

## DEAR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF GCC,

I always knew it would be difficult to write this retirement letter. I just didn't know how difficult. It's not easy to say goodbye to people I truly care about, and who have offered twenty-six years of caring, support, and enthusiasm for the Parish Nurse Program. I wish I could meet with each one of you, and share how important you have been to me personally and in my ministry. I have grown as a person, nurse, and friend because of all of you.

When I first arrived at GCC, the notion of a Parish Nurse was brand new. Together, we built a ministry designed around Jesus' mission to meet the needs of the entire person—body, mind and spirit. Our successes include many programs that continue to this day, including the 60 Plus Luncheons, Labyrinth Walk, Prayer Chain, Called to Care Visitation, We Care Committee, Memorial Receptions, Women's Retreats, and Caregiving Support. I have many fond memories of past programs, such as Christmas Stress, Grief Groups, Anger Seminar-"I don't smoke, I just flare up", Power of Prayer, and Mothers of Many Styles.

I have had the honor of working with four different Pastors. Each one gave me a unique perspective on how to thrive within a large congregation. My dear friend, Rev. Bob Warskow, helped me to understand, through his words and actions, what it means to "be" with someone in a time of crisis.

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize, our new Pastor, is a wonderful addition to GCC. I am sad that I will miss the opportunity of working with him.

I can hardly express the degree to which I respect Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler and her ministry. She has been a constant source of support, both as a member of the pastoral team, and as a friend. I will miss working closely with Pam on our shared programs, especially the Women's Retreats and various Lenten offerings.

Likewise, I will never forget the support that I received from the Pastoral Care Board. They never questioned the value of my programs, or the impact they would have on the Church community. They are an amazing group of women, and I was fortunate to be able to work with each of them.

I will forever cherish my experience as Parish Nurse/Director of Health Ministry at Glenview Community Church. I have been privileged to share in some of your greatest joys, and have had the honor to be at your side during times of tremendous sorrow. I leave confident that the Church will continue to honor Jesus' message of healing.

God be with all of you,

Marilyn



# **WORSHIP SERVICES**

MAY 12, 2013

**YOUTH SUNDAY** 

**10:00 a.m.** *Worship* 

Our youth will be leading worship and the seniors will preach.

MAY 19, 2013

**PENTECOST** 

**10:00 a.m.** *Worship* 

**Scripture:** 

Acts 2:1-13 John 14:8-17, 25-27

Sermon:

"The Greater Works" Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

MAY 26, 2013

**TRINITY SUNDAY** 

**10:00 a.m.** *Worship* 

**Scripture:** 

Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15

Sermon:

"A Love Transfusion" Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

# **SUNDAY, MAY 19**

We will honor and celebrate Marilyn's ministry in worship, and in the Mayflower Room following worship on Pentecost Sunday, May 19. Please join us as we give thanks for the blessing of Marilyn Belleau and her remarkable ministry among us.

# YES, YOU ARE A MINISTER!

I recently saw a wonderful sketch on the internet of a church building where the walls, roof, tower and even cross are made of people. That caption reads: "God doesn't want you to go to church. God wants you to be the church."

In that spirit...the spirit of Pentecost when every disciple was given a gift of the Holy Spirit for the common good...the spirit of Martin Luther who insisted that our baptisms make us each a member of the priesthood of all believers, God calls all of us to ministry and equips each one of us with the talents and gifts we need to make less of ourselves and more of God and others. Yes, we are all ministers!

To emphasize our common calling to ministry, the Executive Board approved new titles for Pam Keckler and me. Our new titles are, simply, Pastor and Senior Pastor. In the church, pastor is just another word for shepherd, and it is Jesus' own model for our specific ministry with God's people. In Jesus' words in John's gospel: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." (John 10:10) Pam and I have been called by God and by this congregation to lead, to teach and to care. That is our specific pastoral (shepherd's) ministry in the common ministry that we all fulfill by sharing our talents and gifts in and through the body of Christ. So we are all ministers. Pam's and my specific ministry is to pastor the flock. What is your ministry? What have you been called and equipped to do in and through the body of Christ?

Chuck Mize

# CONVERSATION WITH CHUCK

Final "Conversation with Chuck" will be held Sunday, May 12 after coffee hour in the Parlor. Come and have a relaxed chat with our new Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize and his wife Jeanie Bond. Please note- May 19 session has been cancelled as we will be honoring Marilyn Belleau at that time.

Have a chapter, board or neighborhood group that's meeting soon? Chuck would be delighted to attend and get to know you. Please contact him at <a href="mailto:chuck.mize@gccucc.org">chuck.mize@gccucc.org</a> or 847-724-2210.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

Sunday, October 13 will be the official installation of Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize as our new minister! Please join us for this special afternoon service as we mark this new chapter in the life of Glenview Community Church.

#### NAME BADGE ORDER

The Membership Board will be placing an order very soon for GCC name badges. If you would like to order one, there is a signup list on the visitors' tables in the Narthex or the West Entrance and in the church office. You can also send a request by email to Susan Mann, akiteman@aol.com. First time badges will be provided. If you are requesting a replacement, a donation of \$5.00 would be appreciated to offset the cost and can be dropped off in the office. The deadline for requests is May 26. Thank you for being part of this effort to become better acquainted with members of our church family.

#### **HEALING TOUCH**

Healing Touch is used on cardiac, cancer, and surgical patients at many hospitals and clinics throughout the US. Healing Touch techniques initiate the body's relaxation response enabling your body to heal. Sessions are donated to GCC members on May 16 in the library from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sign up for your session by calling (847)804-6363 or email <u>s.h.johnson@comcast.net</u>

### **GCC WALKERS**

The GCC Walking Group's May 19 destination is The Grove. We will observe the emerging signs of spring while walking the Grove's sandstone trails. Our emphasis will be on the new trail loops developed on the recent eleven acre acquisition to The Grove. The new area adds to the oak-hickory savanna that makes up most of the Grove property.

Walkers will meet in the church's north parking lot to depart at 11:30 a.m., timing which will allow for a stop at the reception for Marilyn Belleau.

We welcome new and seasoned walkers on all of our walks. Questions? Call Ellen Scholly (847)724-7434.

#### **WE CARE**

The "We Care" committee, a part of the Pastoral Care Board, is looking for volunteers who would be interested in filling occasional requests from church members to transport the person to a medical appointment, respite-care, emergency cooking or other services. If you are interested in occasionally helping with these requests, please contact Sue Hoffmann at <u>susan.hoff@comcast.net</u> or call (847)998-0164.

# MEN'S MINISTRY ANNUAL BBQ

Please join us for an evening of BBQ and



fellowship on Thursday, May 23, beginning at 6:00 p.m. John Demler will again host this event as his home. This is always a great opportunity to catch up with friends and get to know people in an informal setting. Even if you have not attended a Men's Ministry event before, please consider joining us at this get-together.

Please reply to John Demler at <u>johndemler@</u> <u>comcast.net</u> or David Aki at <u>dave254@com-</u> <u>cast.net</u> no later than May 19th.



#### SPREAD THE WORD

May 15 is the HOMEMADE PIZZA CO. FUNDRAISER for PYF Mission Trip. ORDER NOW! Yes, you can order online up to 3 weeks in advance at <a href="https://www.homemadepizza.com">www.homemadepizza.com</a> PYF will receive a donation for every take-out purchase made that day, so tell your family and friends via Facebook or other social media that family dinner on Wednesday, May 15 is stress free!



# HANDS OF PEACE

Great turnout from GCC for the Hands of Peace 10th Anniversary Birthday Bash on April 13!

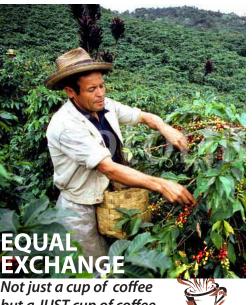
Over 200 people attended the event which marks a decade of GCC's founding sponsorship of this innovative peace mission. Those in attendance joined in the singing of "Let



There Be Peace on Earth" led by our own Rev. Chuck Mize and Jeanie Bond, Tom and Karen Aldrich, Betsy Martin, Pieter and Nina Fockens and Mickey Safstrom, while Rev. Pam Keckler accompanied on keyboard. Our own Barbara Lauesen chaired the event and John Tillman was our inspiring MC! More than \$50,000 was raised to help support this summer's program which will take place July 5-22. Mark your calendars and attend the Farewell Dinner on Sunday, July 21 at Jewish Reconstructionist Congregation in Evanston. Hear first-hand how the lives of Israeli, Palestinian and American teens are being changed through our ministry. For more information go to the website www. handsofpeace.org or call Gretchen Grad at 847-707-7033.

#### **IN SYMPATHY**

We offer our sympathy and prayers to two of our families who have recently lost loved ones. Norman Scott, of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida died April 22, 2013. Our thoughts are with his wife, Joan and her family. A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date in Chicago. Joseph Schroeder, of Glenview, died April 30, 2013. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Our thoughts are with his wife, Janet and her family.



but a JUST cup of coffee

Equal Exchange products will be available this Sunday, May 12th during Coffee Hour. Stop by to make your purchase of coffee, tea, hot chocolate or almonds. Your purchase helps Equal Exchange extend Fair Trade across our planet. We are grateful that you support this cause and continue to be loyal supporters of this valuable program.

# **FAITH IN ACTION (FIAT)**

Faith in Action Team has many opportunities for church members and friends to contribute their time, expertise and passion to stand for policies that promote peace and justice in our communities. Here are some events that will take place in the near future.

#### **JUNE 15 AT 9:00 AM - NOON COMMUNITY RENEWAL SOCIETY** Summer Leadership Council Meeting

Unity Temple, Oak Park Not just for current leaders, this is a good place to learn skills to build power and influence for social justice, find out what has been accomplished and still needs work. For more information please contact Betsy

#### OCTOBER 5 AT 9:00 AM. - NOON **COMMUNITY RENEWAL SOCIETY** ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP ASSEMBLY

Martin Betsywisemartin@att.net.

Location TBD. Worship and learn how to take action for social justice. For more information please contact Nancy Mullarkey Mullarkeyn@hotmail.com.

#### STOCK SALES!!!

This year's Pilgrim Youth Fellowship summer mission trip will send a large contingent to Newport, Tennessee—in the foothills of the Great Smokey Mountains, near the North Carolina border—where PYFers will work with local children and undertake a variety of community projects.

To support our young people in their annual service project, GCC members may purchase "STOCK SHARES" during the coffee hour after worship on May 12 (Youth Sunday.) Each \$10 stock share will help offset travel expenses and provide scholarships for some participants.

There will be a raffle this year, Northwestern Basketball tickets for next season (Northwestern vs Illinois). The more stock you buy the better your chances of winning!

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

There was a church that played a game and Bingo was its name - o. B-I-NGO, B-I-NGO, B-I-NGO and Bingo was its name-o.

The Children's Board invites all to a family fun night on Friday, May 17. Pizza will be served at 6:00 p.m. Bingo will be enjoyed from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. A \$5.00 charge per person is requested to cover the cost of refreshments. RSVP to Megan McClung at mhmcclung@gmail.com or (312)371-2489.

#### **ATTENTION:**

#### **GCC SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN**

Please join us for GCC movie night, Friday, May 31 at 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Founders Room. Enjoy EVAN ALMIGHTY (rated PG) and a nut free snack with fellow Sunday School students. Bring your own water bottle, comfy pillow and even a friend.

\$10 per child (\$25 per family max) all proceeds fund Rally Day festivities. Sponsored by Chapter 11.

#### CONFIRMATION

Classes will resume in September, Mark your calendars now for the Youth Community Retreat at Tower Hill on August 17-18. This is for incoming 7th/8th graders next fall, and PYF. Current 6th graders will receive a registration form for confirmation in the mail later this month.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GCC

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THUR	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 5:00 PM, Plymouth Rm	WED	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
05/09	9:00 AM	GCC Yoga, Narthex	05/15	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Gym
	1:00 PM	Countdown to Fitness, Narthex		7:00 PM	Pilgrim Wind Trio, Sanctuary
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary		7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Mayflower Rm
FRI	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm		8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Rm 210
05/10	6:15 PM	PYF Youth Sunday Rehearsal, Mayflower Rm	THU	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 7:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
	8:00 PM	Al-Anon, Rm 201	05/16	9:00 AM	GCC Yoga, Nathex
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor		11:00 AM	Countdown To Fitness, Founders Rm
SAT	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm		2:30 PM	Healing Touch (by appointment), Library
05/11	9:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym		7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
SUN	9:00 AM	Adult Education, Chapel	FRI	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
05/12	10:00 AM	Youth Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary	05/17	6:00 PM	Family BINGO Night, Mayflower Rm
03/12	10:00 AM	Sunday School begins in Rm 201		7:00 PM	GCC Adult Volleyball, Gym
	11:00 AM	Fellowship Time, Mayflower Rm		8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
	11:00 AM	•		8:00 PM	Al-Anon, Rm 201
		Membership Board Mtg., Library	SAT	9:00 AM	Plant Pick UP, Parking Lot
	11:15 AM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm	05/18	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
	11:30 AM	Rev. Dr. C. Mize Discussion Opportunity, Parlor	SUN	10:00 AM	Worship, Sanctuary
MON	9:30 AM	Finding My Spirit, Library	05/19	10:00 AM	Sunday School, Rm 201
05/13	6:30 PM	Faith In Action Group, Parlor		11:00 AM	Retirement Celebration for Marilyn Belleau, Mayflower Rm
	7:00 PM	Finance Board Mtg., Library		11:00 AM	Leadership Committee, Founders Rm
	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Committee Mtg., Founders Rm	MON	7:00 PM	Property Board Mtg., Parlor
	7:00 PM	GCC Yoga, Rm 201	05/20		
	7:30 PM	Mission Outreach Board, Parlor	TUE	12:00 PM	60 Plus Luncheon, Mayflower Rm
TUE	7:00 PM	Adult Ed Board Mtg., Founders Rm	05/21	7:00 PM	Executive Board Mtg., Mayflower Rm
05/14	7:00 PM	Service and Sacraments Board Mtg., Rm 210	WED	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
	7:00 PM	HOP Operation Committee, Rm 201	05/22	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Gym
	7:00 PM	Pastoral Care Board, Library		7:00 PM	Myra Loris Lecture, Mayflower Rm
	7:30 PM	Women's Association, Parlor		8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Gym

#### THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS MAY 15, 2013 AT 9:00 AM

#### 8TH GRADE CONFIRMANDS

We offer God's blessings to these young people who will be confirmed.

Carolyn May Berg
Brian Andrew Bernstein
Ethan Wallace Bond
Audrey Marie Brown
Anna Caroline Bundy
Andrea Elise Hartung Ciccolini
Carter DeRoeck
Margaret Z Frerichs
Theodore David Gregory
Hunter Serstad Haffner
Samuel Naosuke lida
Charles David Koloms

Morgan Lauder Kritzman Samantha Grace Langenbach Christopher James Matik Colm Michael McCarthy Jeffrey Campbell Nisbet Mitchell Philip Norman Nelson Tucker Frederick Nienhaus Katelyn Mary Ornduff Caitlin Elizabeth Riordan Julia Mee Rosenberg Alexander R. Roth Lillian Mead Sands Anna Elizabeth Schmalz
Benjamin Sammons Schwabe
Samuel Paul Seaman
Charles Andrew Smith
Grace Taylor Solem
Chad T Spalding
Julia Elizabeth Sultz
Lauren Brooke Tillman
Sarah Elizabeth Wojick
Allison Nichole Wolf

# ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Glenview Community Church's Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 28, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the Mayflower Room. The purpose of the meeting will be to receive nominations and elect the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and board members and to receive the annual reports of the leadership.

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

# **GCC SURVEY**

# HAVE YOU TAKEN THE INTERESTS AND EXPERTISE SURVEY YET?

It only takes about 5 minutes of your time to complete the Interests and Expertise Survey which will help GCC to develop and support desired programming and to provide appropriate volunteer opportunities. Those of you on the GCC News You Can Use email list have already received the link to the survey. You may also access the survey directly from the home page of the GCC website by clicking on Survey. There are also paper copies of the survey available in the Narthex. Please take a few minutes to give us your input.

Thank you from the Planning Committee of the Executive Board.

#### **COMMON GROUND**

#### **MAY 24 AT 7:00 PM**

"Mysteries of the Mississippi" is the title of our next presentation in our Common Ground/Adult Education series. Please come on Friday, May 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the Founders Room to hear Nancy Tuchman and Jim Kenney discuss what Mark Twain called "the body of the nation". This journey of discovery will focus on the ecology of this complex riverine system. Along the way, Nancy & Jim will touch on some of the most important human interactions on the "Big Muddy". It is a fascinating blend of history and science on America's big river. Refreshments will be served and a \$10 donation will be appreciated to support these programs.



on the following
Wednesday evenings
beginning with dessert at 7:00 PM. Ms. Loris
will begin at 7:30 PM and speak for an hour.

#### **MAY 22**

"RICHARD J. DALEY, 'the BOSS,' " focuses on Daley's background, his rise to power and the defining issue of his years as Mayor.

#### **JUNE 12**

"RICHARD J. DALEY and the CITY THAT WORKS," looks at some of the greatest weaknesses and strengths of the Mayor who became synonymous with the city of Chicago, including the 1968 Democratic National Convention.

#### **TICKETS**

\$15 per lecture at the door or by calling Sandy Bradbury (847-729-9365). Chapters 3, 8 and 9 of the Glenview Community Church Women's Association, are sponsors of the program. All proceeds will benefit social service agencies.

# **60 PLUS LUNCHEON**

#### NAME THAT TUNE!

Tuesday, May 21, 2013 12 noon in the Mayflower Room

This will be our last luncheon until September, so let's celebrate with SONG, GOOD FOOD, AND FUN! Join us for a delicious lunch of homemade soup, fresh bread, and amazing dessert. Our special guest will be church member Al TeRonde, who will play a variety of musical delights on the piano. It will be our chance to showcase our musical knowledge in "Name That Tune"! It will be a team effort as we will be working together at tables to be the first to shout out the titles. There will be prizes to be won. Come join us for fellowship and fun.

If you need a ride, please call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 230. Bring your friends!

#### ADULT ED PROGRAM

#### **SUNDAY, MAY 12**

Ever wonder what the Confirmands talk about in their classes each Sunday? What are the requirements of service projects/worship reflection sheets? Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler, who oversees our Confirmation program for 7th/8th graders will share what these 60 young people have been learning this year and recent happenings from the Confirmation retreat. We'll conclude the session with an 8th grader actually being confirmed in the Chapel. Join us 9:00 - 9:50 a.m. May 12.



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OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Pastors** 

Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize, Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, Pastor

MINISTRY STAFF:

Kathy Lifton, Children's Ministry
Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, Youth Ministry
Marilyn Belleau, RN, Health Ministry
Gary Wendt, Music Ministry and Organist
Stephen Blackwelder, Adult Choir
Debby Shellard, Children's Choirs
Marcia Kiraly, GCC Nursery School
Martha Fergus, Resale Shop

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SUNDAY, MAY 26 4:00 PM **God Bless America** 

For Those Who Gave Their All

A free concert for the community to honor the men and women of the military who served our country and paid the ultimate price so that ALL may live free.

SUNDAY, JUNE 2 3:00 PM TICKETED EVENT North Shore Choral Society - An Afternoon at the Opera

Join Peter and Kathleen van de Graaff for a thrilling performance of opera music! You'll hear some of the most beloved opera choruses and solos, accompanied by full orchestra. Julia Davids, Conductor.

General admission at the door: Regular \$25, Senior \$22, Student \$15. Reduced price tickets online at <a href="https://www.northshorechoral.org">www.northshorechoral.org</a> or call the NSCS ticket number: 773-956-8400.