



Good Bye to Summer

Broadcaster

SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

WORSHIP 10:00 AM SEPTEMBER

NINETEENTH SUNDAY
IN TRINITY 30

Scripture:
1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Sermon:
Our Crosses Scarcely Lift
Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

OCTOBER 07

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
NEIGHBORS IN NEED
ALL-CHURCH OFFERING

Scripture:
1 Corinthians 13

Sermon:
Love Can Raise the Broken Stone
Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

OCTOBER 14

SPIRITUAL LIFE
TEAM SUNDAY

Scripture:
Galatians 3:26-29; Ephesians 4: 1-7

Theme: *Hearts Creative Bridge the Human Rift*

Three God Stories from Three Team Members: *Debby Shellard, Nancy Mullarkey, Tom Macfadden*

BENEATH THE SURFACE

It's very interesting – even fascinating – watching the progress of the demolition in our construction project. As plaster comes off the walls...as ceilings are pulled down...as floors are stripped of their coverings the stories of our church building that have been hidden so long they've been forgotten are being rediscovered. We're finding doorways that were abandoned... windows that were once larger or smaller... large electrical conduits that were either abandoned or never filled with wires...stairways that were narrowed to accommodate heating pipes...and many other curiosities in our church home. Because our facility was built in four major stages across 13 years (1946-59), there's a lot that was never noted on the plans. For decades it's lived beneath the surface, so now we're digging for buried treasure!

In a recent sermon I referred to Peter's words from his first letter:

Come to Jesus, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

The point of that passage is that we are the building blocks for God's spiritual house, just as steel and wood, bricks and stone are the building blocks for God's physical house. And, as it is for physical houses, there's a good deal about us that's hidden; that's beneath the surface.

We know that that's true in criminal investigations, so we dig for evidence that

unearths what we've buried. But there are also the more poignant things that live beneath our surface...graces and griefs that we keep hidden in the sanctuary of our hearts.

We humans are complex beings. Each of us is the beauty of unique individuality that is born when our flesh of the earth is inhabited and animated by the Spirit of God. No one else fully and truly knows us as we know ourselves...except for God who knows us through and through.

The point is that, in this life, ***what we see is NOT what we get!*** So, building this ***Spiritual House for ALL God's People*** means living with one another gently, encouragingly, forgivingly, expectantly, kindly, courageously, trustingly. The more we become vulnerable with one another... the more we honor and dignify God's humanity...the more we will feel safe to reveal to one another the substance of our souls and the breath of God that lives within us.

The substance of our souls that is inspired by the Spirit of God...or, as Peter calls us, ***living stones***. And we can't build ***A House for ALL God's People*** without all the stones...without you.!

See you in church!
Chuck Mize

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our newest members who joined GCC on September 23. Watch for their pictures and bios on the bulletin board next to the youth room in the lower level of the church. We welcome: **Molly Koek, Tim** and **Lindsay Smigiel**, and **Frank Pulice** and **Peggy McCollum**.

COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED

Are you interested in taking an active role in our Sunday worship service? The Communion Team is looking for volunteers to help serve Communion during our worship service. Communion is served the first Sunday of each month and you can sign up to serve as seldom or as often as you wish. If you are interested in becoming a member of our Communion team, please email or call Sally Hicks at Sarahhicks70@gmail.com or 847-729-3162.

Thank you! We look forward to having you join our team!



FOOD ON THE FIRST

Food insecurity is affecting families and children in our community. Please consider participating in GCC's Food on the First program by bringing non-perishable items to church on the first Sunday of each month. Monetary contributions are also accepted. Checks can be made out to GCC with a notation indicating Food on the First. Collection tables are located in the Narthex and by the West entrance. The food and money collected support San Lucas UCC and the Northfield Township Food Pantry.



MEN'S MINISTRY QUARTERLY FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Join us for our Quarterly Fellowship Breakfast this Saturday, September 29 at 8:00 a.m. at Jasper's Cafe. This is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with friends and meet some new faces at GCC. Feel free to invite others to join us for breakfast as well. Contact Dave Aki at dave254@comcast.net with any questions.

THE RESALE SHOP HAS A NEW NAME!

You may remember that in the spring, the Resale Shop committee of the Women's Association held a contest to help us pick a new and more updated name for our 60+ year old resale shop. Thank you so much to the 15 people who submitted over 60 name ideas!! You made our task of picking a new one very difficult, as there were many great entries. We have selected "New to You Resale" as the new name and we thank Laurie Binstein for her excellent suggestion! Her prize was for the shop to make a \$50 donation to the charity of her choice, which was **50 Legs**, an organization which provides prosthetics for amputees. Thanks again to all the contest participants!

As of right now, it is unclear when the shop will reopen, but we are hoping for some time later this fall. We plan to post updates on our website (theresaleshopglenview.com) and Facebook page (The Resale Shop) but the best way to stay updated is by joining our email distribution list, which you can do by emailing Laurie at laurielyn@sbcglobal.net.

WHY IT MATTERS

Myra Loris returns with a six-part series, with each lecture focusing on a different thesis and why it matters. The first three lectures will be held this fall. The series will conclude in spring 2019. Refreshments begin at 7:00 p.m. Lecture is at 7:30-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 per session or \$35 for all three sessions. Tickets are available at the door. Questions: call Beryl Bills (847) 724-1694.

October 9: WHY IT MATTERS: Immigration. First looking at some current issues relating to immigration and when, historically, we have addressed these issues in successful and meaningful ways, advancing both the individuals involved and the nation. The session focuses on the work and ideas of Jacob Riis, Lillian Wald, Jane Addams, LBJ and many more.

November 13: WHY IT MATTERS: Words. The power of words, of specific language, both past and present, written and oral, to shape the destiny of the American nation. The session will focus specifically on the language of the Declaration of Independence and how it was expanded and refined by the Suffragists, by Lincoln, by MLK and many others. The "pen" may indeed be mightier than "the sword".



8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION MINI-RETREAT

The 8th graders and their parents enjoyed a Friday evening eating supper together, followed by competitive groups of pantomiming the action verbs from the UCC Statement of Faith. Sample words included: calls, creates, seeks, judges, promises, etc. We talked about God's invitation to explore our faith this year before we are confirmed. The 8th grade has 26 confirmands and five teachers and meet Sunday mornings in the lower level rooms.

NORTHFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH

is hosting the **CROP** walk this year on Sunday, October 21. Registration is at 12:30 p.m., but food will be available and ready when you arrive. There will be hot dogs with all the Chicago way



fixings donated by Vienna Beef, chips, veggies, fruit and a variety of baked goods, including some from Three Tarts in Northfield. Enjoy live music and fellowship with those who care about ending hunger in our world by supporting Church World Service. Special guests include visitors from Serbia, who are coming to say thank you, as well as Jon Skogan, from CWS. The Walk will begin with a short program at 1:00 p.m. and **Step Off** will begin by 1:15 p.m. Contact Rev. Pam Keckler if you wish to walk and to register. The 8th grade confirmands will be walking that morning before class.

GOOD NEWS

FROM THE SPIRITUAL CENTER AT GCC AND REV. BOBBIE MCKAY, PH.D.

The Spiritual Life Team Program that Dr. Bobbie McKay directs is now a part of the Glenview Community Church Family with a **NEW NAME: THE SPIRITUAL CENTER AT GCC**. That change means that the Spiritual Council has voted to include this program as a part of GCC for which we are both deeply grateful and very excited! That also means:

- **FOUR NEW SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAMS STARTING** this fall with two more in the planning stage;
- **SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAM SUNDAY ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14** when you will meet members of spiritual life teams leading worship and meeting with you after worship to share their experiences on spiritual life teams and invite you to participate in this amazing program.
- **A NEW SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAM PROGRAM STARTING AT FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF OAK PARK** and the opportunity to share this program with other churches in the area.
- **AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL GCC MEMBERS** and potential members of GCC to learn about this spiritual program which enables people to learn more about the gifts of spiritual life with a group of other learners in a safe, comfortable and very exciting environment in the Chapel at GCC. We meet for only one hour, once a month, with no other tasks or "strings" attached. This program will change your life and make your spiritual life a reality in every aspect of your life.

The churches that are surviving in this age of closing churches are those churches where spiritual programs are available to build both spiritual lives and congregations where people can "know" God and live lives deeply connected to God and their congregation. It Builds Bridges and Changes Lives!!

CMA FALL MEETING

The Joint meeting of the Fox Valley and Chicago Metropolitan Associations will take place on Saturday, October 20, 2018 at Union Church of Hinsdale, 137 S. Garfield Avenue, Hinsdale.

The theme of the meeting is **Fruits of the Spirit, from the Valley to the City**. Worship will be led by Lighthouse Church of Chicago and Gilead Church. Four churches from the two associations will present a panel discussion about their vital ministries that have brought new life to their congregations and helped their churches grow in body and spirit.

If you are interested in more details, please contact Rev. Pam Keckler.

CHILDREN AND TEEN FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

The Children and Teen Ministry have an exciting fall ahead! It has been great to see all the new and returning faces this month. The church school teachers, adult leaders for PYF and the confirmation teachers have all enjoyed connecting with their students. The Holy Spirit is ever present in the Faith Formation Ministry at GCC!

Peace, Elizabeth



UPCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES FOR VARIED AGES

Hygiene Kit Project for The Night Ministry in October.

October 7: church school children will assemble hygiene kits for **The Night Ministry**.

October 10: middle school and high school students in the 612 Club will assemble hygiene kits for The Night Ministry. They will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT THIS PROJECT?

Donations needed: Small soaps, shampoos, conditioners, razors, wet-ones, combs, toothbrushes, tooth paste, lotion, and deodorants. Please drop them off at Pastor Elizabeth's office.

Drivers Needed: The children and teens of GCC regularly complete mission projects that need to be delivered to **The Night Ministry**. Are you someone who can help? If so please contact Elizabeth at elizabeth.ciccolini@gccucc.org.



TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 21 TRUNK OR TREAT

4-5 p.m. There will be trunk decorating time, crafts, and a Halloween costume parade and then trick or treating to the different cars. We invite all our GCC families - whether you have children or not - to put some goodies in the trunk of your car, and come over to the lot and watch the kids parade by in their costumes. Decorating the trunk is encouraged! Goodies can be candy or something else, like snacks or little toys or trinkets. We also ask that everyone who comes bring a can or box of food as a donation. There will be other activities for the kids - painting trick or treat bags, painting or carving pumpkins, and a costume parade. Cider and hot chocolate will be served. Please put this fun event on your calendar and contact Debbie Berg at abcdberg@yahoo.com if you have any questions or would like to help!

PYF SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER (GCC'S HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP)

September 30- Discussion topic: **Hunger for Spirituality; Luke 7:1-10 - Jesus Heals the Centurion.** Activity: scavenger hunt.

October 7 - Discussion topic: **Hunger for a Changed Heart; 2 Timothy 1:1-14.** We will meet at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Activity: cake decorating contest.

October 14 - Discussion Topic: **Hunger for Land & Resources; 1 Kings 21:1-16, Luke 7:36-50.** Activity: Bingo.

October 19 - 612 Outing - Corn Maze. Cost is \$20 a person. A registration form will be mailed out.

October 21 - Trunk or Treat. PYF will help the Faith Formation Ministry and Congregational Life Ministry to put on this wonderful new event.

October 28 - Discussion topic: **Hunger & Homelessness: Luke 8:26-39.** Trick or Treat for canned goods.



Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location
Thursday, 27 September 2018		
9:00 AM to 10:15 AM	Yoga	Room 201
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Choir Room
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Pack 156 Scouts	Gym
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Saturday, 29 September 2018		
8:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Men's Open Gym	Gym
Sunday, 30 September 2018		
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	8th Grade Confirmation Class	Youth Room
9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Primary Choir	Room 201
10:00 AM to 10:15 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:05 AM to 11:30 AM	Refreshments and Fellowship	Narthex
11:30 AM to 12:45 PM	Voices Choir	Room 201
4:00 PM to 5:55 PM	PYF	Youth Room
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM	7th Grade Confirmation Class	Youth Room
Monday, 01 October 2018		
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Pageant Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201
Tuesday, 02 October 2018		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Generosity	Choir Room
Wednesday, 03 October 2018		
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Youth Room
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	612/Youth Group	Youth Room
Thursday, 04 October 2018		
9:00 AM to 10:15 AM	Yoga	Room 201
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Choir Room
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Pack 156 Scouts	Gym
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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8:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Men's Open Gym	Gym
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10:00 AM to 10:15 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:05 AM to 11:30 AM	Refreshments and Fellowship	Narthex
4:00 PM to 5:55 PM	PYF-off site	OFF SITE
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM	7th Grade Confirmation Class	Youth Room
Monday, 08 October 2018		
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Pageant Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201
Tuesday, 09 October 2018		
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room
6:00 PM to 6:58 PM	Executive Committee	Cradle/Toddler Room
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM	Myra Loris	Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Ministry Steering Group Meeting	Gym
Wednesday, 10 October 2018		
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room
11:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Youth Room
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	612/Youth Group	Youth Room
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	GCCNS Board Meetings	Cradle/Toddler Room



NEIGHBORS IN NEED MISSION PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

This month the Outreach Ministry highlights *Neighbors in Need* (NIN), a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds supports the Council for the Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. This year, special consideration will be given to projects focusing on serving our immigrant neighbors and communities. Please use the following link to read inspirational stories about ways NIN grants have transformed lives across the United States: www.ucc.org/nin_stories.

Glenview Community Church will receive the Neighbors in Need offering on October 7, 2018 as part of the World Communion Sunday observance. Please consider a generous donation to this life-changing ministry of the United Church of Christ. Checks can be made out to Glenview Community Church with a notation on the check for **Neighbors in Need**. An envelope is included in this Broadcaster. You can also donate on-line by accessing this internet URL: https://transactions.ucc.org/CampaignForm/UCChrist/neighbors_in_need

GIVING GLIMPSE AUGUST 2018

The Message, Ministries and Mission of Glenview Community Church thrive because you fulfill your stewardship commitments and make faithful contributions. It is essential that we remain current in our giving and ensure the fiscal health of the church. In the midst of our busy lives, we offer you this update reminder to keep in focus our progress on completing our financial commitments to GCC. This Financial Snapshot will be updated monthly and included in the worship bulletin and Broadcaster.

	YTD	Over/(Under)Budget
Pledge Fulfillment	\$585,278	\$2,478
Other Income	\$131,433	\$37,561
Expenses	\$847,469	(\$9,597)
Net Total	(\$130,758)	\$49,636

SUMMARY: We are \$49,636 better than budget through August. Our approved budget defines an annual deficit of \$79,779, so if the balance of the year holds plan, we will end 2018 with an operating deficit of \$30,143.

**THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS
OCTOBER 3, BY 9:00 AM**

SAVE THE DATE UCC GENERAL SYNOD

The 32nd General Synod will meet in Milwaukee, WI for their meeting, programs, workshops and worship gathering from June 21-June 25, 2019. Watch for more details coming soon!

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Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Pastor*
Rev. Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, *Associate Pastor for Youth and Children*

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

REGULAR CHURCH HOURS

MONDAY AND FRIDAY
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
SATURDAY
8:00 a.m. - noon
SUNDAY
8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



Pondering In Silence

May God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you really CAN make a difference in the world, so that you are able, with God's grace, to do what others claim cannot be done.