

# Gloria Dei Lutheran Church's Weekly E-News

## The Gloria Gazette

for September 18, 2020

### Worship Notes

Zoom is a handy program that helps us to be together (virtually, that is), in real time. The program allows us to see each other and to chat before worship begins and afterward, as well

Just click on the link I will send via email each week, or copy and paste this link into your browser (the address line on your internet page): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82393074728>. The link includes the Meeting ID. However, if you don't have access to a computer, you can always call in just before worship begins. You won't be able to see us, and we won't be able to see you, but we'll see your phone number and know you're connected. You can interact with everyone else who is logged into the worship service, and you can hear the worship service in real time.

All you need to do is to call **1 301-715-8592**, wait for the prompt, and enter this ID: **823 9307 4728** These numbers and links will work every single week for as long as we continue to worship this way.

If you happen to miss church at 10:00, Kallie Mill records the services each week and posts them on Gloria Dei's Facebook page, so you can always watch the service at your convenience, here: <https://www.facebook.com/gloria.dei.940/videos/965980630484659/>

We're also on YouTube at: **Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Coos Bay** or follow this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-reAJS2qjBVzIBw5qNO2iA>

### Mingus Park Worship Service

This Sunday, Sept. 20, 10 am



We are looking forward finally being able to get back together to worship – if only for this one, limited worship service.

**WE STILL HAVE A FEW SPOTS LEFT!**

Call the Violet at church to sign up.

### A few reminders about the service:

- Mandatory wearing of masks
- Absolutely no contact with each other, which includes hugging ☹
- Please bring your own chair. Chairs will be stationed 6+ feet apart.
- This will be a service of the Word. And there will be no singing of any kind.
- Gloria Dei will provide individual, pre-packaged, safe communion cups.
- Gloves will be encouraged
- The offering plate will not be passed, but will be stationed in the back.
- We won't be able to remain for a time of fellowship (so please, don't bring anything to share!)
- The bathrooms will not be available.
- Park in the lot by the swimming pool.

If, for any reason we are not able to provide Zoom worship from Mingus park, I'll jump in my car immediately after the service and head to Gloria Dei to broadcast the service from there at 11:00 am.

# Around the Church – News and Notes



All worship services and meetings held via Zoom

## Women's Bible Study

Friday, September 18, 8:30 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82186499965>

1 301 715 8592

Meeting ID: 821 8649 9965

## Children's Sunday School 9 am

Sunday, September 20, 10 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82393074728>

same log-in as the church service!

## Adult Education Bible Study

Sunday, September 13, 9:00 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8997130571>

1 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 8997130571

## Sunday Worship service 10 am

Sunday, September 20, 10 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82393074728>

1 301 715 8592

Meeting ID: 823 9307 4728

## "Faithful Conversations"

### Faith, Sexism, and Justice

Wednesday, September 23, 7pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81704947321>

Meeting ID: 817 0494 7321

## Women's Bible Study

Friday, September 25, 8:30 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82186499965>

1 301 715 8592

Meeting ID: 821 8649 9965

## Children's Sunday School 9 am

Sunday, September 27, 10 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82393074728>

same log-in as the church service!

## Adult Education Bible Study

Sunday, September 27, 9:00 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8997130571>

1 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 8997130571

## Sunday Worship service 10 am

Sunday, September 27, 10 am

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## News Briefs

**Nancy Hoy** and **Nadine Allen** helped to fill over 500 lunches for firefighters with the help of Pelican Harbor food bank.

Council President **Richard Whitwer** has been busy while confined during this pandemic. He crafted this beautiful stained glass cross that is now hanging in the Fellowship Hall. He also created the frame for our local Pride award that hangs in the narthex



## Remember in Prayer...



### For Firefighters

For Medical personnel, mail carriers, delivery drivers, first responders, police, food processors and restaurant and grocery workers, that they stay safe during this crisis.

**For the healing of this nation.** For those protesting unhealthy systems that perpetuate inequality and racism. For those whose lives and businesses that have been harmed by counter-protesters.

**Kay Hamilton** – general health issues

**Carol Foster** – recovering from successful surgery –

**Earl "Butch" Jefferis** – recovering from successful triple bypass heart surgery

**Dick Carter** – emergency surgery Friday, beginning kidney dialysis

**Don Bunyard** – Now rehab in Bandon, and eventual move to assisted care facility

**Christine Huffman** – recovering from a series of small strokes

**Becky Bell-Greenstreet** – chronic back pain

# Around the Church – Educational Opportunities

Now online, every Sunday at 9 am



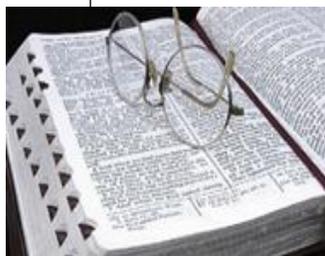
Lessons and Storytime with  
Lynn Danner

Crafts

Singing with Kallie Mill

## Women's Text Study

Every Friday at 8:30 am  
via Zoom



Join us online to discuss the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings.

Call Pastor Peggy for details  
(802) 579-1948.

Join us online for  
**Bible Study**  
Every Sunday morning at 9:00 am



Each week, you can log into the class by pasting this link into your browser. Join Zoom Meeting

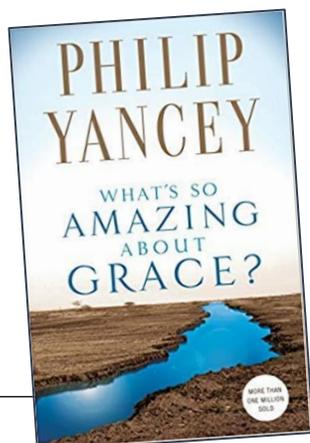
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## ***What's So Amazing about Grace*** by Philip Yancey Book Study Discussion Wednesdays at 7pm via Zoom *Open to Everyone!*



Grace is the church's great distinctive. It's the one thing the world cannot duplicate, and the one thing it craves above all else--for only grace can bring hope and transformation to a jaded world.

In *What's So Amazing About Grace?* award-winning author Philip Yancey explores grace at street level. If grace is God's love for the undeserving, he asks, then what does it look like in action? And if Christians are its sole dispensers, then how are we doing at lavishing grace on a world that knows far more of cruelty and unforgiveness than it does of mercy?

Amazon rating

# Around the Church & Coos County



The next time you log onto amazon.com to order some-thing, log onto smile.amazon.com instead. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon will give 0.5% of your purchase price to your selected charity. When you click on that link, you'll receive a pop-up dialog box that asks which charity you'd like to support. If you enter, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Coos Bay, Oregon, your church will receive this dividend.

**We thank you for your support and thoughtfulness.**

**Your consistent donations are important now more than ever.**

## **Simply Giving®**

*A simple choice, a generous response*

Through Simply Giving®, your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic gift—weekly, semi-monthly or monthly—the option is yours. You don't need to worry about making your contribution while we're away or when you're on vacation. To sign up, contact Violet in the church office.

**541-267-2347**

Intern Pastor  
**Claire Ackleow's  
Ordination**

Saturday, Sept. 19, 11am PDT



Log on to:

<https://facebook.com/HCLCRacine>

*If you'd like to send a card:*

3905 Cobblestone Dr.,  
Jeffersonville, IN 47130

## **Gloria Dei Family's "God Bless Angela" Fund**

Many of you know that South Coast Family Dentistry offers discounted dental service to Gloria Dei's staff in return for their use of our parking lot.

Although the Dental practice is very generous, Angela faces a huge dental bill (\$4,000) which far exceeds the trade-off.



Cash or checks can be brought to our new locked mailbox. Please indicate if you wish the donation to be anonymous. Checks can be made out to Gloria Dei, however the donation can't be considered a charitable tax deduction; the funds will pass through to South Coast Family Dental to be applied to Angela's bill.

So far, anonymous donors have contributed \$2,965 to this fund.

## Gloria Dei Church Council

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### Ex-Officio Members

**JIM GILBERT** Treasurer  
808-3642

**JEN SHAFER**, Bookkeeper  
297-3440

## Transition Team News

Members of the Transition Team currently are editing and rewriting the answers to the Mission Site Profile questions about our church and our community based on your responses. They hope to review and finalize their first draft by their next meeting, Sept. 18. The plans are to finalize this first draft and to submit it to the Church Council next week for comments.

### Team Members:

If you have any questions, please call the church office, Pastor, or one of the members on the Transition Team.

Don Blom:	<b>(541) 290-5317</b>
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Pastor Peggy will be on

### VACATION

October 5 – 12.

Pastor Israel Jurich will be available for any pastoral emergency. Call Violet for contact information.

Pastor John Maas will preach on Oct. 11.

## Blessing of the Animals

**Sunday, October 4, 1:00 pm**  
**at Mingus Park**

**Bring your animals to have them blessed!**

Sponsored by Gloria Dei LC, Faith LC,  
and Emmanuel Episcopal Church



# Around the Oregon Synod

Gloria Dei's Church Council voted to offer up to 10 scholarships to attend this event. Call Violet for details.

## LIBERATING OUR HIDDEN STORIES SYNOD DAY OF LEARNING SEPTEMBER 19

This one-day virtual event is for ALL of us, not just rostered leaders. This event will be:

**THIS SATURDAY!**

- A day of rest and learning
- A day of delighting in what God can do in us when we come together to take seriously Christ's call to love our neighbor as ourselves, and scripture's challenge to heed the wisdom of the eloquent and of the "least of these"

**September 19 - 9:00 am-5:30 pm**

**Session topics include:**

- Innovative and Online Worship Ideas
- Oregon Synod Horizon, Values, and Stepping Stones for the Future
- Health Care and Racial Equity: What COVID-19 has Revealed
- And more!

**Only \$25 per screen for adults over 21; under 21s are free!**

**Register by going to the synod website under Events.**

**Sign up to receive synod emails ([www.oregonsynod.org](http://www.oregonsynod.org)), so you can stay in loop on more coming events.**

### Oregon Synod

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**OREGON SYNOD  
2020 ASSEMBLY**

**Synod Assembly:**  
a two-day Zoom event!

**Friday, November 6:**  
3:00 pm-8:30 pm

**Saturday, November 7:**  
8:30 am-4:00 pm  
More details to come.

# Around the ELCA

## Life for Today and Hope for Tomorrow Hunger in the Time of COVID-19:



[Rick Steves](#), guidebook author and travel TV host; the Rev. [Elizabeth A. Eaton](#), presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA); and the Rev. [Shelley Bryan Wee](#), bishop of the ELCA Northwest Washington Synod, invite you to an online benefit — the first of its kind — for ELCA World Hunger. Our goal is to raise \$250,000 to confront hunger in the time of COVID-19.

**When: Thursday, Sept. 24, 5:00 p.m. PDT**

**Where: Zoom virtual event**

**[REGISTER HERE](#)**

We are in a historic moment, facing a once-in-a-century pandemic and a global change in hunger unlike anything we have seen in our lifetimes. Domestically and internationally, hunger is increasing at alarming rates. At this event, you will learn about the unique ways ELCA World Hunger is responding. Our hosts will also discuss the ongoing root causes of hunger and poverty addressed in Rick Steves' recent special *Hunger and Hope: Lessons From Ethiopia and Guatemala*. And you will hear from ELCA World Hunger partners on the front lines of the current hunger crisis, who will tell you firsthand how your gifts make a difference.

We are called by God to share hope in this time of challenge. Join us to face this global hunger crisis head-on and to continue moving toward a just world where all are fed.