



Broadcaster

GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

JUNE 8, 2011

ANNIVERSARY REFLECTIONS

I just celebrated an anniversary on June 2, 2011. An Ordination Anniversary. I have been an ordained minister for 20 years. It's hard to believe! I spent four years at my first church in York, Pennsylvania after I graduated from seminary, and then I found this place called Glenview Community Church that seemed to be calling me for my next phase of ministry. Add it up – I've been here 16 years. It's hard to believe! And so on my twentieth anniversary, I've had time to reflect on what I've learned about being a minister and what's most important to me at this time.

At Jim Coyl's ordination service I listened to the questions of his Examination that I and other ministers had answered to our Association Representative at our own ordinations. Here are some of those questions found in the United Church of Christ Book of Worship:

Do you promise to be diligent in your private prayers and in reading the scripture? Will you be zealous in maintaining both the truth of the gospel and the peace of the church, speaking the truth in love? Will you be faithful in preaching and teaching the gospel, in administering the sacraments and rites of the church, and in exercising pastoral care and leadership? Will you seek to regard all people with equal love & concern and undertake to minister impartially to the needs of all? Do you accept the faith and order of the United Church of Christ; and will you, as an ordained minister in this communion, ecumenically reach out toward all who are in Christ and show Christian love to people of other faiths and people of no faith? The minister's response is "I do, relying on God's grace."

Out of these questions, the one that has probably shaped me the most is the last one: "Will you reach out to others no matter their faith background or no faith?" As a community of faith in Glenview we do this each time we greet people and tell them, "No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here." The minis-

ters do this in representing this church in the community. And sometimes I just take it for granted, the freedom and honor I have in conducting special rituals through baptisms, weddings, and memorial services both inside and outside the church for non-members or "those of other faith backgrounds or people of no faith."

I was especially reminded of this fact when I was asked to honor a family's loved one who had passed a few months ago. They wanted to hold a simple service in their home. Would I drive to their home to do this? Yes, I would. I knew this family from prior weddings and baptisms I had performed. And they knew me as a minister from that "big church on Glenview Road" who tried to "show Christian love to people of other faiths and those of no faith." When I arrived and was unpacking my bag, I realized I had forgotten my Bible – (horrors!) – I asked one of the children if they had a Bible in the house. The young girl brought me a Children's Bible with pictures and short sentences. Of course! I was trying to figure out how I would read the passage of scripture in these words of a child, when two of the girls asked, "Could we read the Bible at the service? We can practice the words in our room." And so they did rehearse and read so eloquently in the service. The older young men recalled stories of their loved one and we closed with a prayer that would be heard by Christian, Jewish, and no faith in this living room that had been transformed into a Sanctuary of remembrance for a grandparent.

So on this 20th celebration year, I give thanks for my work among all of you, but I am especially grateful that part of all of our ministries goes beyond these doors. May we continue to walk the path before us and to remember that God walks with us – every step of the way – and brings a message of hope and acceptance to all.

Pam Keckler

WORSHIP SERVICES

JUNE 12, 2011

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Scripture:
Mark 14:3-9, Exodus 20:1-6

Sermon:
"Shutting Down the Club, Opening Up the Church"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

JUNE 19, 2011

9:30 a.m. Pilgrim Wind Ensemble

Scripture:
Psalms 84, Hebrews 13:1-16

Sermon:
"What Geese Can Teach Us About the Church"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

JUNE 26, 2011

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Scripture:
Philippians 1:1-11, Micah 6:6-8

Sermon:
"Mental Snapshots"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts



Your Church Needs You!

Consider joining a board for next year. The new year for our church boards starts soon, and there are a few openings to fill. This is a great opportunity for you to get involved in the activities of GCC. Yes, we are entering a year of transition, but it is also a period of tremendous opportunity and growth. We have the ability and opportunity to make our own history. Many in the congregation are working to improve and grow the church next year. Please consider joining them on one of the twelve boards. If you are interested, please contact Vice Moderator Dave Aki at (847)657-0139 or Church Clerk Bob McGee (847)729-0057.

Sing to Live COMMUNITY CHORUS Jazz and More

You may have noticed the announcement about the upcoming benefit concert on Sunday, June 12 at 3:00 p.m. We are excited to welcome the Sing to Live Community Chorus as they provide the gift of music to those of us who are touched by breast cancer in our families, friends, or community. Sing to Live is starting a North Shore group and will be rehearsing this fall at GCC on Tuesday evenings. They are always looking for men and women who enjoy singing! There will be a time for meeting the director as well as voice placements for joining this chorus on Thursday evening, June 16. For more information, please contact Andrew Lewis or Rev. Pam Keckler or check out the website www.singto-live.org.

MISSING

Please check to see if you have any overdue books from our church library. We are especially hoping to recover the following missing volume:

The New Interpreter's Bible, vol. 6: Isaiah to Ezekiel. It is a large (8 x 10.75") heavy, hardcover book; part of a 10 volume set by Abingdon Press.

Please leave this book and any other borrowed items on one of the tables in the Church Library. Many thanks!

GCC Rummage Sale

**WEEKEND OF JUNE 25
DONATE ITEMS NOW!**

GCC will be having a rummage sale the weekend of June 25. Individual chapters of the GCC Women's Association will be sponsoring this year's sale to raise money for their missions outreach work. Some of the agencies currently supported by the Women's Association chapters include Youth Services of Glenview/Northbrook, A Just Harvest, Northfield Food Pantry, San Lucas UCC, By the Hand Club for Kids, etc., so be assured that the rummage sale proceeds will be put to good use!

Please donate clothes, books, household items, toys, bikes, sports equipment, etc., in good condition and bring them to the west entrance (off the big parking lot) on any Sunday from 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. where we will have volunteers in place to take the items. If you need to drop off items at an alternate time or will be bringing a large item, please contact Tracy Sawires (contact information below) to arrange a time. We can NOT take couches or other large upholstered pieces of furniture, cribs, high chairs, or car seats.

If you would like to have a good time and support our efforts by volunteering for set up, pricing, day of sale, or post sale activities and are available for any period of time between June 20 - June 29, please contact Tracy via email or phone esnstsms@hotmail.com, (847)832-0063.

Global Leadership Summit

Calling all "leadership and board members" of the church to join Rev. Pam Keckler for the Global Leadership Summit sponsored by Willow Creek Association in Barrington.

Dates are Thursday-Friday, August 11-12.

Speakers include: Howard Schultz, President of Starbucks Corporation; Michelle Rhee, Founder of websites including StudentsFirst.org.

We need to register by June 28. Please contact Pam if you would like to be part of this event or for more information.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN

Twice a month, all year long, GCC participates in a mission to serve the homeless and needy a full, hot nutritious dinner at The Community Kitchen (A Just Harvest) in Rogers Park.

A group of volunteers leaves the church the third Wednesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. On the first Sunday, the volunteers leave at 3:30 p.m. They're back around 7:00 p.m.

We have loyal and dedicated volunteers who continue to shop for the food, make chili here in the GCC kitchen, and transport food donations from Whole Foods in Northbrook. Many of our members and friends of members consistently volunteer to transport the food and serve our hearty meal at The Community Kitchen. We are grateful to all these wonderful people!

We need a total of eight volunteers each time to fill the coming summer dates. If you haven't done this before we encourage you to give it a try. Most of the first-timers enjoy the experience so much they sign up again! We make it easy and fun for you. It's a good way for singles, families, board groups or Womens' Association chapters to participate together.

The following dates need volunteers:

WEDNESDAYS	SUNDAYS
June 15	July 3
July 20	August 7
August 17	September 4

Please call Sandra Frantz at (847)998-6696 or email her at Sandra-Frantz@sbcglobal.net. Detailed instructions are available by email. Just ask! Thank you.

Summer Sunday School

Beginning in June and continuing through the summer, Sunday school aged children are welcome to join their parents in the Sanctuary to worship. Following the children's message, children will be dismissed to the garden to learn about and assist in the production of produce to benefit the Northfield Food Pantry. Nursery care will be available.

(There will be no garden activities on July 3 and September 4.)



SUMMER SALE

The Resale Shop is having their annual **Summer 75% off sale** from June 8 through June 11. If you can't make it on those dates, don't miss the **90% sale** on June 15 through June 16. Good merchandise and great bargains are available. Don't miss this opportunity and visit our website at www.theresaleshopglenview.com. If you are interested in volunteering at the shop, contact Addy Ford at addyford@comcast.net or (847)998-0906. You need not be a member of the Women's Association to volunteer.

Lost and Found

Having you been missing some items, unable to find them? Have you thought about looking in the church's Lost and Found Closet? The church office has accumulated items through out the church year. Please feel free to stop by the church office and check to see if you have any of your lost items here.

Items not claimed by September 11 will be donated to the Resale Shop. Thank you very much.

Church Staff

Celebration Reminder

There will be a Retirement Celebration for Dr. Roberts on Sunday, June 26 at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. You will hear special instrumental and choir music, along with reflections from family members and others. We will thank Howard for his time with us at Glenview Community Church as well as honor his 45 years of ministry. Plan now to attend! All are welcome.

Community Vacation Bible School

Children ages Pre-school through 5th grade are invited to be part of a Community Vacation Bible School at the Glenview United Methodist Church July 10-14 from 6-8:30 pm. There will be Bible stories, crafts, sports, snacks, and music. To register online go to: www.glenviewumc.com.

HANDS OF PEACE Farewell Dinner

**JULY 27
6:00 PM**

JRC
303 Dodge
Evanston, IL



Please join us for our Farewell Dinner, where you can see and hear for yourselves the impact that Hands of Peace is having on the Israeli, Palestinian, Arab Israeli, and American participants.

A delicious Middle Eastern dinner and a silent auction will be followed by cultural performances by the Hands of Peace participants. You will also hear reflections from participants, staff and the annual Olive Branch will be announced.

Seating is limited, so avoid disappointment and reply ASAP (by July 15). Tickets are \$50/guest, and \$25/ host and participant family members.

To purchase tickets by check, make the check out to Hands of Peace (write Farewell Dinner) in the memo line, send it to Adam Heffez, Assistant Program Director, HOP, 1000 Elm Street, Glenview, IL 60025. Purchase online after June 15 on our website www.hands-of-peace.org.

Congratulations

We offer congratulations to these high school seniors upon their graduation and wish them God's blessings.

Jessica Ach
Daniel Baddeloo
Kelly Balmes
Kevin Barron
Meredith Blake
Mykenzie Buzard
Sara Christian
Kelsey Dupuis
Rachel Fergus
Christopher Frank
Vincent Gabuzzi
Stephen Hansen
Bill Heberton III
Hallie Herrmann
Jordan Higgins
Nicole Huston
Brett Johnson

Haley Johnson
Jennifer Koloms
Greg McQuie
Carolyn Miller
Chandler Murphy
Kevin Roenitz
Ned Ruter
Jack Ryan
Amy Seter
Alison Shaw
Brian Skeggs
Trent Synder
Bill Theis
Carrington Watkins
Robert Wegley
Brittany Wilson
Cassandra Wojick

Fall Confirmation Registration

All incoming 7th graders should have received an email describing our fall schedule and programs for confirmation. If not, please notify Rev. Keckler at pam.keckler@gccucc.org or 847-724-2210, Ext. 24. Registration forms are also available in the church office or on the church website. Incoming 8th graders do not need to register.

A Summer Prayer

May you breathe in the beauty of summer with its power of transformation.
May you seek and find spaces of repose during these summer months.
May you be open to times of celebration and recreation that are so much a part of summer.
May your eyes see the wonders of summer's colors.
May you savor the fresh produce that comes to your table and enjoy the fruits of summer's bounty.
May you find shelter when the stormy skies of summer threaten your safety.
May you enjoy the unexpected and find surprises of beauty and happiness as you travel the roads on summer vacation.
May the God of summer lead us to amazing discoveries as we travel the inner roads of our soul as well.

The Circle of Life (selected verses) by Joyce Rupp & Macrina Wiederkehr



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
8:30 am - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERIAL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts, *Senior Minister*
Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Minister for Spiritual Formation*

DIRECTORS:

Marilyn Belleau, *RN, Health Ministry*
Kathy Lifton, *Children's Ministry*
Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, *Youth Ministry*
Debby Shellard, *Children's Choirs*
Gary Wendt, *Organist, Instrumental Music*
Andrew Lewis, *Music*

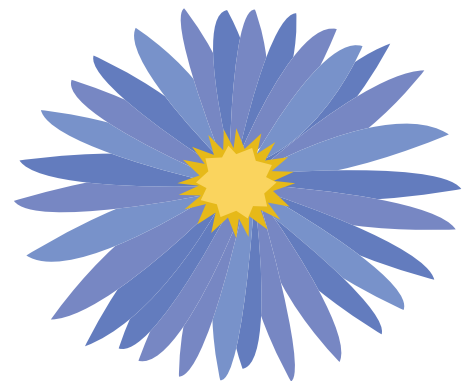
AFFILIATES:

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

Return Service Requested

At A Glance

THRS	6/9	9:00 am	Resale Shop open until 5:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
		6:30 pm	Bell Rehearsal, Bell Rm
		7:30 pm	Venture Crew Mtg., Founders Rm
FRI	6/10	9:00 am	Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
		8:00 pm	AA Mtg., Parlor
		8:00 pm	Al-Anon Mtg., Rm 201
SAT	6/11	9:00 am	Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
SUN	6/12	9:30 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
		10:30 am	Fellowship Hour, Narthex
		3:00 pm	Sing To Live Concert, Sanctuary
MON	6/13	7:00 pm	Music Board Mtg., Rm 201
		7:00 pm	Finance Board Mtg., Founders Rm
		7:00 pm	BSA 156 Committee Mtg, Parlor
TUE	6/14	7:00 pm	Stewardship Board,
		7:00 pm	Property Board, Library
		7:00 pm	Book Club, Chapel
		6:30 pm	Mission Outreach Board, Off site
WED	6/15	7:00 pm	BSA 156 Troop, Gym & Mayflower Rm
		7:00 pm	Pilgrim Wind Ensemble Rehearsal, Sanctuary



Broadcaster Deadlines

The following dates are the Broadcaster deadlines for the summer: June 22, July 27, August 17. Regular schedule after August 17. Submit articles by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday to Tania McCarthy via e-mail at tania.mccarthy@gccucc.org.

Your next Broadcaster will be available June 29th.

Summer office hours will begin June 13th through August 9th. **The church office will be open 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

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