

2022

# January



***“Growing Christ-Centered  
relationships in our  
communities through  
love and service.”***

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♦ Worship Time: Sunday @ 9:30 a.m.

♦ Please “like” us on Facebook to watch the  
worship service live on Facebook.

Previously recorded GLC worship services are  
also available to watch on YouTube.

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## **2022 Council Officers, Board/Committee Chairs**

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### **OFFICERS**

**President: Nina Miller**

**Vice President: Martha Krop**

**Treasurer: JoEllen Pilipow**

**\*Bookkeeper: Sue Tomes**

**Financial Secretary: Annette Johanson**

**Recording Secretary: Paul Nicolosi III**

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### **BOARD / COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

**Elders: Carrie Sovola**

**\*Music & Worship Committee: Cheri Robbins**

**\*Mutual Ministry Committee: Martha Krop**

**\*Altar Guild: Carol Boyle**

**Christian Ed/Sunday School: Dennis Robbins**

**Evangelism: Cheri Robbins**

**Fellowship: JoEllen Pilipow**

**GLCW: Gail Shimala**

**Missions: Sandra Ruban**

**Trustees: Scott Muffett**

**Social Ministry: Marilyn Carey**

**Stewardship: ~ Open ~**

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## Pastor Scales

Here I sit at home in the middle of the week without a car. I was rear-ended the other day, and afterwards, it seemed like something was out of kilter as I was driving it, so I took it into the dealership. “Days to weeks” they said, when they called me the next day about the time for its repair. Actually, they had not even looked at it yet. The keys were still at the receptionist desk where I had left them the night before. But that was their estimate even before looking at it.

So, do I inconvenience my closest friend and use her car?

Do I rent one?

Do I stay home?

What an irritation. What an inconvenience!

Then I see Kentucky, southern Indiana, and southern Illinois on the news. Sheer destruction. Those people will not get their property back in days to weeks. They will never get it back. What they had is not broken. It is destroyed.

My inconvenience suddenly becomes a blessing.





### **New to Prayer List:**

Family, Friends and all those grieving the loss of Art Volk - former GLC member, Bob Taylor – friend of JoEllen Pilipow and Cathy Marcheschi - member of GLC ~

### **We Pray for Worshippers:**

Steve & Pam Przybylowski ~ Geri Larson ~ Bob Pahl ~ Chris Shropshire ~ Dennis Robbins ~ Marilyn Carey ~ Louise Oman ~ Don & Suzanne Schmidt ~ Sandy Lee ~ LeAnn Stutler ~ JoAnne Villa – Colonial Rehab, Crown Point ~ John & Linda Aldrin ~ Nancy Carrell ~ George Boules ~ Madeline Conn ~ Shelle Sharp Williams ~ Deanna Johanson ~ Phyllis Darnell ~ Dave & Sylvia Hedges ~ Velma Thiel ~ Terri Bogdan ~ Sandra Ruban ~ Mark Stutler ~ Jim Reyome ~ Archie MacDonald ~ RoseAnn White ~ Richard Koehler ~ Alan Bowers – Golden Living Nursing Home ~ Bernice Morris ~ Russ Schroeder ~ Diane Tomasko – St. Anthony Nursing Home

### **Our Loved ones in the Armed Forces:**

Kurt Blount, stationed in DeForest, WI with wife Mae and daughter Emma ~ Doug Vaughan, grandson of Lucille Brady - stationed in New York, Fort Durum ~ Marissa Darnell, grand-daughter of Phyllis Darnell – Civil Engineer, stationed in Kailua, Hawaii

### **Friends & Family:**

Earl Stutzriem, Stroke – cousin of Maradele Koehler ~ Candice Charboneau – granddaughter of John Kettwig ~ Rose Philips, Stroke – family friend of Annette Johanson ~ Haley, stage 3 Colon Cancer – daughter of Nina Millers co- worker ~ Georgia, Cancer – friend of Velma Thiel ~ Diane – daughter of Velma Thiel ~ Velda Salima, stroke – mother of Robin Blount ~ Sara Piepho - granddaughter of Terry Hennig ~ Barbara Harden, cancer - niece of Velma Theil ~ Carol Minich, many health issues – sister of Velma Thiel ~ Sky Allen, battling Bone Cancer – family friend of the Stutlers ~ Bob Fentress – brother of Sandra Ruban ~ Carl Bodenhofer - Carrie Sovola's dad ~ Jack, throat cancer – friend of Annette Johanson ~ Eloise, health issues & Skip, recovery from stroke – friends of Karen Slager ~ Janet Schlosser – niece of Velma Thiel ~ Doug, health issues – son-in-law of Velma Thiel ~ Michelle, rehab – daughter-in-law of Terry Hennig ~ Eileen Richeke ~ Ray & Lisa Guyse - cousins of Cheri Robbins ~ Becky & Kathy - nieces of Velma Thiel ~ Donna Moore – friend of Martha Krop ~ Mark Epstein, cancer – co-worker of Nina Miller ~ Ann Cacich, multiple myeloma - sister of Sue Tomes ~ Chad Aldrin - son of John & Linda Aldrin ~ Paul, stomach cancer - brother of Dennis Robbins



# Happy Anniversary

January 16: David & Sylvia Hedges

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## Happy Birthday

January 1: Gracia Dudlicek

January 1: John Dudlicek

January 1: Jason Kettwig

January 4: Carl Hochstetler

January 11: Joann Vaughan

January 14: Ian Flanagan

January 18: Scott Muffett

January 18: Kristen Stablein

January 18: Lauren Reitz

January 21: Luca Castellanos

January 23: Abby Wroblewski

January 23: Emily Jauregui

January 24: Alan Bowers

January 25: Sue Tomes

January 26: Dawn Fleming


January 27: Carolyn Connell

January 27: Nicole Kettwig

January 28: Marilyn Carey

January 30: George Boulles

# January 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
2	3	4	5	6	7	1 8
5 9:30a.m. Worship Service (Also available via Facebook or YouTube)	10 6:30pm Council Meeting	11	12	13	14	15
12 9:30a.m. Worship Service (Also available via Facebook or YouTube)	17 Martin Luther King Jr.	18	19	20	21	22
19 9:30a.m. Worship Service (Also available via Facebook or YouTube)	24	25	26	27	28	29
26 9:30a.m. Worship Service (Also available via Facebook or YouTube)	31					

## **GLC Miscellaneous / Reminders**



**Take  
Note**

- ◆ 2021 Council and Board Chair/Committee reports are due by Monday, January 17, 2022.
- ◆ The 2022 Altar Flower & Eternal Flame Charts have been posted in the Narthex.
- ◆ Please contact the GLC office at 219-838-1626 OR [glc1000@griffithlutheran.org](mailto:glc1000@griffithlutheran.org), if you have any updates to your personal information for the GLC 2022 Church Directory.
- ◆ Sunday School Classes led by Dennis Robbins and by Carrie Sovola will resume on January 9, 2022 @ 10:30a.m.

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### **From the Fellowship Committee:**

We would like to thank everyone that participated in our Take-Out Advent Dinners. We had an awesome response and many of our members ordered meals for friends and relatives that could use a nice warm meal! We look forward to the Lenten dinners! Watch for the menu which will be published in the February Newsletter so that you can get your reservations in!

*JoEllen, Carol & Martha*

### **TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!**

Thank you for all of your generous donations to the Marine Corps Reserve Toys For Tots program. It was another very successful year!

### **Angel Tree**

We want to thank everyone who so generously provided gifts for the five families on our Angell Tree. The families were very excited and appreciated all the gifts purchased specifically for their families. We also want to thank Jo Ellyn and Carol for all their work shopping, sorting and packing food for a total of 14 families.



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## **The Griffith Lutheran Church Mission for January 2022 is *Lutheran Diaconal Association***

The LDA is a Lutheran organization forming & preparing people to become deaconesses or deacons through a process of education and formation.

LDA students study theology to grow in their own spirituality and become members of a lifelong community of deaconesses or deacons, to form, send and nurture communities in a Lutheran context to serve in all walks of life. They serve Christ by walking with those the world easily forgets; the poor, powerless & sick.

The LDA vision is: Following Christ, people of God serve those across the street and around the world.

**The Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve... Matthew 20:28**

In Christ, Sandra Ruban  
Mission Chair

## **Bigger than the Bowl**



### **Souper Bowl of Caring**

For over 30 years, the Souper Bowl of Caring movement has been inspiring people across the nation to tackle hunger in their local communities.

<https://tacklehunger.org/about-us>

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## Service Suggestions

*"So then, whenever we have an opportunity,  
let us work for the good of all,  
and especially for those of the family of faith."*

*Galatians 6:10*

Here are some opportunities to serve. You can find more information in the newsletter or by calling the church office.

### **Mission of the Month: Lutheran Diaconal Association**

**Hammond Men's Homeless Shelter:** Coffee and cream & sugar packets.

Lunch serving opportunities: January 1<sup>st</sup> and January 15<sup>th</sup>

February 4<sup>th</sup> and February 19<sup>th</sup>

**Women's Shelter:** Shampoo/Conditioner, body wash/soap, toothpaste/toothbrush, deodorant, body lotion.

### **Souper Bowl of Caring**

**Ronald McDonald House** - We are collecting pop-tops and other items.

### **Worship Assistant & Lector Volunteer Opportunities**

Please contact Cheri Robbins,  
GLC Music Director & Organist  
at 219-616-9291 or [glc\\_music@yahoo.com](mailto:glc_music@yahoo.com)

Thank you to those of you who have signed up to lector and help with tech assistance. We can use some help with the light bearer and usher spots. The sign-up sheets are on the board across from the church office.





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