

Broadcaster

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WHAT IS YOUR PURPOSE?

Back at the turn of the century...the beginning of the new millennium...Time magazine named Albert Einstein the Person of the 20th Century. As someone who seemed to be destined for a career in science, I understood that choice. Einstein was brilliant in his own right, but he was also the leading intellect for a whole host of geniuses who changed the course of history with their creative minds.

However, I didn't end up pursuing a degree, much less a career, in the sciences. Instead, I pursued a degree in the humanities. And, in part because of that shift, I came to the conclusion that if I had been choosing Time's Person of the 20th Century, I would have chosen three persons: Adolph Hitler, Winston Churchill and Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Perhaps no personality in modern history has so embodied pure evil as fully as did Hitler. But, together, Roosevelt and Churchill led the free world and saved it from the tyranny of Hitler's Third Reich. I was fascinated by the recent PBS documentary on the Roosevelts. Perhaps you were, too. That series reminded me of my response to Time's Person of the Century. Whether we laud or chafe under FDR's political agenda, Franklin Roosevelt was elected to the presidency four times and led the free world to victory over the Axis powers.

Washington DC is now graced by a very moving, multi-scene memorial to FDR. But FDR was opposed to an elaborate memorial, especially one that depicts him in his wheelchair. In September, 1941, President Roosevelt called his friend, Supreme Court Justice Frankfurter, to the White House and asked the Justice to remember the wish he then expressed:

"If any memorial is erected to me, I know

exactly what I should like it to be. I should like it to consist of a block about the size of this (putting his hand on his desk) and placed in the center of that green plot in front of the Archives Building. I don't care what it is made of, whether limestone or granite or whatnot, but I want it plain without any ornamentation, with the simple carving, 'In Memory of _____'."

For Roosevelt, the work of his life was memorial enough. A giant of a man who couldn't even stand on his own two withered legs without ten pounds of steel bracing, FDR believed that he had a purpose...that he had been equipped to make a difference in this world. FDR knew that he was blessed to be a blessing. And, as most of you know by now, that is the theme of our stewardship campaign. ***Blessed to be a Blessing***: a phrase that comes from God's call to Abram. Jesus said it this way:

From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded.

One of the questions I like to ask couples preparing for marriage is this: ***Fifty years from now, what do you want people to say about you and how you made a difference in the lives of others?*** In other words, ***What is your purpose?***

Sometimes just surviving seems purpose enough...and it is. But God doesn't call us to simply survive. God calls us to thrive: not just to luxuriate in our blessings, but to use our blessings to bless God's children in this glorious creation.

There's the challenge: to be a blessing. But the good news is that, before we are ex-

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WORSHIP SERVICES

OCTOBER 19, 2014

10:00 a.m.

Scripture:

Isaiah 45:1-7

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Sermon:

Together in Faith

Ms. Hartung-Ciccolini

OCTOBER 26, 2014

10:00 a.m.

Scripture:

Matthew 22:34-40

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Sermon:

Trusted with the Good News

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

NOVEMBER 2, 2014

COMMUNION SUNDAY FOOD ON THE FIRST

10:00 a.m.

Scripture:

Psalms 106, Exodus 32:1-14

Philippians 4:1-9, Matthew 22:1-14

Sermon:

The Blessing of Humility

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize



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pected to bless others, God blesses us. An old song sings it this way:

**Count your blessings,
name them one by one,
Count your blessings,
see what God hath done!
Count your blessings,
name them one by one,
And it will surprise you
what the Lord hath done.**

So start counting your blessings. As you count them, I know that you will be overwhelmed by the amazing goodness of God...an abundance of blessings that can't help but make you a blessing to others, and to our God. We are blessed. Let us become amazing blessings in and through the Glenview Community Church! See you in church.

Chuck Mize



GLENVIEW INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Mark your calendars now for Tuesday evening, November 25 at 7:30 p.m. GCC will be hosting the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, including bells and choirs! A reception will be held in the Mayflower Room following the service. We will need cookies and help in serving for this event. If you are interested, please contact Rev. Keckler.

LIFE EVERLASTING

We trust the promise of the resurrection for Carl Schmitt, Sr. who passed away September 26, 2014 even as we hold his wife, Carol, a former GCCNS teacher, and their family in our prayers. A funeral service was held October 2 in Glenview.

We trust the promise of the resurrection for Ed Detwiler's niece, Barb Gittings, who passed away in Madison, Wisconsin following a long illness on Friday, October 3rd, even as we hold Ed, M-J and Barb's family in our prayers.

THANK YOU, JENNIFER!

Friday, October 10th was Jennifer Helgren's last official day with us as the Administrator for Facilities at the Glenview Community Church. She has accepted a facility manager position with a firm very close to her home.

Jennifer began her work at GCC on July 15, 2009. In the past five years she has cared faithfully for our facilities and cared compassionately for our members and friends. We are grateful to Jennifer for all that she has done to care for our facility as we use it to make God's love real in this world. Thank you, Jennifer!

WELCOME JEFFERY THOMPSON

Jeffery Thompson began his work with us as Interim Administrator for Facilities on Monday, October 13th. Jeff has many years of experience with managing facilities and building maintenance. Jeff, his wife and two children, live in Glenview and are active parishioners at Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Please offer Jeff a warm welcome as he gets to know all of us.

Administrator for Facilities Search Team is grateful to have Jeff on board as we move forward with our search for a permanent Administrator for Facilities. Serving with me on the Search Team are Karen Aldrich (Former Moderator and Chair of the Personnel and Ministerial Relations Committee), Steve Gale (Chair of the Properties Board), Douglas Heurich (GCC member and former Facility Manager at GCC) and Rev. Pam Keckler.

Chuck Mize

60 PLUS

Join us for 60 Plus Halloween Revelry!
Tuesday, October 21, 2014
12:00-1:30 PM
Mayflower Room



RSVP TO REV. DALE

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(847)724-2210 ext. 230

Uniquely AMERICAN

BY MYRA LORIS

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

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.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Have you been attending GCC and thinking about becoming a member?

Would you like to know more about our ministry and what we believe? Our next New Member Class will be held on Sunday, November 9 after worship and Thursday, November 13 at 7:00 pm. Come to one or come to both sessions. Childcare is available if requested ahead of time. Please join us for an informal discussion about Glenview Community Church. New Members will be received into the church during worship on Sunday, November 16. Contact Rev. Mize or Rev. Keckler if you would like to attend or if you have questions.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Bible study will be postponed until Wednesday, October 29, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.



A JUST HARVEST BENEFIT

Is it possible to end hunger and lessen poverty? I think so but I need your help. As a board member of A Just Harvest, the hard work and extraordinary contributions of its volunteers and partner organizations are recognized through its Annual Awards Banquet and Benefit, which is Sunday, October 26 at Galleria Marchetti in Chicago. Funds raised through the 2014 Annual Awards Banquet and Benefit will support A Just Harvest's work toward feeding hungry people and fighting for a fair economy. I need you... to help me... to help end hunger by either attending this fun event or making a donation at their website www.ajustharvest.org to make a secure donation.

Please join me in this fight.

Beryl Bills
berylbills@comcast.net

COMMON GROUND

NOVEMBER 19

Jim Kenney

Spirituality and /or Religion?

What is "spirituality?" 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.

FAITH IN ACTION LISTENING CIRCLE

Where does your faith inspire you to build a more equitable and compassionate community in our village, county or state?

What issues of social justice do you think interested GCC members should tackle?

Come share your ideas with other GCC members on Sunday, November 2 after church in the Founders Room from 11:30-12:30, or drop by the Founders Room to fill out a card to indicate your interests and concerns. Light refreshments will be available to jump start the conversation. For more information about this event, contact Kristine Voelker at 847-832-9242 or Betsy Martin at 847-657-7595.

7TH GRADE CONFIRMATION FIELD TRIP

The 7th grade Confirmands and parents recently visited The Ismaili Jamatkhana (The Islamic House of Gathering & Worship) in Glenview. We visited them on the weekend of the Muslim Festival (Eid-ul-Adha) to remember the sacrifice of Abraham's son, Ishmael. (Jews and Christians have the same story in Genesis, but it is told about Isaac.) We were honored to be a part of their special day as we learned about our faith stories and beliefs.

As our host commented, "We are the same --- we believe in One God!"

CONFIRMATION SERVICE PROJECTS

There are many opportunities for Confirmands to earn service credit. Here are a few: 678 Club (second Sunday of each month), CROP Walk October 19, Feed My Starving Children November 22, participate in the Christmas Pageant on December 7. Please contact Rev. Keckler if you have questions.

FALL FUN FAIR

GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH NURSERY SCHOOL

Come join us on October 25th for the Glenview Community Church Nursery School Fall Fun Fair. The fair is fun for preschoolers, with many activities including games, crafts, face painting, balloon art, and more. The event will take place at the Glenview Community Church Nursery School gymnasium from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Admission is \$5 for kids over age 2. Adults are free. All proceeds benefit the GCCNS early childhood education programs.

CALLING ALL BEARS FANS!

Join us for a **Tailgating Party** sponsored by the Fellowship Board on Sunday, October 26, 11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., in the church parking lot. Bring your grill, food to pass, any tailgating gear you have and we'll watch the Bears beat the Patriots! \$20 per group suggested donation. For more information, please call Ryan Peschke at (773)678-2062. Hope to see you there!



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

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 (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.

INTERGENERATIONAL CAMP AND MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

Are you interested in a Family / Intergenerational Camp experience? Or an Intergenerational / Family Mission Trip of some sort? If so, Elizabeth would like to invite you to an information gathering meeting on November 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Room (located on the lower level).





STEWARDSHIP 2015

Sharing God's Bountiful Blessings

STEWARDSHIP 2015

I will bless you...so that you will be a blessing...and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed (Genesis 12:2-3).

During the week of October 12 you will receive in the mail your second communication from the GCC Stewardship Board. This mailing includes a Commitment Card on which you can record your financial commitment for the message, ministries and mission of Glenview Community Church in 2015.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the financial target and how is the money used? The Finance Board has estimated that the church's funding need from the congregation for 2015 is \$1.1 million. This is the amount that we reasonably need to carry out the message, ministries and mission of our church—spiritual work that cannot be done without the physical building, staff, supplies and programs that enable Glenview Community Church to do God's work among our church family, in the community and in the world. Specifically, the **\$1.1 million** figure includes building maintenance, repairs, utilities and insurance, staff salaries and benefits, and budgets for ministries (e.g., children and youth education, music, pastoral care, missions outreach).

What is an appropriate pledge? That's between you and God and it requires intentionality, discernment and prayerful consideration. Here are some helpful guidelines. **A "modern" tithe for a family earning \$114,000 (the median household income in Glenview) would be \$5,700 (5%).** The average financial commitment to GCC in 2014 is \$2,152. **To reach our \$1.1 million target, the average financial commitment** (assuming at least 404 financial commitments) **would need to be \$3,000. We need more families to pledge and each pledging family to increase its commitment in accordance with the blessings which God has bestowed.**

May I pay my pledge electronically by authorizing a monthly deduction from my bank account? Yes, of course. We encourage it because it helps the church manage its budget and it helps you manage yours.

What do I get in return for my financial commitment to GCC? You get the opportunity to attend church every Sunday to hear moving, thought-provoking sermons, inspiring music, and to experience the welcoming hospitality of the people of God. You may attend adult education classes or Bible study and send your children to Christian education programs designed especially for them. You may volunteer for a myriad of mission outreach opportunities, spreading God's love in the community and the world. And you get the satisfaction and certitude that GCC will be able to continue and grow its ministry into the future.

As we all work as tenants in God's vineyard, we are blessed by God's abundant love, and we are privileged to joyfully share the blessing with all of God's people.

Your Stewardship Board

Blessed

TO BE A BLESSING.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GCC

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location	Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location
Thursday, 16 October 2014			Monday, 27 October 2014		
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	9:30 AM to 11:00 AM	Spirit Group	Library
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga Classes	Narthex	7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga Class	Room 201
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	North Suburban Family Association	Founders	Tuesday, 28 October 2014		
7:30 PM to 9:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	GCC Music & Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room
Friday, 17 October 2014			10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Music & Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	6:30 PM to 6:59 PM	Operating Committee Meeting	Mayflower
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	GCC Adult Volleyball	Gym	7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Spiritual Council Mtg	Mayflower
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA MEETING	Parlor	Wednesday, 29 October 2014		
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
Saturday, 18 October 2014			9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	GCC Music & Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Men's Open Gym	Gym	10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Music & Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	3:00 PM to 4:30 PM	Bible Study	Parlor
Sunday, 19 October 2014			4:15 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Room 7
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room	6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	PYF/POW	Youth Room
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Adult Ed	Chapel	7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg.	Mayflower
9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal	Room 201	8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Venturing Crew	Room 5
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary	8:31 PM to 9:00 PM	Venturing Crew	Gym
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Sunday School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM	THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS OCTOBER 22, 2014 AT 9:00 AM		
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Fellowship and Refreshments	Mayflower	ASPHALT AND DRAINS, OH MY!		
11:15 AM to 12:00 PM	Leadership Committee Mtg.	Founders	Through a very gentle and light-hearted campaign, the congregation has committed nearly \$103,000 for the renewal of the parking lot and the storm water retention system! Though the amount raised only funds about 20% of the total cost of the project, it significantly reduces the contribution needed from our reserve funds. Many thanks to Beryl Bills for spearheading this campaign! Along with the asphalt and drains, a great deal of landscaping has been accomplished to beautify this project and our church grounds. Jill Ruter and her crew have given countless hours to this effort...Chapter 1 of the Women's Association has funded much of it, and June and Marsh Mussay have donated a beautiful maple that now resides in the southeast parking lot island. Thank you!		
11:30 AM to 12:30 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Bell Room	WANTED: MORE USHERS!		
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room	We are looking for individuals and families who would like to help serve on an usher team for Sunday mornings. It's a great way to get to know people as you greet them and hand them a bulletin, along with helping collect the offering. If you would like to help or be a leader, please contact David Spaulding or Rev. Keckler.		
4:00 PM to 5:00 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Room 201	"JUST BEFORE THE DEATH OF FLOWERS, AND BEFORE THEY ARE BURIED IN SNOW, THERE COMES A FESTIVAL SEASON WHEN NATURE IS ALL AGLOW."		
Monday, 20 October 2014			- AUTHOR UNKNOWN		
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Finance Committee Mtg	Room 210			
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga Class	Room 201			
Tuesday, 21 October 2014					
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM	60 Plus Luncheon	Mayflower			
6:45 PM to 9:00 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal	Sanctuary			
Wednesday, 22 October 2014					
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	GCC Music & Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room			
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Music & Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room			
4:15 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Room 7			
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	PYF/POW	Youth Room			
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg.	Mayflower			
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Venturing Crew	Room 5			
8:31 PM to 9:00 PM	Venturing Crew	Gym			
Thursday, 23 October 2014					
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga Classes	Narthex			
7:30 PM to 9:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary			
Friday, 24 October 2014					
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA MEETING	Parlor			
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library			
Saturday, 25 October 2014					
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
7:30 PM to 9:30 PM	Sing To Live Concert	Sanctuary			
Sunday, 26 October 2014					
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room			
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Adult Ed	Chapel			
9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Room 201			
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary			
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Sunday School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM			
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Fellowship and Refreshments	Mayflower			
11:30 AM to 12:30 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Bell Room			
11:30 AM to 3:00 PM	GCC Tailgating Party	West Entrance			
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room			
4:00 PM to 5:00 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Room 201			

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YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!



Join us for the 2014 Glenbrook Crop Hunger Walk, where people from many local churches gather to take a stand against hunger, on Sunday, October 19. 12:30 p.m.

REGISTRATION is at 12:30 p.m. and the walk begins at 1:00 p.m. at Glenview United Methodist Church, 727 Harlem. Participants may choose to walk 1K, 5K or 10K. The entire family can support the fight against hunger at home and around the world! Each walker is encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item to be given to the Northfield Township Food Pantry on the day of the walk. Those who cannot walk may offer most needed financial support. To register or to pledge your support, stop by the Mission Outreach Board's Crop Walk table at coffee hour. Let's have a great GCC turnout for this event! For more information, contact Diane Silca at dsilca@yahoo.com.