

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost October 5, 2025



Building Faith + Building Community + Building Lives

PRELUDE Priere Boellmann

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

GATHERING

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel/Stand

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God,
we are your stiff-necked people.
We trample on the needy.
We grumble about your grace to others.
We turn away from the poor.
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.
Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.
Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of 中 Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**



GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



CANTICLE OF PRAISE



THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together:

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Congregation sits. Children are invited to come forward during the song and sit on the chancel steps.

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

Send Me

Here I am, are you calling to me?

I am only a child, how can I be what you need?

But I keep hearing your call – telling to follow where you lead.

So here I am; send me.

READINGS

A reading from Habakkuk (1:1-4; 2:1-4). (Sit)

¹ The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

²O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!"

and you will not save?

³ Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;

strife and contention arise.

⁴ So the law becomes slack,

and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous;

therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

^{2:1}I will stand at my watchpost

and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me

and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

² Then the Lord answered me and said:

Write the vision:

make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

³ For there is still a vision for the appointed time;

it speaks of the end and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;

it will surely come; it will not delay.

⁴Look at the proud!

Their spirit is not right in them,

but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (37:1-9) is read responsively.

- ¹ Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- ² For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.
- ³ Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.
- ⁴ Take delight in the Lord,

who shall give you your heart's desire.

- ⁵ Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust in the Lord, and see what God will do.
- ⁶ The Lord will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.
- ⁷Be still before the Lord and wait patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

- ⁸ Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.
- ⁹ For evildoers shall be cut off,

but those who hope in the Lord shall possess the land.

A reading from Second Timothy (1:1-14).

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, ² To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

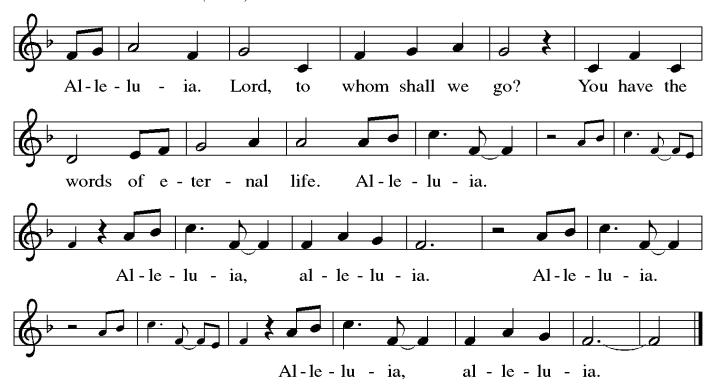
³ I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵ I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶ For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

⁸ Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, ⁹ who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹ For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹² and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. ¹³ Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Stand)



HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

Congregation sings:



⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. ⁷ "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? ⁸ Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? ⁹ Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are

worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation sings:



SERMON (Sit)

Silence is kept for reflection.



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

THE PRAYERS

You are invited to either stand or kneel as you are able. The response to each prayer will be God of grace, receive our prayer.

THE MEAL

SHARING OF THE PEACE (Stand)

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

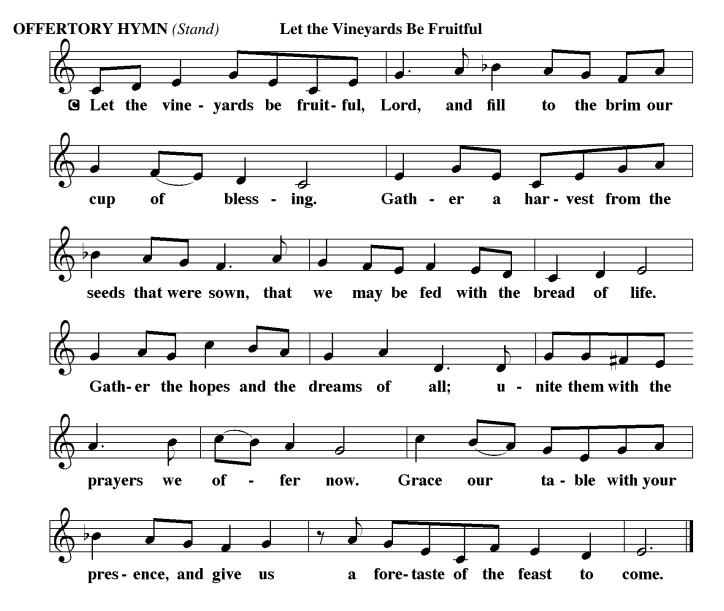
OFFERING (Sit)

Support the mission and ministry of Gloria Dei by giving your financial tithes and offerings by:

- placing your offering envelope into the offering plate as it is passed.
- mailing to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 250 Fox Hill Road, Hampton, Virginia 23669.
- *using the Tithe.ly app: https://get.tithe.ly/download-tithely-app.*
- using the Kiosk in the lobby.
- using online bill pay with your own banking institution, using your envelope number as your account number.

For electronic offerings, see back page for QR codes.

^{**}Lower case "c" means universal.



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

Creator God,

in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good

and the harvest is plentiful.

Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth

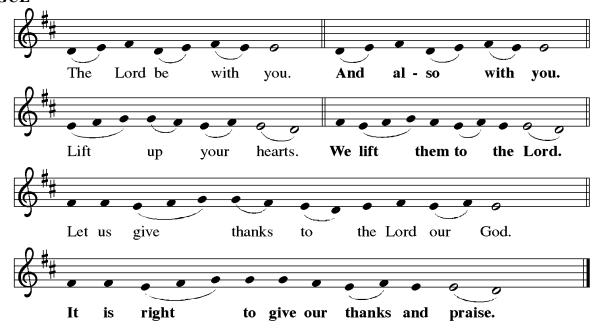
and our labor,

that we may work for the good of all;

through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

DIALOGUE



PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Cive us this day our daily breed.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

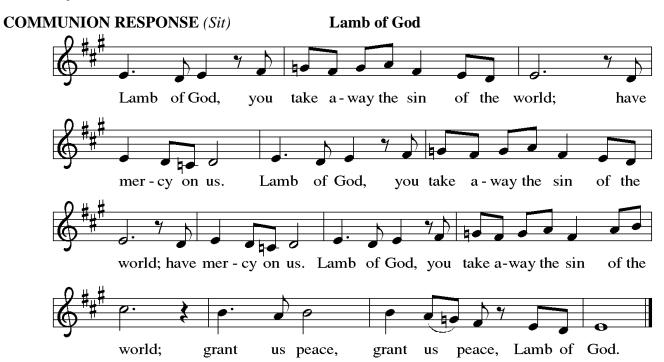
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.



We believe that in the Eucharist our Lord Jesus Christ offers us His gifts of love and forgiveness. All are welcome to share in Communion.

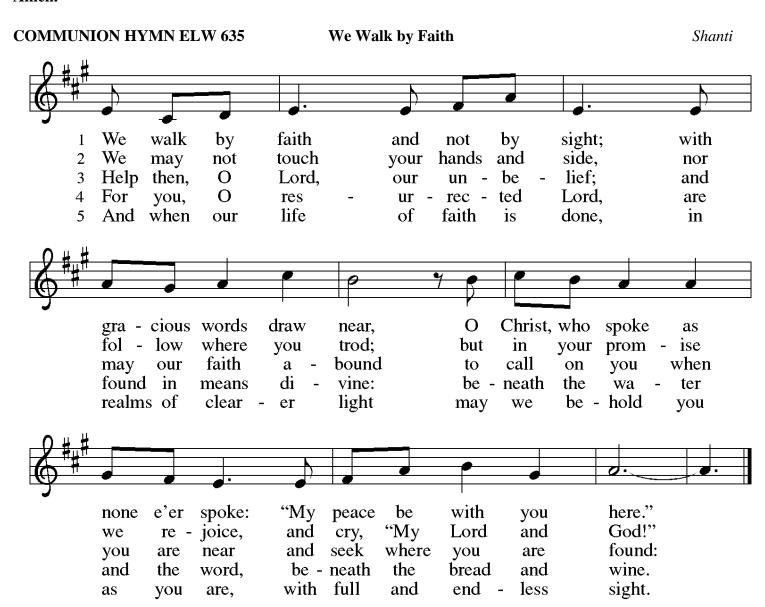
If you would like to receive communion by common cup instead of individual cups of wine or grape juice, after you consume your wafer, hold your hands out (palms up), just like you did for your wafer.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.





SENDING

BLESSING AFTER THE MEAL (Stand)

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



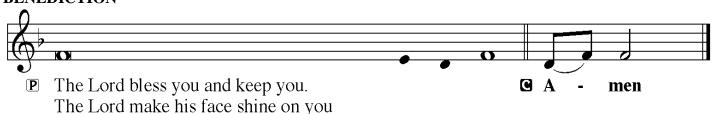






BENEDICTION

and be gracious to you.



The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



ANNOUNCEMENTS (Sit)

POSTLUDE Toccata in E Minor Pachelbel

Please take this time to ponder what Christ may be calling you/us to do through today's prayers, readings, sermons, and hymns as we listen to the postlude. **If you are particularly moved by the Postlude, please hold your applause and congratulate the musician in person after worship.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



GLORIA DEI WEEKLY

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Permission to stream and print today's music is obtained through Augsburg, #SAS028379, One License, #A-730790 and CCLI, #11514371.

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Eric and Sarah Olsen in celebration of their anniversary.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS are available for each Sunday's service on the table in the Atrium.

PARENTS, if you would like your child to have a coloring book and colored pencils during worship, please ask an usher.

RESTROOMS are located in the Atrium.

INDIVIDUAL HEARING AIDS are available from the ushers. Please return them to an usher after the service.

Serving Today

COFFEE CREATORS: Sandy Dunn, Kevin Morse

CROSS AND CROWN: Steven Mustard
GREETER: Sharon Bennett
LAY ASSISTANT: Sarah Olsen
READER: Jerri Dickseski

TECHNICAL TEAM: Barry Hutchison, Derry Mace, Mike Riley,

Aaron Sutherland, Jenny Sutherland

USHERS: Tom Clasen, Tim Olson

Rose at the Altar

The rose at the altar today is in celebration of the birth of Liam Emitt Snyder in Hampton, Virginia, on October 1, 2025. His parents are Matthew and Kirsten Snyder.

Suppers at Capri

Join Pastor and others at Capri Pizza and Italian Restaurant, located at 227 Fox Hill Rd., on Tuesday, October 28, at 6:00 p.m. We will have a meal together and share in conversations around Scripture. At the end of our time together, we will share Holy Communion. Invite your friends and family. Please, RSVP to Peggy in the Church Office by Tuesday, October 21; we want to make sure the restaurant is prepared for our group being there. You are responsible for the cost of your meal and a generous tip.

Life Groups at Gloria Dei

Joining or creating a small group in your church offers a unique opportunity to grow deeper in your faith and build meaningful connections. In a small group, you can share your struggles, celebrate victories, and pray with others who understand your journey. It's a space where you can learn, ask questions, and support one another in ways that go beyond Sunday services. The relationships formed in small groups often become a source of encouragement and accountability, helping you live out your faith daily. As the early church gathered together in Acts, small groups are still a powerful way to experience fellowship, discipleship, and service. By connecting with others, you not only strengthen your own faith, but also contribute to the growth and health of the church body. Together, we can grow in love, truth, and purpose—empowered by the Holy Spirit to live as Christ's hands and feet. If you feel the call to host a small group and/or to join a small group, please email Pastor at pastordave@gloriadei.net.

First Light (Sunday School)



Our new Sunday School program, First Light, is on Sunday mornings from 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m., in the Simeon Center. This class is for all ages.

Breakfast on Sunday Mornings

Running late? Short on time? We have milk and a small selection of cereals available before worship each Sunday morning. Please visit the Coffee Bar for available cereal choices.

Worship on YouTube

We are excited to make our worship more accessible to those who want to worship with us at Gloria Dei who are not physically

able to be with us in the nave. YouTube is available to anyone with the internet to worship with us. You can worship live or at a more convenient time.



Scan this QR code with your smartphone:

Reformation Sunday, October 26

On this day, we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism, we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's Table. You are invited to wear red in commemoration of this significant event.

Virginia Choral Society Production



Virginia Choral Society Presents

Gatsby's Grand Affair

October 11 at 4:00 p.m. and October 12 at 4:00 p.m.

Temple Baptist Church, 235 Harpersville Road, Newport News

H.E.L.P. Donations

Please, join us in filling up the red wagon to feed the hungry in our community. The following are items on their most needed list:

- Mac & Cheese
- * Toilet Paper
- * Peanut Butter
- * Crackers
- Juice (individual size)
- * Canned or Boxed Potatoes
- Juice (individual size)Shelf-stable milk
- * Soap
- * Canned veggies-corn, beans, green beans

Our Love and Prayers go out to...

If you have any prayer requests during the week, you may email psipes@gloriadei.net, or call the church office, 757-851-2838.

Our members: Debbie Dunn, Fred Bradley, Julie Hutchison, Frank Dickseski, Debbi Ortiz, Lisa Dadez, Sharon Rose, Gordon Robertson, Ernie Atkins, Leonard Mayo, Jill Ruhl, Judy Wagner St. Pierre, Charlie Venable, Vickie Roark, Joann Morrison, Dorie Scherer, Joan Ehlers, Tommy Vanorsdale, Donna Vanorsdale, Chris Tucker, Craig Ruhl, Susan Krebs, Marna Mayo, Wivi Pelt-Detlie, Bill Siefers, Nancy Monroe, Bill Monroe, Bill Swanson, Emily Urban

All names below will remain on the prayer list for the current month. Should you wish your loved one to remain on this list, please call the church office the first week of each month to have them added.

Prayers for our families and friends:

Mike and Roni Hull, grandparents of Amelia Venable

Adonai Bennett, son of Tamika (GDLS parent)

Kevin Watterton, husband of Amy Watterton (GDLS employee)

Jane Barefoot, GDLS employee

Michelle Nisbet, GDLS employee

Larry Mullins, friend of the Fullens

Siggi Williams, friend of the Fullens and Atkins

Julia Mutch, friend of Jim and Jeane Fullen

Jude (GDLS student) and Monte (GDLS parent) Kuligowski

Corie Amell, niece of Julie Hutchison

Mike May, brother of Deborah Walker, GDLS employee

Sheila May, mother of Deborah Walker, GDLS employee

Tom Vanorsdale, husband of Donna Vanorsdale

Members and friends serving in the military who have asked for our prayers:

Ian Bogy, USN Husband of Tamara Bogy Mark Bradford, USN Husband of Marilyn Bradford Colin Chambers, USA Friend of Mike Canny Ryan Curtis, USAF Son of Lynn and Cathy Curtis Crystal Curtis, USAF Daughter-in-law of Lynn and Cathy Curtis John Demitraszek, USMC Son-in-law of Bill and Carolyn Swanson Matthew Dudek, USA Friend of the Venables Tyler Green, USAF Son-in-law of Judy Wagner St. Pierre Nicholas Griese, USAF Son of Vivian Griese Megan Haskell, USA Granddaughter of Buzz and Anita Hamilton Jack Jones, USA Family friend of Mike Canny Kerri Masters, USA Member of Gloria Dei W. Allan Monroe, MSC Son of Bill and Nancy Monroe Son of Kevin Morse Matthew Morse, USMC Member of Gloria Dei Alex Murphy, USN Troy Newton, USN Friend of Laura and Berto Lopez Marc St. Pierre, USMC Son of Judy Wagner St. Pierre Paul St. Pierre, II, USCG/FSO Son of Judy Wagner St. Pierre Bradley Rollyson, USMC Son of Mark and Marilyn Bradford Nick Tavarez, USN Grandson-in-law of Donna and Tom Vanorsdale J.P. Venable, III, USAF Member of Gloria Dei Richard Williams, USAF Husband of Stephanie Williams

Calendar Request

Please email all facility usage requests to: CalendarRequest@gloriadei.net.

Next Week at Gloria Dei

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	Today SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	
	8:30 a.m. F	First Light Sunday School
	9:30 a.m. \	WORSHIP
	11:00 a.m. (Choir Rehearsal
	Monday 6:30 p.m. 0	Girl Scout Troop Meeting
	Tuesday 10:00 a.m. F	Fellowship Bible Study
	4:00 p.m. S	Senior Staff Meeting
	Wednesday 12:00 p.m. 0	Community Bible Study
	5:45 p.m. N	Nonderful Wednesday
	6:00 p.m. E	ELECA Meeting
	Thursday 6:00 p.m. F	Pack Committee Meeting
	Saturday 4:30 p.m. –	7:00 p.m. Fish Fry
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Birthdays

- 5 Joanna Yohn, Amiee Lomax
- 7 Lisa Dadez, Carol Moody
- 8 Clinton Wells
- 9 Eli Murphy, Kendall Etheridge, Rowan Etheridge, Bayden Dadez
- 10 Andrea Cerone, Rosie Murray
- 11 Jessica Green, Gwyn Gridley

Anniversary

5 Brian and Sara Yohn

Good Works Tree

"Let your light so shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

In the first challenge, we prayed for our church and school communities. We then acknowledged God's love for us by recognizing things for which we are grateful. Now it is time to look outward...to show God's love to others. Our third challenge is **60 Days of Good Works**. This challenge invites us all to share Christ's love through everyday acts of kindness, service and compassion. Involve the whole family and your friends!

Try to do <u>at least one act of kindness EVERY day</u> throughout this challenge, **which ends today, October 5**. Check out the display on the table in the Tower of the Triumphant entrance. There, you will find a bookmark with suggestions and information about kindness. You will also find cards on which you can write a kind message to leave for someone. But you are not limited to that! There are so many opportunities to brighten someone's day. Take advantage of where God has placed you and who can you bless with a kind word or helpful gesture.

There are blank paper stars and suns representing light on which to write down how many acts of kindness you and/or your family did during the day or week. Write the total number down (include a note if you want) then attach it to the **Good Works Tree** with a clip. Continue to add your numbers to the tree throughout the 60 Day Challenge. We want to count up the total number of acts of good works during our challenge!

Make Acts of Kindness and Good Works a daily habit!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the second Sunday of the month following worship services. We will meet in the Koinonia Atrium, near the fireplace. After an hour or so of creating shawls and lap robes, we head off to lunch. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact Rita Foringer at rforinger@verizon.net.

Fellowship Bible Study

Fellowship Bible Study meets every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Simeon Center. We use a study called Daily Faith Practices published by the ELCA. For information, please email Sharon Padula at slpadula1@gmail.com.

Community Bible Study

We will not meet on Wednesday, October 15. Our weekly Community Bible Study is held at H.E.L.P., 329 Buckroe Avenue, on Wednesdays at noon. All are invited to attend.

WELCA Book Club

WELCA Book Group invites you to an evening of fun and fellowship sharing thoughts about the book, "The Book Club for Troublesome Women," by Marie Bostwick. We will meet on **Monday, October 13, at 7:00 p.m.,** at the home of Diane Washburn, 713 Windbrook Circle, Newport News, Virginia 23602. Please RSVP to Diane at 757-739-2634 or Rita at 757-870-3619.

Women of Gloria Dei WELCA

A "Glass with the Girls" continues to get together at Pour Girls in downtown Hampton on the fourth Monday of the month. Please join us at 7:00 p.m., **Monday, October 27.** It's always an evening of fun and fellowship.

Ideas for activities are always welcome. If you have any suggestions, please let me know; I'm always open to something new or different. Contact Rita Foringer at rforinger@verizon.net with your suggestions.

Lunch & Learn Seminars

You're invited to Peninsula Pastoral Counseling Center's Lunch and Learn Series on the fourth Tuesday of every month. This is a free opportunity to learn more about the featured topics as we hope to raise awareness and improve resiliency in ourselves and our community. **All Lunch and Learn seminars will run from noon to 1:00 p.m.** and will be conducted at PPCC's main office at 707 Gum Rock Court in Newport News unless otherwise noted. Dates and topics are updated on the following website on an ongoing basis. The next Lunch and Learn is on **Tuesday, October 28, at noon**; its subject is "Empathetic Listening: A Key to Stronger Relationships." Please visit the PPCC website to pre-register: https://peninsulapastoral.org/events/?blm_aid=18276

Wonderful Wednesdays

You are invited to our Wonderful Wednesday program for students in grades K-12. This program includes Bible Study, food, music, and crafts and is from 5:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Please scan the QR code to register your child.



Take a Tour Tuesday

If you are interested in Gloria Dei School and Childcare, drop in for a tour of our facilities on Tuesdays between 9:00 a.m. and noon.

School Employment Opportunities

Gloria Dei Lutheran School has the following positions available:

- * Director of Transportation * Director of Food Service
- * Buildings and Grounds Assistant
- * Substitute Teachers (preschool, elementary, and middle school)

If you are interested in applying, you can find an application online at http://www.gdlshamptonva.com/school-forms. Part-time and full-time hours available. Once completed, you may turn it into the School Office at 250 Fox Hill Rd., Hampton, VA 23669, attention: Lisa Dadez.

Gloria Dei Fish Fry

Saturday, October 11, 2025 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. Church Parking Lot

Ticket Prices

Adults - \$12 Children (6 – 12 years) - \$6 Children under 6 years are FREE

Includes: FISH, COLE SLAW, BAKED BEANS, HOMEMADE HUSHPUPPIES, & REFRESHMENTS

(Hot Dogs and Chili Dogs available for the landlubbers!)



You don't want to miss this! Come on out and catch the fun!!

Volunteers are needed!

Please contact:

Dan Singer, dan.singer62@gmail.com or Kevin Morse, 757-288-0268

Tickets are available at: Willow Oaks Office and Information Desk in the Atrium

Please bring cans of TUNA in support of H.E.L.P.

QR Codes for Online Giving to Gloria Dei

If you would like to give electronically to Gloria Dei, you can do so by scanning one of the QR codes below.

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