

OUR TIME IS NOW

What a grand celebration of our 75th anniversary this month of October is! From the Anniversary Sunday on October 2... to **Over the Rainbow Sunday** anchored by Paul Ayres' Fantasy-Sonata so magnificently offered by Gary Wendt on October 9...to *Heritage Sunday's* retrospective with Rev. Robert Warskow reprising his pastorate (1970-1995) and Dr. William Schnell returning to his familiar place as Choir Director (1980's)...to Hymn Fest 10 under the inspired leadership of our guest musician and friend Paul Leddington Wright, including a commissioned anthem and hymn, the celebration has been four Sundays of wonderfulness that continued in the Mayflower Room with fascinating display boards and a video montage crafted by our Archivist Susan Johns. Many thanks to Beryl Bills, Susan Johns, Tricia Melzer-Swaydrak, Beth Raebel, Allan Ruter and Bob Warskow of the Anniversary Committee, to our Minister for Music Gary Wendt, our Director of Adult Choirs **Guillermo Muñoz Küster**, our Director of Children's and Youth Choirs **Debby Shellard**, and **Tania McCar**thy and **Susan Woodsome** in the church office for their tireless and creative support of this celebration.

Now we conclude October with Reformation Sunday, including the presentation of Bibles to our Fourth Graders, and baptism and reception of new members. Reformation Sunday takes us deep into the 499-year history that began unwittingly when Professor Martin Luther posted a provocative assignment for his students on the Castle Church door at the University of Wittenberg. Yet even more significant than immersing us in that history is the power of Reforma-

tion Sunday to propel us into our ministry. In the words of the great 20th Century theologian Karl Barth, *Ecclesia Semper* **Reformanda est:** the church must always be reformed and reforming.

So it is for GCC today. We have a grand history, and it's a luxury to celebrate it. But it's deadly to stay there...no matter whether the memories are halcyon or painful. Much more significant is who God is calling us to be and what God is calling us to do in our day...in our now! Our time is not yesterday. Our time is today, and tomorrow. **Now** is when God penetrates our hearts with the Spirit of love. Now is when God calls us to die to self so that we can live for Christ by loving one another...every other...in A House for ALL God's People!

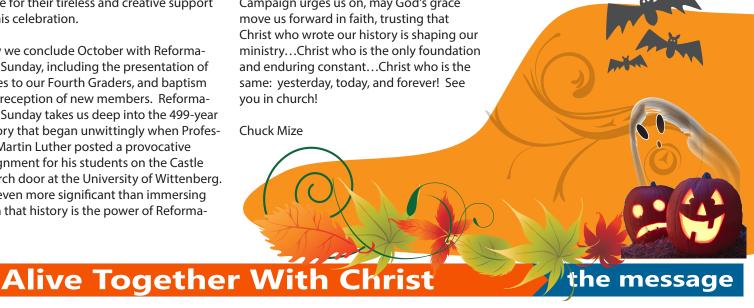
You see, the best way we can honor yesterday is by our faithfulness today...and tomorrow. The best way we can celebrate our heritage is to invest in God's hope. We can't ever again be who we were. But we can be who God is calling us to be **now.** As the name of our *Forward in Faith* Capital Campaign urges us on, may God's grace move us forward in faith, trusting that Christ who wrote our history is shaping our ministry...Christ who is the only foundation and enduring constant...Christ who is the same: yesterday, today, and forever! See you in church!

Chuck Mize



Five months ago we kicked off our Forward in Faith Capital Campaign to renew, equip and improve our aging and failing church building for ministry in the coming decades. At the beginning of the campaign we promised you that the results would be reported when we had received a response from 90% of our households. The campaign continues to contact those who have not yet responded. However this coming Sunday – Reformation Sunday - we will report on our progress to date in worship! Please join us as we celebrate this milestone for GCC's future!

Chuck Mize



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Have you picked up the special 75th anniversary pictorial directory? The church directories are available following worship each Sunday or in the office during the week. If you would like us to mail you a copy, please contact Rev. Pam Keckler.

NEW MEMBERS

There will be a new member orientation session on Thursday evening, October 27 from 7:00-8:15 p.m. in the church library. If you've been attending GCC and are interested in learning more, join us for a time of information and discussion. We will receive new members into the church on Sunday, October 30 during worship. All are welcome.

RECENT CMA MEETING

Several GCC members visited St. Paul UCC in Palatine on Saturday, October 15 for the annual fall gathering of CMA (Chicago Metropolitan Association) of our Conference. Those who attended included Tom Amos, Dick Conser, Nan Conser, Dale Susan Edmonds, Pam Keckler, Nancy Mullarkey, Jane Sanderson and Kathie Wilson. We enjoyed Spunky Dunkers Donuts (famous in Palatine) for breakfast, shared in worship and communion together and heard our guest speaker, Father Michael Pfleger from Chicago. Fr. Pfleger spoke on several justice issues and how we might use our voices and our witness as we go out into our communities to serve. We concluded the day with lunch. A future recording of Pfleger's keynote talk will be available soon.



You have not lived until you have done something for someone who can never repay you.
John Bunyan 1688

Pledge Cards Reported = 78%

We are truly thankful to all those who have pledged to date! We appreciate all of the hard work that our volunteers have put into our FORWARD IN FAITH Campaign to bring our important message to all the members and friends of Glenview Community Church. If you have not completed a pledge card to date, we ask that you prayerfully consider your gift and return your pledge card as soon as possible so that we can reveal the total pledged.

We want everyone to know that once the Campaign Total has been announced, we will continue to keep you informed as we begin the next steps. We will let you know when the Spiritual Council along with the Building Task Force will be presenting our revised Plan of Action based on the funds raised. We will then vote on the Plan before proceeding forward. You will be receiving more information on this in the coming weeks.

We will also be publishing the names of all who have pledged to the FORWARD IN FAITH Campaign. If you do not wish to have your name published or if you have any questions, please call Karen or Tom or email them at campaign@gccucc.org.

"HONORING OUR PAST, SECURING OUR FUTURE"

COMMON GROUND NOVEMBER 16

JOHN WASIK -LIGHTNING STRIKES — TES-LA, CREATIVITY AND THE WAY FORWARD Based on his upcoming book *Lightning Strikes*, John Wasik will use the life and inventions of the genius inventor Nikola Tesla as a lens to show how we can spark our own creativity and innovation. He will tell the story of how the inventor created radio, the modern electrical grid, robotics and wireless/remote control. For those who are intrigued by the Tesla car, Google, or drones, this is an exciting journey of inspiration and discovery. We'll also venture into future technologies and a vision for global energy.

AUDITIONS FOR PAG-EANT NARRATORS AND READERS

Think you'd like to be a part of the 65th GCC Pageant as one of the narrators of the story or readers of the Bible passages? Then come out for auditions which will be held on Thursday, November 3 in the Sanctuary from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. and which are open to anyone in high school or older. The auditions will be 5-10 minutes in length and you will receive some passages in advance to prepare. If you are interested, please contact C.J. Sultz to set up a time at *cjsultz@comcast.net* or 312-933-0413. This is a great opportunity to be a part of our wonderful tradition!

USHERS WANTED

We are looking for individuals, couples and families who might want to help usher on Sunday mornings. You greet people, help them find various rooms, hand them a bulletin and be aware of what's happening around you! Each usher team helps every 8 weeks. For more information, contact Rev. Pam Keckler.



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Alive Together With Christ



SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAM **SUNDAY!**

On November 6, come to worship and be surprised! Our eight Spiritual Life Teams will be bringing you a message of new life! They will be sharing God experiences they have had; God moments when God became "real" in their lives, and inviting you to look at your own life journey for times when God became real for you. When God becomes a real presence in your life; when God becomes a close companion on your life's journey, it will shift into a spiritual experience that is life changing and filled with surprise. God doesn't take charge of our lives, but invites us to explore the depth of our spirit and connect to others on the journey with us. You will hear some of those surprises shared on Sunday by seven people on spiritual life teams. Don't forget: after the service come downstairs to the founder's room for conversations with Spiritual Life Team members to answer any of your questions and birthday cake for Betsy Martin and Bobbie Mckay. You can also visit the Heifer Project and enjoy pizza with Rev. Elizabeth. A full Sunday morning of surprises!

See you on November 6!

PAGEANT NEWS

PARENTS OF 4TH - 6TH GRADERS: This year's Pageant will take place on Sunday, December 4. Your children have the opportunity to be the Children of All Nations who dress in country-specific costumes and bring gifts to the Baby Jesus. They will be picking out their costumes during church school class on November 13. If they are not in class that day, they will have another opportunity to select a costume during class on November 20. Please talk to your children about this opportunity in advance and encourage them to participate! You should have received an email from me with those details. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Genevieve Schuberth - 773.680.3815 - Children of All Nations Coordinator

CALLING ALL VETERANS!

On Sunday, November 13, we will recognize and honor those among us who have served our nation in the Armed Forces. If you are a veteran we need to hear from you so that we can properly thank those in our congregation who have served. Please contact the church office or me (chuck.mize@gccucc.org) with your information including branch of service, rank and years of service. We already have information for Karen Aldrich, Bill Cooper, Daniel Curran, Dr. William Dawson, Paul Desjardins, Ed Detwiler, Robert Doehler, Pete Elzer, Jim Enzinger, Bob Hinchsliff, Marvin Johnson, Gordon Jones, Steve Krueger, Lloyd Kuehn, Jr., Michael McCarthy, Marsh Mussay, Ron Norene, Jim Peters, Nicholas Peters, Rev. Clark Ross, Dr. Steve Scholly, Russell Sorenson, Karen Tatarelis, Bob Tompkins, Jim Urice and Mike Walters. Please be at church by 9:40 a.m. on November 13 and assemble in the Narthex. Ed Detwiler has graciously agreed to serve as coordinator. We will be contacting you with more details as November 13 approaches. Please plan to be with us in worship for this very special Sunday that follows Veterans Day this year.

Chuck Mize



Worship 10:00 a.m. OCTOBER

REFORMATION SUNDAY
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO
FOURTH GRADERS

Scripture:

Habakkuk 2:1-4 Luke 19:1-10

Sermon:

Our Sycamore Trees Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

NOVEMBER

SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAM SUNDAY HEIFER INTERNATIONAL PIZZA SUNDAY

Scripture:

Luke 4:17-19 Matthew 4:23

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STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE
CONSECRATION
VETERANS RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Scripture:

Isaiah 65:17-25 Luke 21:5-19

Sermon:

Faith that LastsRev. Dr. Chuck Mize

REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY THANKSGIVING AND REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Scripture:

Philippians 4:4-9 Luke 23:33-43

Sermon:

Rejoice in the Lord Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

MYRA LORIS ON THE 1950s

Myra Loris will continue her series *The Fabulous Fifties* for October and conclude the series in November. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$15. Refreshments will be served beginning at 7:00 p.m. and the lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. and conclude at 8:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 15

Out of This World looks at some of the social and scientific highlights of the decade, including the start of the Women's Movement, the newly discovered political power of television and the start and significance of the early US-Soviet space race, focused on the launch of Sputnik!

CONFIRMATION TEACHERS THANK YOU!

As we celebrate our 75th church anniversary, there are several members we wish to honor for their years of teaching confirmation classes:

Monty Davis – 10 years Mike and Barbara Lauesen – 11 years Bob McGee – 15 years Kerry Karth – 21 years

Thank you for your service; and for all teachers and leaders who contributed to the ongoing ministry of our confirmands. Rev. Pam Keckler

CONFIRMATION NEWS

--CROP Walk – 21 confirmands and teachers participated in walking for CROP as they talked about hunger. They raised \$570 together. Thank you!!

The 7th Grade recently took a field trip to the *Ismaili Jamatkhana* (Islamic House of Gathering and Worship). It is part of our understanding of how the only three monotheistic faiths are connected through a common ancestor – Abraham.

LOOKING BACK IN THE BOOKS

1958 INVENTORY - SOPHOMORE CONFIRMATION COMPARED TO 2016 EIGHTH GRADE CONFIRMATION

Here are sample questions (underlined) and responses before this confirmand was confirmed at GCC in 1958, followed by a similar response (in italics) from an 8th grader who was confirmed in 2016 on what they believe.

<u>Myself and Fellowman</u> – people are placed on this earth by God to perform a few basic tasks which will prepare us for the next life.

I believe in the church community and how it can better everyone. God gives us guidance as to what to do in the situation.

Will of God for my life – I think God wants me to help him by making others happy believers in his world.

I wish to be seen as a member of the church and a disciple of Christ. I want to be a student but also a teacher of the word of God.

The problems that a Christian might face in his personal life – the problems are only slight hurdles, placed there so we will be more satisfied with the good...in preparation of the next life.

Bullying really concerns me. Bullying makes others feel bad about themselves and who they are. Bullies take away self-worth, and NO ONE should feel that way. Bullying leads to suicide and other bad experiences. Bullying is a growing problem that I don't know if we can stop.

The main problems facing the world are getting along with the others around us; learning to lead a true life of God.

I am really concerned with the drug problem in Glenview. I know every day that more kids use illegal substances and when I hear that some are even my age, it makes me fearful for me and my friends.

FOOD WITH FRIENDS

Enjoy a hot meal provided by Glenbrook High School Interact Club in partnership with St. David's Episcopal Church. There is no cost for this meal. It is an opportunity to join your friends and neighbors at St. David's on every third Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. for dinner and fellowship. It is a chance to meet some amazing young people, break bread with your neighbors and feed your body.

Here are the dates:

November 15, January 17, February 21, March 21 and April 18.

St. David's Episcopal Church, 2410 Glenview Road, Glenview, IL (corner of Glenview Road and Shermer Road)

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 supports San Lucas UCC and the Northfield Township Food Pantry.

PYF OCTOBER

4:00 - 6:00 YOUTH ROOM October 30 - Pumpkin Carving ContestPumpkins will be provided.



WHY DONATE TO BERNIE'S BOOK BANK?

"Read, Reuse, Recycle". All of Bernie's books are continually renewed and passed along to many different children

All books are ready to be distributed in 5 days.

The children are given far more than one or two books; they are given entire libraries of books so every ONE book you donate becomes SIX on arrival.

The at-risk children are given their books directly to take home and love forever.

Our only focus is to give children the best books possible to help them learn in every possible way.

Other information:

Deliver books to Glenview Community Church outside of the main office and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in the East hallway.

Collecting books from October 16 - November 28

ONLY children's book from grades K – 6th grade

For any other questions or concerns please contact Rev. Elizabeth Ciccolini at <u>elizabeth.ciccolini@gccucc.org</u>



MISSION FEST

As the last special event in our monthlong celebration of GCC's 75th anniversary, the Board of Mission Outreach will host a "Mission Fest" in the Mayflower Room immediately following worship this Sunday, October 30.

Representatives from agencies, organizations, and non-profits supported by our budgeted mission funds and, in some cases, by the Women's Association will be on hand to answer questions and provide information on the good and important work they do in Glenview, Chicagoland, the USA, and the world.

Those invited to attend include By the Hand Club for Kids, Connections for the Homeless, Cornerstone Community Outreach, Community Renewal Society, Feed My Starving Children, Heifer International, Hands of Peace, Josselyn Center, A Just Harvest/Northside Power, The Night Ministry, Onward Neighborhood House, Refugee One, and San Lucas UCC.

LET'S GET ACTIVE

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

Mahatma Gandhi

OCTOBER 30

Mission Fair - Join us in the Mayflower Room to meet some of the organizations GCC supports.

NOVEMBER 6 AND 13

Heifer International Living Gift Marketmore details to come.

DECEMBER 10

Feed My Starving Children - 9:00-11:00 a.m.

JANUARY 6

Bernie's Book Drive

1 - 3:00 p.m. Help sort through books which will be given to lower income children

FEBRUARY 7

Souper Bowl - more details to come.

Be on the lookout for the *Mission Tree* in December and cookies for the *Night Ministry* in February. *Food on the First* will be collected again this year for Northfield Pantry and San Lucas.

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location	Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location
Thursday, 27 Octob	per 2016	•	7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	Friday, 04 Novembe	r 2016	
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga Class	Narthex	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
4:30 PM to 5:30 PM	PYF Singers	Room 201	7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	GCC Volleyball	Gym
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Joyful Ringer Rehearsal	Bell Room	8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA Meeting	Parlor
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg	Mayflower	8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library
7:00 PM to 8:15 PM	New Members Meeting	Library	Saturday, 05 Novem	ber 2016	
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym
Friday, 28 October	2016		9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
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8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA Meeting	Parlor	8:30 AM to 9:30 AM	Stewardship Board Meeting	Room 210
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library	9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal	Room 201
Saturday, 29 Octob	er 2016		10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sunday, 30 Octobe			11:00 AM to 12:30 PM	Family Pizza Day	Plymouth Room
9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal	Room 201	11:00 AM to 12:30 PM	Heifer Living Gift Fair	Mayflower
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Monday, 31 Octobe	r 2016		3:30 PM to 6:00 PM	Confirmation Make Ups	Room 32
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7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Pageant Rehearsal	Sanctuary	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Pageant Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Childrens Board Meeting	Youth Room	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Pastoral Care Meeting	Parlor
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5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	7/8 Club & POW	Youth Room	6:00 PM to 7:15 PM	Bible Study	Parlor
5:30 PM to 6:30 PM	Community Dinner	Mayflower	7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Music Board Meeting	Music Office
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GIVING GLIMPSE SEPTEMBER, 2016

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. 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 Giving Glimpse will be updated monthly and included in the worship bulletin and Broadcaster.

	Amount Received	Amount Pledged	Over/ Under
September	\$ 51,691	\$ 58,947	-\$ 7,256
YTD	\$666,293	\$710,818	-\$44,525



9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Resale Shop Open

9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

4:30 PM to 5:30 PM

6:15 PM to 7:20 PM

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Yoga Class

PYF Singers

Joyful Ringer Rehearsal

BSA - Backup Only

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PONDERING IN SILENCE...

Ring the bells that still can ring, Forget your perfect offering. There is a crack in everything. That's how the light gets in.

Leonard Cohen



