A Pilgrim's Progress

Glenview Community Church has a rich variety of personalities. We learn differently and approach issues and solutions in various ways. Perhaps you are familiar with the Myers-Briggs Personality Inventory which indicates four primary ways we make decisions shaped by our personalities. Bonnie Marsh has written a description of how various personalities would prepare pumpkin soup to serve at dinner. Her observations are insightful and descriptive of working together as a community of faith.

Ingredients for Pumpkin Soup (actual recipe) ½ lb. mushrooms, sliced, ½ c. chopped onions, 1T butter, 1T flour, 1T curry power, 1#cooked, sieved pumpkin, 3 c. broth, vegetable or chicken, 1T honey, 1c. evap.milk, dash nutmeg, salt and pepper.

Sensing Directions:

1. Lay out necessary equipment: heavy pan, knife, caliper, thermometer, carpenter's level, tablespoons, measuring cups. 2. Check ingredients. Consult cookbook or call friend to find out how much nutmeg is in a dash, how much salt and pepper should go in a batch of pumpkin soup. 3. Chop mushrooms and onions. (Caliper will be helpful here. 3/16" thickness recommended.) Sauté mushrooms and onions in butter. After sautéing in butter, add one tablespoon flour. This thickens the sauce a bit preparatory to adding the liquids, and results in thicker soup. You will know the mushrooms are cooked when a table knife encounters resistance when you try to cut one. You will know the onions are done when a table knife passes through easily. 4. Add flour. Add broth. (Be sure the measuring cup is on a level surface when you measure. Carpenter's level will be helpful here.) Add everything else except milk and heat without boiling. (Thermometer will be helpful. Do not let temperature rise above 200 F.)

Intuitive Directions:

There is a lot of possibility for creativity in this soup. A good, rich pumpkin soup offers potential for synchronous cooking. Open your refrigerator. Let your imagination roam. Water chestnuts, olives, a dab of mustard, some pieces of chicken. Whatever.

If you are going to call this pumpkin soup, it might be helpful to have some pumpkin but mashed carrots, squash or even sweet potatoes will do. You might want to start by sautéing any ingredient that needs this process. In this way you will need to use only one pan. Add the rest of the ingredients and taste until it seems right to you.

While the soup heats (it is better not to boil it if you've included milk) you will probably want to make some rolls to go with the soup, and while you're in the mood for cleaning the refrigerator, and have to be in the kitchen anyway, you might want to defrost the freezer. In fact, you could probably get a little start on next week's cooking by frying up that frozen hamburger in the freezer. But the frying pan's dirty. But that's OK because you'll be in the kitchen anyway so you can wash the dishes. And while you're washing dishes, and thinking about the delicious soup on the stove, you can make plans either for a great soup tasting event, or for the restaurant you're going to open. Serve the soup in whatever is clean, or send someone to the store for paper bowls.

Thinking Directions:

1. Analyze the process. This recipe can be cooked guite efficiently if some thought is given to the process. For instance: melt the butter in the pan over low heat while you chop the onions and mushrooms. If the broth has been refrigerated, it will cook more quickly if you let it warm to room temperature. 2. Analyze the equipment. Try to use as few utensils, pans and bowls as possible. For instance, if you first measure the curry powder, then the butter, then the honey with the tablespoon, you will have to wash it only once. (The honey should slide off the butter.) 3. Analyze the recipe. Alterations should be made from the beginning. How many people are you serving? How much will each eat? Is the recipe large enough? Too large? 4. Proceed as with sensing directions. 5. It would be logical to serve this soup from a pitcher.

Feeling Directions:

You may need to substitute some ingredients according to who will be eating the soup, so these are just guidelines. If there is

March 18, 2009

SUNDAY SERVICES

MARCH 22, 2009

8:30 a.m. Student Soloist 10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Scripture:

Obadiah 1-16; Matthew 5:21-24, 38-48

Sermon:

"The Killing Attitude" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

MARCH 29, 2009

8:30 a.m. Instrumental Duet 10:30 a.m. Instrumental Duet

Scripture:

Genesis 3:1-13, Mark 15:1-15, 42-47

Sermon:

"I Don't Care" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

APRIL 5, 2009

Palm Sunday

8:30 a.m. *Chancel Choir* 10:30 a.m. *Chancel Choir*

Scripture:

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, Mark 11:1-11

Sermon:

"The Self System" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

someone who doesn't like mushrooms, you can leave out the mushrooms, or substitute potatoes. If onions are hard on someone's stomach, you can leave them out or substitute parsley or green peppers. A full tablespoon of curry powder may sound too strong for someone, so you can leave it out or reduce the amount or substitute beau monde seasoning. In fact, you may want to wait until almost the last minute to decide whether or not to serve pumpkin soup. You may want to omit it entirely from your menu and serve another soup, or a dish that seems appropriate at the time. Just right. Serve with a warm smile.

Howard

Congregational Meeting

The Congregational Meeting will be reconvened on Sunday, March 22 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary between services for the purpose of voting on another Budget Plan for 2009.

Financial Summary

As of February 28, 2009, year to date, a summary of pledges received to date (Pledges Made), payments received against the pledges made (Pledges Paid), total revenues (including Pledges Paid) received (Total Revenues), and actual expense paid (Expenditures) is summarized below:

Pledges Made \$966,302 Pledges Paid \$256,512

Total Revenues \$322,509 Expenditures \$234,702

Respectfully submitted, Rob Hevey, Treasurer

Campaign For Better Health Care

Congregations across Illinois are lifting up prayers of concern for the 1.8 million without health care insurance in this state. Please add these folks to your prayers. For more information on how you might become involved please contact Campaign for Better Health Care at www.cbhconline.org or 312 913-9449. If you are facing difficulties with health insurance or getting needed health care, please call CBHC's toll-free HelpLine at anytime, 888 544-8271.

Be an AMBASSADOR

Glenview Community Church appreciates all those who serve as Ambassadors at each of our worship services. Members and friends enjoy the warm greetings; visitors appreciate the welcome and helpful information about child care, Sunday school, fellowship, and events. If you would like to volunteer to serve and help extend "Radical Hospitality", please call Linda Binaei, Director of Member Engagement at (847) 724-2210 x 29 or e-mail *linda.binaei@gccucc.org*. If you are serving as an Ambassador and want to continue you don't need to do anything. If you are unable to continue serving as an Ambassador, call or e-mail Linda Binaei.

Share Your Gifts

We are planning small groups for the spring. Perhaps there is an idea that you have for a small group. Why don't you offer to facilitate a group? Contact Rev. Sally lberg to discuss this idea and get it on the calendar. You can reach her at sally.iberg@gccucc.org or at 847 724-2210. Call her today!



The Labyrinth Walk

Walking a labyrinth is a personal journey or pilgrimage. It is a spiritual tool dating back to ancient times. It offers a pathway of prayer and a walking meditation. Unlike a maze, a labyrinth has a single pathway for entering and exiting. No directional decisions are necessary. Your walk, pace and personal experiences are all your own. There is no right or wrong way to walk a labyrinth. A labyrinth guide will be available to assist you and answer any questions you may have.

All are invited to experience the Labyrinth Walk in the Mayflower Room beginning Palm Sunday morning, April 5th 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Monday and Tuesday April 6th and April 7th 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Wednesday, April 8th 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. There is no charge for this unique Lenten experience.



The Simple Gifts Concert Series is pleased to present Atmospheric in the Mayflower room at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening March 20th.

Atmospheric is the brainchild of our own talented members Katherine Hughes and Kevin Kizer. Katherine is a professional violinist in the Chicago area, playing with classical groups and new music groups. Kevin is an accomplished saxophonist who plays at the Green Mill Jazz Club downtown.

Atmospheric plays an innovative blend of jazz and world music that is mixed by a DJ. Check it out at gccucc.org: click on the Concert series link and then the link to Atmospheric.

Light refreshments will be served by the Fellowship Board. Babysitting is available by calling Sue Newberry at (847) 724-6407.

Hope to see you at this exciting event!

Interfaith Film & Discussion

SUNDAY, MARCH 22 AT 5 PM

At the home of Jane Turner 1630 Brandon Rd., Glenview.

If you are planning to attend please contact Mickey Safstrom at *Mickeysaf@juno.com* or 729-0732. Bring with you an appetizer, salad, or dessert. A main dish will be provided. Please feel free to bring guests with you. This is always a wonderful evening. All are welcome!

Adult EducationSundays 9:30 am in the Chapel

On March 29, and April 5 we will welcome Tom Aldrich who will present a program on the Brahms Requiem with connections to the Kerygma Bible study series.

On March 22 Adult Eduction will be cancelled due to the congregational meeting.

Ideas, suggestions for future Adult Education programs? Email Chris Calandra at ccalandra4@comcast.net



SUNDAY, MARCH 22

12:00 in the Mayflower Room Preventing Personal Identity Theft Seminar

David Kreiman, Senior Vice President at Glenview State Bank will be in the Mayflower room on March 22, at noon. He will discuss the steps you need to take to be and feel secure insofar as your identity is concerned. If you have specific questions for Mr. Kreiman, you can e-mail them to David Aki, dave254@comcast.net and we will forward them to Mr. Kreiman, who will address your concerns on March 22.

Bagels, doughnuts and coffee will be available (for a donation).

Hosted by: The Men's Ministry and the Board of Adult Education



Ordination of Roger C. Dart

Plan to celebrate the ordination of Roger C. Dart at Congregational Church of Deerfield, 225 Wilmot Road, Deerfield, on Sunday, March 22 beginning at 4:00 p.m. Reception to follow immediately. All are welcome.

March Mondays with Pam

So how's your life these days? Where is your spiritual journey taking you? How are you coping with the challenges you face? Lent is a time to take time to think about faith, doubt, questions, etc. You are invited to join Rev. Pam Keckler any Monday in March to come by during the hour and talk. Join Pam in Room 5 (lower level) each Monday from noon until 1 pm and from 7-8 pm. Feel free to bring your lunch and beverage and sit for a spell. Just show up!

27th UCC General Synod

Youth and adults are invited to join other members of the United Church of Christ (UCC) at our General Synod which will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan this summer. The dates for adults are June 26-30, which includes all meetings, programs, service opportunities and worship.

There will be a separate Youth Event during June 24 through July 1, which includes mission and service experiences, meetings, youth education, recreation, and evening programs. All details are available on the UCC website at www.ucc.org.

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about and participate in the wider church and to grow in fellowship and faith. If you have questions about Synod, talk to Rev. Pam Keckler.

A Recipe for Peace

Serves: A healthy portion of Peace for up to 99 people!

Preheat: Set Calendar to Sunday, March 22, 2009, 3 p.m.

Ingredients:

- * \$50 Adult Ticket
- * \$30 Student Ticket
- * 5 (five) Baskets of delectable treats will be raffled, each including a copy of The Arab-Israeli

Cookbook. \$5 per ticket, or 3 for \$10! Winner need not be present to win.

Directions:

- * Purchase theater and raffle tickets with a credit card at www.hands-of-peace.org, or call Wendy Steinberg at 847-207-1218 to purchase with a check or for ticket information.
- * Enjoy the performance! THE ARAB-ISRAELI COOKBOOK The Storefront Theater 66 E. Randolph Street, Chicago, IL
- * Join cast and audience members for a "talkback" and refreshments following the performance!

A portion of the matinee's proceeds directly

Chapter 20

The March 18 meeting will be at Thomas Place, 2200 Patriot Boulevard (just north of Kohl's Children's Museum). The program will be putting together birthday bags for Northfield Food Pantry. If you would like to join us (all are welcome!), please call Jan Valkenaar at 847-998-1918 so you know what to purchase for your bag. Meeting will start at 9:30 a.m.

Save The Date

A President's First 100 Days
THURSDAY APRIL 30 AT 10 AM

The Chapter 8 members of GCC Women's Association are sponsoring a not-to-be missed Spring program.

A Presentation by JOYCE SCHRAGER. Ms. Schrager is a well known, highly respected and popular current events lecturer.

The presentation will be followed by a buffet luncheon. Tickets are \$15 for the program and luncheon.



In the shadow of our suffering Is the suffering of Jesus. In the shadow of our weakness Is the vulnerability of the Christ. In the shadow of our pain Is the God who cried out. We are never rejected, We are never left alone.

PYFF Lenten Vespers

Sunday, March 22 from 4-5 pm.Join us for a fun night of worship, fellowship, potluck supper and games for youth. Parents will bring their favorite parenting tip in working with their teenagers. All are welcome. To reserve your spot, contact Elizabeth or Pam.

PYF Service Projects

Pilgrim Youth Fellowship rotates the time spent between service, topic discussions and fellowship. PYF would like to thank the congregation for helping to complete several service projects this year with the help of the 678 Club. The donations of goods, time and money were made by the youth, their parents and members of the congregation.

The Night Ministry received 250 sack dinners, over 150 hygiene kits, 34 New Mother Welcome Home Kits and 935 packages of cookies. A small group of youth will caravan with the Night Ministry Health Bus in May. Watch for details on how you can help.

The Northfield Township Food Pantry received 70 Birthday bags and 50 Easter Baskets.

The youth raised \$1,300 dollars for **Good News Community Kitchen**.

PYF also raised \$583 from pretzel sales to help off set costs of mission trips and retreats that inspire the youth.

In April the youth will donate time to give back to GCC.

Chaperones needed

This year our youth will travel to Northern Minnesota to work on the Cass Lake reservation, repairing houses and working with young children.

We are looking for two chaperones. Youthworks is the organization we are working with this year. www.youthworks.com The dates are June 14– June 19. Please email Elizabeth Ciccolini for information on the process to become a PYF chaperone. *Elizabeth.ciccolini@gccucc.org*



GCC Biloxi Work Campers Return

Imagine flood waters rising so fast that you can't possibly seek safety. So, you climb on a step ladder, trying to keep your head above the water. Now imagine being at the top rung of that ladder, and the water is now up to your throat and you have no means to get higher. All you can do is hope and pray that the water will recede. This was the story told to us by Mrs. Scroggins, who survived the surge during Hurricane Katrina in Biloxi. Her house was destroyed in that storm. But one sunny day in February 2009, Andrea Beggs, Toni Cucco, Heather Cooper, Rob Orr, Tom and Pam Reidy, were painting the exterior siding on her new home. Welcome to Back Bay Mission and the GCC Adult Workcamp 2009!

Our small, but powerful team travelled to Biloxi to help rebuild homes. We were surprised by what we found. The Back Bay Mission is a UCC supported social agency that has been serving the poor in the Gulf region since 1922. After Hurricane Katrina, the agency had to change its charter to include building and repairing homes damaged by the storm. In the course of our week in Biloxi, we learned that 18,500 people are still without permanent housing in the Gulf region. In 2007 Back Bay Mission completed 27 homes and in 2008 they completed 50! So, while the streets appear to be back to normal, there are still many empty lots, where houses used to stand. Fact is, there is still plenty of work to do.

Our group enjoyed a rare opportunity to be the team that put the very final touches on a completed home for Hilda Nix. It was incredibly rewarding for us to add the trim, hang the towel racks, wash and clean the house to prepare it for occupancy. We spent three days making the new house a home. We were all very excited to be part of this final stage of a building project. Not many groups have had this experience. When we were done, the space looked spectacular.

This particular house was built in 5 days as part of a blitz build. Teams of volunteers worked non-stop, often through the night, to complete the building in a week. Because of the potential for future flooding, most new homes have to be built on tall wooden stilts (her house was almost 12 feet off the ground). This meant most of the exterior work had to be done on scaffolding, making construction even more challenging.

We learned that many of the traditional relief agencies who went to Biloxi to help are now leaving. Their funding has been exhausted and they have run out of volunteers. This will place an even greater burden on the Back Bay Mission to build affordable housing.

We were made to feel very welcome, very needed and most appreciated. All of us felt fulfilled by our work there. We had done something substantial. Our only regret was that we did not have more people from our church with us. That same week, a UCC church from Mokena Illinois had a team

of 24 people working on two homes. Still we had a great time and even got a taste of Mardi Gras, Gulf style...all of us ended up with hundreds of necklace beads as our reward.

We have already begun working on our next trip. April 2010. All are welcome. We would love to return with an even larger crew. As Craig Steenkamp, the Back Bay construction coordinator reminded us, "Every nail done today is one less for tomorrow."

Join us!



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At A Glance

Thurs	s 9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 5:00 pm
3-19	12:00 pm	Chapel Meditation, Chapel
	1:00 pm	Ministers' Mentors Meeting, Rm 210
	6:00 pm	Soup @ 6, Lenten Bible Study, Mayflower Rm
	6:15 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	7:00 pm	Patrol Troop 156, Founders Rm
	7:00 pm	HOP Meeting, Parlor
_	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Rm, Sanctuary
Fri	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm
3-20	12:00 pm	Chapel Meditation, Chapel
	6:00 pm	NSVYR Volleyball, Gym
	7:00 pm	Atmospheric Concert, Mayflower Rm
	8:00 pm	Al-Anon Mtg., Rm 201
_	8:00 pm	AA Mtg., Parlor
Sat	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm
3-21	9:00 am	Men's Open Gym, Gym
Sun	8:30 am	Sunday School, Room 105
3-22	9:15 am	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm
	9:30 am	Fellowship Board, Rm 213
	9:30 am	8th Grade Confirmation, Various Rms
	9:30 am	7th Grade Confirmation, Rm 8
	9:30 am	Adult Education, Chapel
	9:45 am	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201

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Sun	10:30 am	Sunday School Gathering, Rm 201
3-22	11:30 am	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm
	11:30 am	Leadership Committee, Founders Rm
	12:30 pm	Identity Theft and You
	3:30 pm	Voices Rehearsal, Rm 201
	4:00 pm	PYFF, Youth Rm, Plymouth Rm, Gym
Mon	12:00 pm	March Mondays With Pam, Rm 5
3-23	12:00 pm	Chapel Meditation, Chapel
	7:00 pm	March Mondays with Pam, Rm 5
	7:00 pm	BSA Troop 156 Committee Mtg., Founders Rm
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Tues	11:30 am	WA Chapter 8 Mtg., Founders Rm
Tues 3-24		
	11:30 am	WA Chapter 8 Mtg., Founders Rm
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3-24	11:30 am 12:00 pm 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	WA Chapter 8 Mtg., Founders Rm Knitting Classes, Rm 5 Chapel Meditation, Chapel PMRC, Parlor
3-24 Wed	11:30 am 12:00 pm 12:00 pm 7:00 pm 9:00 am	WA Chapter 8 Mtg., Founders Rm Knitting Classes, Rm 5 Chapel Meditation, Chapel PMRC, Parlor Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm
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