

# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE RESURRECTION

9 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025



## **Gloria Dei Lutheran Church**

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**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.**

John 21:15-19	Matthew 16:21-23	Matthew 14:28-31
Matthew 17:1-8	Matthew 26:40-41	John 18:10-11
Matthew 26:69-75		

**2. Mark each verse with a bookmark so you can easily find it during worship.**

**3. Highlight those verses you find helpful.**

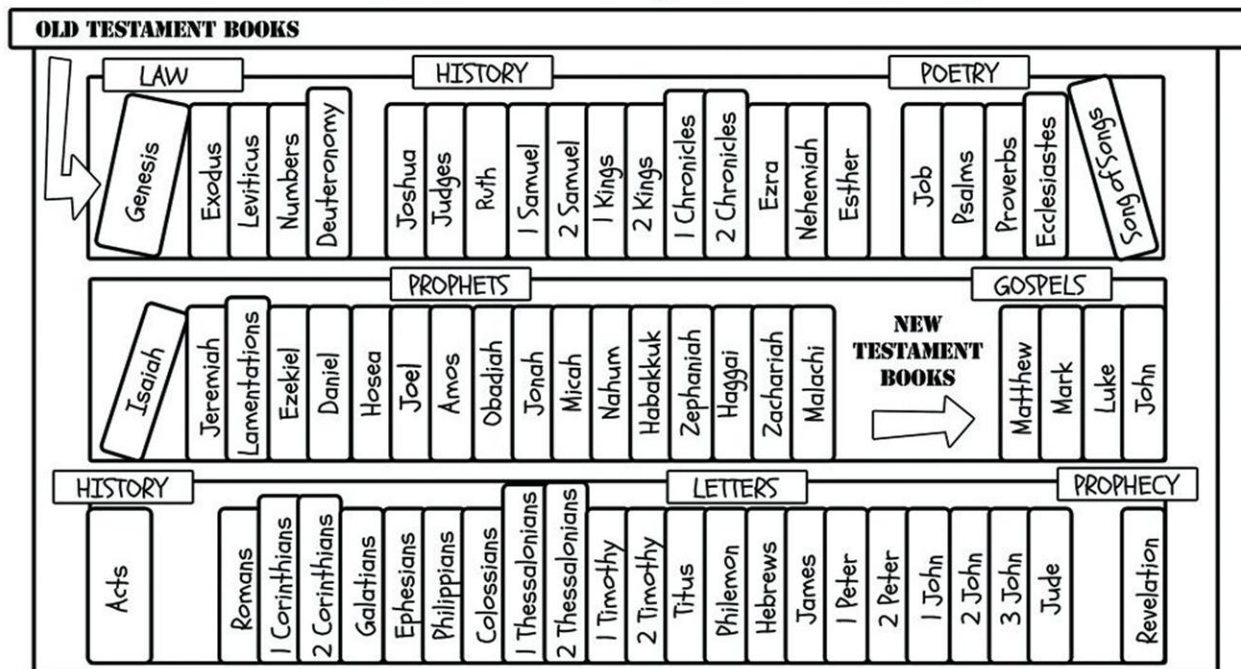
**4. Pray the following prayer before worship:**

*Heavenly Father, your mercies are new every morning. Bless my time in worship - fill me with Your presence as I hear Your Words of promise and hope. In Your Son's name I pray, Amen.*

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

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

## Books of the Bible



## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

### OPENING HYMN #902

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

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- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, be present now;  
Our hearts in true devotion bow.  
Your Spirit send with light divine,  
And let Your truth within us shine.
- 2 Unseal our lips to sing Your praise  
In endless hymns through all our days.  
Increase our faith and light our minds;  
And set us free from doubt that blinds.
- 3 Then shall we join the hosts that cry,  
"O holy, holy Lord Most High!"  
And in the light of that blest place  
We then shall see You face to face.
- △ 4 All glory to the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To You, O blessed Trinity,  
Be praise throughout eternity!

### INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Holy and gracious God,  
**C** I, a poor sinner, plead guilty before God of all sins.  
I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most.  
My Lord's name I have not honored as I should;  
my worship and prayers have faltered.  
I have not let His love have its way with me,  
and so my love for others has failed.  
There are those whom I have hurt,  
and those whom I have failed to help.  
My thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin.  
I am sorry for all of this and ask for God's grace.  
I want to do better.

**P** God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

**C** Amen.

**P** The Bible tells us “as far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.”  
You are forgiven - Jesus paid for us all! Today is a new day!

**C** Amen.

## **HYMN #507**

Holy, Holy, Holy  
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- 1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,  
Perfect in pow’r, in love, and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

## **FIRST READING**

*Acts 9:1-22*

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?” And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And he said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.”

The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

*Revelation 5:8-14*

And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying,

“Worthy are you to take the scroll  
and to open its seals,  
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,  
and they shall reign on the earth.”

Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!” And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!” And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*John 21:1-19*

After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, “Children, do you have any fish?” They answered him, “No.” He said to them, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish.

That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

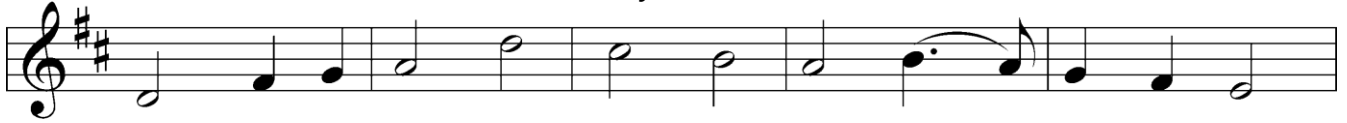
**C** Thanks be to God.

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

# HYMN OF THE DAY #483

# With High Delight Let Us Unite

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1 With high de-light Let us u - nite In songs of great  
2 True God, He first From death has burst Forth in - to life,  
3 Let prais-es ring; Give thanks, and bring To Christ our Lord



ju - bi - la - tion. Ye pure in heart, All bear your part,  
all sub-du - ing. His en - e - my Doth van - quished lie;  
ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed By word and deed



Sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To set us  
His death has been death's un - do - ing. "And yours shall  
To ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So shall His



free For - ev - er, He Is ris'n and sends To all earth's  
be Like vic - to - ry O'er death and grave," Saith He, who  
love Give us a - bove, From mis - er - y And death set



ends Good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.  
gave His life for us, life re - new - ing.  
free, All joy and full con - so - la - tion.

## SERMON

### 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!

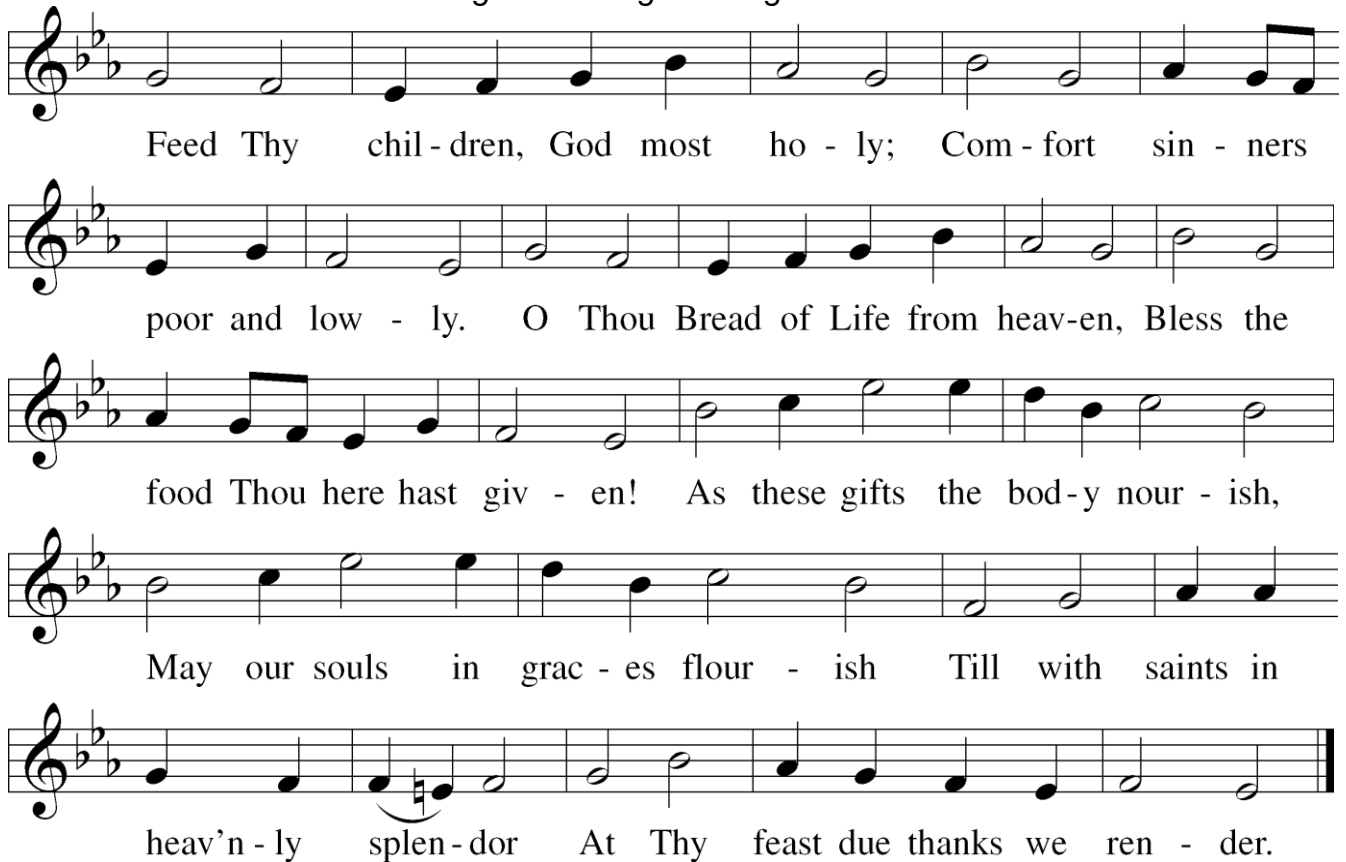


## OFFERING HYMN #774

## Feed My Children, God Most Holy

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*Sing as Offering is Brought Forward*



Feed Thy chil - dren, God most ho - ly; Com - fort sin - ners  
poor and low - ly. O Thou Bread of Life from heav-en, Bless the  
food Thou here hast giv - en! As these gifts the bod-y nour - ish,  
May our souls in grac - es flour - ish Till with saints in  
heav'n - ly splen - dor At Thy feast due thanks we ren - der.

## A TIME FOR PRAYER

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

### +++ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +++

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

**P** 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  $\text{✝}$  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  $\text{✝}$  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

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with You.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*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. 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!*

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMN #482

## This Joyful Eastertide

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1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and  
2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Je - sus crossed the  
3 My flesh in hope shall rest And for a sea - son



sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,  
riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill  
slum - ber Till trump from east to west



Has sprung to life this mor - row:  
My pass - ing soul de - liv - er:  
Shall wake the dead in num - ber:

*Refrain*



Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,



Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -



ris - en, a - ris - en; But now has Christ a - ris - en!

**POST COMMUNION HYMN #632** Oh Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee  
*Text: Public domain*

- 1 O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee  
My heartfelt thanks forever be,  
Who hast so lovingly bestowed  
On me Thy body and Thy blood.
- 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:  
What wealth is come to me this day!  
My Savior dwells within my heart:  
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

**BENEDICTION**

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN #924** Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing  
*Text: Public domain*

- 1 Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing,  
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
Let us each, Your love possessing,  
Triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us; O refresh us,  
Trav'ling through this wilderness.
- 2 Thanks we give and adoration  
For Your Gospel's joyful sound.  
May the fruits of Your salvation  
In our hearts and lives abound.  
Ever faithful, ever faithful  
To Your truth may we be found.
- 3 Savior, when Your love shall call us  
From our struggling pilgrim way,  
Let not fear of death appall us,  
Glad Your summons to obey.  
May we ever, may we ever  
Reign with You in endless day.

**POSTLUDE**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR May 4, 2025**

**Prayer Requests: The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear? *Psalm 27:1***

- Caleb, Jeanine Hulke's great-grandson, receiving treatments for cancer.
- Laureen Miller is hospitalized.
- Andrea, Matt & Sharon Schramm's daughter is hospitalized.

*This week at Gloria Dei:*

### **TODAY – May 4 - Third Sunday of Easter**

9:00 am In-Person Worship w/Holy Communion &  
Facebook/YouTube/Twitch Live

10:00 am Coffee & Refreshments – Team 9

10:15 am Education – Sunday School Picnic

10:15 am Adult Bible Study – upstairs in Sanctuary

### **TUESDAY – May 6**

8:30 am – Brainerd Zone Rally LWML at Living Savior Lake Shore

9:00 am to Noon – Quilters Group

### **WEDNESDAY – May 7**

8:00 am – 1 pm Day of Caring – Clean up church grounds with help of  
PLHS Students – Volunteers needed

10:00 am – Bible Study

1:00 pm – Bible Study at Betty's – Prophecies of the Old Testament

### **SUNDAY – May 11 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9:00 am In-Person Worship w/Holy Communion &  
Facebook /YouTube/Twitch Live

10:00 am Coffee & Refreshments – Team 10

### **THOSE SERVING TODAY**

**Worship Assistant:** Adam Ruud

**Altar Guild:** Lynn Fairbanks      **Accompanist:** Karen Danielson

**Technical Director:** Brian Zitzow      **Usher:** Bob Schepers

**Counters:**

**Coffee & Refreshments** – Gallaway, Ruud, Ruud, Simons

**Attendance Last Sunday:** Attendance Last Sunday: 113

**Online Viewership:** Sunday: Facebook 164; YouTube 48.

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!



**FAITH & FISHING** Thank you to everyone who helped make this a success!!

**VOTERS MEETING:** Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Semi-Annual Voters Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 14 at 6 pm. Agenda and Reports will be available beginning TODAY.

**COMMUNITY DAY OF CARING:** Will be held on May 7, we will have a group of Pequot Lakes High School students here to work on projects around the church grounds. The group will be here from 9 am to 1 pm. Volunteers are needed to supervise and work alongside the students. Volunteers should arrive early between 8 am and 8:30 am to receive instructions about certain projects. Please bring tools such as rakes, shovels, blowers, trimmers, chainsaws etc. for grounds upkeep.

**Lutheran Island Camp** Gloria Dei has funds available for sending children to camp. Register today - Camps are filling up fast!  
For more information, visit <https://www.islandcamp.org/>, pick up a brochure or contact Lorna Hench at 218-368-0628.

**LWML Brainerd Zone Spring Rally** will be held on Tuesday, May 6 at Living Savior Lutheran Church in Lake Shore. Please see the poster on the bulletin board for more details.

**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. Upcoming meetings: June 5 – Human Trafficking Speaker, Aimee Jambor, July – NO meeting, August – Bingo w/prizes. We hope to see you there.

**OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR HOURS:** Wednesdays and Fridays 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:** “Knowing that God is always near as our Help moves us to reflect the Savior’s love in helping others. ‘Carry each other’s burdens’ (Galatians 6:2).” *Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*