

Pilgrim's Progress

This time of the year provides a great opportunity for us to catch glimpse of future leadership of the church. Last Sunday (4/18/10) we benefited from the work of Debby Shellard and our children's choirs as they presented "Rescue in the Night." These future church musicians certainly used their developing musical skills, as they led worship for us. Thanks to Debby for her excellent work as director, to the children for their commitment to rehearsal and sharing their musical gifts, and to parents who got children to rehearsals, made costumes, and provided encouragement.

This Sunday (4/25/10) 17 eighth graders will become the newest members of Glenview Community Church when they are confirmed during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. These young people have worked hard during the last two years growing in their faith, learning about the faiths of others, ministering to others and with others through various service projects. They have also grown physically and emotionally and demonstrated maturity in their class and in the class projects they designed and completed.

During the 10:30 a.m. worship service on May 9th, Bibles will be presented to the 4th graders. With the caring leadership of Lisa Ledger and Carol Uhl, the 4th graders have spent the Sunday school year learning about the Bible. They know about the various sections of the Bible, where creation stories are found, and where information about Jesus' life and ministry are found. The 4th graders are growing in their wisdom and knowledge of God and the world around them. They will be assisting as lectors during the worship service on the 9th.

May 16th is Youth Sunday. Under the guidance of Elizabeth Ciccolini and Pam Keckler members of Pilgrim Youth Fellowship will lead worship. All aspects of the worship services will be led by our youth including sermons prepared and delivered by seniors. I've enjoyed oppor-

tunities to interact with PYF and delight in seeing their amazing talents, interests, and understanding of what life is like for them.

In the period of a month we get to see the variety of ages and stages of development occurring in the lives of children and youth who are part of GCC. All of us benefit from our interactions with the "younger" generation. Your presence in worship when the "younger" generation is helping to lead worship gives them encouragement and support and you will be enriched as well. See you in church.

Howard

Worship Notes

Sunday, May 2

During the 10:30 a.m. worship service the choir will sing an anthem entitled "Here Are We" taken from Isaiah 6:1-10. This song was introduced at a workshop which Rev. Pam Keckler attended during her sabbatical. Rev. Keckler will accompany the choir on the piano as they sing this piece. During the sermon she will share spiritual insights she gained during her sabbatical time. We will also dedicate the addition of the new Chimes to the Bell choir at both services. Join us!

The Gospel of Mark

A dramatic proclamation of the shortest Gospel by Wayne Turney at St. David's Episcopal Church will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24 and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 25. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children and can be reserved by calling (847)724-1341 or by emailing office@stdavidsglenview.com.

WORSHIP SERVICES

APRIL 25

Confirmation Sunday and Communion

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir 8th Graders will be confirmed

Scripture: John 21:1-19

Sermon:

"Gone Fishin"

Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini

Director of Youth Ministries and Seminary
student at Chicago Theological Seminary

MAY 2

8:30 a.m. Bell Choir

10:30 a.m. Bell Choir & Chancel Choir

Scripture: Psalm 138, Isaiah 6:1-10

Sermon:

"From Witness to Participant" Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

MAY 9

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Children's Chorus 4th Grade Bible Presentation

Scripture:

Psalm 31:1-5, John 14:1-14

Sermon:

"What's in a Name?" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

SIGN CHI DO



There is still time to experience this FREE new program, Sign Chi Do. Joann Kress, RN and Bachelor completion student with NIU will be leading this unique, spiritual-based program. A combination of deep breathing, tai chi type movement, sign language and prayer promote total body health and wellness. The practice of Sign Chi Do has been shown to reduce blood pressure, improve memory, increase concentration, improve muscle coordination and improve balance. People with all levels of physical abilities can participate!

Please come dressed in comfortable clothing that allows movement. Contact Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210, ext. 30 for more details.

Date and Times:

Tuesday, April 27: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

UPDATE THE DIRECTORY

A directory is only as good as the accuracy of its information! The Membership Board is asking you to please take a minute to give us any changes for the 2010 directory. It will be available to all members at no cost. Please call or email Jane Payne (847)724-2210 or jane. payne@gccucc.org or drop off a form in the office. Forms are available in the office, narthex or in the pews. Deadline is June 1st.

Open and Affirming

In preparation for a congregational vote May 25 on whether or not GCC should become an Open and Affirming Church in the UCC, a final question and answer session will be held on May 2 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Please join Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts and the ONA committee to have your questions addressed.

Beryl B. Bills berylbills@comcast.net

Adult Education Program

IN THE CHAPEL AT 9:30 a.m. April 25 Please join Adult Education to hear GCC member Earle Shultz present: "Ecclesiastes, Yogurt, and Love".

Earle will share his thoughts on the perspectives on life offered in the book of Ecclesiastes as it relates to the modern world.

He will use real life illustrations including a description of a yogurt-making and selling endeavor in a poverty-stricken area of India, which brought success and income to the women of the area. Please join us in the chapel at 9:30 a.m.

Bring a friend and join us.



GCC Senior Housing Fair Sunday, May 2, 2010 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mayflower and Founders Rooms

The Glenview Community Church is once again sponsoring a Senior Housing Fair which will provide members of the church and visitors from the community an opportunity to be informed about various types of senior housing available in the North Shore and surrounding areas. Representatives from: Continuing Care, Retirement Communities, Assisted Living Facilities and Skilled Nursing Care Centers will be present. Don't miss this special free event and have your guestions answered. The Glenview Community Church and the Village of Glenview's Senior Services Program are co-sponsoring this program. For more information, please call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 30.

Pastoral Care

Please remember the family of Lloyd Kuehn, whose mother, Berness, died on April 14.



GCC REBUILDING TOGETHER WORK DAY - APRIL 24 SIGN UP NOW!

Contact Tracy Sawires at esnstsms@hotmail.com or (847)832-0063, immediately if you can participate on the GCC work crew-age 14 and older eligible to work. Only 10 spaces available! A team from GCC will be participating in the 4/24/10 Rebuilding Together work day. Our site will be just a few blocks from GCC and we need willing and able volunteers to paint, landscape, scrub and clean interior spaces, and other duties as assigned. Rebuilding Together is an organization that helps qualified residents or nonprofit organizations improve their living or working conditions. Following is from the RBT web site at www.rebuildingtogethernsc.com: Low-income elderly and families with disabled members often have no place to turn when the roof begins to leak, the front steps crumble or interior home improvements need to be done. Our goal is to help preserve those homes and neighborhoods and assure a warm, safe and dry home for people in need.

GCC CAREER NETWORK

Monday, April 26 at 12:00 p.m. in the Plymouth Room - **Emotional Well Being** *limited seating, please RSVP*

Presented by Julie Learner - MSW, LSW, Therapist at Family Service: Prevention, Education & Counseling.

If you are unemployed, returning to work, considering a job change or looking to expand your business network please join us. We meet at 12:00 p.m. on the last Monday of each month at Glenview Community Church to hear speakers, share experiences, resources, job openings and support one another. Members have access to a Yahoo! Group to share information, community meetings dates and be alerted of opportunities.

Contact Alek Jablonski at (847)922-6870 ajablonski03@hotmail.com or Rev. Pam Keckler (847)724-2210 x24 <u>pam.keckler@gccucc.org</u> for more information.

Annual Spring Meeting

The Chicago Metropolitan Association (CMA) is having their annual spring meeting on May 1, 2010 at the Kenwood United Church of Christ, 4608 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago. The theme is "Walking in Unity". The registration fee is \$15.00; includes breakfast and lunch. Forms are in the church office. Please visit the CMA website for additional information as it becomes available at www.cmaucc.org.

Wider Church

Participating in the Wider Church of the United Church of Christ (UCC)

The following programs and events are being sponsored within the UCC. If you would like more information, please contact Rev. Pam Keckler.

ILLINOIS CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING UIC campus

June 18-19

This is a gathering of all the Associations in our conference and will offer various programs, worship, service projects, and dialogue.

REGIONAL YOUTH EVENT Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio June 17-20

This event is for youth who have completed 6th grade through 12th grade. Cost is \$225 per person and features workshops, worship, music, fellowship and service projects.

Looking for more AMBASSADORS

Glenview Community Church appreciates all those who serve as Ambassadors at each of our worship services. If you would like to volunteer to serve and help extend "Radical Hospitality", please call M-J Detwiler at (847) 724-4844 or e-mail mjcd2223@gmail.com. You are scheduled approximately once every 6 weeks. We are always looking for more subs if that's more suitable for you. If you are serving as an Ambassador and want to continue you don't need to do anything, but if you are unable to continue serving as an Ambassador, call or e-mail M-J Detwiler.

Knitting Galore

Hope all the knitters are still making prayer shawls and baby hats for Rwanda. We'll have a short gathering on Tuesday, April 27 at 1:30 p.m. in room 5. Any questions call Nan Hinchslff at (847)724-4836 or email nhinchslif@aol.com. Thanks for all you are doing.



Join CHAPTER 3 for a fundraising event for Onward Neighborhood House (ONH) sponsored by Sawbridge Studios and Prufrock Florists at Sawbridge Studios, 1015 Tower Court, Winnetka (847)441-2441 on Wednesday, May 10, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sam McGee, co-owner of Prufrock and renowned floral demonstrator, will teach the how-to's and secrets of professional flower arranging. Arrangements will be created in hand blown glass vases by celebrated glass artist, Simon Pearce of Vermont. The proceeds from each \$10.00 ticket, and 15% of the event's purchases will be donated directly to ONH.

Reservations required. Space is limited. Checks are payable to GCC CHAPTER 3; Please mail the check to Mary Feldmeir, 1342 Pleasant Lane, Glenview, IL 60025. For questions, please contact Mary Feldmeir at (847)724-6943 or wildcatter311 @comcast.net or sjstudt@gmail.com.



PYF April & May

April 25

Small Group: Destiny. We will create the year and make a tool kit to use to help keep us on track. Please RSVP, it will be helpful so enough supplies can be purchased.

May 2

Boat Ride and Navy Pier: Join us for this fun trip to the city. We will be taking the train downtown and taking the boat to and from Navy Pier. We will leave at 1:00 p.m. and return at 6:15 p.m.

PYF Work Camp Stock Sales

Fifteen PYF youth and four adults will be traveling to Booneville Arkansas in June to participate in Youthworks work camp. The group will spend time working with children at Kids Club and doing house painting and home improvements for local community members. The youth will also have the opportunity to get to know some other youth groups from around the country and learn about local culture. To support this faith building mission experience, you may purchase stock for \$10 a share at the coffee hour on April 25th, or by mailing or dropping off a donation at Church C/O Elizabeth Ciccolini. Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated.

Confirmation

APRIL 23-24

8th grade retreat:

Meet at the church at 5 p.m. The bus will leave at 5:15 p.m. Go over your check list before Friday.

8TH GRADE PARENTS – remember to turn in all retreat forms to Rev. Keckler this week.

APRIL 25

No Opening Prayers.

8th graders will be confirmed at the 10:30 a.m. service.

7th Graders, 9:30 a.m. regular classes

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Affiliates:

Marcia Kiraly, *Director, GCC Nursery School* Barbara Thewis, *Manager, Resale Shop*

At A Glance

Thur 4-22	9:00 am 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Resale Shop open until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm Bell Choir, Bell Rm Den Chief Training, Rm 5 Chancel Choir, Sanctuary	Sunday Cor	9:45 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 11:30 am 4:00 pm	Primary Choir, Rm 201 Worship Service, Sanctuary Sunday School Gathering, Rm 201 Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm PYF, Youth Rm
Fri	9:00 am	Resale Shop open until 5:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm		4:00 pm	Voices of GCC, Rm 201
4-23	9:00 am 9:30 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Resale Shop Committee Mtg., Parlor Prayer Group, Rm 5 Girl Scout Mtg, Founders Rm Not So Young & Restless Volleyball, Gym CSA Pack 156, Mayflower Rm	Mon 4-26	9:30 am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Finding My Spirit, Library GCC Career Networking, Founders Rm Prayer Group, Rm 5
	8:00 pm	AA, Parlor	Tues	9:30 am	Sign Chi Do, Rm 201
Sat 4-24	8:00 pm 8:30 am 9:00 am 9:00 am 10:00 am	Al-Anon, Rm 201 Heifer Quilt Mtg., Founders Rm Men's Open Gym, Gym Resale Shop open until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm Interfaith Housing Society, Mayflower Rm	4-27	11:30 am 1:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Chapter 8 Lunch Mtg., Founders Rm Knitting Group, Rm 5 Operating Committee, Mayflower Rm Executive Board, Mayflower Rm Sign Chi Do, Rm 210 Cub Scout Committee Mtg., Parlor
Sun 4-25	8:30 am 9:15 am 9:30 am 9:30 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm Adult Education, Chapel 7th Grade Confirmation Class, Various Rms	Wed 4-28	9:00 am 8:00 pm	ReSale Shop until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm Venture Crew, Rm 210

Broadcaster Deadline

Please submit all articles by 9:00 am, Wednesday, one week in advance to publishing via e-mail at tania.mccarthy@gccucc.org

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