

# Broadcaster

September 24, 2014

## PARTNERS IN CHRIST'S SERVICE

She's no stranger to us. Fifteen years ago she joined the Glenview Community Church and seven years ago she joined our ministry staff. But last Sunday, Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini and GCC chose to begin a new journey together. In an overwhelmingly affirmative vote, we established the position of Associate Pastor for Youth and Children, and we called Elizabeth to that pastorate. In the next months, Elizabeth will complete the requirements for ordination in the United Church of Christ through the Chicago Metropolitan Association. Then, sometime next year, we will be blessed to celebrate Elizabeth's ordination to the Christian ministry in a glorious worship service at GCC. Then we will officially begin this journey of pastor and people together.

Even more amazing than the vote at the special congregational meeting on September 21st were the heartfelt witnesses of so many of our members. Through tears, we heard powerful testimonies to how Elizabeth has revitalized the youth ministry of our church...of how she has renewed the children's ministry of our church...of how she loves and cares for our children in tender, beautiful and trusting ways...of how she has touched the lives of our youth and led them through difficult times into the passion and promise of our faith.

It was simply thrilling to be with this congregation in the sanctuary for this special congregational meeting. The Holy Spirit was palpably and persuasively present in the room: in the speakers...in the listeners...in the energy that surrounded us. I am deeply moved and profoundly grateful.

The theme of our stewardship campaign to invigorate the message, ministries and mission of this **House for All God's People**

is **Blessed to be a Blessing**. How blessed we are by Elizabeth and her ministry among us! How blessed we are by the youth of this church and their vital spirituality! How blessed we are by our spontaneous children and their dedicated families! We are so blessed!

And we are so blessed so that we can be a blessing to others. When God called Abram to become the patriarch of God's people, these are the words that God used:

***Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."***

God didn't tell Abram where he would be going...but God did promise to guide Abram and to be with him every step of the way. God didn't bless Abram so that Abram could luxuriate in an elegant exclusivity...but God did command Abram to be a blessing for all the families of the earth.

Friends, it's no different for us than it was for Abram. God calls us to go where God leads us...trusting not the destination but the Guide. God blesses us with an amazing abundance...not so that we can possess great riches but so that we can richly bless others. For this journey we have decided that we and Elizabeth will be partners in Christ's service. This decision will stretch our already underfunded budget by another \$22,000. Because of that, it's tempting to say that we won't go...that we'll trust the small security of the status quo...that

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## WORSHIP SERVICES

### SEPTEMBER 28, 2014

10:00 a.m.

**Scripture:**

Psalms 25:1-9, Exodus 17:1-7  
Philippians 2:1-13, Matthew 21:23-32

**Sermon:**

***Standing on the Promises***

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

4:00 PM

**Westend Gospel Singers**

### OCTOBER 5, 2014

**WORLDWIDE COMMUNION  
NEIGHBORS IN NEED**

10:00 a.m.

**Scripture:**

Psalms 19, Exodus 20:1-17  
Philippians 3:4b-14, Matthew 21:23-46

**Sermon:**

***Tenants In The Vineyard***

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

### OCTOBER 12, 2014

10:00 a.m.

**Scripture:**

Psalms 106, Exodus 32:1-14  
Philippians 4:1-9, Matthew 22:1-14

**Sermon:**

***Your Sunday Best***

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize



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we won't follow God to a destination that is in God's mind and heart. But, as one of our PYFers reminded us: the church doesn't run on the security of money. It runs on the certainty of faith and love.

So, trusting God for our faith and love, we begin this journey. It is a journey whose destination we do not know...but whose Master and Guide we know very well. Yes, we are called as partners in Christ's service. We and Elizabeth can follow Jesus together because we are abundantly blessed: blessed to be a blessing for all God's people. Praise God for Elizabeth! Praise God for the faith, hope and love of GCC!

See you in church.

Chuck Mize

## WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT....?

Many of us have had that question...what the Bible says about some topic or issue that we're not certain about...or what the Bible really says an issue or topic that others have offered you definite convictions about. We meet in the church's Parlor on Wednesday afternoons from 3:00-4:30 p.m. Please join us!

Chuck Mize

## COME TO THE CHAPEL

**Sunday, September 28th at 9:00 a.m. for a program about Sojourners.**

Are you a **Sojourner**? Do you know the man, Jim Wallis? What issues involve the hearts and minds of those who seek to put their "Faith in Action" for social justice? A wide variety of topics will be presented for your consideration including but not limited to:

**"Tales of a male "preacher's wife,"  
"Enslaved at the Border,"  
"It's Amish Fever,"  
"Jesus as Mother in the Gospel of John"**

Come, be challenged and perhaps grow in faith at this **Adult Education** program.

## COMMON GROUND

**OCTOBER 15**

**Jim Kenny**

### **The Faces of Religion**

The Good, The bad, The Ugly, and The Best We all know that religion presents itself in many guises. This lecture breaks those down into four: Good, Bad, Ugly and Best. But what distinguishes one from another? Can we identify examples of each in our modern world? Can we determine the evolutionary dynamics that shape the movement from one to another? Implications for the future? They are profound.

**NOVEMBER 19**

**Jim Kenney**

### **Spirituality and /or Religion?**

What is s"pirituality?" What is "religion?" What's the difference? More and more Americans describe themselves as "spiritual but not religious (SBNR)." What does this phrase mean? What does it portend for the future of faith in America? Join Jim for a scintillating exploration of this topic.



The 2014 Glenbrook Crop Hunger Walk, sponsored by Church World Service, will be Sunday, Oct. 19 at 12:30pm. Many local congregations will join to take a stand against hunger, both around the world and around the corner. In fact, 25 percent of funds raised at this event will benefit local food pantries. The walk, which begins at Glenview United Methodist Church, offers a 1K, 5K and 10K option. The entire family can walk together in support of the fight against hunger! Those who cannot walk are encouraged to offer most needed financial support. For more information, look for the Mission Outreach Board's Crop Walk table during coffee hour, visit [cwsglobal.org](http://cwsglobal.org), or contact Diane Silca, [dsilca@yahoo.com](mailto:dsilca@yahoo.com). Let's have a great GCC turnout for this important community event!

## INTERESTED IN YOGA?

Register for a fall series of Basic Yoga classes at GCC!

Monday evenings, 7-8 pm, in Room 201. 9 sessions, October 13-December 15 (**no class on 11/3**). \$90, scholarships available.  
Thursday mornings, 9-10 am, in the Narthex. 9 sessions, October 9 - December 18 (**no class on 11/6 and 11/25**). \$90, scholarships available.

Register now! Contact Kelly Golding 847-657-1314 or [kellygolding@comcast.net](mailto:kellygolding@comcast.net)

**REGISTRATION ENDS OCTOBER 6.**

## Uniquely AMERICAN

**BY MYRA LORIS**

"Uniquely American" is an in-depth look at buildings and structures that are exclusively American and their significance.

**OCTOBER 14:**

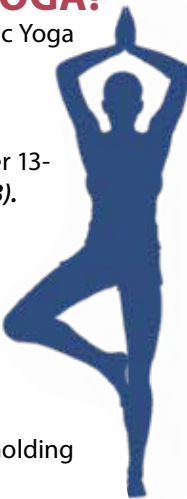
"Long, Tall and Strong" reflects on the history of the construction and importance of the Brooklyn and Golden Gate Bridges as marvels of American technology and ingenuity.

**NOVEMBER 12:**

"Freedom's Tower" is an in-depth look at the 13-year process of the re-building of the World Trade Center, including the new 9/11 Memorial and Museum and the new 5 building office complex. Full of interesting anecdotes, details and powerful stories of triumph over tragedy.

**DESSERT 7:00 p.m.**  
**PROGRAM 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
**TICKETS: \$15 per lecture**

Tickets can be purchased following worship on Sundays, or call Beryl Bills (847)724-1694.







## FALL MUSIC AND MOVEMENT CLASSES

Fall Music and Movement Classes for Infants, Toddlers and Preschoolers: GCCNS' music teacher, Debbie Berg, will be offering music and movement classes for children ages 6 months – 4 years. Classes will be offered on Tuesdays at 9:15 and 10:15 and Wednesdays at 9:15, 10:15, and 11:15. Parents or caregivers will stay with the child and siblings are welcome. Classes will begin the week of September 15 and will continue for 12 weeks. Non-GCCNS families are welcome as well. Registration forms can be found on the GCCNS website [www.gccns.org.com](http://www.gccns.org.com). Please contact Debbie at [debbieberg23@gmail.com](mailto:debbieberg23@gmail.com) with any questions you might have.

## SAVE THE DATE: BE THE CHANGE FOR JUSTICE!

You are invited to the Community Renewal Society Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 4 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Kingdom Baptist Church in Chicago. This is a wonderful occasion to build relationships with other church members across Chicagoland and learn more about social justice issues that are important to faith congregations in our region. There will be inspiring worship, energizing music, and testimonies from individuals who have been affected by social justice issues. The Community Renewal Society will also present its Platform for Renewal for approval by member churches.

If you are interested in attending or want to learn more about the event, contact Betsy Martin at 847-657-7595 or email [betsywisemartin@att.net](mailto:betsywisemartin@att.net). We will be organizing car pools to Kingdom Baptist Church.

**Please Remember  
FOOD ON THE FIRST  
ON  
OCTOBER 5, 2004**

## THE SUMMER OF THE MUSIC LIBRARIES

Did you know that GCC has four separate music libraries? This summer we took on the monumental task of moving things from boxes and piles to files and databases. Here is where we stand on our vast and valuable collections:

### CHANCEL CHOIR LIBRARY

*Librarian: Pieter Fockens*

Pieter has kept this library organized for over 30 years (yes, you may applaud now). Everything is in a database and filed in cabinets on the stage and in the choir room.

### CLONTS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (A RESERVE LIBRARY)

*Librarians: Stephen Blackwelder, Pieter Fockens, Tricia Melzer-Swaydrak, Bill Cooper & Sheryl Long*

Our newest library, this vast collection has everything from duets to choruses, sacred to secular, opera to jazz. 800+ titles were organized and put into a database. They remain in boxes until we can find adequate storage for them. There are thousands more titles to go, which are housed in file cabinets in the bell room. We anticipate another 2-3 years for this project.

### INSTRUMENTAL LIBRARY

*Librarian: Sue Cunningham*

Some of this library has been housed in piles stuffed in the back of file cabinets for many years, resulting in tattered edges and some minor damage to some of the scores. Our oversized scores have now been organized into folios, and our growing instrumental library – a result of the Pilgrim Wind Quartet wishing to play more often, and our growing excitement among all of our volunteer instrumentalists – was catalogued over the summer by Sue. Additionally, there are many choir anthems which have instrumental parts that have never been catalogued. The database should be completed sometime this fall.

### HANDBELL LIBRARY

*Librarians: Bonnie Dohring & Jan Gode*

Bonnie began the work of cataloguing our music a few years ago and Jan has continued it. Everything is in a database and filed in cabinets in the bell room.

**THANK YOU, LIBRARIANS!**



## PILGRIM YOUTH FELLOWSHIP 4-6 PM "BELOVED COMMUNITY" 2014-2015 THEME

### SEPTEMBER 28

*Creating Community:* Cooking in the kitchen

### OCTOBER 5

*Game On!* Open youth room and gym

### OCTOBER 12

*Mission Project:* We will be assembling trail mix for the Night Ministry. Please bring a \$5 donation.

### OCTOBER 19

*PYF cooks:* we will make tasty treats in the kitchen

### OCTOBER 25

PYF goes to a Haunted House. Time and place TBD. RSVP necessary.

### OCTOBER 26

PYF goes to Great America leaving church right at 11:00 a.m. and will return about 6. RSVP so very helpful to [pyf.gcc@gmail.com](mailto:pyf.gcc@gmail.com) (cost will be set once we have numbers).

## POW (PYF on Wednesdays) Each Wednesday from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The first unit will run 10 weeks and we will cover Revelations. POW will utilize a curriculum, short video clips, and current events to aid in the discussion.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GCC

THUR	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 5:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
09/25	11:00 AM	Working Out With Weights, Mayflower Rm
	7:00 PM	New Member Class, Parlor
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
09/26	8:00 PM	Al-Anon, Library
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
SAT	8:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
09/27	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
	9:30 AM	Chancel Choir Retreat, Choir Rm
SUN	8:45 AM	Confirmation Classes, Plymouth Rm
09/28	9:00 AM	Adult Education, Chapel
	9:15 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201
	10:00 AM	Worship Service, Sanctuary
	10:00 AM	Church School begins in Worship, Sanctuary
	11:00 AM	Fellowship and Refreshments, Mayflower Rm
	11:15 AM	Bell Choir Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	4:00 PM	Westend Gospel Singers, Sanctuary
	4:00 PM	PYF, Youth Rm
	4:00 PM	Voices of GCC, Rm 201
MON	11:00 AM	Spirit Group, Library
09/29	7:00 PM	Spiritual Council Mtg., Havey & Assoc., Mayflower Rm
	7:00 PM	Tableau Angels, Sanctuary
TUE	9:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
09/30	10:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
	11:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
	6:45 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal, Sanctuary
WED	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
10/01	9:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
	10:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
	3:00 PM	Bible Study, Parlor
	4:15 PM	FISH, Rm 7
	5:30 PM	Community Dinner, Mayflower Rm
	6:00 PM	PYF/POW, Youth Rm
	7:00 AM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Mayflower Rm
	8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Rm 5 & Gym
THU	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 5:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
10/02	11:45 AM	Working Out With Weights, Mayflower Rm
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
10/03	8:00 PM	Al-Anon Meeting, Library
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
SAT	8:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
10/04	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
SUN	8:45 AM	Confirmation Open Prayers, Plymouth Rm
10/05	9:00 AM	Adult Education, Chapel
	9:15 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201
	10:00 AM	Worship Service, Sanctuary
	10:00 AM	Church School begins in Worship, Sanctuary
	11:15 AM	Fellowship & Refreshments, Mayflower Rm
	11:30 AM	Bell Choir Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	4:00 PM	Voices of GCC, Rm 201

	4:00 PM	PYF, Youth Rm
MON	9:30 AM	Spirit Group, Library
10/06	12:00 PM	Called To Care Mtg., Founders Rm
	6:30 PM	Faith In Action Mtg., Parlor
	6:45 PM	Walking/Tableau Angels, Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Committee Mtg, Founders Rm
TUE	9:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
10/07	10:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
	11:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
	6:45 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Services & Sacraments Mtg., Rm 210
WED	9:00 PM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
10/08	9:00 AM	Memorial Garden Mtg, Library
	9:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
	10:15 AM	GCC Music & Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
	3:00 PM	Bible Study, Parlor
	4:00 PM	FISH, Rm 7
	6:00 PM	PYF/POW, Youth Rm
	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Mayflower Rm
	8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Rm 5 & Gym

**THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS OCTOBER 8, 2014 AT 9:00 AM**

## WESTEND GOSPEL SINGERS FROM GERMANY

The Simple Gifts Concert Series of the Glenview Community Church presents Westend Gospel Singers from Eberwalde, Germany on Sunday, September 28 at 4:00 p.m. The Westend Gospel Singers began as a community choir at the Evangelical Church of Peace in Eberwalde, Germany in 1996 when Pastor Hanns-Peter Giering and his wife, Karin, put an ad in the local paper asking "Who wants to sing Gospel music with us?" The choir seeks to recreate the joy of Black American Gospel music and encourages everyone to sing along. For many members this is their first choir experience. Many classical composers came from Germany: Bach, Handel, Mozart, Hadyn. But in recent years gospel music has greatly enriched the music of the national church. Gospel choirs have developed in congregations all over Germany.

Now the choir returns to the United States for its third tour. The 35 member choir will tour Wisconsin UCC churches from September 30 – 25, finishing their tour with singing engagements at Trinity UCC in Chicago and The Glenview Community Church on Sunday, September 28th. The tour is a joint ministry of the Wisconsin Conference, United Church of Christ, and the German Evangelical Church of Berlin-Brandenburg-Schlesische-Oberlausitz.

The Westend Singers will present an exciting program including arrangements by Robert Robinson and Robert Ray, with a cameo appearance by GCC's Chancel Choir. A free will offering will be taken after the concert.

***Please join us, all are welcome.***



## **STEWARDSHIP 2015**

### ***Sharing God's Bountiful Blessings***

This Sunday, September 28th, we will kick off our 2015 stewardship campaign with the theme: "Blessed to Be a Blessing." At GCC, we are truly blessed with the abundance which God has bestowed on us and the all-embracing love and hospitality of GCC for all God's people. How can we ensure that our church's message, ministries and mission continue to grow today and be sustainable into the future? ***By giving thanks for God's blessings in our lives, sharing those blessings with others within our church's walls and beyond, and becoming a blessing for all God's people.***

Our goal for this campaign is \$1.1 million, over \$200,000 more than we achieved for GCC's ministries in 2014. During the next several weeks we will be asking you to prayerfully consider what amount of support you can commit to carry out the vital, God-inspired work of GCC within and beyond our community for 2015 and into the future.

***Consider God's bountiful blessings in your life.....  
and pass them on bountifully.***

# **Blessed**

## **TO BE A BLESSING.**

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

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Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Pastor*

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Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, *Youth & Children's Ministry*  
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**Sharing Dinner with  
ALL God's People  
Wednesday, October 1 at 5:30 p.m.  
Community Dinner**

Main course of lasagna and noodles will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share. There will be a donation basket to cover the costs. Paper plates will be provided but you can bring your own reusable place setting. RSVP so very helpful to [elizabeth.ciccolini@gccucc.org](mailto:elizabeth.ciccolini@gccucc.org).