



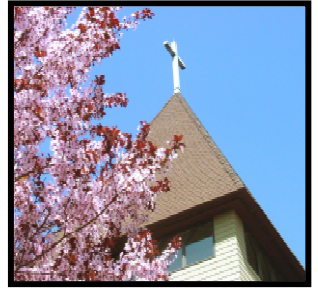
FROM THE TOWER

January/February 2018

Worship with Us!

Sunday Worship - 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.



Words from our Pastors



**The Rev. Dr. Charles D. Bang,
Senior Pastor**

A Word from the Pastor at Epiphany and the New Year 2018

For various and sundry reasons, some dates stick out in everybody's mind.

September 11
July 4
December 7
December 25
February 14
October 31
November 11

In my life, some of the dates are:

December 27, 1976
March 12, 1954
January 16, 1985
November 20, 1988
December 23, 1984
March 22, 1967
October 15, 2015

I leave it for you to match date with event, but these listed above represent marriage, children, birthdays, and some of my consanguineal family's saints' days.

Another date, 2018, is a very personal one. I remember the first time I saw it referenced in print. It was back in 1965 when I received my Social Security card. Included in the paperwork I received with my card, was the year of my anticipated eligibility for full Social Security. I remember saying to myself, "Wow, that's a long way off, I wonder if I'll make it!"

I had a similar guttural reaction to the first time I calculated my graduation from high school. It was 1971, and, because I was contemplating that date in another "DECADE," I remember thinking how far away that seemed. So, when I first saw 2018 in print, it was another "CENTURY" and at least a lifetime away. Well, *tempus fugit*, indeed!

2017 seemed to be a very brief year. When the first announcement of this year's Hanging of the Greens came around, it really seemed as if we just finished putting the bows up in their "keep safe" packaging. And with Ash Wednesday and the start of Lent looming on Valentine's Day of this year, it looks as if 2018 will be a speedy one as well. I remember my grandparents saying how time went by more quickly the older you got.

As I write this newsletter article, we are anticipating six of our eight school Christmas programs, and all our children are on high holiday alert! I look at them lovingly and think how quickly these little ones will be the ones returning home from college for Christmas, as are those I had in confirmation class when I first came to Gloria Dei.

Epiphany is the time in the church's liturgical year when we seek out God's "epiphanies" among us. Where do we see the hand of God at work in our lives? Where does the Kingdom break into our time? It is the season we contemplate God's role in the passing of our own days and to take the time to acknowledge the reality of the blessings God bestows upon us along the way. I encourage you in this season to allow yourself a moment to slow time down to notice its passing and God's hand in your life.

Sincerely yours,

Pastor Charles D. Bang



**The Rev. Dr. Phyllis B. Milton,
Pastor**

“Who Goes with You”

“It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.” Deuteronomy 31:8

The third weekend in November ushers in a most anticipated gathering, Lost and Found. Lost and Found is our Synod’s retreat for 7th and 8th graders held at the Eagle Eyrie Conference Center in Lynchburg.

This year, nine youth and two adult advisors from Gloria Dei attended this event. The theme was “Who Goes with You,” which was explored as a question and as a statement. The participants were encouraged to show their faith when faced with difficulties and distractions. We were challenged to own our identity as a child of God, to be a witness to the Gospel, and to be confident and courageous while doing so because God goes with us.

The youth watched skits that portrayed junior high students struggling to make application of their faith in their lives and in those places where it may be hard to let their faith-light shine, such as school, clubs, or sports.

The focus was on:

- God, who goes with you
- God, who strengthens you
- God, who goes before you

The theme was interpreted through songs, skits, small group Bible study, and creative art activities. One of the unique activities was the making of a paper poncho to show how we are “clothed with Christ.” The youth decorated the paper poncho with the things that they would want the world to know about Jesus.

During Saturday evening’s service, Pastor David Young the event Chaplain, rapped the sermon. It was awesome. Holy Communion was also a special time. Andrew Sutherland and Delaney St. Laurent assisted me in serving the bread and wine.

The weekend was filled with fun, food, fellowship, friendship, and faith.

Thank you, Bob Sipes, for driving us.

Thank you, Gloria Dei congregation, for supporting us.

Thank you, God . . .

“It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.” Deuteronomy 31:8

Blessing,
Pastor Phyl

Upcoming Youth Events

**Friday, January 5, 8:00 p.m. – (Senior High Youth)
Epiphany Lock-In**

We will do our annual Epiphany blessings. Bring your sleeping bags and pillows, snacks, and games to share. Please RSVP to Mrs. Todd at 757-869-9069.

**Sunday, February 11, 2:00 p.m.
Norfolk Admirals Hockey Game**

Attention: Junior & Senior High Youth and Parents
Join us for an afternoon to *chill* after the holidays and watch the Norfolk Admirals take on the Adirondack Thunder on Sunday, February 11 at 2:00 p.m. Transportation to and from the Norfolk Scope will be provided, and cost is \$17 per person. A headcount is necessary, so please contact Peggy Todd or Jenny Sutherland by Friday, January 5, if you are interested in attending. Looking forward to a fun afternoon with you!



JOY Luncheons Scheduled

Come join us for some pleasant company, conversation, and the delight of a satisfying meal. Luncheons are scheduled on the following Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. Please call Joan Hudgins, 851-3532, by the Monday evening prior to the luncheon date if you cannot attend.

January	3	Olive Garden
	17	Outback
February	7	Cracker Barrel
	21	Red Lobster

Newsletter Opportunities!

Save Postage and Paper! Go Green!

You are invited to receive your newsletter by email by notifying the church office, amyers@gloriadei.net. If your household is receiving multiple copies, you may also request some of the copies not be mailed to you.

**The deadline for the March/April issue is
Thursday, February 15, to amyers@gloriadei.net.**



**Ms. Linda K. Robinson,
Principal,
Gloria Dei Lutheran School**

From the Principal

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! This is a busy time of year with many activities and family events. I hope you and your family make many wonderful Christmas memories.

During Christmas break, I hope children also have an opportunity to play with and enjoy many of the special gifts they receive--gifts ranging from bicycles, scooters, soccer balls, I-pads, computers, video games, etc.--games for inside and outside. I encourage parents to make sure their children maintain a balance between technology, outside play, and social activities. The national trend among children today is an overabundance of screen time.

Screen time includes anytime in front of a TV, computer, video game, tablet, or phone. It seems children are spending hours a day watching TV, movies, playing video games, etc. With more and more time being spent in front of the screen, there is less time for outside play, creative games, social interaction, physical activity, reading, and sports. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children under the age of two should have no screen time. Preschoolers should have no more than one hour a day of educational programming, and for children six years of age and older, parents should place consistent limits on the time spent using media and monitor the type of media use.

Too much screen time can often result in a number of concerns. When a child spends too much time watching TV, videos, video games, etc., we often see attention-span issues and sleep problems—especially if there is a computer or TV in the child’s bedroom. Children often play games or watch TV when they should be sleeping. Children who play video games in which there is violence or watch violence on TV are often more aggressive. We are seeing a decrease in socialization skills of children who spend excessive amounts of time in front of a screen. Media time is taking the place of playtime with other peers and social interaction with family and friends. An increase in screen time is also being attributed to the increase of obesity in our children. Technology can be a healthy component of childhood as long as it is monitored and there is a balance so that screen time does not replace other activities that children should be engaging.

As we begin our new year, I want to thank you for the trust you have placed in the faculty and staff of Gloria Dei Lutheran School. Your children are truly a blessing, and we cherish the opportunity you give us to work, in partnership with you, in the teaching, nurturing, and caring of your child. Together we can make a positive impact and difference in the lives of our children.

God bless,
Linda K. Robinson

Fourth Grade

Our Fearless Fourth Graders have been SUPER busy!

We have completed two service projects in our community. First, we collected blankets and towels for Hampton Animal Control. Then, we went to visit Sunrise House with Mr. and Mrs. Smith to give a “Gift of Singing” to the beautiful residents.

Our class has been on two field trips thus far. First, we went to Williamsburg on a beautiful fall day. We got to work as a team and move bricks together, and we got to play games from back in the day just like the colonial children would have. Second, we went on yet another beautiful fall day to Jamestown. There we got to board a HUGE ship from a long time ago. We also got to see how they cooked their seasonal foods.

We have been playing various modern-day games in our classroom to help us practice our language and math skills. We partner up together and learn how to work with each other to have fun as a team. We have “Flashlight Fridays,” where we turn out all our lights and close our blinds. We then proceed with several books to a spot in our room and read with our “Jesus is the light flashlights.” THEY LOVE this! On Fridays, we meet with our first grade reading buddies to help them with their “sight words” and reading skills. Our fourth graders really step it up and teach them well.

Throughout Gloria Dei School, we have been “Showing Respect” and earning blocks on our path toward class celebrations! So far, we have earned a popcorn party, extra computer lab time, and a buddy lunch. On every field trip, they have shined their Gloria Dei Light on our community. They have been complimented for their manners, knowledge, and respect toward everyone.

As you can see, we are truly an AMAZING class, and I am so proud of each of them.

I am blessed to be the new fourth grade teacher here with our outstanding Gloria Dei Family!

Many Blessings for you and yours during all the upcoming holidays☺.
Mrs. Melissa Robinson

Gloria Dei Lutheran School Honor Roll - 1st Quarter

First Grade

Lola Atkins
Jace Boyles
Andreas Dotson
Abigail Fisher
Lucian Haskell
Isabella Little
Grace Mooney
Bryson Rader
Maine Shinneman
Kody Turner

Bryce Boyles
Zachary Dibble
Aiden Dyer
Kennedy Glenn
Layla Lands
Isadore Lowery
Brooklyn Phipps
Cameron Reese
Rory Sproston
Zoe Zou

Second Grade

Randolph Atkins
Bram Belbin
Joseph Casey
Aaron Gaita
Nicholas Johnson
Lily Lopez
Alex Miranda
Meliah Pierce
Dominick Stilgebouer
Conner Walker
Grace Wolner
Zachary Zou

Landon Beckford
Emorie Benner
Tessa Daignault
Reagan Keough
Ayden Little
Cora Loudermilk
Jewel O'Conner
Kyla Price
Isaiah Vette
Peyton Walter
Caleb Woody

Third Grade

Solana Calabrese
Conner Dignan
Rachel Klemer
Donovan Mares
David Peters
Sebastian Rodriguez
Caidann Simpson
Kyro Veltman
Hunter Wunderler

Madysen Collins
Iva Hobson
Rosaria Lopiccolo
Jaiden McGhee
Wai-Yun Quach
Cameron Silver
Morgan Sproston
Dayja Weeks

Fourth Grade

Calin Brown
Claire Gaffney
Kaitlyn Jones
Austin Rader
Caleb Wolner

Junior Ceribasi
Jillian Griffin
Lam Le
Dylan Taylor

Fifth Grade

Evan Adams
Robert Conklin
Ashlynn Hall
Zoe Hughes
Emory Racz
Eliza Summerfield

Evan Costello
Jack Gifford
Alex Harden
Isabella Mendez
Ally Rose
Odessa West

Sixth Grade

Alston Black
Christos Dotson
Samantha Faatz
Isaiah Irving
Brianna Nicholson
Triston Phipps
Elijah Sproston

Katelyn Buhler
Elise Dias
Chase Goins
Jaiden Lailson
Travis Phipps
Gabriel Salka
Jacob Wunderler

Seventh Grade

Shyan Cullipher
Sheyenne Pierce
Zackary Roggenstein

Ciara Butcher
Olivia Gifford
Ryan Wells

Eighth Grade

Jacqueline Allmendinger
David Buhler
Trenton Conklin
Gage Glenn
Lydia Hughes
Kristina Mitchell
Robert Stammler

Matthew Abdel-Sayed
Umut Ceribasi
Hannah Gray Edgar
Isabella Hill
Tristan Lopez
Suhana Mohammed
Andrew Sutherland



Marie Bliss
Organist/Choirmaster

Be of Good Cheer and of Good Health! (The Health Benefits of Singing)

The Gloria Dei Youth and Adult choirs have been a great delight to watch grow musically and especially vocally these past months. It never surprises me when choir members leave a rehearsal feeling better than when they first arrived. You might ask how this can be. Well, there has been a great deal of research to support the benefits of singing. Here are data that may pleasantly surprise you.

Singing strengthens the immune system. Researchers noticed after a professional choir engaged in an hour-long rehearsal of Mozart's "Requiem," the proteins that function as antibodies in the immune system were significantly higher. We need this especially during cold and flu season.

Singing is a workout for the elderly, disabled, and injured. The lungs get a workout, the diaphragm is strengthened, and circulation is stimulated overall. Aerobic capacity and stamina also increase. Wow! Already the benefits are exciting news for our bodily health, but how about mental health.

Singing is a natural anti-depressant. Singing releases endorphins, the feel-good brain chemical that makes you **feel uplifted and happy.** (That is what all our choirs look like after engaging in singing – uplifted and happy.) You cannot help but notice a great improvement in your overall attitude toward life. It lowers stress levels and helps you forget about “Da troubles of da’ world.”

Finally, singing boosts your confidence. So many children and adults suffer from stage fright. The thought of offering this very personal gift, “our voice,” in front of our peers may be too overwhelming. However, when a singer has performed well, the praise from friends and family goes a long way in overcoming these fears and boosts the individual’s self-confidence. Now that’s a gift, more self-confidence!

This upcoming year, 2018, I challenge our church and school members to sing with all their heart, not passively, but as if your life depended upon it!

Easter Cantata: Please feel free to talk with me about how you can assist with the upcoming Easter Cantata, “Once upon a Tree,” written and composed by Pepper Choplin. This cantata will need the assistance of carpenters, costume makers, set and scenery design, as well as beautiful voices of all ages to deliver the powerful and awesome message of Easter.

Happy New Year 2018,
and Be of Good Cheer and of Good Health!

Blessings to all,
Marie Bliss
Works cited: <https://takelessons.com/blog/health-benefits-of-singing>

Council Corner

Your council hopes everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year holiday and that each and every one of you took time to stop and consider the true meaning of the season.

The council did not meet during December; however, both November and December were productive months as evidenced by the many school and church holiday programs. We truly hope that you were able to attend at least some of the many offerings and enjoyed them with your family.

On the business side, the sale and transfer of the donated Karlson property from the church to Zach Scherrer and Mercedes Lucas has been finalized. Pursuant to Bill Karlson’s wishes, proceeds from the sale will be utilized to lower our consolidated loan debt account with Towne Bank. Thanks to Bill once again for his generous donation, and best of luck to Zach and Mercedes as they begin a new life together.

All insurance claims resulting from the lightning strike sustained at the Fox Hill Campus have been finalized and, just in case you haven’t noticed, our organ is back better than ever!

As you should be aware, over the past year or so, your council has directed staff to accomplish renovations relative to the former parsonage property (formerly known as the mansion, Spring, or Madott house) on Harris Creek Road. The property has been rehabilitated and, during the November council meeting, the council voted to lease the residence to Charles Mahenski. Charles is our information technology guru for the church and school and works very hard at keeping our information systems up and running. It is envisioned that Charles’ proximity to our properties will enhance the overall technology systems capability and reliability. Congratulations, Charles; welcome to the neighborhood!

Council Member, Garth Wallis, and our church and school staff have been meeting and working with Joyce Schaffer of Malvin Riggins & Company, the CPA firm hired to assist in modernizing our accounting systems and with our annual audit.

School accreditation processes continue, and teacher portfolios are being finalized.

Our school has a new web page, and you are invited to take a look. The web address is:
www.gdlshamptonva.com

As you begin receiving your new offering envelopes, you will notice that, periodically, we will be including an opportunity to financially assist with our bag lunch program that provides lunches to the homeless. Please consider donating to this worthwhile effort that assists those in need.

Your council is planning a retreat February 22-23 in an effort to develop a strategic continuation of operations plan for our church and school, as well as discussing the overall health and viability of our operations. Please keep us in your prayers.

Our next council meeting will be January 23 at 7:00 PM in the Luther Library. As always, members of the church are invited.

It is our hope that 2018 will be a great year for our church, school, and membership. To that end, we also hope that those of you who are not involved with the many opportunities available here at Gloria Dei will make a resolution and follow through to get more involved.

Happy New Year,
Ernie, Jason, Pastor Bang, Pastor Milton, Rita, Todd, Alison, Aaron, Jeane, Garth, and Barry

Lent to Easter 2018

This year, our Lenten series will focus on the formative period of Christianity beginning with the birth of Christ and tracing the development of early Christianity through the third century. Along with a five-part video series, *From Jesus to Christ, The First Christians*, produced by Frontline, our pastors will be preaching on those whose lives most critically affected the rise of Christianity in the early centuries.

Our format will be familiar to many. We begin the Wednesday after Ash Wednesday continuing for five weeks until Palm Sunday. We begin with a delicious dinner served in our Fellowship Hall beginning at 5:30 p.m., serving continuously until 6:45 p.m. A limited vegetarian option will be available.

At 6:00 p.m., our evening video presentation will begin in the Fellowship Hall and run until worship begins in our Nave at 7:00 p.m.

Worship will include Evening Vespers, and our sermons will focus on five people who were influential in the formation of the early church: St. Peter, St. Paul, St. James, Emperors Augustus, Nero and Claudius, and Women of the Early Church.

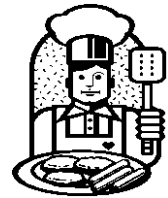
Worship will conclude with dessert (provided by the Daybreakers) and conversation in the Coffee Bar and Simeon Center, allowing time for questions on both the video presentation and the evening's sermon focus.

The schedule and menu are as follows:

February 13

5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Annual Pancake Supper

You are invited for pancakes, sausage, fruit cocktail, juice, and hot drinks. The Youth Groups will serve, and our own Al Scherrer, Jr., will make his delicious pancakes! Donations will be accepted. Proceeds will be given to the Virginia Synod's *Forwarding Faith* campaign which will provide permanent funding for its youth and faith formation ministries such as its annual youth events, ACTS program, and Power in the Spirit.



February 14

Ash Wednesday, 7:00 pm. Service of Holy Communion with the optional Imposition of Ashes.

February 21

5:30 p.m.

Dinner: Pasta Night—a variety of pasta and sauces, salad, garlic bread

6:00 p.m.

Video Presentation in Fellowship Hall

This portion of our presentation traces the life of Jesus, exploring the message that helped his ministry grow and the events that led to his crucifixion. Born in the reign of Emperor Augustus in the *Pax Romana*, Jesus was a subject of the Roman Empire. This portion of our presentation looks at how scholars and archaeologists have pieced together a new portrait of where Jesus was born, how he lived, and who he was.

7:00 p.m.

Evening Vespers: Focus on St. Peter.

8:00 p.m.

Dessert in the Coffee Bar and Simeon Center.

February 28

5:30 p.m.

Dinner: Hot roast beef sandwiches, mac n' cheese, salad

6:00 p.m.

Video Presentation in Fellowship Hall

This portion of our presentation turns from the life of Jesus to the period that followed his death, examining the rise of Christianity.

7:00 p.m.

Evening Vespers: Focus on St. James.

8:00 p.m.

Dessert in the Coffee Bar and Simeon Center.

March 7

- 5:30 p.m. Dinner: Grilled burgers, french fries, salad
 6:00 p.m. Video Presentation in Fellowship Hall
 This portion of our Lenten presentation focusses on the period of the First Jewish Revolt – the bloody and violent siege of Jerusalem and the beginning of a rift between Christianity and Judaism.
 7:00 p.m. Evening Vespers: Focus on St. Paul.
 8:00 p.m. Dessert in the Coffee Bar and Simeon Center.

March 14

- 5:30 p.m. Dinner: Pizza, wings, salad
 6:00 p.m. Video Presentation in Fellowship Hall
 This portion examines the period after the First Revolt, tracing the development and impact of the Gospels, looking at the increasingly hostile relationship between the Christians and the Jews.
 7:00 p.m. Evening Vespers: Focus on the Emperors.
 8:00 p.m. Dessert in the Coffee Bar and Simeon Center.

March 21

- 5:30 p.m. Dinner: hot dogs, chili, tater tots, salad
 6:00 p.m. Video Presentation in Fellowship Hall
 This portion of our presentation documents the extraordinary events of the second and third centuries in which Christianity grew from a small Jewish sect to the official religion of Roman Empire.
 7:00 p.m. Evening Vespers: Focus on The Women of the Early Church
 8:00 p.m. Dessert in the Coffee Bar and Simeon Center.

March 25

- 8:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship with Holy Communion
 10:30 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship with Holy Communion

March 29

- 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Holy Communion

March 30

- 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Tenebrae Worship

March 31

- 9:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt, Fox Hill Campus
 This event is for children of Gloria Dei and the community ages 2-6 and is sponsored by Gloria Dei's Youth Groups.

April 1

- 8:00 a.m. Festival Resurrection of Our Lord Service of Holy Communion
 10:30 a.m. Festival Resurrection of Our Lord Service of Holy Communion

First Communion Classes**January 24 and 31, and February 7 - 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

First Communion will be received at both services on February 11.
 A reception for First Communion will be held between services.

Pastoral Record

Wedding

Laura Grace Lopez Venable and
Humberto Neftaly Lopez Olivas – November 26, 2017

Birth

Blakely Saloka Knowlton – November 22, 2017

Deaths

Gloria Lewis – November 26, 2017

Upcoming Birthdays

January

- 1 Latrelle Dixon
- 2 Vicki O'Neill, Joey Palmer
- 3 Karen Igel
- 4 Nan Jordan, Ashley Zamora
- 5 Yoshi Deaton
- 6 Paula Jones, Sophie Sweeney
- 7 Kevin Fyfe, Lily Hess, Alexis Pfahl, Delores Robinson,
Charlie Venable
- 8 Josh Glaab, Will Hess
- 9 Allison Hudgins, Dorie Scherer
- 12 David Washburn
- 13 Will Hackworth
- 14 Adrien Hines, Kim Miller
- 15 Kim Hansen, Conner Lewis, James Roberts
- 17 Steven Miller
- 18 Justin Hart, Kyle Leckrone, Kerri Masters,
Roger Ward
- 19 Shannon Schubert
- 20 Sharon Rose, Bob Schultz
- 21 Jessi Lowman, Fran Vanpelt
- 22 Rich Fox, Frank Saloka, Taylor Stall
- 23 Luke Francese, Ellen Halley
- 24 Patrice Blair, Kristen Kaufmann
- 25 Kaylee Barstis, Megan Jacobs, Micaela Ruhl,
Kelly Werner, Daniel Wood
- 26 Mike Via
- 27 Miles Campbell, Paul St. Pierre, Jaci St. Pierre,
Amber Via, Stephanie Williams
- 28 Rob Rowlett
- 29 Dawn Montgomery, Maddison Tatum-Harper
- 30 Doris Huffman, Bruce Moody, Bonnie Morelen
- 31 Susan Canny, Matthew Cole, Jeremiah Green,
Sya LaManque

February

- 2 Luke Phillips, Todd Scherrer
- 3 Ann Riley
- 4 Doran Cole, Virginia Lyeth, Sally Miller
- 6 David Hudgins
- 8 Courtney Lynch
- 11 Joshua Green, Mitzi Siefers
- 12 Jennifer Robinson
- 13 Joshua Bornhoft
- 14 Sharon Padula
- 15 Joe Halley, Emory Hart
- 17 Kristian Beck, Ruth Hutchison, Michelle Robertson
- 18 Aaron Sutherland, Judy Wagner St. Pierre
- 20 Sandra Dunn, Arthur Tracey

- 21 Joe Capone, Gerry Ehlers, Virginia Price
- 22 Brown Cornwell, Don Dair, Austin Honyoust, Jill Ruhl
- 23 Bill Swanson
- 24 Ryan Cerone, Kristina Robinson, Bruce Thomas
- 25 Julie Crawford
- 26 Betty Bryant
- 27 Olivia Cordle, Frank Dickeski, Nicholas Locey
- 28 Jerry Dickeski, Audrey Engelund, Sherri Gretka,
Patricia Pitsillides
- 29 Bob Kaufmann, Franklin Scheib

Upcoming Anniversaries

January

- 1 Jack and Jenny Robinson
- 2 Dana and Cheryl Smith
- 10 Roger and Maureen Ward
- 31 Bob and Pam Hess

February

- 8 Tad and Rita Foringer
Chris and Jennifer Robinson
- 10 Jay and Rhonda Dugger
- 12 Russ and Joann Morrison
- 14 John and Carolyn Campbell
Jim and Jennifer Cunnison
- 17 Ernie and Tami Atkins
- 19 Jason and Jessica Green
Tom and Donna Vanorsdale
- 23 Bill and Pat Roscoff

Changes of Address

David and Sara Alberg
12 Pickins Drive
Poquoson, VA 23662

Dylan and Hope Campbell
602 Fairfax Ave, Apt E
Norfolk, VA 23507

Allen and Brie Charnick
120 Tappan Ave.
Hampton, VA 23664

Peter and Nikki Newcomb
24017 Peachtree Lane
Carrollton, VA 23314

John and Brittany Sandlof
132 Maple Avenue
Belmont Hills, PA 19004

Zach Scherrer
221 Cynthia Drive
Hampton, VA 23666

Stephen and Amber Via
2274 Criston Drive
Newport News, VA 23602

EASTER EGG ORDER FORM

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church is selling chocolate covered Easter eggs. The eggs are available in two sizes and seven fabulous flavors. The large eggs weigh approximately 8 oz. and can be personalized. The small eggs can be ordered in an assortment with one of each flavor **or one flavor per box**. The weight of each small egg is approximately 1.5 oz. All eggs will be decorated with flowers. Please return completed order forms to the information desk in the atrium and place in the box labeled **Easter Egg Orders**. **Order taking will begin February 14th**.

Order deadline is Monday, March 12th. **All orders must be pre-paid.** Make checks payable to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.
Questions: Mary Mace 826-5435

Orders may be picked up at Gloria Dei. Please circle or highlight your intended pick up date.

Friday, March 23rd 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Saturday, March 24th 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Sunday, March 25th 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Purchaser's Name _____ Phone #: _____

E-mail (for pick-up reminder) _____

Large Personalized 8 oz. eggs	\$5.00 each egg							
<i>Please print clearly the names for each egg 10 letters maximum or "Happy Easter"</i>	Peanut Butter	Butter Cream	Coconut Cream	Crème de Menthe	Raspberry Cream	Chocolate Cream	Orange Cream	
								TOTAL
QUANTITY								
\$ SUBTOTAL								

Small 1.5 oz. eggs – six per box (no personalization) \$6.00 each box									
	Assortment (1 of each flavor except crème de menthe)	Box of 6 Peanut Butter	Box of 6 Butter Cream	Box of 6 Coconut Cream	Box of 6 Crème de Menthe	Box of 6 Raspberry Cream	Box of 6 Chocolate Cream	Box of 6 Orange Cream	TOTAL
QUANTITY									
\$ SUBTOTAL									

\$\$ Subtotal large eggs _____

\$\$ Subtotal small eggs _____

Grand Total _____

Cash _____ Check # _____

Order taken by _____

January 2018

<u>Sun</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tue</u>	<u>Wed</u>	<u>Thu</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>Sat</u>
	1 <i>New Year's Holiday</i>	2 10 AM-Fellowship Bible Study 3:30 PM-Cherub Choir	3 12:30 PM-JOY Lunch at Olive Garden 5:45 PM-Youth Dinner 6:15 PM-Youth Music 7 PM –Youth Classes (Grades 5 & 6 Bible Study, Confirmation, Sr. High Discipleship Gp); Praise & Worship Band; AA	4 3 PM-Chorister Choir 6 PM-Adult Bells 7 PM-Adult Choir	5 8 PM-Senior High Youth Epiphany Blessing Lock-In	6 9 AM-Bag Lunches
7 8 & 10:30 AM-WORSHIP 9:30 AM-Sunday School 11:45 AM-Unhanging of the Greens w/Pizza	8	9 7 AM-Men's Breakfast Bible Study 10 AM-Fellowship Bible Study 3:30 PM-Cherub Choir	10 5:45 PM-Youth Dinner 6:15 PM-Youth Music 7 PM –Youth Classes (Grades 5 & 6 Bible Study, Confirmation, Sr. High Discipleship Gp); Praise & Worship Band; AA	11 3 PM-Chorister Choir 6 PM-Adult Bells 7 PM-Adult Choir	12 1:30 PM-Grief Support Group	13 1 PM-Lewis Memorial Service
14 8 & 10:30 AM-WORSHIP 9:30 AM-Sunday School 1 PM-Needlework Ministries	15 <i>Martin Luther King Day</i>	16 8 AM-Daybreakers Breakfast Bible Study 10 AM-Fellowship Bible Study 12 PM-ExAdCom 3:30 PM-Cherub Choir	17 12:30 PM-JOY Lunch at Outback 5:45 PM-Youth Dinner 6:15 PM-Youth trip to Norfolk Botanical Gardens 7 PM-Praise & Worship Band; AA	18 3 PM-Chorister Choir 6 PM-Adult Bells 7 PM-Adult Choir	19	20 Edmonds Wedding <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Junior Youth Lock-in 7 PM Friday – 7 AM Saturday</div>
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11 8 & 10:30 AM- WORSHIP <i>First Communion</i> 9:30 AM-Sunday School; <i>First Communion Reception</i> 1 PM-Needlework Ministries 2 PM-Jr Youth to Admirals Game	12	13 7 AM-Men's Breakfast Bible Study 10 AM-Fellowship Bible Study 3:30 PM-Cherub Choir 5 PM-Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	14 7 PM – Ash Wednesday Worship ; AA	15 3 PM- Chorister Choir 6 PM-Adult Bells 7 PM-Adult Choir	16	17
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25 8 & 10:30 AM- WORSHIP 9:30 AM-Sunday School 11:30 AM-Grades 5 & 6 - 7 th Day Meeting 12 PM-Junior Youth Laser Tag	26	27 7 AM-Men's Breakfast Bible Study 10 AM-Fellowship Bible Study 3:30 PM-Cherub Choir 7 PM-Council Meeting	28 5:30 PM-Lenten Dinner 7 PM- Lent Worship ; AA			

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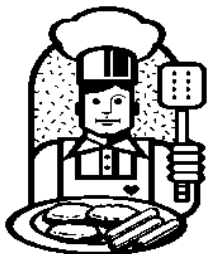
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Dated Material

	<p><u>Sunday Worship</u> 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><u>Sunday School</u> 9:30 a.m.</p>
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

ANNUAL PANCAKE SUPPER – Tuesday, February 13



From 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., you are invited for pancakes, sausage, fruit cocktail, juice, and hot drinks. The Youth Groups will serve, and our own Al Scherrer, Jr., will make his delicious pancakes! Donations will be accepted. Proceeds will be given to the Virginia Synod's *Forwarding Faith* campaign which will provide permanent funding for its youth and faith formation ministries such as its annual youth events, ACTS program, and Power in the Spirit.

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 14 - WORSHIP at 7:00 P.M. (Nursery Provided)

Ash Wednesday is the doorway to the season of Lent. The spirit of this service is solemn but not sad, dealing with our need for reconciliation with God. This will be a service of Holy Communion, and the optional order for the Imposition of Ashes will be offered. Nursery provided.

Please see inside this newsletter for details about the Lenten season dinners, movies, worship, and desserts, and Holy Week schedule.