

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

9 AM WORSHIP SERVICE – October 4, 2026



Living *in* Christ

— CHRIST THROUGH ME —



WE INVITE
people to Jesus.



WE HELP
people live
in Christ.



WE ENCOURAGE
people to share
His hope.

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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.

- *Genesis 50:15-21*
- *Colossians 3:12-17*
- *John 13:31-35*

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

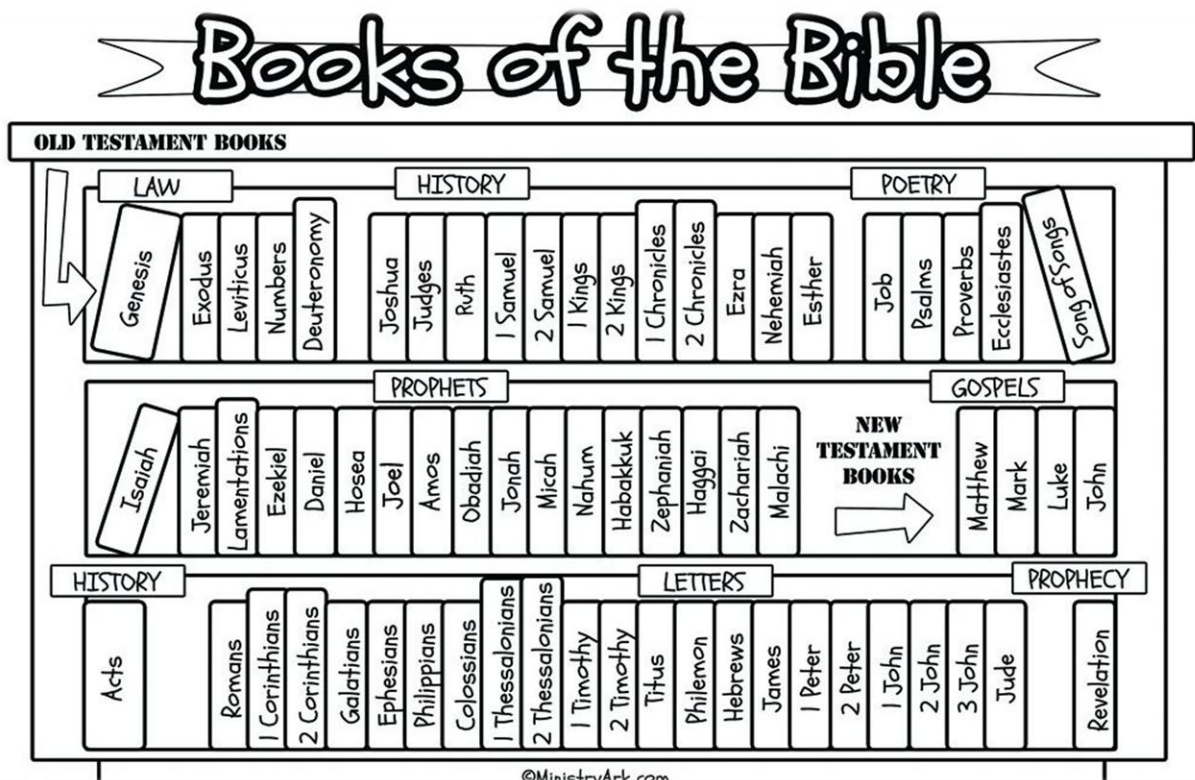
3. Highlight those verses you find helpful.

4. Pray the following prayer before worship:

Lord Jesus, thank You for bringing us together today. Quiet our hearts and draw us close to You. Free us from the need to pretend that we have life figured out. Meet us in our emptiness with Your mercy, speak Your life-giving Word, and begin reshaping us by Your grace. Remain in us, Lord, so that Your love may bear fruit through us. Amen.

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

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



WELCOME

OPENING SONG

Make Me a Servant

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Solo: Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be:
Make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.

Together: Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be:
Make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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 Hear these words of forgiveness.
In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ
I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father
and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SONG

Only by the Blood of the Lamb

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Only by the blood of the Lamb.
Only by the blood of the Lamb.
We've overcome, in His grace we now stand,
Only by the blood of the Lamb.
(repeat)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

THE EPISTLE READING

Colossians 3:12-17

¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. ³³Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, ‘Where I am going you cannot come.’ ³⁴A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

SONG OF THE DAY

Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

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What gift of grace, is Jesus my Redeemer,
There is no more for Heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,
For my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing, “All is mine!”
Yet not I but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken,
For by my side, the Savior He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
For in my need, His power is displayed.
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me,
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,
The future's sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated,
Jesus, now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free!"
Yet not I but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus,
For He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day I know He will renew me,
Until I stand with joy before the throne.
|: To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I but through Christ in me. :| *(repeat To this I hold,...)*

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!



A TIME FOR PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

✠ THE LORD'S SUPPER ✠

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 ✠ 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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C 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!

Non-alcoholic wine is available in the purple cups in the center of each tray.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

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 #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 October 4, 2026

This Week at Gloria Dei

Sunday – October 4

- Worship w/Holy Communion – 9:00 am
- Coffee & Refreshments – 10:00 am
- Education – Sunday School, Confirmation, Adult Bible Study – 10:15 am all are on the lower level
- Prayer Warriors – 10:20 am in the Conference Room

Tuesday – October 6

- Quilters Group – 9:00 am to Noon
- Wise Guys Bible Study: “Blessed is the man who finds wisdom.”
Proverbs 3:13 – Conference Room – 9:30 am

Wednesday – October 7

- Bible Study – “Book of Revelation” – 10:00 am
- Hallelujah Sisters – 1:00 pm

Thursday – October 8

- Thirsty Thursday – Meal 5:00 pm
- Thirsty Thursday – Movie & Discussion – Jesus Revolution – 6 pm

Saturday – October 10

- LAPS Baby Shower – 9:30 am Lower Level

Next Sunday – October 11

- Worship w/Holy Communion - 9:00 am
- Coffee & Refreshments – 10:00 am
- Education – Sunday School, Confirmation, Bible Study – 10:15 am

In Our Prayers

We lift up Peg Jacobson, Michael Anderson, Ruth Habein and the Family of Jessica Cameron in prayer.

Trunk or Treat!

Donations of fun size candy are now being collected in the buckets in the Narthex for Trunk or Treat which will be held on October 31 4 pm to 6 pm!! There is also a sign up sheet for those wishing to decorate their trunk and hand out candy! We would love to see 20 trunks this year! We also need helpers to cook and serve hotdogs and popcorn, help with parking, set up and clean up! Please sign up!

Women of Gloria Dei Baby Shower for LAPS – All ladies are invited to join together on October 10 at 9:30 am for a Baby Shower for the Lakes Area Pregnancy Support Center. Please RSVP by signing up on the bulletin board or by emailing carrieruud@gmail.com. Gift list on Gloria Dei Facebook page

Prayer Warriors: Our next Equipping Meeting will be TODAY just after coffee time (about 10:20) in the Conference Room. Our topic will be “What is Prayer?”. Any questions about joining the team, please contact Pam Kruger at 218-821-4510. We’re getting ready to roll!

Hallelujah Sisters: Calling all women to join us on Wednesdays at 1:00 in the Conference Room. We are so amazed about how the “Uncreated God of the Universe” created us to have an intimate relationship with Him through Jesus! We’re starting at the beginning of the story in Genesis. Call Pam Kruger at 218-821-4510 for more information. HALLELUJAH!

Thirsty Thursday Returns!!

The movie Jesus Revolution will be shown over two Thursday evenings October 8 and October 15. Dinner at 5:00 pm and movie and discussion at 6:00 pm. A relaxed evening of film, honest questions, and conversations about Jesus, faith and life. All are welcome!!

Chat N Chow

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 arrive for lunch 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 from 9 am to Noon with preparing, serving and cleaning up. Gloria Dei serves on October 23, December 4, January 15, February 12, March 12 and April 23. We need help with preparing the meals, serving and cleaning up on those dates. Also, on Fridays when Gloria Dei is not serving, a representative from Gloria Dei must be on hand from 10 a.m. to Noon to assist the host church. A sign-up sheet has been created for both serving days and Please talk to Sandie Zeidler, Liz Berg or Barb Fuller for more information and how you can help.

Food Shelf Protein Push!

Help fill our local food shelf with much-needed protein items!

Donations of **canned tuna, chicken, Spam, salmon, and peanut butter** may be placed in the collection box in the entryway.

Monetary donations are also welcome and help purchase the items most needed by local families.

Thank you for sharing God's love through your generosity!

Lakes Area Food Shelf, 29316 Patriot Ave, Pequot Lakes.

Food shelf contacts: George and Collette Miller (218) 820-2928