (Leaven Community Land and Housing Coalition - LCLHC), Michael Ellick (Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon - EMO), Olivia Osato (EMO), LaVeta Gilmore Jones (LCLHC), Ev Jamie (LCLHC), and Jules Nielsen (LCLHC)

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Pastors watching their
pre-recorded sermons
with their families

