

Broadcaster

March 27, 2013



THIS HOLY WEEK

One of the elements that I've introduced in worship at the Glenview Community Church comes at the very beginning of the service: the Trinitarian Declaration. If you've noticed it, you may be wondering what it's all about. It goes like this:

L. Our worship is in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:
P. ONE GOD, MOTHER OF US ALL.
All. BLESSED BE GOD, FOR EVER AND EVER!

The Trinity is an ancient way to describe who God is. It dates to the 4th and 5th centuries, to the Councils of Nicæa (325 A.D.) and Chalcedon (451 AD). These councils set forth the doctrine that the Godhead is three persons (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) who are co-equal and of the same substance. Chalcedon affirmed this doctrine and clarified the doctrine concerning Christ's two natures: fully human and fully divine.

So why does this matter? For me, this dusty old doctrine matters because it says very clearly that God is not a supreme monarch who rules the world in isolation. Instead, God is a family of three persons. That means that God's very nature is community. God is God the Father, and God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. It takes all three, together, to be God...to be the God family. Just as we cannot become acquainted with any human family without knowing all of the members of that family, so it is with God. God's most basic nature is community...family. That means that God's essence is not powerful domination but vulnerable relationships.

The words that we have been using at GCC in worship are inspired by the Riverside Church in New York. Those words mix the gender metaphors to keep us from getting locked into an exclusively masculine gender metaphor for God. God includes both the

feminine and the masculine, both father and mother.

As we journey together through this Holy Week, my hope is that we will discover again and anew not only how relational our God is, but how relational our faith is. This relational necessity has been a part of our faith tradition for millennia. Indeed, the word synagogue simply means to come together. In our faith we simply must congregate; we simply must form congregations.

One of the most important phrases in the New Testament is made up of two very simple Greek words: *huper* humon, for us. This simple phrase is the deep meaning of John 3:16. These two words are also the heart and spirit of agape – of sacrificial love – love that is the core, the compassion and the commitment of Jesus' life and ministry – love that is our call to love Jesus who first loved us by becoming Jesus' disciples who care for and serve others and this world.

Each year, Holy Week surprises me with its power to bring me home and make me new. These transformatory moments always happen for me when we're worshipping together. So I pray that you will also experience this movement of the Spirit as we gather for worship...as we tend to our sacred relationships with our God and with God's people.

Yes God is a family. And God calls us to be a family: a family where everyone is welcome...a family where everyone counts...a family where each person is precious and holy. In this family, there's always room for one more...a family that's always inviting new folks in. And the family is incomplete unless it includes you. See you in church!

Chuck Mize

WORSHIP SERVICES

HOLY WEEK EASTER SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY
March 28, 7:30 p.m. Worship

GOOD FRIDAY
March 29, 7:30 p.m. Worship

EASTER SUNDAY
March 31, 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Worship Services

APRIL 7, 2013

FAMILY WORSHIP COMMUNION

4th Graders will receive their Bibles

10:00 a.m. *Worship*

Scripture:
Psalm 150
John 20:19-31

Sermon:
Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

APRIL 14, 2013

10:00 a.m. *Worship*

Scripture:
Acts 9:1-6, 17-20
John 21:1-19

Sermon:
Do You Love Me?
Rev. Dr. Charles Mize



INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A BOARD?

The Leadership Committee is charged with finding volunteers to serve on a variety of church boards each year. The list of boards can be found in the front of the church directory. Serving on a GCC board is a great way to meet new people and can be very rewarding. If you are interested in serving on a board or have any questions, please contact Karen Aldrich, Vice Moderator, at kaaldrich@comcast.net or (847)729-1168.

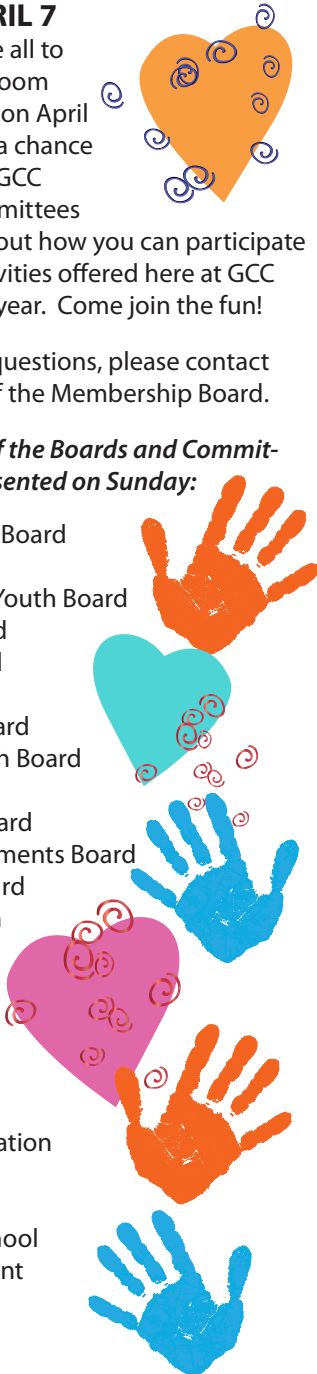
HEARTS AND HANDS SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Come one, come all to the Mayflower Room after the service on April 7. You will have a chance to see what our GCC boards and committees are doing. Find out how you can participate in the many activities offered here at GCC throughout the year. Come join the fun!

If you have any questions, please contact DeAnne Frank of the Membership Board.

Here are some of the Boards and Committees being represented on Sunday:

Adult Education Board
 Children's Board
 Confirmation & Youth Board
 Fellowship Board
 Properties Board
 Finance Board
 Membership Board
 Mission Outreach Board
 Music Board
 Pastoral Care Board
 Services & Sacraments Board
 Stewardship Board
 Rainbow Garden
 Men's Ministry
 Youth Choirs
 Ambassadors
 Puppet Ministry
 Chancel Choir
 A Just Harvest
 Women's Association
 The Resale Shop
 Hands of Peace
 GCC Nursery School
 Christmas Pageant
 Joyful Ringers
 Gardening



ADULT EDUCATION

**SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM IN THE CHAPEL-
*Standing at the Crossroads: GCC and Cold War Politics***

Late in 1964, the John Birch Society—a well-funded, anti-Communist political action group—established its Midwestern headquarters in Glenview. Over the next few months, local clergy including GCC's Senior Minister, the Rev. Dr. Kenneth E. Nye, publicly expressed opposition to the "Birchers," as they were known, and news media including The New York Times exposed this hometown conflict to a national audience divided by Cold War politics.

Nearly fifty years later, GCC still stands at the crossroads of personal belief and public opinion. On Sunday, April 7, join Susan Johns and Allan Ruter at 9 a.m. in the Chapel as they offer a glimpse into our past through documents from GCC's archives and additional resources provided by Bev Dawson, director of the Glenview History Center.

WEIGHT TRAINING CLASSES



Join the ongoing weight training exercise class that meets Thursdays from 11:00 -11:45 am in the Mayflower Room. It is a class where all levels of

health and fitness are welcome. The main objective of the class is to get stronger and have more energy in your daily life. The certified trainer is Helen White who has classes all over the north shore. I encourage all newcomers to give it a try! Please bring light weights to start (1-3 pounds). This is a drop-in class so no reservations or long term commitment is necessary. Cost is \$10.00 per class.

Questions? Please call Marilyn, Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 230.



BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Please join Marilyn and Pam on Tuesday evening, April 2 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. for a special gathering. Our guest speaker is Melinda Pol-

lack, founder of Sing to Live. She will share her story as well as info on the upcoming concert of their singing group, "The Sounds of Motown" April 13 at GCC at 7:30. Tickets are free for breast cancer survivors. We will conclude our hour with dessert and sharing. Save this date and time to be strengthened by others. We'll meet in the Parlor. Friends are invited.

HEALING TOUCH

Healing Touch therapy has proven to preserve immune function in patients undergoing chemo/radiation treatment for cancer. Other studies have proven Healing Touch to be effective in reducing pain, and relieving stress. It aids in the preparation and recovery of surgical procedures. Healing Touch sessions are still being donated in 2013 to GCC Members. Can your health afford to not take advantage of this wonderful opportunity?

Healing Touch spring schedule for 2013

April 18, 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Library
 May 16, 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Library
 Call Healing2Mend (847) 804-6363 or email s.h.johnson@comcast.net to schedule a session.

APRIL 21, 2013

10:00 A.M.

Children's Musical

**"The Old Testament Fast Forward"
 Directed by Debby Shellard**

FAITH IN ACTION (FIAT)

Faith in Action Team has many opportunities for church members and friends to contribute their time, expertise and passion to stand for policies that promote peace and justice in our communities. Here are some events that will take place in the near future.

MARCH 30 AT 1:00 – 3:00 PM MASS INCARCERATION SEMINAR

Unitarian Church of Evanston
1330 Ridge Avenue, Evanston
Please contact Dale Griffin DaleCGriffin@comcast.net for more information.

APRIL 7 AT 11:00 AM - NOON HEARTS AND HANDS SUNDAY

Meet FIAT at the Mission Outreach Board table. Get information about FIAT and sign up for opportunities to influence social policies.

APRIL 8 AT 6:30 – 7:30 PM GCC FAITH IN ACTION TEAM MEETING

Church Parlor. *JUST COME*, your neighbors across Illinois need you.

APRIL 16 ALL DAY DAY OF FAITH AT THE CAPITOL

Bus trip to Springfield with Community Renewal Society churches from all over Chicagoland. Please contact Nancy Mullarkey Mullarkeyn@hotmail.com.

JUNE 15 AT 9:00 AM - NOON COMMUNITY RENEWAL SOCIETY Summer Leadership Council Meeting

Unity Temple, Oak Park
Not just for current leaders, this is a good place to learn skills to build power and influence for social justice, find out what has been accomplished and still needs work. For more information please contact Betsy Martin Betsywisemartin@att.net.

FOOD ON THE FIRST

Are you making a Costco run soon? Please consider picking up extra pasta, cereal or canned fruit or veggies. Bring any non-perishable food to church on April 7, 2013 to help feed those in need. The need has never been greater and food pantry shelves can use your contribution! Thank you for your participation in this important mission project.

MISSION MOMENT SUNDAY, APRIL 7 WORSHIP

Sharon Riley, Administrative Director of Rebuilding Together, will speak to us during our church service on April 7. GCC has a long standing partnership with this wonderful organization which provides assistance to homeowners in need of clean up, repairs and general home improvement. Its next service day is Saturday, April 27! You can participate in this event by signing up at the Missions Outreach table during our Hearts and Hands event in the Mayflower Room following our April 7 service.

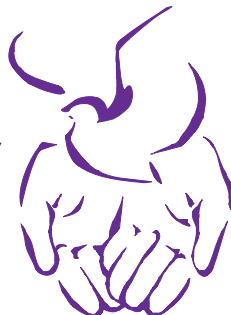


HANDS OF PEACE SATURDAY, APRIL 13 DEERFIELD HYATT 6:00 P.M.

Hands of Peace is celebrating 10 years of fostering dialogue and friendship among Israeli, Palestinian and American youth, and GCC has been a part of that 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, birthday cake and lots of fun! Cocktail attire. Tickets are \$100. We'd love to have the best turnout possible from GCC! You can purchase tickets on the website: handsofpeace.org or contact Gretchen Grad 847-998-5576 gradhop@gmail.com

HOP Ambassadors:

Gretchen and Brian Grad, Debby Fosdick, Kelly and Dave Golding, Barbara (event chair) and Michael Lauesen, Betsy Martin, Sally and Tom Thuresson



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school is not in session on Easter Sunday so that families may worship together either at 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Fourth graders will receive their Bibles during the April 7 family worship service. Regular Sunday school classes will resume on April 14.

CONFIRMATION

Classes resume on April 7. All reports are due. Seventh Graders will have regular opening in Plymouth Room at 8:45 a.m.

8TH GRADERS AND PARENTS

Please join the teachers, along with Elizabeth and Rev. Keckler for our meeting on April 7 at 8:45 a.m. in the Mayflower Room.

FIELD TRIP TO TRINITY UCC

April 7 in Chicago

You are invited to join the 8th Grade Confirmation field trip to the Trinity UCC Church in Chicago on April 7.

Trinity UCC is a vibrant African American UCC church in Chicago (95th Street). The worship service begins at 6:00 p.m. but we are planning to arrive early to witness several baptisms (by immersion), along with a praise time of special music. Worship will end with communion. The bus will leave GCC at 4:00 p.m. If you would like to join the Confirmands, please reserve your seat with Rev. Keckler (847-724-2210, Ext. 224.)

PYF 4:00 - 6:00 PM YOUTH ROOM

APRIL 7: *Snack Food Pot Luck:*

Bring your favorite snack food – some to share and some to put on the shelf for later this spring. Fun new games!

APRIL 14: *Mission Project*

Non-Parishible Sack Lunches for the Youth Services: Please bring some of the following – Granola bars, cups of fruit, fruit snacks, chips, juice boxes, and add water only soup or Mac and Cheese.

APRIL 21: *Constructing a Door*



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GCC

THUR	11:00 AM	Countdown to Fitness, Founders Rm
03/28	1:00 PM	Alzheimer's & Related Dementias Support Group, Narthex
	4:00 PM	Spring Break Workshop, Mayflower Rm
	7:30 PM	Maundy Thursday Worship, Sanctuary
FRI	1:00 PM	GCC Pickleball, Gym
03/29	4:00 PM	Spring Break Workshop, Mayflower Rm
	7:30 PM	Good Friday Worship Service, Sanctuary
	8:00 PM	Al-Anon, Rm 201
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
SAT	9:00 AM	Spring Break Workshop, Mayflower Rm
03/30	9:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
SUN	9:00 AM	Easter Worship Service, Sanctuary
03/31	11:00 AM	Easter Worship Service, Sanctuary
MON		Day After Easter
04/01		Building is closed
TUE	6:00 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal, Sanctuary
04/02	6:30 PM	Breast Cancer Support Group, Parlor
	7:00 PM	HOP Board Mtg., Founders
WED	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
04/03	1:00 PM	GCC Pickleball, Gym
	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Mayflower
	8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Rm 210
THU	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 5:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
04/04	9:00 AM	GCC Yoga, Narthex
	11:00 AM	Countdown To Fitness, Founders Rm
	4:30 PM	HOP Leadership and Operations Mtg., Parlor
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
04/05	1:00 PM	GCC Pickleball, Gym
	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts, Mayflower Rm
	7:00 PM	GCC Adult Volleyball, Gym
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
	8:00 PM	Al-Anon, Rm 201
SAT	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
04/06	9:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
SUN	8:45 AM	Confirmation Opening Prayers, Plymouth Rm
04/07	8:45 AM	8th Grade Confirmation Parent Mtg., Youth Rm
	9:00 AM	Confirmation Classes, Various Rms
	9:00 AM	Adult Ed, Chapel
	9:15 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201
	10:00 AM	Community Worship Service, Sanctuary
	11:00 AM	Hearts and Hands, Mayflower Rm
	11:15 AM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	3:00 PM	Voices of GCC, Rm 201
	4:00 PM	PYF, Youth Rm
	MON	12:30 PM
04/08	1:00 PM	Pickleball, Gym
	5:30 PM	B ball 10 yr olds, Gym
	6:30 PM	Faith In Action Mtg., Parlor

	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Committee Mtg., Founders Rm
	7:00 PM	Yoga, Rm 201
	7:00 PM	Property Board Mtg., Rm 210
	7:30 PM	Mission Outreach Board Mtg., Parlor
TUE	6:00 PM	Sing To Live, Sanctuary
04/09	7:00 PM	Service & Sacraments Board Mtg., Rm 210
	7:00 PM	HOP Operations Committee Mtg., Rm 201
	7:00 PM	Pastoral Care Board Mtg., Parlor
	7:00 PM	Adult Education Board Mtg., Founders Rm
WED	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
04/10	9:00 AM	GCC Garden Committee, Parlor
	1:00 PM	GCC Pickleball, Gym
	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Gym
	7:00 PM	Children's Board Mtg., Parlor
	7:00 PM	Music Board Mtg., Music Office
	7:30 PM	Youth & Confirmation Board Mtg., Youth Rm
	8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Gym

THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS APRIL 3, 2013 AT 9:00 AM



SPRING PLANT SALE

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION, CHAPTER 1

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 14

PICKUP/DELIVERY
Saturday, May 18
9:30 a.m. – noon

If you have any questions, please call Sue Hoffmann (847)998-0164.

Forms are online at gccucc.org or at the church office.

THE LENTEN PRETZEL

The pretzel has a deep spiritual meaning for Lent. In fact, it was the ancient Christian Lenten bread as far back as the fourth century. In the old Roman Empire, the faithful kept a very strict fast all through Lent: no milk, no butter, no cheese, no eggs, no cream and no meat. They made small breads of water, flour and salt, to remind themselves that Lent was a time of prayer. They shaped these breads in the form of crossed arms for in those days they crossed their arms over the breast while praying. Therefore they called the breads "little arms" (bracellae). From this Latin word, the Germanic people later coined the term "pretzel."

Thus the pretzel is the most appropriate food symbol in Lent. It still shows the form of arms crossed in prayer, reminding us that Lent is a time of prayer. It consists only of water and flour, thus proclaiming Lent as a time of fasting. The earliest picture and description of a pretzel (from the fifth century) may be found in the manuscript-codex No. 3867, V.



3rd grade Sunday school class making Lenten pretzels on Sunday, March 17

GCC YOUTH TO RECEIVE GLENVIEW CIVIC AWARD!



Senior Erika Grad has been selected as this year's Glenview Youth of the Year for "outstanding community service." Many of her activities have been directly tied to GCC. She has been Youth Ambassador for Matanya's Hope, a Mission Outreach partner sponsoring education and supplies for underprivileged youth in Kenya (and will be making her 3rd trip there this summer). She has also taken part in Hands of Peace, been a member of Puppet Ministry and gone on several GCC youth mission trips. At Glenbrook South she has been part of the Academy for International Studies, Model UN, varsity girls hockey and marching band. Erika has been accepted at Trinity College (Hartford, CT), but will defer for one year so she can take part in the gap year program Thinking Beyond Borders where she will do development work in Ecuador, China, India and South Africa. Many thanks to GCC members Per Hanson, Jim Shellard, Tom Amos and Sheila O'Brien who put forth her nomination.



STOCK SALES BEGIN SOON!

This year's Pilgrim Youth Fellowship summer mission trip will send a large contingent to Newport, Tennessee—in the foothills of the Great Smokey Mountains, near the North Carolina border—where PYFers will work with local children and undertake a variety of community projects.

To support our young people in their annual service project, GCC members may purchase "**STOCK SHARES**" during the coffee hour after worship on April 7, April 28, April 14, and May 12 (Youth Sunday.) Each \$10 stock share will help offset travel expenses and provide scholarships for some participants.

There will be a raffle this year, Northwestern Basketball tickets for next season (Northwestern vs Illinois). The more stock you buy the better your chances of winning!



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OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PASTORS

Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize, *Senior Minister*
Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Minister for Spiritual Formation & Church Operations*

MINISTRY STAFF:

Marilyn Belleau, *RN, Health Ministry*
Kathy Lifton, *Children's Ministry*
Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, *Youth Ministry*
Debby Shellard, *Children's Choirs*
Gary Wendt, *Music & Organist*
Stephen Blackwelder, *Adult Choir*

AFFILIATES:

Marcia Kiraly, *Director, GCC Nursery School*

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COMMUNITY CONCERTS AT GCC

SATURDAY
April 13
8:00 PM

Sing to Live® Community Chorus

Sing to Live returns with the Sounds of Motown! General Admission: \$20, Seniors/Students: \$15, Breast cancer survivors complimentary. Tickets available online at singtolive.org or at the door. **TICKETED EVENT**

SUNDAY
April 21
5:00 PM

Spring Hymn Sing

Come and sing praises at a Hymn Festival led by acclaimed organist & improviser, Bruce Neswick. He is a featured artist at the national American Guild of Organists convention, Seattle, WA. Co-sponsored by American Guild of Organists –Chicago & North Shore Chapters.

