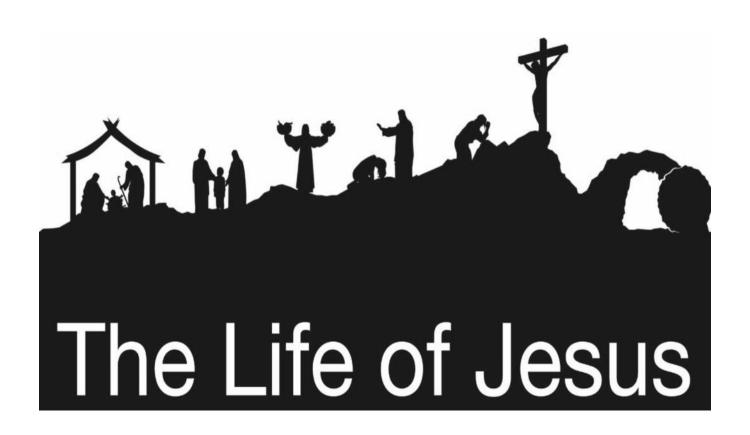
GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH

9 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

November 9th, 2022



30701 Patriot Avenue, P.O. Box126 Pequot Lakes, MN 56472

Sunday Worship: 9 a.m.

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WELCOME! THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY.

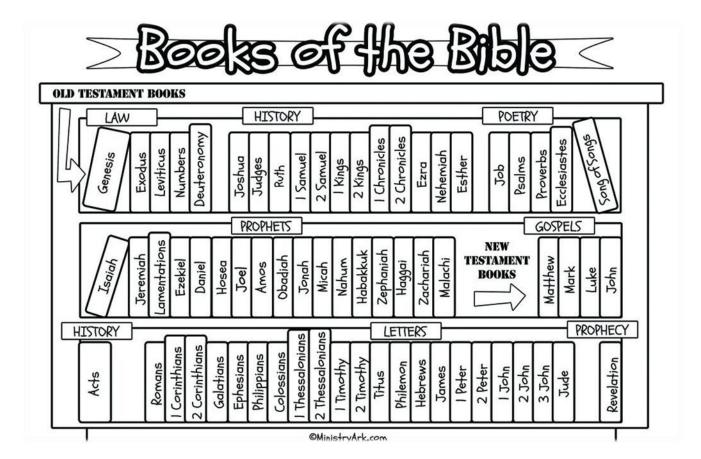
To help you prepare for worship.

- 1. Locate today's Bible verses in your Bible.
 - Matthew 2:1-12
 - Micah 5:2
- 2. Mark each verse with a bookmark so you can easily find it during worship.
- 3. Highlight those verses you find helpful.
- 4. Pray the following prayer before worship:

 Lord Jesus, as we gather today, steady our hearts to seek You above all else. Like those travelers long ago who followed a light they barely understood, teach us to follow You with honesty, courage, and trust. Cut through our distractions. Expose anything in us that tries to cling to comfort or control. Lead us to worship You with humility and joy, offering our whole selves, not just our rituals. Draw us closer, reshape us, and make this time together an act of true devotion. Amen.

Bookmarks and Bible highlighters are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Need help finding the Bible verses? This image may help!



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISIM HYMN #590:1-2 Baptized Into Your Name Most Holy

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- 1 Baptized into Your name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and lowly, Among Your saints, Your chosen host. Buried with Christ and dead to sin, Your Spirit now shall live within.
- 2 My loving Father, here You take me To be henceforth Your child and heir. My faithful Savior, here You make me The fruit of all Your sorrows share. O Holy Spirit, comfort me When threat'ning clouds around I see.

BAPTISM OF CHRISTIAN MATHEW DUCK

Son of Matthew and Mackenzie Duck Sponsors: Stacy Wolfgram and Lexis Wolfgram

BAPTISIM HYMN #590:3-4 Baptized Into Your Name Most Holy

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- My faithful God, You fail me never;
 Your promise surely will endure.
 O cast me not away forever
 If words and deeds become impure.
 Have mercy when I come defiled;
 Forgive, lift up, restore Your child.
- All that I am and love most dearly—
 Receive it all, O Lord, from me.
 Let me confess my faith sincerely;
 Help me Your faithful child to be!
 Let nothing that I am or own
 Serve any will but Yours alone.

OPENING SENTENCES

- **P** The Wise Men followed the star that led them to Jesus.
- We follow the light of God's Word that leads us to our Savior.
- **P** God guided them by a sign in the sky.
- May He continue to lead and guide us by His Spirit today.
- P How did you find out about Jesus?
- We have seen His light and come to worship Him!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P Yet even as we come to worship, we confess that we have not always followed God's light. We have wandered our own way, trusted our own wisdom, and failed to seek the Savior above all else.
- Merciful Lord, forgive us.
- When we lose sight of You, draw us back by Your Word. When we follow lesser lights, remind us that only You are the true Light of the world.
- Shine Your grace into our hearts and lead us again to Jesus.
- The same God who guided the wise men to the Savior now guides us to His cross and empty tomb.
 In Jesus Christ, the light of the world, your sins are forgiven.
 He has come for you, to lead you from darkness into His marvelous light.

As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen. We have seen His light and rejoice in His grace!

HYMN #395:1,3,6

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

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O Morning Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's own truth and light, Aglow with grace and mercy! Of Jacob's race, King David's son, Our Lord and master, You have won Our hearts to serve You only! Lowly, holy! Great and glorious, All victorious, Rich in blessing!
Rule and might o'er all possessing!

3 Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls from God above A ray of purest pleasure. Your Word and Spirit, flesh and blood Refresh our souls with heav'nly food. You are our dearest treasure! Let Your mercy Warm and cheer us! O draw near us! For You teach us God's own love through You has reached us.

6 What joy to know, when life is past,
The Lord we love is first and last,
The end and the beginning!
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
Transport us to that happy place
Beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus!
Crown of gladness!
We are yearning
For the day of Your returning!

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,

and thick darkness the peoples;

but the Lord will arise upon you,

and his glory will be seen upon you.

And nations shall come to your light,

and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Lift up your eyes all around, and see;

they all gather together, they come to you;

your sons shall come from afar,

and your daughters shall be carried on the hip.

Then you shall see and be radiant;

your heart shall thrill and exult,

because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,

the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you,

the young camels of Midian and Ephah;

all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,

and shall bring good news, the praises of the Lord.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

THE LIFE OF JESUS

Matthew 2:1-12

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

"And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN OF THE DAY #397

As With Gladness Men of Old

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- 1 As with gladness men of old
 Did the guiding star behold;
 As with joy they hailed its light,
 Leading onward, beaming bright;
 So, most gracious Lord, may we
 Evermore be led by Thee.
- 2 As with joyful steps they sped,
 Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
 There to bend the knee before
 Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
 So may we with willing feet
 Ever seek Thy mercy seat.
- As they offered gifts most rare
 At Thy cradle, rude and bare,
 So may we with holy joy,
 Pure and free from sin's alloy,
 All our costliest treasures bring,
 Christ, to Thee, our heav'nly King.

- 4 Holy Jesus, ev'ry day Keep us in the narrow way; And when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.
- In the heav'nly country bright Need they no created light; Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down; There forever may we sing Alleluias to our King.

SERMON - The Life of Jesus

THE OFFERING - WAYS TO GIVE

- Sunday in the Offering Plate
- Text "Give" to 844-431-7278
- Scan the QR code.
- By mail: PO Box 126, Pequot Lakes, MN 56472
 Thank you!



A TIME FOR PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

→ THE LORD'S SUPPER →

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My

→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

- The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **G** And also with You.

PREPARING FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

We believe that Christ's body and blood are present in, with and under the bread and wine. Our Lord invites to His table those who repent of all sin, and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

Please take a moment to examine your hearts (1 Corinthians 11:28). Ask yourself:

- 1) Am I sorry for my sins? (Psalm 51:10)
- 2) Do I believe Jesus died and rose for me? (John 3:16; Romans 5:8)
- 3) Do I believe His body and blood are truly present for the forgiveness of my sins? (Matthew 26:26–28)

If you have never communed at Gloria Dei before or are unsure about what is taking place, please talk to Pastor Meyer. Welcome to the Lord's Table!

DISTRIBUTION HYMN # 563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

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- Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness My beauty are, my glorious dress; Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
- 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and redeemed, no debt to pay; Fully absolved through these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
- 3 Lord, I believe Thy precious blood, Which at the mercy seat of God Pleads for the captives' liberty, Was also shed in love for me.
- 4 Lord, I believe, were sinners more
 Than sands upon the ocean shore,
 Thou hast for all a ransom paid,
 For all a full atonement made.
- When from the dust of death I rise
 To claim my mansion in the skies,
 This then shall be my only plea:
 Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me, For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

POST COMMUNION SONG

This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine I'm going to let it shine.

This little light of mine I'm going to let it shine.

This little light of mine I'm going to let it shine.

Let it shine. Let it shine. Let it shine.

All around the neighborhood...

It will point the way to heaven...

BENEDICTION

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #643

Sent Forth By God's Blessing

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1 Sent forth by God's blessing,

Our true faith confessing,

The people of God from His dwelling take leave.

The Supper is ended.

O now be extended

The fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of His teaching,

Receptive souls reaching,

Shall blossom in action for God and for all.

His grace did invite us,

His love shall unite us

To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving

To God ever-living,

The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.

Our faith ever sharing,

In love ever caring,

Embracing His children of each tribe and race.

With Your feast You feed us,

With Your light now lead us;

Unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living

With praise and thanksgiving

Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR November 9, 2025 Prayer Requests: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? Psalm 27:1

- Peter Herzog health issues
- Laureen Miller health issues
- Betty Eisner-Anderson who has returned home

This week at Gloria Dei:

TODAY – November 9 – Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am In-Person Worship w/Holy Communion &

Facebook/YouTube/Twitch Live

10:00 am Coffee & Refreshments – Team 3 – Fairbanks, Fairchild, Fiecke

10:15 am Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Bible Study

TUESDAY - November 11

9:00 am to Noon – Quilters Group

WEDNESDAY - November 12

10:00 am – Bible Study – Unforgiveable – Conference Room
 1:00 pm – Bible Study – Book of John, Part 1 -TBD – check with the office

THURSDAY – November 13

6:00 pm -Thirsty Thursday - lower level

FRIDAY – November 14

11:00 am Chat N Chow - St. Alice Catholic Church Serves

SUNDAY - November 16 - Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am In-Person Worship w/Holy Communion &

Facebook /YouTube/Twitch Live

10:00 am Coffee & Refreshments – Team 4 – Cooley, Fuller, Fyle,

Hafner

10:15 am Sunday School & Confirmation

THOSE SERVING TODAY:

Worship Assistant: Adam Ruud Usher: Bob Schepers

Technical Director: Brian Zitzow

Counters: Joyce Jewell & Candace Prigge

Coffee & Refreshments - Team 2

Attendance Last Week: Sunday: 127; Chat N Chow: 27

Online Viewership Sunday: Facebook 231; YouTube 43; Twitch 5

Contribution information is available upon request in the office.

COMMUNION WINE: If you would like a non-alcohol version of communion, the purple cups in the center of each tray are alcohol free.

WAYS TO GIVE:

Sunday in the offering plate, by text 844-431-7278 or by scanning the QR code. Offerings can also be mailed to: PO Box 126, Pequot Lakes, MN 56472 Thank you!



VOTERS MEETING: The Semi Annual Voters Meeting of Gloria Dei will be held on November 16 following the worship service. Agenda items include 2026 Budget and Elections. Reports can be found on the Usher's Desk in the Narthex.

LAKES AREA FOOD SHELF COLLECTION DRIVE: There is an immediate need in our community for assisting families with high protein foods. From now through Christmas please help support our local food shelf by donating peanut butter, canned chicken, tuna fish, and salmon. Collection box is in the Narthex. Thank you for supporting this ministry!!

INSULATED COFFEE MUG If you are missing your "Thank you for being Awesome" mug, you can claim it in the office.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD/SAMARITANS PURSE: Gloria Dei will be participating in packing and shipping shoe boxes with gifts, games, educational items and trinkets for boys and girls around the world. Please pick up a box in the Narthex to pack for a boy or girl. Each box contains instructions and information on what you can and cannot pack. Shipping each box costs \$10. Please include the shipping fee when returning your box. If you would like to donate toward additional boxes and shipping, please place your donation in the offering plate marked Operation Christmas Child. If you have any questions, please talk to Miriam Hanson 218-242-9181. There are many resources on the table in the Narthex as well. Please return you packed boxes as soon as you have them ready. The boxes will be blessed on **November 16** and shipped later that week. Our goal is 50 boxes!

THRIVENT MEMBERS Are you a Thrivent Member? Did you know that you have benefits that can be used to help support the community work at Gloria Dei? Each Thrivent Member has access to two Community Action grants per year. These grants are given in the form of a \$250 cash card that can be used for projects completed by the church or you independently. If you are a Thrivent Member, please notify Pastor Meyer or the church office if you are willing to share this benefit. Also, Thrivent Choice Dollars (another program through Thrivent) can be designated to Gloria Dei. Please select Gloria Dei as your designated recipient if you are willing to do so. If you have questions about how this works, please talk to Lynn in the office. Thank you!!

LAKES AREA FOOD SHELF: is located at 29316 Patriot Ave, Pequot Lakes, MN. For more information about the food shelf, please contact George & Colette Miller at 218-820-2928.

LWML GUILD meets monthly on the first Thursday of the month at 1 pm. All ladies of Gloria Dei are welcome. Meetings consist of social time, devotion and business discussion.

THIRSTY THURSDAY (a thirst for the word and fellowship) Thursdays at 6 pm. This is a group watch of the series The Chosen and discussion surrounding the people that Jesus (chose) and their decision to follow him. Light snacks and beverages provided. Lower Level.

CHAT N CHOW is a weekly (depending on school schedule) ministry shared by area churches serving lunch to Pequot Lakes High School juniors and seniors. Students will arrive at 11:00 am and return to school at 11:30 am. During lunch Pastor Meyer has an opportunity to share a brief message with students. Help is needed with preparing, serving and cleaning up. Gloria Dei serves on January 9, February 20 and April 17. Please talk to Sandie Zeidler, Liz Berg or Barb Fuller for more information and how you can help.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR HOURS: Tuesday through Friday 9 am to 2 pm. These hours are subject to change. Please call ahead if you wish to see Lynn in the office. Thank you.

LIFE QUOTE: "We know that there will always be changes in laws and politics, and we can only change that as best as we can. The comfort that we do know is that the Father does not change like shifting shadows. In today's world, changes are swift and inevitable, but our faith and trust in our unchanging God are the comforts that sustain us!" Diane Albers, President of Lutherans For Life - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life · lutheransforlife.org