PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

Health issues prevented my parents from traveling long distances the last ten years. One of my regrets is they never got to come to Glenview to meet many of you. Since my dad died on July 26th, some of you have indicated an interest in knowing more about him. Here is a brief account of his life.

He was born in his parents' home in 1924 at Steubenville, Kentucky, a community that had one small public building which housed a general store and a post office. I was born in the same house twenty-two years later. He learned farming from his father and was a pre-pharmacy student at Berea College but was drafted into the army at the end of his freshman year. He was in the replacement forces at the Battle of the Bulge in Germany in World War II. He was severely wounded, listed as 90% disabled when he was discharged having spent half of his military career, more than a year, in hospitals. At his death he was registered as 200% disabled. He was elected Wayne County Court Clerk after bringing a lawsuit to permit his name to be listed on the ballot. As clerk he issued his own marriage license and married his secretary, Doris Cooper. They had been married 62 years when she died in 2008. Concurrent with a debilitating heart condition he gave up his partnership in the feed supply store with his father and farming with his father-in-law to begin a 27 year career with the U.S. Postal Service. In 1962 he and nine fellow citizens formed the Downtown Supermarket, Inc. bringing the first automatic door to Monticello, Kentucky.

His community service included Mayor of Monticello and Board of Directors and Officer of the Economic Development Council, Board of Directors of Monticello Country Club, Wayne County Historical Society, and the Citizens Committee of the Lake Cumberland Boys Camp. He was a member of First Baptist Church for 48 years, where he served as church clerk, 16 years as treasurer, and 42 years as

deacon.

Several years into retirement he bought a farm. He enjoyed improving the farm and leasing it to produce corn and soybeans in alternate years, developing and leasing pasture land as well as raising a large garden that included a melon patch—watermelon and cantaloupe. Over the last fifteen years he sold a variety of timber from the farm.

Dad adapted to life challenges amazingly well. He lost an eye, the muscle in his right arm, and had other injuries from World War II. He learned to write. throw, and bat left handed at age 20. He used a left handed glove on his right hand to catch baseball with me. When his left femur snapped soon after knee replacement surgery, he commented, "It's just a minor inconvenience." After an attempt to remove the infection of his knee failed, the surgeon told him it had failed and that amputation was needed. He thanked the surgeon for trying, proceeded to have his leg amputated, and learned to operate an electric wheelchair. Several years ago Dad had a stroke in his eye, lost his peripheral vision and had to give up his driver's license. He had one leg, no peripheral vision and owned three vehicles. He usually found someone to drive one of the vehicles to take him where he wanted to go. He turned the telephone into an amazing tool, maintaining contact with friends and family and remaining informed about what was happening in the community.

After my mother died in 2008, he, my sister, and I sought caregivers to assist him so he could remain in his house. He developed the work schedule, hired and fired employees. The only reasons he fired anyone was for drug use and for purchasing tools on his account at the local builders supply store.

One of his caregivers said she was a better person for having worked for him. The

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

COMMUNION

SEPTEMBER 5

9:30 a.m.

Scripture:

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18, Jeremiah 18:1-6

Sermon:

"Starting Over"

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

RALLY DAY

SEPTEMBER 12

9:30 a.m.

Scripture:

Exodus 34:29-35, Revelation 1:9-20

Sermon:

"The Message to the Church at Glenview" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

SEPTEMBER 19

9:30 a.m.

Scripture:

1 Samuel 26:17-25, Revelation 2:1-7

Sermon:

"The Weary Congregation" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

SEPTEMBER 26

9:30 a.m.

Scripture:

Exodus 32:30-34, Revelation 3:1-6

Sermon:

"The Sleeping Congregation" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

other caregivers expressed similar sentiments. All of them said they were amazed at how often he thanked them for what they were doing. They decided to have a birthday party for him in the park. He was all for that. He enjoyed preparing the guest list. His caregivers suggested additional names. Some of them he added to the guest list and some of the names he nixed. The party was on June 12th. He had a great time and enjoyed telling people about it for the rest of his days.

On July 16th it was confirmed that he had aggressive bladder cancer. He told his caregiver, "The good Lord has given me 86 years and I thank him for that. The last four have been pretty rough. I don't think I'll do anything else." He entered hospice care on July 20th, remained at home until July 23rd when he had to enter the hospital. For two days he improved and was to be discharged to return home on Monday, the 26th. However, during the night of the 25th his blood pressure began to drop and his life ended around noon on July 26th.

Regardless of the relationship we have with our parents, they have an impact on our lives and we miss them when they're gone. I encourage you to write a summary of the life of someone (a parent or someone else) who has been a major part of your life. I suspect you will find it cathartic as well as insightful into the contributions that person made and continues to make to your life.

Howard

IMAGES OF GOD IN ME



Registration forms are now available in the church office and on the website at <u>www.gccucc.org.</u>

Theme: "Images of Self, Images of God, Images of God in Me" We begin Friday evening and conclude Saturday afternoon. Details are on the forms or contact Rev. Keckler or Marilyn Belleau.

GCC BYLAWS CHANGE

At the June 22, 2010, Executive Board meeting the following Bylaws change (in *italics*) was adopted in Article II, Section A, Point 2.

ARTICLE II: Executive Board Standing Committees

SECTION A. NAMES AND MEMBERSHIP Executive Board Standing Committees shall consist of the following:

2. Personnel and Ministerial Relations Committee composed of the Immediate Past Moderator, as Chair, plus four At-Large members of the Executive Board, and one member of the Finance Board appointed by the Chair of the Finance Board. All At-Large members will serve a 3-year term with the first two years served during their At-Large appointments to the Executive Board and a third year served after completion of their two-year term on the Executive Board. If an At-Large member is unable to serve the third year, then the Moderator, with Executive Board Approval, shall appoint another member of the Executive Board to fulfill the final year. If the office of Immediate Past Moderator is vacant, the Moderator shall nominate and the Executive Board shall elect one of the At-Large members as Chair. The Vice Moderator may be invited at the pleasure of the chair.

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M.

The Executive Board approved a motion on August 28, 2010 that we have one worship service at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday for a one year trial. This action is in effect immediately and we will continue with worship at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday as has been our practice through the summer months. The exception to this schedule is Easter Sunday when we will have worship services at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Throughout the year, please give your comments, observations, and suggestions to a member of the Executive Board or a member of the staff. Your input will be vital to the Executive Board as it evaluates and decides on worship service plans going forward in the fall of 2011.

WELCOME BACK 60 PLUS!!

Another season of fun begins for all those 60 and over! You are invited to taste the special treats at our monthly 60 Plus Luncheon, scheduled for Tuesday, September 21 at 12 noon in the Mayflower Room. Again, we will feature the delicious soup, bread and desserts.

If you need a ride, please call Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at (847) 724-2210 ext. 30.

CHICAGO THEOLOGICAL **SEMINARY ADVENT** LECTIONARY WORKSHOP

All are welcome to attend!

September 23, 2010 - 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. First United Church of Oak Park. Reverend John Thomas, CTS Senior Advisor to the President and Visiting Professor in Church Ministries, will be leading the following workshop titled, "Purple Preaching When It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas". Most preachers have struggled to present the rich theological themes of Advent while doling out enough Christmas cards to keep restive congregations at bay. What's at stake in the annual battle for the soul of Advent? Is Advent worth the struggle? This workshop will include lecture and discussion, exploring Biblical texts, classical prayers, and hymns ancient and modern in order to stake out space for the wild prophets, strange visions, and powerful hopes that inhabit this purple season.

Please contact Tracy Sawires at esnstsms@hotmail.com, or (847)832-0063, if you're interested in attending or visit the CTS web site directly at www.ctschicago.edu to register. Cost: \$40 for advanced registration--two weeks prior.



JUST HARVEST NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

(Formerly known as Good News Community Kitchen)

We've had a great summer with wonderful GCC volunteers serving at The Kitchen. Thank you to all who participated. Now we need to staff the fall/winter dates. Please consider volunteering as a group (a Board, a WA Chapter, a family) or, of course, as an individual. Many people get to know other GCC caring people by volunteering at The Kitchen. We gather at 3:30 p.m. on Sundays and 4:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. If you can help out on any of the following dates, please sign up on the Missions Bulletin Board or e-mail Sandra-Frantz@SBCGlobal.net.

Wednesday, Sept 15 * Sunday, October 3 Sunday, November 7 Wednesday, Nov 17 Wednesday, December 15

*The need is particularly great.

Thank you! Sandy



Paper - Please drop off your junk mail, magazines, phone books, office paper, and newspapers in the yellow and green dumpster at GCC. Please do not put plastic bags, cardboard, or any paper with food debris in the dumpster. The paper dumpster is a fundraiser for GCC, so thank you for your continued deposits!

Electronics - Since 1999, the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) has provided electronics recycling programs for residents in its member communities. To assist Glenview residents with collecting old electronics and to ensure environmentally-safe recycling of these materials, SWANCC has developed the Electronics Recycling Drop-off Program to collect electronics on an ongoing basis. Visit SWANCC on their website at www.swancc.org for more information or for questions, call SWANCC at (847) 724-9205.

Glenview Public Works 1333 Shermer Road Tuesdays: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Thursdays: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Only the following items will be accepted for recycling for the ELECTRONICS DROP-OFF PROGRAM:





VHS Players



SUNDAY SCHOOL

It's hard to believe that the summer vacation is over. As we return to school, it is also time to think about our return to Sunday classes beginning on Rally Day, September 12. Don't forget that Sunday school will be held at 9:30 during the adult worship service. Volunteer teachers are welcome to participate full time, part time, and sometime. Please let Kathy Lifton know if you are interested.

Sunday, August 29, marked the end of the summer session. Jen Roberts and Laura Heyser of the Organic Pantry Project educated and guided us in planting, tending, and harvesting over 250 pounds of produce which we donated to the Northfield Food Pantry. Special thanks to Diane Christiansen for weekly assistance in leading the group.

On Sunday, August 29, we created a scarecrow named Roy G Biv to look over our garden.

Sunday school classes will not be in session on September 5. Childcare will be available. A children's sermon will be given during 9:30 a.m. worship.

RALLY DAY



SEPTEMBER 12TH

Rally Day is coming on September 12th. It will begin immediately after the 9:30 a.m. service. Food, games, petting zoo and more.

Donations can be made to Glenview/Northbrook Youth Services, Night Ministry, or Northfield Food Pantry.

Look for your RSVP in the mail.

CALLING ALL WALKERS

The next walk for the GCC Walkers will be on Sunday, September 12, immediately after the single service. We will tour an outstanding Winnetka exclusive neighborhood, a proven "winner" on previous excursions. Any and all are welcome. The walk leader will be Steve Lindell who can answer your queries at (847) 998-6806.

Future walks:

October 10, walk leader, Jim Hunt; November 14 walk leader, Nan Hinchsliff.

For more information call Pieter at (847)205-9916. Come, even if you haven't walked with us before.

THANK YOU

The GCC Facility Staff would like to thank the members of the Men's Ministry with special thanks to David Aki for helping paint the gym. Great job gentlemen! The Staff would also like to recognize the efforts of Cindy Dailey and Blanche Hanson on the FEDS ladies basement bathroom remodeling project. Thanks FEDS! We can't wait to see the finished product.

The GCC Facility Staff

FLU SHOTS AT GCC SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9TH, 9 AM - 1 PM

AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER

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RESALE SHOP OPENING DAY

Wednesday, starting at 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the Plymouth room.

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RALLY DAY

Sunday, starting after the 9:30 a.m. worship service.

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60 PLUS

Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. in the Mayflower Room.

24-25

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday and Saturday at Cabrini Retreat Center, Des Plaines.

OCTOBER

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FLU SHOTS

Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m in the Sanctuary and Chapel.

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LOST BOYS

Sunday, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Hosted by the Adult Education Board.

16-17

AMERICAN GIRL FASHION SHOW

Saturday and Sunday at the Marriott Lincolnshire Resort; 10:00 a.m. Brunch and 2:00 p.m. Tea.

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BELLE VOCE

Sunday, Simple Gifts Concert at 3:00 p.m. This is a ticketed program.

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60 PLUS

Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. in the Mayflower Room.

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Affiliates:

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

AT A GLANCE

Thu 9-2		Hands of Peace, Parlor BSA Troop Patrol Mtg., Founders Rm	Tues 9-7	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Book Club, Parlor Children's Board Mtg., R
Fri 9-3		AA, Parlor Al-Anon, Rm 201		7:30 pm 7:30 pm	CSA 156 Committee Mtg Confirmation/Youth Boa
))	5.55 p		Wed	7:00 pm	Music Board, Rm 201
Sat 9-4		no meetings scheduled	9-8	7:00 pm	Called To Care Supervisio BSA Troop 156, Gym, May Venture Crew, Parlor
Sun	9:30 am	Worship, Sanctuary			·
9-5	10:30 am 10:30 am	Fellowship Hour, Narthex Adult Education, Chapel Bell Rehearsal, Bell Rm			
Mon		Labor Day			

ues	7:00 pm	Book Club, Parlor
-7	7:00 pm	Children's Board Mtg., Rm 201
	7:30 pm	CSA 156 Committee Mtg., Founders Rm
	7:30 pm	Confirmation/Youth Board, Youth Rm
/ed -8	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Music Board, Rm 201 Called To Care Supervision, Rms, 210, 213 & Upper Rm BSA Troop 156, Gym, Mayflower Rm

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CONGRATULATIONS

Mike and Joy Sawicki are proud to announce the arrival of their Grandson, Andrew Li Clough, who was born in Hong Kong on August 10th. Proud parents are Jonathan and Kathryn (Sawicki) Clough. Katy and Jon moved to Hong Kong from Shanghai where they had lived since Feb., 2008.

BROADCASTER DEADLINE

The building is closed.

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