

DeiMinder

90 Years of Celebrating the Glory of God
Late June and July 2017 Newsletter

Honoring Fathers



*The father of a righteous man has great joy;
he who has a wise son delights in him.*

Proverbs 23:24

Bring Dad to Church on Father's Day!

Sunday, June 18 at 10:30 a.m.

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Sharing the peace of God's Grace with the World

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***Sunday Worship with Holy Communion: 10:30 a.m.
Bible Study: Each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. (through May)***

Welcome to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church! You're invited to join us in worship each Sunday at 10:30 AM. Those who are interested in learning more about our congregation, or are considering becoming a member of our congregation, please speak with LLM Charlie Martin, (248) 373-5222 or email pastor @ gloriadei.cc

We remember in prayer...



Please remember in prayer all those who are sick, hospitalized, homebound, or recovering - Tabitha Bedker, Sharon Cook, Lynne Danielson, Donna Williamson, Sally Mickel, Aaron Carlson, Gena McGree, Mark Carlson, Alice Toss, Donna Polasek, Judy Coller, Jeff and Faye Gorecki, Andrew Cook, , Dorothy

Chilkott, Danny Holmquist, Victor DiRita, Teresa VanderPerrin, Margie Vantongerren, Roxie Alfsen, Marie Niedzwiecki, Patty Bohneke, David Kangas, Roger Teply, Mary Lou Barrie, Bill Davidson, Doug Ingamells, Jerry, Dennis Hurd, baby Alice Kate Barrie, Victor DiRita, Therese Dean, Kenneth Reese, Marty McNabb, Walter Hermann, Vera Martin, Tracy Vandecar, the family of Bob Steensma, the family and friends of Chris Amador, the family of Joyce Meyer, the Lay family, and the family of MaryAnn Ferry.

Coffee hour hosts, lectors and greeters are needed for many upcoming Sundays!

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From Minister Charlie

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings to all, and may the peace of God be found with you.

At this point in our Church year, we are past all the major celebrations for the year, if we look on our calendar, it is a sea of green Pentecost Sundays until the end of October. But let us consider where this places us. On both Sunday's, that of Pentecost and Trinity Sunday, Jesus words are commissioning words, ones that send us, that tell us that we also are to go out, just as Jesus sends the disciples. Just as the disciples could not stay in that room, or on the hillside forever, we cannot only be in our sanctuary, we are to interact with the other people of this world. We need to remember that Jesus did not send us out into the world trying to get more of them to come and fill our seats, but that we bring them his love, as they have need. Some are hungry, and we can feed them in ways that come to us in the world, as well as from our basket for Lighthouse. Others are spiritually hungry, needing an uplift from the worries of this world, and without preaching to them, we can tell them our secret way of getting through the days, that of knowing that God is still watching over the world, and loves all of us. Some seek forgiveness, from various issues, and many people, and we can tell them about the fact that we have the answer to this need, in the form of Jesus, who has led us through knowing ultimate forgiveness, and is the template for the world to learn this from. The light that shines out of our hearts may describe to them, that we are getting through all these life dilemmas, all the tragedies of our times, and are able to still put on a happy face. Knowing the love of Christ in our hearts can make us joyous beyond normal human means.



May God Bless us as we act as Christ's body in this world,

Minister Charlie

Mostly about people

We will welcome Bishop Donald Kreiss of the Southeast Michigan Synod on Sunday, June 11; Bishop Kreiss will be leading worship and will talk about the synod's Rise Up! campaign Thank you to everyone who helps care for the church property – we thank Ray Lucas for the weeding and gardening he has been doing; we also thank Rick Rajala for painting the fascia on the front of the building Thank you to Gene Steensma delivering donated groceries to The Lighthouse Thank you to everyone who donated money to purchase Pentecost flowers; we thank Scott Johnson for organizing and acquiring the flowers which adorned the chancel on Pentecost Sunday Lectors, greeters and coffee hour hosts are needed for several upcoming Sundays; if you are able to serve, please sign up in the fellowship hall The Gloria Dei Transition Team is in the process of inventorying the contents of the church; if you are interested in acquiring anything owned by the church, please put your request in writing and drop it off in the office or mail it to the church (attn.: Scott Johnson) no later than June 20, 2017 Are you interested in becoming an assisting minister? Serve our Lord by helping to lead worship. If you don't sing, it's not a problem! If you're interested, please contact Minister Charlie or Gene Steensma.



Items needed for Lighthouse

Summertime is here and school children will be spending more time at home, which means more meals for families. Lighthouse is asking for peanut butter, jelly, and macaroni & cheese to help needy families in the area. Collection baskets are in the narthex, so if you are able to donate these items or any other non-perishable food items, please bring them to church.

Lighthouse's annual back-to-school program soon needs your support. Last August, the program provided hundreds of needy children with backpacks, school supplies and gift cards. These children



were able to start the new school year with a special feeling that comes with having new clothing and a new backpack filled with supplies.

If you are able, please bring these items to church, which will be donated to Lighthouse (all items must be new):

Backpacks*	Markers*
3-Ring binders*	Colored pencils*
Lunch bags / boxes*	Pens (red, blue, black)
8-Tab dividers*	Pencils
3x5 Index cards*	Crayons
Calculators*	Highlighters
Composition notebooks*	Notebook paper
Glue sticks*	Duo-tang pocket folders
Erasers*	3-hole punch (fits in binder)
Pencil pouches/boxes*	Spiral notebooks
Sharpeners (desk/locker)*	Rulers
Scissors*	

*Items marked with a * indicates those that are always in short supply.*

In addition, gift cards are needed. It is Lighthouse's goal to supply each child with a gift card to purchase new shoes or a new outfit to start the 2017-18 school year:

Gift cards needed - \$20, \$25, \$30:

Meijer • Kohl's • Target • Kmart • Wal-Mart • Payless

Thank you in advance for your support of this worthwhile cause!

ELCA and Episcopal Church issue call for prayer, fasting and advocacy

CHICAGO (May 18, 2017) – The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), and the Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church, have issued a joint statement calling for prayer, fasting and advocacy addressing cuts to public programs that are vital to hungry people who are living in poverty.

The statement "For Such a Time As This" calls for fasting on the 21st of each month through December 2018, at which time the 115th Congress will conclude. The 21st of each month is targeted because by that day about 90 percent of Supplemental Nutrition Benefits Program (SNAP) benefits have been used.

The call to fast will launch with a group of national and local leaders participating in a three-day fast May 21-23. This is in anticipation of the May 21 Global Day to End Famine – a broad coalition of church networks, denominations, faith-based organizations and concerned believers led by the World Council of Churches.

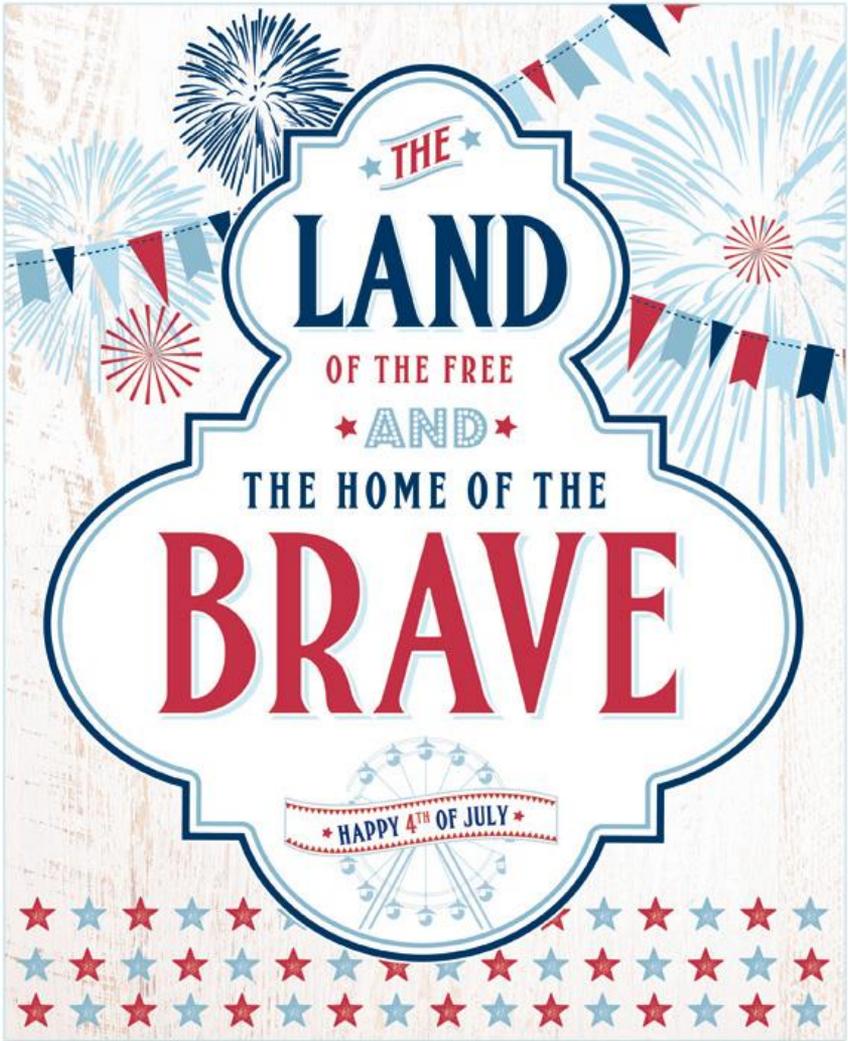
Record number accept call to ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission

CHICAGO – Ninety-six young adult volunteers from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) have accepted the call to serve with the ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission during the 2017-2018 program year. This is a record number of volunteers for the year-long program that started in 1999 with eight young adults who volunteered to serve in the United Kingdom.

Young Adults in Global Mission is an international mission opportunity for young people from the ages of 21 to 29 in which volunteers live and serve with ELCA companion churches and partner organizations around the world.

Country programs are in Argentina/Uruguay, Australia, Cambodia, Central Europe, Jerusalem/West Bank, Madagascar, Mexico, Rwanda, Senegal, Southern Africa, and the United Kingdom. In addition to Hungary, the Central Europe program will add a site in Serbia.

The young adults will depart for their year of service Aug. 23.



DeiTimer Calendar

Saturday, June 10	10:00 AM	Transition Team Meeting
Sunday, June 11	10:30 AM	Morning Worship with Holy Communion (Bishop Donald Kreiss presiding)
Sunday, June 18	10:30 AM	Morning Worship with Holy Communion (Bring dad to church!)
Sunday, June 25	10:30 AM	Morning Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, July 2	10:30 AM	Morning Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, July 9	10:30 AM	Morning Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, July 16	10:30 AM	Morning Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, July 23	10:30 AM	Morning Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, July 30	10:30 AM	Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday Helpers

	<u>Assist Minister</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Sacristan</u>	<u>Coffee Hr.</u>
June 11	Charlie M.	Bonnie P.	Bonnie P.	Sharon C.	Council
June 18	Gene S.	Rick Rajala	Bonnie P.	Terry R.	Terry&Rick
June 25	Chris D.	Dorothy Chilkott	Chilkotts	Linda N.	Tracy&Therese
July 2	TBD	Ray Lucas	NEEDED!	Sharon C.	NEEDED!
July 9	TBD	Dorothy Chilkott	NEEDED!	Terry R.	Bonnie P.
July 16	TBD	NEEDED!	NEEDED!	Linda N.	NEEDED!
July 23	TBD	Bonnie P.	NEEDED!	Sharon C.	NEEDED!
July 30	TBD	NEEDED!	NEEDED!	Terry R.	NEEDED!

BirthDeis

Makenzie Martin, June 2	Christie Vidor, July 13
Kate Ginman, June 16	Michelle Vidor, July 13
Aaron Rajala, June 20	Julie Granthen, July 17
Paul Johnson, July 2	Maryann Hank, July 21
Alice Toss, July 5	Dan Polasek, July 23
Kay Danielson, July 9	Mark Carlson, July 31
Charlie Martin, July 12	



If your birthday is incorrect/missing, please contact Scott Johnson



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