

JANUARY 11, 2026

Epiphany 1

The Baptism of Our Lord

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Welcome to Gloria Dei!

We welcome you to worship here at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church! We pray that the message of God's Word comforts your soul and strengthens your faith in the forgiving grace of God that is yours through God's Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. There is a Cry Room located off the Narthex if needed. There are restrooms in the Cry Room and in the Fellowship Hall, which is to your left as you are leaving the Sanctuary.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: In the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen. I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Come Let Us Worship

Setting Five

Hymns: 384, 377, 374, 679

Choir: "Star in the East"

Psalm: 45A

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-7

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:13-17

Identity Revealed

Jesus Is the Christ, the Anointed One

THOSE WHO ARE SERVING YOU THIS MORNING:

Ushers: Scott Mortimer, Allen Mortimer, Justin Lawrence

Power Point Assistant: Luke Mortimer

Livestream Assistant: Paul Allar

Counters: Mortimer & Major

Cleaners for January 18: Allar

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE YOU ON JANUARY 18:

Ushers: Eric Metz, Paul Allar, Jim Sharich

Communion Set Up: Furnner

Communion Assistant: Mark Moore

Power Point Assistant: Marshall Bessolo

Livestream Assistant: Luke Mortimer

Counters: Callahan & Furnner

Cleaners for January 25: Moore

OUR LOVE FOR GOD'S WORD & WORK

<u>January 4</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Worship	90	General	\$3,217.00
Communed	65	Memorials	80.00

Weekly General Fund Budget \$4,286.59

Daily Bible Reading

Date	Old Test.	Psalms	Proverbs	New Test.
1/11	Genesis 21,22	11	11	Matthew 14
1/12	Genesis 23, 24	12	12	Matthew 15
1/13	Genesis 25, 26	13	13	Matthew 16,17
1/14	Genesis 27	14	14	Matthew 18
1/15	Genesis 28-29	15	15	Matthew 19-20
1/16	Genesis 30	16	16	Matthew 21
1/17	Genesis 31	17	17	Matthew 22

This Week at Gloria Dei

Monday	6:30pm	Confirmation Class
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00am	Adult Bible Class
Saturday	9:00am	Men's Breakfast

FELLOWSHIP: We'd like to thank SueAnn Callahan for providing the refreshments this morning. The sign-up sheet for 2026 is on the bulletin board. Please take a moment and see if there is a Sunday that your family could sign up for. We'd love to see some new faces behind the counter!

THANK YOU: Once again, it was a blessing to share the "good news of great joy" with you at Christmas. While my ministry has changed a bit over the past year, the joy of the Savior's birth and everything that it means does not change, nor will it ever. I pray that through all the changes of your lives that joy remains the same for you as it was the day you first knew your Savior. This past year was definitely a challenge for me, but your support and your prayers were such a blessing through all the difficult times. Without them, the burden would have been so much heavier for me. I would also like to thank you for the prayers and generous gifts you gave me over this Christmas season. Once again, I realize how blessed I am to have crossed paths with all of you. My life and the ministry that the Lord has entrusted to me have certainly been enriched through you. May the Lord bless you and yours in this new year! Pastor Hacker

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY: Women's book study is restarting on Sunday, January 18th at 3 p.m. in the Youth Group room. Please sign up today if you want to attend this bi-monthly talk. The book, Every Thought Captive by Kyle Idleman, comes in hardcover, digital, and audiobook. Hardcover books are \$17 and need to be ordered today. See Laura Mortimer if you have questions.

VOTER'S MEETING: On January 25, after the service we will be having a voters meeting. All voting members of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

LADIES NIGHT: On January 30, at 6:00pm the ladies of Gloria Dei (and any friends you may want to include) are invited to Tammy Dudley's home for a fun night of soap and lotion making. There will be a light meal served before, which you are asked to pay a small fee to help cover the cost. Please sign up by January 18, if you would like to attend. If you have any questions please speak with Tammy Dudley, Laura Mortimer, or Cassie Moore.

THROWBACK & GIVE BACK: On Sunday, February 15, please plan on attending the MLS Foundation 2026 Dinner & Auction. From vinyl records to cassette tapes, CDs to streaming playlists – every decade has its own soundtrack. Enjoy an evening of nostalgia, laughter, and connection as they Throwback to celebrate the eras that shaped us and Give Back to the future of Michigan Lutheran Seminary. For tickets, sponsorships, and donation information visit austria.events/MLS2026

HOCKEY NIGHT: Are you looking for something fun to do on Saturday, February 7th? If you are, how about a Firebirds hockey game? And what about some food and fellowship before the game? That evening, beginning at 5:00 PM we will enjoy a "tailgate" dinner here at Gloria Dei. Following the dinner, we'll head over to the Dort Financial Event Center to see the Firebirds take on the Erie Otters at 7:00 PM. For the meal, bring your favorite non-desert tailgate food to share (desert and drinks will be provided). For the game, the tickets will come at no cost to you (parking is \$10). If you plan to attend, be sure to sign up on bulletin board in the fellowship hall. **Deadline to sign up is Sunday, January 25th.**

Birthdays

12 – Patrick Tesler
14 – Denise Faulkner
16 – Mandy Straub
16 – Melissa King



