



## MISSION STATEMENT

† The Mission of Gloria de Cristo Lutheran Church is to proclaim and reflect God's love as revealed through Jesus Christ.

† As a community of the concerned, guided by the Holy Spirit, we will strengthen one another through Word and Sacrament, witness, learning and service.

† We will share our gifts and talents to reach out and provide hope to all people.

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TO ALL, CALLED BY GOD TO BE HIS OWN, GRACE AND PEACE:

### **LOOK ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN**

Kevin Park is a member of Royal Redeemer Lutheran Church (LCMS) in Royalton, OH. Some years back, he designed and by now has distributed 150,000 **grace and mercy coins**.

One side of the coin has a cross and the words **"Mercy is when God spares you what you do deserve."**

The other side of the coin has a dove and the words **"Grace is when God gives you what you don't deserve."**

On the first side of the coin is a cross which represents Christ.

The other side of the coin has a dove which represents the Holy Spirit. Mercy is the proper word for the forgiveness God gives us through Christ's redemption. The Biblical word is ***charis* for the gift given, which we call grace. A second kind of grace is called *charisma*, the gift received. This is always associated with the Holy Spirit.**

One form is the special energy he gives to do specific ministries (1 Corinthians 12). The other is the higher gifts of love, faith, and hope (12:31) and the other fruit the Spirit produces in believers, like joy and patience.

**You can receive your coin in worship to share with others....and after you give that coin to someone needing God's mercy and grace, you can receive another coin to carry with you for the next time God leads someone to you!**

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**It's a great evangelism tool. Think of how many times in life we encounter people who are struggling with their own need for mercy and grace. This is the perfect reminder of God's mercy and grace to give to them!**

## **TRANSITIONS**

Transitions are a part of life, whether we like it or not. Gloria de Cristo has come to another time of staff transition.

On May 19<sup>th</sup>, Char Schomisch entered her 2<sup>nd</sup> retirement, which will take her to the great state of Wisconsin for at least the summer. A reception for Char was held on May 19<sup>th</sup>, but a reception alone cannot express our thanks to Char for service to our congregation and to God above and beyond expectation. Char, we thank you and we thank God for you, and pray God's guidance and blessing on this new chapter in life!

Please warmly welcome Kate Harwood to the church office. Kate is used to working with hundreds of middle school kids every day, so it may be an easy transition for her!

See you in worship!  
Bill Timm, pastor

## **FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK**



We are sorry to announce that Char Schomisch is retiring from the Secretary's position. I have come to know her through my role as President and admire the work she has done. Kate Harwood is going to take over Char's position. We know that she will do a good job for us, and that though there might be changes in the office, the hope is that committees will take up the slack. Some of the changes will be at "the request of the council". Please welcome Kate as you would any other friend and help her as she finds her way.

Roy Cavanaugh

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



The agenda and minutes of this meeting include the official actions transitioning to a new church secretary and also a new Worship, Music and Arts Ministry Team Leader. Brenda Taylor has agreed to serve in this position for the remainder of the year. We welcome her and thank her for serving.

Although there are no Sunday School classes each Sunday during the summer, the students do not stop – they just change pace and go into the 'special project' mode.

Their summer project is to receive donations of specific items which they will deliver to CrossRoads Mission. During June they are collecting towels and reusable water bottles. During July they are collecting hats, sun glasses and 'to-be-frozen' pops. During August they are collecting sun screen and protein snack bars.

Watch for the bulletin note and feel free to ask any one of our young people for more information.

Vacation Bible School planning and registrations are moving ahead. Helpers are always needed – for a little time or longer – for one activity or several – to give assistance and spread joy. Mark your calendar for June 24 thru June 28. Contact Eliza Johnson – ph.: 928-699-2238 / email: elizajohnsonesq@yahoo.com OR Julie Vilones – ph.: 702-272-7974 / email: gdcyouth01@gmail.com and be a part of the VBS experience.

Do you enjoy that cup of coffee and time of conversation after worship? Wonderful – we are glad for this time together. BUT (and there is always a BUT)

Help is needed in preparing that cup of coffee and if you also enjoy that cookie, there needs to be a cookie waiting for you. You might think that if the coffee and cookies are not prepared – then just no Fellowship that day. This is not acceptable. We are reminded every Sunday that you cannot be a Christian alone without contact with other Christians. Join us in serving and sharing. You will not be alone. Contact Lynette Layton – ph.: 208-589-8237 - ladywing.ll@gmail.com

And also we can't neglect the church property and buildings. Doreen Caldwell – ph.: 928-446-1668 - doreenc521@gmail.com has whole list of things that need attention. Some small jobs, some inside jobs, some outside jobs mostly can be taken care of by volunteers.

"We Are Church Together"

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## *Celebration of Arts*



Continuing our topic of worship, two main questions come to mind, 'why' we worship and 'how' we worship. One is dictated by our own personal thoughts, the other through the remembrance of practices brought down through the centuries. Starting with the 'how' of worship, we as Lutherans follow the example of the ancient church, starting as early as the 2<sup>nd</sup> century. This pattern of worship was established because it served the needs, was extremely efficient, and centered around an activity of eating, which was first presented by Christ himself that brought people together. It very soon developed into the *gathering, word, meal, sending*. Sometime take a look at our church bulletin and see how this pattern is used with our worship. The 'gathering' includes a Call to Worship, Confession and Forgiveness and the Gathering Hymn, Kyrie, Praise Hymn and Prayer of the Day. The 'Word' is demonstrated through the Choir Anthem, Scripture Reading and the Teaching and Hymn of the Day. The 'Meal' is seen through the Great Thanksgiving and Communion. Our 'Sending' is accomplished in the Prayer After Communion, Sending Hymn, Benediction and Dismissal. Over the years we have added some elements to the basic worship (Prayers of the Church, Offering and the Creed, a statement of our faith), but the pattern has remained. Each worship we, in fact, remember by reenacting this same form set out almost two thousand years ago.

Next month we will investigate 'why' we worship.

See you in church....

*Making Christ known through the arts.*

*~Jerry*

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***Learn to look for joy everywhere you go. When your many troubles are giving you a giant headache remember that the iron crown of suffering precedes the golden crown of glory — that's what we'll wear on that glorious day when we'll be in heaven jumping for joy with our heavenly Father!***

Barbara Johnson



## EDUCATION

Sunday School classes have wrapped up for the summer. Thank you to everyone who helped teach the children this year. We are always welcoming new teachers to join the rotation. If you are interested in teaching any age group this fall please let me know.

The Sunday School students have again chosen to help the homeless at Crossroads Mission. They are asking members to bring the following items for the Summer months and place in the box in the Narthex.

**June:** Towels (old or new, all sizes), Reusable water bottles.

**July:** Otter pops (or other freezable popsicles), hats and sunglasses

**August:** Sunscreen and protein bars

Vacation Bible School is coming to Gloria De Cristo June 24th through June 28th. VBS will run from 9am until 12pm each day with check-in beginning at 8:30am.

Thank you to all helpers who have already signed up to help. If anyone hasn't joined in and wants to help we would be happy to have you. We need everything from donations of supplies to teaching and interacting with the children in attendance during the week. Be sure to share with friends or family you know that may have children who would like to attend this program.

*Eliza Johnson, Chair*

## BELLS OF GLORY



After a short break, the Bells of Glory will begin their summer rehearsals on Thursday, June 6, 6 pm in the Sanctuary.

Playing the bells and chimes, is a unique experience. You can be involved in making music without knowing the notes or the tune. You don't have to 'carry a tune' in a basket or otherwise. By playing one or two bells, on the right count, you and the other bell ringers send the music soaring for all to hear in Praise of God.

We have three octaves of bells and chimes and there are several pieces of music that require 10 or more ringers. Not everyone needs to play all the time or in every piece. And gentlemen, we have larger bells that require more strength than some of the ladies are comfortable playing, so please consider joining us.

You are invited to join us in Praising God with bells and chimes. If you have questions, please contact me – day time 344-4060 or evenings 328-8088 -- email: kleeg59@yahoo.com

*-Kay Lee Grunst*



## FELLOWSHIP

We are down to just Fellowship Coffee Hour and Tuesday's Movie night and both are going okay. We had 13 in attendance for the movie on May 14th — A Dog's Way Home.

I desperately need help with Coffee Hour...only one person has signed up for all summer... I am only one person and can't do it alone. Please volunteer.

We will be doing the Summer Full-Timers Ice Cream Social on August 11th. Watch the bulletin for further details.

God bless,  
Lynette, chairman of Fellowship

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Statement of Income & Expenses for Gloria de Cristo Lutheran Church

### April

	CURRENT MONTH		YEAR TO DATE		BUDGET
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2019
REVENUE	\$42,543	\$26,248	\$147,131	\$146,240	\$152,977
EXPENSE	\$26,430	\$27,579	\$105,019	\$116,272	\$109,872
NET INCREASE	\$16,113	(\$ 1,331)	\$ 41,112	\$29,968	\$ 43,105

The exterior sign is now installed and operational, with a final cost of \$33,240, which costs were covered by designated gifts, not from the General Fund.

## ALTAR FLOWERS FOR JUNE

- 2 Ted & Ann Bird in celebration of magical grandchildren
- 9 Lola Miller in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary
- 16 Jeanie Volpe & Nina Thomas in memory of Ellen Copeland (sister/daughter)
- 23 Tom & Kaylee Grunst in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary



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## MISSION AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

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*How we, as the Body of Christ, can address the concerns of human need and social problems within our congregation, com-*

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This committee does not meet during the summer months, so the next meeting is scheduled for August 6th @ 10am at which time we will organize the 'first responder' project—'God's Work— Our Hands'. We are always looking for new members to join us and bring new ideas to the committee. Some of the yearly project we now do include: The collecting of school supplies for the children of Toma Mi Mano in Los Algodones, the 'Prison Ministry' (Angel Tree) and the ELCA Good Gifts programs at Christmas time, the caroling to local nursing homes, and of course the 'collection center' that is a year 'round project.

For those that are interested, there is a Community Organization for Action Disaster that you can make on-line donations to at [Yuma.salvationarmy.org](http://Yuma.salvationarmy.org), or there is a list of items to donate that can be picked up in the Narthex. One of the drop-off points is the Yuma community Food Bank and member Pauline Kuiper is more than happy to take the items there as she volunteers on Mondays at the Food Bank. There is a container in the Fellowship Hall near the collection corner for any donations.

Still not unbearably hot here in Yuma—we're waiting!! Have a wonderful summer, wherever you may wander and we look forward to seeing you in the Fall. Be safe – and happy!

*Submitted by Ann Bird, [birdhouse07@gmail.com](mailto:birdhouse07@gmail.com)*

## OUTREACH / YOUTH & FAMILY



*God is not unjust, He will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.  
Hebrews 6:10*

In the past season, we reached out to literally thousands of area residents and visitors using Facebook, our new electronic sign, email, text, phone, Instagram, our website, and print in the form of letters, the bulletin, The Evangel, postcards, and even radio. These are all so important but none of one of them comes close to spreading our love of Christ more effectively than word of mouth.

What has a Christ centered life taught you about living, working, patience, humility and kindness? What impact have the words of Jesus had on your generosity or your ability to forgive? Have you shared some of that peace with others? If you would like to experience a deeper meaning to your Christian walk this summer, remember to reach out to at least one person a week, then maybe one person a day, to simply ask how their week is going or to say hi. You may even want to share how our church community gives you comfort during the week or has a welcoming worship or fellowship.

We have a committee of people who are so concerned about growing our church in this direction that we actually meet once a month and you can join us.

Please call me (Julie Villones 702) 272-7974 or [gdcyouth01@gmail.com](mailto:gdcyouth01@gmail.com)) if you feel that we can improve at sharing the gospel with those who aren't here with us each week or those who don't even have a church here in Yuma.

Let's use every means possible to continue to help people come to know Christ this summer!

*Blessings to you!  
Julie Villones*





## PROPERTY



The deck is stacked in favor of those who serve others, have good values and work hard. Just as it should be. This is so true here at Gloria de Cristo. We are surrounded with this wonderful feeling every day. We hope all our Winter Visitors arrived home safely and look forward to your return in the fall.

We move forward with many projects and look forward to completing them. We truly do appreciate all our volunteers and know our property would not be up to date all the time without you. Thanks and blessings to you all.

Once again if you see a project that needs attention please let me know.

My phone number is 928-446-1668 E mail: [doreenc521@gmail.com](mailto:doreenc521@gmail.com)

*Doreen Caldwell*



## STEPHEN MINISTRY

Having gone through the Stephen Ministry Training and also the Leadership Training, I feel a transformation in my life. It is almost like I now have direction.

Have you ever thought about becoming a Stephen Minister, I would strongly urge you to follow through with it. It puts you more in touch with feelings, not only your own but that of your care receiver. At one time or another in our lives we have all felt anger, fear, sadness, guilt or shame, despair, jealousy, loneliness, etc. Becoming a Stephen Minister helps you to recognize these feelings and how to help your care receiver or yourself deal with these.

If I can help but one person, it will be very rewarding.

Stephen Ministry is nonjudgmental and confidential. If you feel the need for a caregiver please call Pastor Timm (928-342-6002).

*Joyce Hoeft  
Stephen Leader*

## Stewardship

is heart work



## STEWARDSHIP

So what is stewardship? Generally speaking, it is simply "taking care of things". A large part of that is "sharing your gifts". The Stewardship Committee at GDC encourages people to do just that; share their gifts. We are always looking for new faces and new ideas. I will be back in Yuma late Sept/ early Oct. If you feel that serving on this committee is a gift you have to share, please join us then.

If you feel the Spirit tugging your sleeve, don't resist..... FOLLOW. See you in Oct.

*Jerry Randby, Chair*



## WELCA HAPPENINGS

Although the WELCA Board members will not meet again until October, we will continue exchanging ideas and plans throughout the summer months. Donna and JoAnn go to Washington while Linda summers in Oregon. Kathy spends her summers in South Dakota and Mary in Minnesota. Thank goodness for the wonders of email and texting that allow us to keep in touch. The Board meets again in October and does so once a month on the first Wednesday through the fall, winter and spring. It seems there is so much to share and develop that one hour a month hardly appears enough. Please know that all women of the church are invited to share ideas and suggestions and the suggestion box in the narthex is just waiting for fresh ideas.

A WELCA Mission and Evangelism Board member or Board members-at-large would be one way to further explore engaging the community. Making your ideas and suggestions emerge from possibilities to reality could be another way. Please prayerfully consider submitting your thoughts and maybe your time to help support the mission of WELCA and that of our church.

Next up is the Welcome Back Gather Dinner in November. Every person in the congregation is invited to share a good meal and to hear a good speaker. Until that time, we all have that open invitation to summer fun. See you in the Fall.

*Donna Brown, President / Convener  
WELCA at Gloria de Cristo*



## WORSHIP, MUSIC & ARTS

It has been my pleasure and God's gift to have served as secretary and a member of the church council these past years. It has never been a task as I've always had willing people come forward and help — whether it was as a worship assistant, a member of the Altar Committee, those that helped with the decorating of the sanctuary and fellowship hall for holidays or those that help with getting bulletins and newsletters together or just stopped by the office to chat. I want to express my thanks to each and everyone that has ever walked through the doors at Gloria de Cristo for all that they have done. May God Be With You!

*Char Schomisch*

For those that were not able to see Char off at the reception on May 19th and would like to send either a note or card in appreciation of her service to our congregation, below is her email and forwarding address.

Email: chars\_ own@yahoo.com

Char Schomisch  
N 3599 S. Valley Rd  
Cascade, WI  
53011-1217

**WEBSITE/EMAIL ADDRESSES...** While you're away from Yuma for the summer, be reminded to keep in touch with Gloria de Cristo by checking the website. [Gloriadecristo.com](http://Gloriadecristo.com) It opens to the home page with a picture of our church. Scroll through it and see what you find. The Evangel and Family Newsletter are there, lots of pictures as well as the weekly bulletin and the sermon for Sundays.

**Emails:** Please use the following addresses to contact the staff

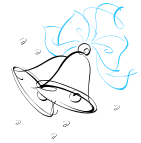
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## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Jean Moore	14	Marshall Marlatt	26	Linda Kennedy
2	Charles Pfister	15	Joyce Fritz	16	Larry Unger
7	Carol Shock	19	Brigitte Arnio	27	Jack Greenfield
13	Mike Enter	21	Jane Todd	27	Carolyn Wertman
14	Shirley Baeth	24	Ian Johnson	28	Jeff Pacewic
14	Nancy Richter	24	Carolyn Smith	29	Ila Goter
15	Jan Klipfel	26	Linda Bradshaw		

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES



1	Arnie & Brigitte Arnio	1	Dave & Nancy Griffiths
2	Richard & Harriet Nelson	16	Pablo Gross & Linda Kennedy
4	Carl & Sally Komor	20	Phillip & Joyce Fritz
4	Ernie & Jo Larsen	26	Tom & Klee Grunst
6	George & Virginia Reisnaur	30	Verne & Carolyn Wertman
8	Tom & Jeanie Volpe		



## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR JUNE

Date	Ushers	Greeters/Comm.	Reader
6/2	Jim/Jackie Neely	Ron/Charlene Jackson	Joyce Hoeft
6/9	Ann Bird/ Pauline Kuiper	Michelle Cegon/ Cheryl Pruel	Dave Graham
6/16	Dave/Nancy Griffiths	Sandra Weidling/Joyce Hoeft	Tom Volpe
6/23	Earl/Robin Marlatt	Dave/Elaine Hofslie	Sandra Weidling
6/30	Doreen Caldwell/L.Layton	Joyce Hoeft/ S. Weidling	Gil Richter

## THANK YOU NOTE

Dear Pastor Bill Timm,

My name is Brita Park, and I am currently chairing the congregational council at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Penticton, B.C., V2A 4R8, Canada.

Greetings to you, and especially to the "Glorious Quilters" in your congregation!

Maria and Bud Sadegur ...who speak so glowingly of your church...have created an immediate, active, connection between Gloria De Cristo and Our Redeemer.

The ten beautifully crafted quilts that they brought with them to our church are much appreciated. We were told that the Glorious Quilters wished that we would put them to any use that we saw fit. ( This makes me smile: a gift involving many thread-like strings comes with a "no strings attached" tag☐)

Our Congregational Council met yesterday, and after a brief discussion, settled on the perfect use for these lovely blankets. Our Outreach Committee has been supporting a local Women in Need society, "SOWINS". This has opened our eyes not only to the women's needs but also to the needs of men who suffer from domestic violence in our area. One of the top needs of this group is actually blankets! We decided to make contact with the group's support worker, and will be offering them these cheerful quilts. Warmth for the body and beauty, all in one.

So, on behalf of our congregation, our outreach committee, our council, and the soon to be recipients of these amazing quilts: THANK YOU!

I'll be placing a thank you card into the regular postal system, but am anxious to let you know right away that the quilts are being deeply appreciated. They fit so perfectly with the recently refreshed goals for our mission and outreach.

Sincerely,  
Brita Park,

(on behalf of Pastor Curtis Aguirre and the congregation of Our Redeemer Lutheran. )

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**YOU NOW HAVE THE OPTION OF "GIVING BY TEXTING 928-756-0091.  
REQUEST QUICK GUIDE INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

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**JUNE 2019**


<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
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2 Worship 9:30 am 9:30 am Nursery <b>Food Collection Sunday</b>	3 11:00 am GriefShare	4 12:00 pm Foothills Social	5 6:30 pm Bible Study	6 5:00 pm TOPS	7 7:00 am TOPS 1:00 pm Friday Social 6:00 pm Women's AA	8
9 <b>Pentecost Sunday</b> <b>Wear Red</b> Worship 9:30 9:30 am Nursery <b>Pottluck following service</b>	10 11:00 am GriefShare 2:45 pm Mental Health	11 9:30 am 'Gather' Bible Study 12:00 pm Foothills Social 5:00 pm 'Movie Nite'	12 10:30 am ChristCare 6:30 pm Bible Study	13 5:00 pm TOPS	14 7:00 am TOPS 1:00 pm Friday Social 6:00 pm Women's AA	15
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CHOIR: Jerry Grill  
BELLS OF GLORY: Kay Lee Grunst

Chirstcare Equipppers: Roy Cavanaugh, Carolyn Thorene, Jo Larsen  
& Pastor Timm

Stephen Ministry Leaders:: Russ DeVriendt, Mike Rosenberg, Joyce  
Hoeft & Pastor Timm

Church Secretary: Kate Harwood  
Nursery Attendant: Lynette Layton

#### CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESIDENT: Roy Cavanaugh  
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