

## Participants in Sunday leadership for October, 2024

Date	Reader	Liturgist (Prayers)	Greeter	Coffee Host
Oct 6	Katharine	Lexy	Ralph	Lillian
Oct 13	Cathy J.	Monica	Merv	Thanksgiving
Oct 20	Pam	Susan	Larry	Kim
Oct 27	Kim	Monica	Jerry	Jean

Readings and prayers are available on the "Sunday Service" page of our website.

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church is located on original lands of Anishinaabe, Cree, Ojibwe-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation.

We strive to be an open and affirming congregation to all, welcoming persons of every race, culture, age, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We commit ourselves to the work of anti-racism and creating an anti-racist space. We believe that through our openness, we all grow in our faith following Christ's model of love, respect, kindness, and generosity.



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*Faith matures by reaching out, stretching minds, enlarging hearts, sharing struggles, living prayer, binding up the broken parts; till we find the commonplace ripe with witness to God's grace.*

**ACS #1004**

The word *grace* has many meanings—in fact, the term roots from the Ecclesiastical Latin phrase *gratiarum actio*, which means “to give thanks.” But in Western culture, we tend to use *grace* to emulate other things, like patience and forgiveness.

Here are some common examples of how we use *grace*:

We **say grace to give thanks** to God before meals and to bless the food before us.

We **give others grace** in times of healing and frustration.

We **accept grace** when we are feeling low.

In the bible, God's grace is generally linked with the good news, and we celebrate that good news. But what happens if we find ourselves in a place where we believe we cannot accept God's grace?

It's important to remember that not everyone is in the position to see or feel God's grace—especially at this time of year. Sometimes people feel as though they cannot reach God, while others take that connection for granted. Yes, God is always there—living, moving, and breathing through us—but what about those who feel lost. Are they any less deserving of the Lord's grace?

Keep in mind those who cannot find their way. Be an extension of God's grace by providing hope for those in need.

- Gloria Dei Office

## The Season of Giving

With Thanksgiving upon us, it's important to remember that not everyone has access to warm meals, stable food sources, or adequate shelter. Please consider making a donation to The Urban, or another local ministry that helps those less fortunate in our community.



The Urban requests donations of non-perishable food items, as well as clothing items for the colder months, such as socks, mittens, hats, and scarves.

## Soup's On!



On Sunday, October 20, we will be having a hot lunch following worship! Consider bringing a pot of soup to share in fellowship with others.

Please be in touch with Lexy or Kim to get involved.

## October at Gloria Dei

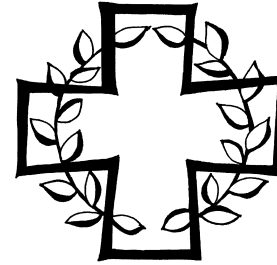
Unending thanks to Jennifer and Karen F. for their hard work in finding supply pastors to assist us at this time. Your hard work does not go unnoticed. Below is a look at who will be helping us in ministry this month.

October 6 – Rev. David Knutson

October 13, 20, 27 – Rev. Carol Janke

**Make sure you're subscribed to our weekly e-news to stay up to date on everything Gloria Dei!**

## October is Pastor/Clergy Appreciation Month!



Pastors and clergy members are invaluable to church life. They take on the duty and Holy responsibility of presiding, feeding, and sharing God's word to those who believe.

Below is a passage from Romans 10 to reflect upon.

**Romans 10:13-15:** For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

Irene Snell was featured in the Winnipeg Humane Society's newsletter—Fabulous Foster Feature

*"Irene has been a dedicated foster parent for over 10 years and in that time, she's fostered more than 150 animals. Irene takes on our most difficult socialization cases and teaches cats and kittens how to trust. Irene demonstrates such compassion and love for every foster. She makes sure our staff is up to date on her foster animal's behaviour and fun quirks so when they return, we can continue to provide the best care for them. She has helped so many animals make it to adoptions and ensures they thrive in their forever home. Thank you, Irene, for being fabulous!"*



## Birthdays Coming up in September

Matthew Hewlett  
Barb Krentz  
Wayne Marks  
Shannon Papineau  
Amy Todoruk  
Kara Ring  
Scott Sachvie  
Lynne Kohler  
Margaret Richardson  
Russell Hewlett  
Kaitlyn Buechler  
Ann Marie Isleifson



## Why Does Reformation Sunday Matter?

**Reformation Sunday gives us a chance to tell our story—a chance to remember.** It's a day when we remember and re-tell the family stories of our faith, and about those who came before us and taught us about the faith. Stories about people who risked everything so that we would be able to gather and worship in the manner that we do.

**Reformation Sunday reminds us of the most important things.** Throughout the year, we preach about many things in church—how we live our daily lives, the choices we make, the habits of our faith. But Reformation Sunday brings us back to “the roots,” to what compelled Martin Luther to take the risks that he did.

**Reformation Sunday challenges us to do better.** We are called to be more loving and grace-filled, because God was gracious and merciful to us. We are called to repent the times in which we restricted others from hearing the Good News, and are called to remember that all we have and are is a gift from God.



(<https://sojoy.org/reformation/>)

## A Message from our Council Chair

To our Gloria Dei Family:

Last week Pastor Tyler was given a note from his doctor, recommending a stress leave for a minimum of 2 months. GSI (Group Services Inc.) of the ELCIC informed him it must be taken immediately. We wish Pastor Tyler God's blessings as he takes time away to care for himself and his family.

Our plans going forward are to ensure there is weekly worship, that basic pastoral care needs are met, and that our committees and council continue in the work they have been called to do. We depend on all of you to pray and support us as we endeavour to do this in the absence of our pastor.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Rzeszutek  
Church Council Chair

Our committees have been working diligently to make sure fill our needs during this time. Emergency pastoral care contacts can be obtained through the office or weekly e-news.

## Prayer to the Lord of the Harvest

Lord of the harvest, we rejoice in the bounty of your world;  
we thank you for the rich harvests it produces.



As we do so, we remember those who do not have enough,  
the thousands who are daily dying of hunger.  
We pray for those who have more than they require,  
for ourselves and our churches.

Show us what needs to be done,  
and how to share the world's harvest more fairly.  
Teach us to value people more than things.

Above all, help us to set our hearts on your kingdom of love and justice,  
and to seek to do your will here on earth,  
as servants of Jesus Christ our Lord.

~ from *A Treasury of Prayer*, compiled by Tony Castle (London: Hodder & Stoughton, 8).

## October 2024

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 9:30 – Casual Art Group  12:00 – Urban Meals	<b>3</b>  8:00 – Men’s Breakfast  4:30 – Community Taiji w/ Katharine B	<b>4</b> Weekly e-news	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b> 10:30 – Worship (Pentecost 20)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 1:00 – GD Quilting	<b>9</b> 9:30 – Casual Art Group	<b>10</b> 8:00 – Men’s Breakfast  4:30 – Community Taiji w/ Katharine B	<b>11</b> Weekly e-news	<b>12</b>	
<b>13</b> 10:30 – Worship (Pentecost 21)	<b>14</b> <b>Thanksgiving</b>	<b>15</b> 1:00 – GD Quilting	<b>16</b> 9:30 – Casual Art Group	<b>17</b> 8:00 – Men’s Breakfast  4:30 – Community Taiji w/ Katharine B	<b>18</b> Weekly e-news	<b>19</b>	
<b>20</b> 10:30 – Worship (Pentecost 22)	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 1:00 – GD Quilting  Church Council Meeting	<b>23</b> 9:30 – Casual Art Group	<b>24</b> 8:00 – Men’s Breakfast  4:30 – Community Taiji w/ Katharine B	<b>25</b> Weekly e-news	<b>26</b>	
<b>27</b> 10:30 – Worship (Pentecost 23)	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 1:00 – GD Quilting	<b>30</b> 9:30 – Casual Art Group	<b>31</b> 8:00 – Men’s Breakfast  4:30 – Community Taiji w/ Katharine B	 <b>Gloria Dei</b> <small>LUTHERAN CHURCH</small>		