

LESS OF OURSELVES: MORE OF GOD

What a moving experience was worship on Sunday, March 9th at the Glenview Community Church! Organ, chamber ensemble (flute, oboe, harp, cello and percussion) our Chancel Choir and guest choristers from the De Paul Community Chorus all under the direction of Stephen Blackwelder offered John Rutter's magnificent **Requiem** as a gift of praise to our God and a gift of inspiration to us. Though **Requiem** has come to mean a musical setting for a mass for the dead, the word simply means *rest*...for those who rest in God's eternal comfort and peace. John Rutter composed his *Requiem* in 1986 in memory of his father who died a year earlier. The offering of the Rutter Requiem in worship at GCC on March 9th reminds us that sacred music is diminished when it is removed from a sacred setting...when it is merely a concert for our entertainment. It also reminds us that we would be deprived of many of the most magnificent and timeless musical compositions without the inspiration of the Christian faith and the patronage of the church. I am grateful to each person whose talent and devotion brought John Rutter's **Requiem** to life at GCC!

The expression of our faith through Rutter's **Requiem** was a perfect way to mark the first Sunday in Lent. For a long time, our particular tradition in the Christian faith minimized Lent, yielding its observance to more liturgical traditions. But, in recent years, our tradition has also discovered the power of the Lenten pilgrimage. Beginning with the repentance and renewal of Ash Wednesday, Lent is a period of forty days preceding Easter, excluding Sundays... because, even in Lent, Sundays are always a celebration of Christ's resurrection. That's why we refer to these Sundays as Sundays in Lent rather than Sundays of Lent: they are in the season, but not a part of it.

The forty days of Lent invite us to join Jesus spiritually in the forty days He spent in the

wilderness. In that austere place where He was separated from the acquisitions, temptations and indulgences of this world, Jesus discovered anew who He was in relationship to God and who God was calling Him to be as a witness to God's love. In the same way, Lent is God's gift to us: a gift of austerity where we can discover anew who we are in relationship to God and who God is calling us to be as witnesses to God's love. Lent is the blessing of making less of ourselves and more of God as we come to God with receptive hearts and renewed devotion.

One of the opportunities for us to receive this gift at GCC this Lent is the study of the **The Holy Man** (sign up in the church office for one of the groups). It's an entertaining book with a poignant message. Lent is also a wonderful opportunity to reconnect and recommit to the central purpose of the Glenview Community Church: to come together as a gathered community to worship and praise our God. When we gather, the Holy Spirit is in our midst. And, when the Holy Spirit is in our midst, we are transformed. So I invite you to do two things:

- 1. renew your resolve to worship regularly and frequently at GCC, and
- invite someone or someones you know who need a faith community to join you here.

Lent concludes with Holy Week. I invite you to join us in these opportunities for worship:

- 1. **Maundy Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary**. We will gather at our Lord's Table, remembering how Jesus gathered His disciples at table and filled the Passover meal with the meaning of his death and resurrection.
- 2. Good Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Under the direction of Debby

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WORSHIP SERVICES

MARCH 16, 2014

A LOVING CHURCH

10:00 a.m.

Scripture: Numbers 21:4-9, John 3:1-21

Sermon: Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

MARCH 23, 2014

AN AFFIRMING CHURCH

10:00 a.m.

Scripture: Exodus 17:1-7; John 4:5-30, 39-42

Sermon: Standing in Front of You Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler

MARCH 30, 2014 A HEALING CHURCH

10:00 a.m.

Scripture: John 9:1-41

Sermon: Standing in Front of You Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler

APRIL 6, 2014

A BELIEVING CHURCH

10:00 a.m.

Scripture: Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45

Sermon: Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

April 6, 2014 – Communion will not be served, rather we will celebrate communion on Easter Sunday, April 20 at 9:00 and 11:00 AM. Shellard, GCC's Primary and Voices Choirs will present Stephen Schwartz's Godspell Jr. What better way for us to worship on the day that Jesus died than for our children and youth to tell the story of Jesus' life and death in song? If you can't be a part of the evening service, you are invited to attend the open dress rehearsal at 2:00 p.m. on Good Friday afternoon.

- 3. Holy Saturday at 7:00 p.m. in the Founders Room. We will gather in worship for Easter Vigil. This ancient service keeps watch, anticipating the glory of Easter. Join us for this moving experience of darkness and light as we renew our commitment to follow and serve our risen Savior.
- 4. Easter Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. These identical festival services of worship will immerse us in the glory and grace of Jesus' resurrection. This year our Easter celebration will include the Lord's Supper so that we can recognize our risen Lord as his first disciples did in Emmaus "in the breaking of the bread."

Celebrating Easter with Holy Communion has not been a part of GCC's recent tradition. This celebration will be blessed by the use of new memorial communion ware that replaces our communion ware that has been well-used, well-worn and damaged through the years. With the inclusion of Holy Communion on Easter, we will not be celebrating the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of April.

Lent. Like Requiem, it has a very simple meaning. Lent simply means lengthen... referring to the lengthening days of Spring. But the lengthening is about more than daylight. It's about using our days to make less of ourselves and more of God. In the words of the Apostle Paul's wise counsel:

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time...

This Lent, let us make the most of the time. See you in church!

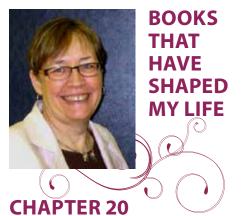
Chuck Mize

A LENTEN JOURNEY WITH ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Ed Board invites you to immerse yourself in a small discussion group as we read and explore together Susan Trott's bestselling book, The Holy Man. Four weekly sessions beginning after Ash Wednesday (March 5) and concluding before Palm Sunday (April 13). Sign up for a small group which meets on a day and at a time convenient for you in the church office. FREE BOOKS available for all participants. JOIN US!

COMMON GROUND FRIDAY, MARCH 28 AT 7:00 PM IN THE FOUNDERS ROOM

Jim Kenney, "One Summer—America, 1927." What happened that summer? Well, what didn't? Bill Bryson, one of our great storytellers, gives us a word picture of a prosperous American summer that celebrated daring aviators (especially Charles Lindbergh), baseball heroes (Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig), Showboat, The Jazz Singer, flagpole sitters and flappers. The same summer witnessed the brief, bloody ascendancy of Al Capone, brutal murders, the controversial trial and execution of Sacco and Vanzetti, and the fiscal missteps that set the stage for the depression that was just over the horizon. There's more, lots more; and we'll sample most of it, occasionally pausing to listen to Bryson himself as he reads from his wonderful book.



Come and join members of Chapter 20 to hear Rev. Pam Keckler share with us -BOOKS THAT HAVE SHAPED MY LIFE. See you there March 19, 10:30AM in the Chapel.



"HOMETOWN" AUCTION SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 5:00 - 8:00 PM Hear ye, hear ye SUNDAY, APRIL 6 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. come one, come all to the first GCC "Hometown" Auction. An auction like no other, where a professional auctioneer will auction off each and every item and YOU are the bidders. The money raised will go to this summer's mission trip to Kansas City, Kansas. We are looking for donations from all church members. Items to date are \$100 cash, Paella dinner for 6, Bears tickets, hand knitted items, 2 dozen homemade chocolate chip cookies, and a Foosball table. Food will be available for purchase during the auction so you won't miss a bid. We will not be selling stock this year, so the success of this auction depends on your donations and bids! We can't wait to see you on SUN-DAY, APRIL 6 from 5-8:00 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Colin Burrowes, who recently achieved the rank of Eagle Scout



with Troop 32 in Glenview. Colin is a junior at GBS and in addition to being involved in Boy Scouts, is an active member of the PYF

program. Colin joined Troop 32 when he was 11 years old. He completed his Eagle project last spring, which involved tagging about 250 trees in the downtown Glenview area, particularly near the library and train station. The purpose of the project was to show Glenview residents the value that trees provide to residential and commercial properties, including how they reduce carbon dioxide, save on heating and cooling, remove storm water, and increase property values.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

One Great Hour of Sharing is an offering that

makes the love of Christ real for individuals and communities around the world who suffer the effects of disaster, conflict, or severe economic hardship, and for those who serve them through gifts of money and time. Today, projects are underway in more than 100 countries, including the United States and Canada. In the 1990s, receipts have exceeded \$20 million annually. While specific allocations differ in each denomination, all use their One Great Hour of Sharing funds to make possible disaster relief, refugee assistance, development aid and more. The envelope is included in this Broadcaster.



Help us beautify our church gardens by purchasing your flats of flowering annuals, hanging baskets, pots, and herbs from the Women's Association this year. We even deliver

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS

Sunday, April 20

PICKUP/DELIVERY

Saturday, May 17 9:30 a.m. – noon

If you have any questions, please call Sue Hoffmann (847)998-0164 or email Jill Ruter at jill.ruter@comcast.net

Forms are at the church office.



FAIR TRAE

If you haven't stopped by our table to see our products, Sunday, March 16th is the day to take a look! We will be offering some new products that we think you will enjoy. Your purchase is a way for our congregation to join hands with small farmer communities across the world. Farmers receive fair prices for their crops, affordable credit and long term trade relationships with a trading partner they can trust, Equal Exchange.

HANDS OF PEACE **TUNE INTO PEACE GALA SATURDAY, APRIL 26**

DOUBLE TREE HILTON @ 6:00 P.M.

Once again Hands of Peace is celebrating its efforts of fostering dialogue and friendship among Israeli, Palestinian and American youth. Glenview Community Church has been a part of HOP every step of the way. Everyone is invited to this special gala to celebrate our contributions toward Middle East peace. There will be dinner, a silent auction, live music, and lots of fun! Cock-

tail attire. Tickets are \$100. We'd love to have the best turnout possible from GCC! You can purchase tickets on the Hands of Peace website: www.handsofpeace.org.

Hands of Peace is also seeking local host families who can open their homes and their hearts for our Middle East participants during our Summer Program, which will take place from July 6 - 24th! For information on hosting, please visit our website www.handsofpeace.org or call Host Family Coordinator Gail Tatsuda at (847)559-0599. Applications are available online.



MARCH 23 AND 30 NO PYF - SPRING BREAK

APRIL 6 - HOMETOWN AUCTION 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Watch for details.

APRIL 13 - MISSION PROJECT

Animal Beds. We will be making beds for an animal shelter.

Questions email pyf.gcc@gmail.com - Hope to see you soon! Elizabeth.

FAMILY FUN & PIZZA SUNDAY, MARCH 16 11:15 - 12:30

Immediately following worship, the Children's Board will provide pizza and beverages as well as games for the children in the gym. This is a great opportunity to enjoy some fellowship with other families at GCC. Toys will be available for toddlers in both the gym as well as the Plymouth Room and the games will be geared towards elementary age children (K-5). If you would like to contribute a side dish or salad to accompany the pizza please let Nicole Tomaszewski know by emailing her at ngrote001@yahoo. com.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation classes will be on spring break March 23 and 30. We will return on Sunday, April 6 at 8:45.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18 AT 7:00 PM

Have you ever wondered what would happen if Jesus appeared to us here today in Chicago? Well, Voices of GCC and Primary Choir try to answer that question when they present Godspell Jr. on Good Friday, April 18 at 7:00 p.m. Come hear the well loved score of Stephen Schwartz with songs, "Day by Day", "All Good Gifts," "You are the Light of the World" and many more! Come support our youth singers while they help to lead us in worship through a Good Friday service that you will not forget!

PYF IN MARCH & APRIL, SUNDAYS 4-6 PM

MARCH 16 - MISSION PROJECT

Easter Baskets for the food pantry. Please bring a donation of \$10 to cover the costs.

LENT AND EASTER CALENDAR FOR 2014

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE.

SUNDAY LENTEN SERMONS

A Living Church

During Lent we'll strive to grow personally and spiritually by exploring the theme A Living Church. Each Sunday at our 10:00 Worship we will examine an element of this theme to help us grow our relationships with God and with one another.

INDIVIDUAL MEDITATION AND PRAYERS

The Sanctuary will be open during Lent for your spiritual quiet time and reflection Monday through Friday from Noon to 5:00 p.m. beginning March 5, 2014.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES

Join Chuck Mize at either 1:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m.—in the Parlor for an enlightening focus on the upcoming Sunday's sermon topic with an in-depth look at the scripture, the sermon, and their relevance to our daily lives.

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS

Come away for a while during these Lenten afternoons to "Listen – Praying in a Noisy World." We'll gather from 1:30-3:00 pm. beginning March 6, Join Rev. Pam Keckler for new thoughts about prayer. Hot tea will be served! Please register with Pam if you wish to participate. (847)724-2210 ext 224

ADULT EDUCATION SESSIONS

Each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the Founders Room

March 16 -

April 6

Join John Miller on Sundays, March 16 through April 6 for a small discussion group as we read and explore together Susan Trott's best-selling book, "The Holy Man."

A LENTEN JOURNEY WITH ADULT EDUCATION

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COMMON GROUND THIS MARCH

JOIN US ON FRIDAY, MARCH 28 – JIM KENNEY, "ONE SUMMER—AMERICA, 1927." What happened that summer? Well, what didn't? Bill Bryson, one of our great storytellers, gives us a word picture of a prosperous American summer.

WORSHIP

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 13

10:00 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY

Long ago the anonymous and forgotten people of Israel welcomed Jesus to Jerusalem with a raucous parade. They sang, they shouted, they waved palm branches and carpeted Jesus' way with their coats and clothing. Join us as we welcome Jesus to GCC and in our lives in worship with singing, shouting and palms!

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 17

7:00 p.m. In The Sanctuary

We will gather in worship to remember Jesus' Passover meal with His disciples, and how He became our Passover lamb through word and sacrament. The name of the day comes from the Latin word mandatum, which means commandment. It is on this night that Jesus gives His disciples a new commandment:

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." --John 13:34-35

Join us as we receive and respond to that command.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18

2 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. In the Sanctuary

What more appropriate day for us to remember the story of Jesus' life than on this day? We will do that in a worshipful drama as our Voices Children and Youth Choir present **Godspell**. Join us at 7 pm for this moving witness. If you can't come at 7 pm, you are welcome to attend the 2 pm open dress rehearsal.

HOLY SATURDAY - EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 19

7:00 p.m. in the Founders Room

In a service new to the Glenview Community Church, we will keep watch in the twilight between death and resurrection. This meditative service of repentance and forgiveness, hope and anticipation, darkness and light is one of the most beautiful of the whole Christian year. Join us!

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. In The Sanctuary

Join us as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord in identical festival services of worship with Holy Communion

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GCC

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THUR	9:00 AM	Resale Shop until 5:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
03/13	9:00 AM	GCC Yoga, Narthex
	9:30 AM	Lenten Book Study, Parlor
	11:00 AM	GCC Working Out With Weights, Mayflower Rm
	1:30 PM	Lent - Prayer Group, Rm 5
	6:15 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI	9:00 AM	Resale Shop until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
03/14	1:00 PM	Pickleball, Gym
	7:00 PM	Adult Volleyball, Gym
	7:00 PM	CSA 156 Blue and Gold, Mayflower Rm
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
	8:00 PM	Al-Anon, Rm 201
SAT	8:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
03/15	9:00 AM	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm
SUN	8:45 AM	Open Prayers/Confirmation, Plymouth Rm
03/16	9:00 AM	Lenten Book Study, Founders Rm
	10:00 AM	Worship, Sanctuary
	10:00 AM	Sunday School, Sanctuary
	11:00 AM	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm
	11:15 AM	Bell Choir Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Board Mtg., Rm 213
	11:30 AM	Leadership Committee Mtg., Founders Rm
	11:30 AM	Family Fun and Pizza, Plymouth Rm & Gym
	2:00 PM	678 Club, Youth Rm
	4:00 PM	PYF, Youth Rm
MON	9:30 AM	Lenten Book Study, Library
03/17	1:00 PM	Pickleball, Gym
	7:00 PM	Finance Board Mtg., Library
	7:00 PM	GCC Yoga, Rm 201
	7:30 PM	Lenten Book Study, Parlor
TUE	8:30 AM	GCC Music and Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
03/18	1:30 PM	60 Plus Luncheon, Mayflower Rm
	6:00 PM	Voices of GCC Musical Rehearsal, Rm 201
	6:45 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsals, Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Property Board Mtg., Rm 210
WED	9:00 AM	GCC Music and Movement, Cradle Toddler Rm
03/19	9:00 AM	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm
	9:30 AM	Chapter 20 Mtg., Chapel
	1:00 PM	Pickleball, Gym
	6:00 PM	PYF Wednesdays, Youth Rm
	7:00 PM	Music Board Mtg., Music Rm
	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop, Mayflower Rm & Gym
	8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Rm 5 and Gym
THU	9:00 AM	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm
03/20	9:00 AM	GCC Yoga, Narthex
	9:30 AM	Lenten Book Study, Parlor
	11:00 AM	Working Out With Weights, Mayflower Rm

	1:30 PM	Lent Prayer Group, Rm 5
	6:30 PM	North Sub. Family Day Care Mtg., Mayflower Rm
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI	9:00 AM	The Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm
03/21	1:00 PM	Pickleball, Gym
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
	8:00 PM	Al-Anon Meeting, Rm 201
SAT	8:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
03/22	9:00 AM	The Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm
SUN	9:00 AM	Lent Book Study, Founders Rm
03/23	9:15 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201
	10:00 AM	Worship, Sanctuary
	11:00 AM	Sunday School, Begins in the Sanctuary
	11:15 AM	Fellowship Time , Mayflower Rm
MON	9:30 AM	Lenten Book Study, Library
03/24	1:00 PM	Pickleball, Gym
	7:30 PM	Lenten Book Study, Library
TUE	11:30 AM	WA Chapter 8, Founders Rm
03/25	6:45 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal, Sanctuary
WED	9:00 AM	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm
03/26	1:00 PM	Pickleball, Gym

THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS MARCH 19, 2014 AT 9:00 AM

CANCELLATIONS

Yoga classes cancelled on Monday, March 24, and Thursday, March 27 for Spring Break.

Wednesday Bible Study Groups are cancelled on March 19 and 26.

YOU ARE INVITED

Redeemer UCC of Sussex and St. John's UCC of Merton, along with the Southeast Association of the Wisconsin Conference

are pleased to invite you to the Ordination of

Mary Jane Huber

as a Minister of the Gospel in full standing with the United Church of Christ on April 6, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

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An offering will be received for the Wisconsin Conference Seminarian Fund

Reception to Follow

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MUNITY CONCERTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 12 7:30 PM

TICKETED EVENT



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