



# Broadcaster

Glenview Community Church

## Pilgrim's Progress

Arthur Gordon, in his book *A Touch of Wonder* tells about a dismal time in his life. Everything was stale and flat. Energy waned and enthusiasm died. Gordon decided to see a doctor, an older man who had wisdom and compassion. Gordon explained his plight and the doctor asked him, "Where were you happiest as a child?" "Why at the beach," Gordon replied. "Are you capable of following instructions for a single day?" Gordon thought he was and was willing to try anything.

So the doctor instructed Gordon to drive to the beach the following morning, arriving no later than nine o'clock. He could take some lunch but nothing to read, no writing, no listening to the radio, and no talking to anyone. The doctor gave him a prescription to be taken every three hours. He tore off the prescription sheet and said, "Take these at nine, twelve, three, and six."

The next morning Gordon was off to the beach and he did arrive by 9. He took out the first of the folded prescription sheets. On it was written: Listen carefully. It seemed crazy at first. All Gordon could hear was the roar of the ocean. But as he began to listen he discovered himself thinking about the immensity of the ocean, the rhythms of it. And he remembered lessons the ocean taught him as a child—patience—can't hurry the tides, respect—the ocean doesn't suffer fools gladly, vastness and mystery of it. Gordon realized as he was listening that he was thinking of things and hearing things bigger than himself. The morning moved slowly but it moved.

At noon Gordon opened the second prescription sheet to find the words: Try reaching back. Back to what? Maybe he was supposed to remember pleasant memories from his childhood. He found himself recalling the last fishing trip he made with his younger brother. As he reached back Gordon found himself touching happiness and little flashes of power, tiny sources of strength being released in his mind.

By three o'clock the tide was out and Gordon opened the third prescription: Reexamine your motives. This was a bit of jolt.

The first two had been easier to swallow than this one. He began to discover that recently he had become more interested in the rewards that the job provided than being interested in the job itself. The sensing of giving something to others or helping people had gotten lost in a frantic clutch for security. The flash of insight for him was that as long as you feel you are serving others, you do the job well. When you are concerned only with helping yourself, you do it less well.

The sun was low in the sky as Gordon opened the final prescription sheet. It was six o'clock and there on the sheet were the final instructions for the day: Write your troubles in the sand. He walked out on the beach a few yards below the high water mark and let the paper blow away. He picked up a shell and wrote several words in the sand, one above the other. Then he walked away and never looked back. He had written his troubles in the sand. The tide was coming in.

Although this prescription was written for Arthur Gordon, and we are not to take someone else's medication, perhaps it is okay for us to take this unique prescription. Maybe this summer is a good time to do it. At the risk of being accused of practicing without a license, I encourage you to take this prescription. I have refilled it several times and found it helpful each time. I plan to refill the prescription again this summer. What about you?

*Howard*

## Facility Manager

Keith Merritt, Facility Manager, has offered his resignation effective June 30, 2009. Keith has accepted a Shift Engineer position at a hospital and the primary reason for accepting this position is the new employer will provide full health insurance for Keith and his family. Keith stated in his letter, "It was with such regret that I had with my decision to resign as your facility manager. Personally, I have never worked in such a good environment and with such a fine group of co-workers. I will always hold a special place in my heart for the staff and the congregation here at GCC."

It is with regret that we accept Keith's resignation. Constance Filling, moderator, will appoint three or four people to work with Dr. Roberts to search for a new facility manager. If you are interested in the position or know someone who is, please submit a resume' with three references to Dr. Howard Roberts.

June 10, 2009

## SUNDAY SERVICES

### JUNE 14, 2009

9:30 a.m. Summer Music Begins

#### Scripture:

Ezekiel 17:22-24, Mark 4:26-34

#### Sermon:

"Faith To Be Human"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

### JUNE 21, 2009

9:30 a.m. Summer Music

#### Scripture:

1 Samuel 17:32-49, Mark 4:35-41

#### Sermon:

"Against All Odds"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

### JUNE 28, 2009

9:30 a.m. Summer Music

#### Scripture:

Psalms 16, Luke 9:51-62

#### Sermon:

"The Intersection of Commitment"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

## Sharing Your Thoughts About The 2010 Budget

Your Moderators and the Personnel Task Force welcome your views regarding the Budget for 2010, which may once again require additional cuts. What are your priorities? Which programs and services do you believe are essential? If needed, where do you believe reductions should be made? Recommendations will be made to the Executive Board in August and September.

The following "Mini Town Hall Meetings" are designed so that your thoughts will be considered. In order to give everyone a chance to share, they are limited to 25-30 in number and all will be held in the Founders Room. Please sign up ahead of time by calling the office. Each member may attend only one of the meetings.

**Thursday, June 11 at 7 p.m.**  
**Sunday, June 14 at 10:45 a.m.**  
**Tuesday, June 16 at 10:00 a.m.**  
**Wednesday, June 17 at 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, June 18 at 10:00 a.m.**

## GCC CAREER NETWORK

**MONDAY, JUNE 15 @ 12 PM & 7:00 PM**

**Plymouth Room**

**MOVING TOWARDS YOUR CAREER GOALS**

Organizing your job search and moving toward your goals is challenging. Are you able to keep track of all of the details? Do you have a clear idea of what to do next? Should you even get started if you only have 10 minutes? In this workshop, Dee Kane will present her Flexible Planner©. This easy to create, easy to update planning tool will help you clearly define the steps to move you closer to your goal.

Dee has more than 20 years of experience designing and presenting training programs for companies and individuals. She currently is a Life Coach and teaches Life Planning classes to help people move through the transition process.

Come and gain a fresh perspective and learn how to manage the details and progress of your job search.

Contact Alek & Renee Jablonski at 847-486-1920 / [ajablonski03@hotmail.com](mailto:ajablonski03@hotmail.com) or Rev. Pam Keckler at 847-724-2210 for more information.

## GCC WALKERS

GCC WALKERS and anyone else who would like to join us (we're a very friendly group) we will meet in the north parking lot at 10:45 a.m. after church on Sunday, June 14. We will car pool to Northwestern Campus, park in the parking lot and walk along Lake Michigan shore and the inner circle around the pond. If we still have energy we may go south into the park. It is OK to wear your walking clothes to church.

*Dori Hirsch*

## Thank You To Our Church Staff

The members of Chapter 8 (GCC Women's Association) wish to say a very heart felt Thank You to the staff members who helped with our luncheon and Current Events' program held on April 30. Last fall when we decided to do "something different", we could not have anticipated the many tasks involved. With staff help, we were able to accomplish our goal of offering an interesting and timely program, a delicious lunch, and fellowship to a diverse group of women and men of all ages.

In honor of these persons, who gave so generously of their time and talents, Chapter 8 has donated funds to the church. Our thanks to: Tania McCarthy, Jane Payne, Keith Merritt, Fernando Reyna, and Marilyn Belleau. In addition, we wish to include two "nice guys", Barry Nelson for audio help, and Larry Kemp for the awesome internet flyer.

For those who attended the Joyce Schragger's *A President's First 100 Days*, we are grateful to you for supporting our event.

## GCC Hand Bells

Are you planning to drive near Philadelphia this summer? WE COULD USE SOME HELP. If you know of someone who is driving to or near Philadelphia, PA, between now and July 15, and could transport a case or two of the hand bells to the factory, it would be a huge cost saving.

Please contact Sue Newberry at 724-6407 if you think you might be able to help out.

## A Cup of



## Equal Exchange

*Fairly Traded - Gourmet Products*

**Last Chance to Purchase is June 14**

Be sure and stop by the Equal Exchange Table during Fellowship Hour on June 14. This is your last chance to purchase your favorite coffee, tea, or snacks for the summer months. Iced tea and iced coffee are refreshing drinks for those hot July days or for your block party or family picnic. We will be back in September. Thanks to all who supported Chapter Eight's mission project of helping the small farmers in poor countries receive a fair price for their products.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry Update

Our list of participants continues to grow! We now have 32 women who are knitting prayer shawls and/or taking knitting lessons. Thanks to all participants for the beautiful prayer shawls you have completed. Our knitting lessons will take a break during the summer but we will let you know our fall plans later. The prayer shawls now have labels stitched on each prayer shawl that is given to someone. The label has a cross on it and says "Made for you by: Prayer Shawl Ministry Glenview Community Church." Marilyn Belleau and Rev. Pam Keckler have given away 25 prayer shawls to various men and women in our church. These include those who are ill, lonely, grieving, recovering from surgery, or just to say thank you for their service to GCC. If you would like to be a knitter, please contact Rev. Keckler or Marilyn Belleau. We look forward to receiving more prayer shawls to give away this summer!

## Summer Help Needed Good News Community Kitchen

Thank you to the more than fifty volunteers who have helped at GNCK over the past year! GCC has been well represented as a caring, committed community. Summer months are the most difficult to fill.

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR:**

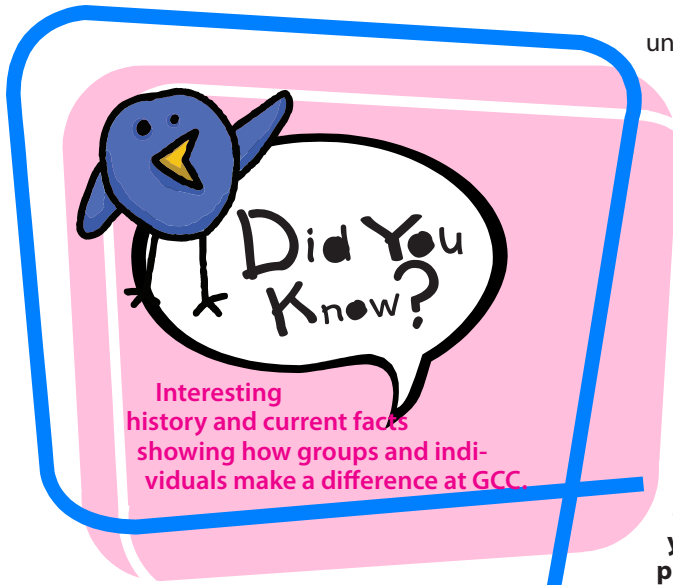
**SUNDAYS**

August 2 and September 6  
**Hours** are 3:30 to 6:30 or 7 PM.

**WEDNESDAYS**

August 19  
**Hours** are 4 to 7 or 7:30 PM.

If you or your family, or your board, or your women's chapter can help one of these dates, please e-mail: [Sandra-Frantz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Sandra-Frantz@sbcglobal.net) or call with questions: Sandy at 847-998-6696.



Interesting history and current facts showing how groups and individuals make a difference at GCC.

## The Women's Association

**Did you know that The Resale Shop was founded by the Women's Association over 60 years ago?** The shop was first called The Children's Exchange and the purpose was to provide an outlet to buy and sell used children's clothing as children were growing fast and their outgrown clothing provided a foundation for this new

undertaking. Now called The Resale Shop, the Women's Association continues to offer this service to the community and funds generated support WA outreach ministry programs. Last year over \$30,000 was donated to community outreach – made possible by generous donations of clothing and household goods by members and friends of GCC.

**Did you know that the Women's Association allocates part of its budget each year to beautify our church property?** Currently the WA is

finishing the remodeling and refurbishment of the women's restroom located next to the Sanctuary. Additionally, WA has provided new blinds for the Mayflower and Plymouth rooms, air-conditioning for the Plymouth Room, re-decoration of the Library and Parlor with help from the Spaulding Memorial Fund and refurbishment of the small kitchen adjacent to the Parlor.

**Did you know that members of Chapter 11 of our Women's Association plan and finance Rally Day and Easter Egg Hunt activities for our church?** Chapter 11 members conduct fund raising through their Drive-Thru-BBQ event as well as receive donations from other sources to sponsor these events for the GCC community.

**And, finally, did you know that the GCC Women's Association has been in existence since 1941 and has over 200 active members and 50 associate members?**

The Women's Association has contributed much to the fabric of our church both past and present...who remembers the famous Antique Show & its famous Williamsburg Chicken Dinner? Mistletoe Market? Currently the WA Chapters sponsor such events as Family Trivia Nights, Plant Sales, Current Event Presentations, Mother-Daughter Teas, and annual Book Review Luncheons. Next time you are downstairs at the church, look at the quilt hanging in the Founders Room, it was handmade by Women's Association chapters and depicts the history of their gifts of service and love throughout the years.



## My Faith – My Church

My husband Tom's family had been members of GCC since the 40's, so we made GCC our church also. After 40 years, I can say that GCC has truly been the mainstay of my faith journey.

Many factors stand out as being important along my journey at GCC. I've experienced 3 different senior ministers and found each one an asset to my faith and unique in their contribution...I value them all; the fellowship through the years has given me some of my dearest and closest friends; the programs and instruction have been invaluable and I have watched as my children begin their own faith journeys. But, most importantly, I've always felt comfortable with my faith here...what I mean is that GCC casts a wide net as 'Fishers of Men'. GCC seeks out and unites people with one common bond... a belief in God....there are no rubber stamps in defining Christianity....we all don't have to be alike....we all don't have to agree 100% of the time. I know I don't have the same faith journey as my grandmother...nor my parents...nor even the next person in the pew... I do know all could be very happy here....as I am. My faith journey at GCC also goes well beyond the beautiful building, beyond the programs, the music, the staff, the people.....the fact is I simply feel good when I enter this place. I feel God's presence here within these walls, and it doesn't matter what the sermon is, what the songs are, or even what day of the week it is – I feel God nearer when I'm here and I always have.

I owe much to GCC and it will always be part of my faith journey for I've found here a spiritual home that continually sheds a light upon my path.

- Sally Thuresson

## Sunday School

Preschoolers through third graders are invited to attend Session 1 of summer Sunday school at 9:30 from now through June 28. Students will explore the meaning of friendship through literature and Bible based activities. Bring a friend!

## Special Thank You

Special thanks to our high school seniors who preached on Youth Sunday, along with all the youth who led our worship service on the theme of Happy Birthday, Church. The sermons were thoughtful, the music outstanding, and we were inspired.

## Attention:

### INCOMING 7TH GRADERS

It's time to register for confirmation class which begins September 13. There are registration forms and a letter on the youth bulletin board as well as in the church office. Deadline to register is June 21. If you have questions, please contact Dr. Keckler, who is in charge of the confirmation program (847-724-2210, Ext. 24.)

## CAR WASH

June 13 @ 1:00 p.m.

Brian Hansen  
Boy Scouts of America  
Troop 156

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## Office Summer Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 am - 12:30 p.m.

## Ministerial Staff

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts, *Senior Minister*

Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Minister for Spiritual Formation*

Rev. Sally Iberg, *Minister for Mission and Ministry*

## Directors:

Marilyn Belleau, *RN, Health Ministry*

Kathy Lifton, *Children's Ministry*

Elizabeth Ciccolini, *Youth Ministry*

Debby Shellard, *Children's Choirs*

Gary Wendt, *Organist, Instrumental Music*

Andrew Lewis, *Adult Choir*

## Affiliates:

Marcia Kiraly, *Director, GCC Nursery School*

Barbara Thewis, *Manager, Resale Shop*

## At A Glance

Thurs	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 5:00 pm
6-11	9:30 pm	Lectio Divina, Rm 5
	1:00 pm	Ministers' Mentor Meeting, Rm 210
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Practice, Choir Rm, Sanctuary
Fri	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm
6-12	8:00 pm	AA Mtg., Parlor
	8:00 pm	AI - Anon Meeting, Rm 201
Sat	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm
6-13	1:00 pm	BSA 156 Car Wash (Brian Hansen), West Parking Lot
Sun	9:30 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
6-14	10:30 am	Fellowship Hour, Narthex
	11:45 am	Confirmation/Youth Board Meeting, Youth Rm
Mon	9:30 am	Finding My Spirit, Library
6-15	12:00 pm	Career Networking, Plymouth Rm
	7:00 pm	Career Networking, Plymouth Rm
Tues	7:00 pm	Mission Outreach Board, Parlor
6-16	7:00 pm	Adult Education Board, Founders Rm
	7:00 pm	Children's Board Mtg., Rm 201
Wed	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm
6-17	9:30 am	Chapter 20, Chapel
	1:00 pm	Good News Kitchen Cooking, Kitchen

## Office Summer Hours 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Office summer hours begin June 15 through August 7, 2009.

## Broadcaster Deadlines

The following dates are summer deadlines for the Broadcaster. Please remember that all articles need to be received by 9:00 a.m.

Summer Deadlines

7-8-09, 8-12-09,

Beginning the new church program year

8-19-09, 8-26-09 and continuing weekly.

## Broadcaster Deadline

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