

Broadcaster

GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

FEBRUARY 9, 2011

A Pilgrim's Progress

Beginning in college and throughout my adult life I have discovered the value of asking questions. One reason for asking questions was my curiosity and desire to know how something worked or why an action was taken. But I also learned that many of the great discoveries were the result of people questioning the popular and accepted explanations of why things were as they were such as the earth is flat and the sun revolves around the earth.

Academically as I began to focus on course work related to my vocation, I discovered that reading the Bible raised all kinds of questions. I recall during that time my good friend and colleague Dan Ivins saying that Jesus was a question man, not an answer man. That was a very helpful statement to me and caused me to look more closely and differently at some of the dialogue passages in the Gospels

I find it intriguing to note the variety of questions that Jesus asked, to whom they were asked, and the responses that people gave to his questions. Jesus' questions included, "Whose image is on the coin?" "Does no one condemn you?" "Who do you say that I am?" "Do you want to be healed?"

When someone asked Jesus a question, he often responded with a question rather than an answer or perhaps better stated his answer was a question. He encouraged curiosity and inquisitiveness as well as inspected what the questioner was searching for and seeking. To the question, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus responded, "How do you interpret the Scriptures?" One day while taking a walk Jesus noticed two people following him and he asked them a question, "What are you looking for?" Their response is startling, "Where do you live?"

Also interesting about Jesus' interaction with people and the questions he asked

is Jesus never asked the same question to any two people. I wonder why. I think it is because no two people have the same need or are at the same place in their journeys. How the good news of God applies differs with different people. The needs of people are unique and how God's love and grace meet those needs are as varied as there are people. But to know any of this, Jesus had to spend time with people developing relationships, inspecting needs and situations, asking questions. What a great model this is for us to be curious and inquisitive, searching, seeking, asking questions. I encourage us all to be question people. Doing so will enable us to discover answers that have meaning and integrity, answers that correct the mistakes of conventional wisdom.

Howard

MID-WINTER CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

By a vote of the Executive Board, the Mid-Winter Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 13, 2011, in the Sanctuary at 10:45 a.m. or immediately following the service. The purpose of the meeting will be to receive reports from the Church Clerk, Church Treasurer, and Stewardship Board; receive nominations for Church Treasurer and Church Clerk; and, adopt the 2011 Budget.

This notice constitutes the official call to meeting. All members of the church are urged to be present.

In Sympathy

We offer our prayers for Beth Brooks and her family upon the death of her father, James J. Allen, on January 21, 2011.

SUNDAY SERVICES

FEBRUARY 13, 2011

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir and Primary Choir

Scripture:
Deuteronomy 30:15-20,
1 Corinthians 3:1-7

Sermon:
"The Church is People"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

4th Grade Bible Presentation
New Membership Class at 3:00 p.m.
MidWinter Congregational Meeting at 10:45 am
Pasta Luigi at 5:00 pm.

FEBRUARY 20, 2011

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir and Joyful Ringers

Scripture:
Genesis 25:27-34, Mark 3:31-35

Sermon:
"Growth By Irritation"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

FEBRUARY 27, 2011

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir and Pilgrim Wind Ensemble

Scripture:
Isaiah 61:1-11, John 8:31-47

Sermon:
"God and the "L" Word"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

Calling All Knitters

Calling all knitters for **SPRING IDEAS**. Tuesday, MARCH 1 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 5. For more information, please contact Nan Hinchsliff at nhinchsliff@aol.com.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

The next New Member Orientation Class is scheduled for February 13 from 3-5 p.m. This is a great opportunity not only to learn more about the ministry of Glenview Community Church but also to meet others who are exploring membership. You may register for the class by sending an email to jane.payne@gccucc.org or calling Jane at 847-724-2210, ext. 25.

Give Time and Talent to GCC

Do you have time to help out once, twice or three times a year? Find your niche at the coffee hour on Volunteer Sunday, February 27th.

Come join the fun -- there'll be food, prizes and even a surprise guest as we learn about the boards and activities at GCC. Your volunteering will strengthen our congregation, enrich your life and the lives of others. You won't want to miss this! **(Church School will not be dismissed until 10:45 a.m. that morning.)**

Phyllis Scott, Membership Board

"Women Who Followed Jesus"

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13 2:00 PM

Presented by Shirley Paulson

Des Plaines Christian Science Society

48 N. Broadway, Des Plaines

For more information email Shirley at shiripaulson@gmail.com.

LECTIO DIVINA

Please join us in prayer and thought that is grounded in a Scripture passage.

Date: Thursday February 10

Time: 9:30-11 a.m.

Place: Room 5

Facilitator: Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse

News from a GCC Young Adult in Africa



Jessica Long recently traveled to Burundi to work with an organization called Village Health Works, which is under the larger umbrella of Partners in Health, which is based in Boston. Jessica's support comes from The InterExchange Foundation which is providing her with a grant. The native language of Burundi is in Kirundi, a difficult language to learn. Jessica plans to continue her work in Burundi until the end of next year.

In an earlier Broadcaster we told the church about Karen McGee's beginning work in Africa. Now we have a second young adult from GCC who is doing an important work. Please pray for Jessica – her work and her safety and check out her blog at: <http://cielwalker.wordpress.com>

Jessica writes these words:

"Mid-November I moved to Burundi to start work with a wonderful organization called Village Health Works. VHW was started by a native Burundian who fled

to the United States during Burundi's civil war in the 1990s. The organization serves primarily as a health clinic in a very rural and poor area. Its 20 full-time staff members (plus five volunteers from Western countries) see about 100 patients per day. The clinic also conducts extensive outreach programs for local community members – organizing agricultural collectives, holding literacy classes, and working with the local government to increase availability of public services in the area.

During my time at the VHW, I've embraced many roles. As a recent computer science graduate (Jessica received her Master's degree in computer science last June), my primary responsibility is to build the technological infrastructure of the clinic. But I've been blessed to be involved in so much of what goes on at the clinic. I regularly take patient vital signs (Jessica is a certified EMT), I teach a class on basic computer proficiency, I've met with local officials to advocate for paved roads and electricity for the surrounding village. Once a week, I even join local community members in digging out the dirt road that leads up the hill to the clinic.

Living in such a remote area of the world has taught me about the power of the human spirit. It is through faith, patience, and a remarkable strength that my neighbors are able to live gracefully in an uncertain environment.

Genda n'umunezero – Go forth with joy!

Jessica Long

New Mother Kits

Donations Needed for March 6 Service Project

On March 6th, PYF and the 6,7,8 Club will be putting together new mother kits for The Night Ministry.

Please consider donating diapers, baby wipes, bottles, pacifiers, onesies, baby lotion, baby soap, diaper cream, or baby toys for this project. Please put your donations in the box outside the GCC office before March 6.

Thank you!

Recent Women's Retreat

Women's Winter Retreat was recently held at the Hilton in Northbrook for 28 GCC women including 6 guests! We had a fabulous weekend learning more about the **Friendship of Women**. Dr. Jill Bates, our speaker, was helpful in reminding us of the importance of women friendships. Think about next year at this time, attending one of our winter retreats. Our next fall retreat will be at Maria House at Techy on October 21-22, 2011. Mark your calendars now.

Pasta Luigi

20 Years of slinging sauce and pasta: what great entertainment!

Grasp the opportunity on February 13 to enjoy the ultimate Pasta Luigi experience and support the GCC youth. After 20 years of offering the best in our church's musical and comedic talent along with pasta, salad and the trimmings, the Music Board and Choir will be looking toward other activities in 2012. Tickets are only \$10 in advance for adults and \$5 for children 4-12 (toddlers are free), and can be reserved by e-mailing conselr@earthlink.net (\$12 for adults at the door). Proceeds will go to the youth mission trip.

Pasta Luigi was started 20 years ago by Tricia Melzer-Swaydrak, her mother Charlene and the members of the Fine Arts Committee (Beth/Bob Raebel, Sue/Steve Ruch and Bill Laystrom) as a way to raise funds for that year's FAC series. We recruited the Chancel Choir and it was a huge success. Never intending it to become a "tradition"—it has. It then became an outreach for the Chancel Choir to help provide money for specific charity organizations in the Glenview area. Northfield Township Food Pantry became one of our "staples" (no pun intended), for which they have always been grateful.

We certainly never thought we'd be slinging sauce for 20 years, but here we are. Please join us on February 13 for a wonderful evening of food, fellowship and entertainment at 5:00 p.m. in the Mayflower Room.

SAVE THE DATE: Wellness Screening

Sunday, March 13, 2011 at 7:30 a.m. in Plymouth Room. Take advantage of this confidential and convenient screening that checks 30 plus tests. This is a great opportunity to check your whole health by having: Basic Blood Test, Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA for men), Thyroid Function, C - reactive protein, ColoCare etc. at very low costs. You will be given a questionnaire on your emotional and spiritual health to be answered if you wish. All this information will be compiled in a three ring binder for your convenience.

More information will follow in future Broadcasters. Questions? Call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 30.

60 Plus Luncheon Tuesday, February 15

Annual Valentine Bingo at 12 noon in the Mayflower Room



Come join us for an afternoon of good food and fun! It's time again for our annual Valentine Bingo where everyone is a winner. Remember that red is the color of choice as you cheer "Bingo".

We ask that you bring an inexpensive wrapped item to be used as a prize. Mark your calendar today!

We have volunteers who are ready to bring you, so if the sidewalks are slippery or you don't have a ride, please call Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at 847-724-2210 ext. 30.

Battery Recycling

Glenview Community Church members and friends, please dispose of your household batteries responsibly.

Drop off is at:

Glenview Village Hall
1225 Waukegan Rd - First Floor
(847) 904-4340

First Friday of each month
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) and its member communities are offering a Battery Recycling Program. The Agency has partnered with Interstate Batteries in Skokie to provide the recycling at no cost to SWANCC communities, as a corporate product stewardship initiative.

Batteries accepted in SWANCC's Program include:

- Alkaline: AA, AAA, C, D and 9V
- Rechargeable: NiCd, NiMh, lithium ion, lithium polymer.

Before dropping off rechargeable batteries, residents need to tape the contact points on each battery or place in an individual self-locking plastic baggie to avoid sparks.

Sunday School

The fourth grade Sunday school students will receive their Bibles during the Sunday morning 9:30 a.m. family worship service on February 13, 2011. Regular Sunday school classes will not meet; child care will be available. The Children's Board invites you to a celebratory treat during the coffee hour in the Mayflower room following the service.

Confirmation CONFIRMATION CHAOS Sunday, February 13

We will meet at 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in Youth Room. Come early for breakfast snacks. We'll begin our program at 9:15. The morning includes games, get acquainted, free time in the gym and youth room and discussion on "Homelessness." This is our final "Chaos" for the year.

PYFF

Pilgrim Youth and Family Fellowship

Our final gathering for youth and families is Sunday, February 27 from 4-6 pm. We will meet for opening worship and communion in the youth room, followed by a potluck dinner, then time for youth fellowship and parent discussion. It's a great way for families to get to know one another better. Watch for details for reservations.

Pilgrim Youth Liturgical Dance

The Pilgrim Youth Liturgical Dance group which helped lead worship on January 30th included both middle school and high school youth. This is one of the opportunities offered to youth to become involved in worship. Praising God with dance, expressing spirituality or faith through dance has been around for hundreds of years. Many churches today make that a regular part of worship.

A few weeks ago we wanted to give our youth an opportunity to do that with their dance. We are not sure when they will reappear but wanted to let you know to watch for more details over the coming year. This is open to all youth. Thank you to Krissie Odegard Geye for donating her time to help with the liturgical dance on Sunday, January 30. The girls that were able to help lead worship were, Aly Ford, Holly Llewellyn, Kara Kilpatrick, Allison Berg, Carolyn Berg and Andrea Ciccolini.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

8:30 am - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERIAL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts, *Senior Minister*

Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Minister for Spiritual Formation*

DIRECTORS:

Marilyn Belleau, *RN, Health Ministry*

Kathy Lifton, *Children's Ministry*

Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, *Youth Ministry*

Debby Shellard, *Children's Choirs*

Gary Wendt, *Organist, Instrumental Music*

Andrew Lewis, *Adult Choir*

AFFILIATES:

Marcia Kiraly, *Director, GCC Nursery School*

Barbara Thewis, *Manager, Resale Shop*

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At A Glance

THRS	2/10	9:00 am	Resale Shop open until 5:00 pm, Plymouth Rm	TUE	2/15	12:00 pm	60 Plus, Mayflower Rm
		9:30 am	Lectio Divina, Rm 5			4:30 pm	Hebrew School, Various Rms
		11:00 am	Healing Touch, Library			7:00 pm	Fellowship Board Mtg, Rm 213
		12:30 pm	Music Revue, Choir Rm			7:00 pm	Membership Board, Parlor & Library
		6:00 pm	Healing Touch, Library				
		7:30 pm	Chancel Choir, Sanctuary				
FRI	2/11	9:00 am	Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm	WED	2/16	9:15 am	Chapter 11 Mtg., Parlor
		8:00 pm	AA Mtg., Parlor			9:30 am	Chapter 20 Mtg., Chapel
		8:00 pm	Al-Anon Mtg., Rm 201			1:00 pm	A Just Harvest Cooking, Kitchen
SAT	2/12	9:00 am	Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm			7:00 pm	Pilgrim Wind Ensemble, Sanctuary
		9:00 am	Men's Open Gym, Gym			7:00 pm	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Gym, Mayflower Rm
SUN	2/13	8:45 am	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201			7:00 pm	Called To Care Mtg., Rms 210, 213 & Upper Rm
		9:00 am	Confirmation Chaos, Youth Rm			8:00 pm	Venture Crew, Parlor and Gym
		9:30 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary				
		9:30 am	Sunday School, Various Rms - start in Rm 201				
		10:30 am	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm				
		10:45 am	Mid Winter Congregational Mtg, Sanctuary				
		10:45 am	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm				
		3:00 pm	New Member Class, Chapel & Rm 5				
		4:00 pm	Voices of GCC, Rm 201				
		4:00 pm	PYF Program & Small Groups, Rms 7,8, 32 & Gym, Youth Rm				
		5:00 pm	Pasta Luigi, Mayflower Rm				
MON	2/14	7:00 pm	Finance Board, Founders Rm				

Broadcaster Deadlines:

Submit articles by 9:00 a.m. , Wednesday to Tania McCarthy via e-mail at tania.mccarthy@gccucc.org.