

Week 1 (12 April)

## Chosen, Called and Redeemed – what is the “mystery of the church?”

Read 1 Peter 1:2-12

1. *Gloria Dei Lutheran Church* – what’s in a name?? ...Our identification – consider each part:

“Gloria Dei” →

“Lutheran” →

“Church” →

2. The church characterized by the Bible

3. A transcendent perspective – Ephesians 1:3-14

Our riches in Christ – Salvation

Aspects:      past                      present                      future

Trinitarian:    Father purposes

                            Son accomplishes

                            Holy Spirit applies and seals

4. What is this “mystery” [Greek: *musterion*] referred to by Paul throughout Ephesians?

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5. For next week, regarding the Scripture, read...  
Isaiah 55:8-11; Matthew 5:17-18; Luke 24:44-49; 3 Timothy 3:16