## **Pilgrims Progress**

Through the centuries the week prior to Easter has become increasingly important to Christians. Several centuries ago the week became identified as Holy Week. That has always seemed like a strange term to identify the week. Next week is known as Holy Week because of the holiness that penetrates human existence in the life of Jesus contrasted with how unholy people often are in their relationships with God and each other. We are challenged to intensify our identification with Christ and our preparation for resurrection.

We will begin Holy Week with worship on Palm Sunday. We will gather to celebrate symbolically the arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem. The children will lead the choir in the processional for worship at 9:30. Through our worship on Palm Sunday we will remember how quickly the shouts of support turned into sinister retorts of destruction.

Following the worship service through Wednesday the labyrinth will be in the Mayflower Room. I encourage you to walk the labyrinth some time during these days. It is a helpful tool for individual prayer and meditation.

On Thursday evening we will gather to worship at 7:30 p.m. This service has its roots in the last meal that Jesus shared with his disciples. Known as Maundy Thursday, the name is derived from the Latin word, mandatum, "command" and is related to the statement of Jesus, "A new commandment I give to you that you love one another." Pam Keckler will lead this service.

There is opportunity for meditation and individual worship in the Sanctuary from noon to 1 p.m. during the day on Good Friday. We will gather again as a congregation to worship at 7:30 p.m. on Good Friday. This service will be led by the Chancel Choir as they present the Faure

Requiem. The somber nature of the music will set an appropriate tone for us to reflect the tragic ending of Jesus' life.

I invite you to participate with us in each of these services and to walk the labyrinth some time during the week. May these opportunities help us be drawn closer to God and make us more aware of our potential as servants of God.

Howard



## Labyrinth, A Spiritual Walk

Spiritual Relevance for Today: Walking the Labyrinth is a personal journey or pilgrimage. The single pathway that leads you to the center and out again enables you to free your mind from mundane thoughts and concentrate on the sacred. Your walk, pace, and personal experience are all your own.

You are invited to walk the Labyrinth in the Mayflower room at any time the church is open after service on Palm Sunday through Wednesday of Holy Week.

Labyrinth guides will be available 8:30–11:30 a.m. on Palm Sunday and 4:00-8:00 p.m. on Monday through Wednesday of Holy Week, April 17-20.

## HOLY WEEK

#### **APRIL 17, 2011**

**PALM SUNDAY** 

9:30 a.m.

Chancel Choir

**Scripture:** 

Psalm 23, John 11:17-27

**Sermon:** 

"The Miracle of Resuscitation" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

# APRIL 21, 2011 MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION

7:30 p.m.

Pilgrim Wind Ensemble and Men's Chorus

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

# APRIL 22, 2011 GOOD FRIDAY

7:30 p.m.

Chancel Choir Faure Requiem

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts Andy Lewis

# **APRIL 24, 2011** *EASTER SUNDAY*

**9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.** Chancel Choir , Voices of GCC and Joyful Ringers

#### **Scripture:**

Mark 16:1-8, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

#### Sermon:

"The Miracle of Resurrection" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts Chancel Choir presents Fauré Requiem

The Chancel Choir will perform the masterpiece, Requiem, by Gabriel Fauré, for the Good Friday Service, Friday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. with professional orchestra and soloists taken from the choir conducted by Director of Music, Andrew Lewis.

Gabriel Fauré's luminous, shimmering setting of the requiem mass is understated, yet uplifting. Since its premiere in Paris at the Church of La Madeleine in 1888, Fauré's "Requiem, Op. 48" has captivated listeners with its purity and simplicity—a magical opus that is a perfect blend of beauty, power, and ethereal elegance. For this April 22nd performance, the magnificent Buzard, Op 21 Organ will receive centerpiece attention, as played by resident organist, Gary Wendt.

The Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts will preside over the Good Friday service, offering readings and meditations.



#### **SOLID ROCK**

GCC Men's Ministry cordially invites all GCC members and friends to attend a presentation by Solid Rock Carpenters on Wednesday, May 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the GCC Parlor.

Solid Rock Carpenters was started in 2005 by Scott and Jeff Engle. They have had about 30 teams travel to Louisiana and Mississippi to build more than 20 homes with Habitat for Humanity.

In addition they have worked on many different Habitat projects including: Blitz and "Accelerated" builds, framing of houses in Glenview that were shipped to Louisiana, building a playground and building beds for homeless shelters.

Donations will be accepted to support future Solid Rock Carpenters projects. To learn more about Solid Rock Carpenters go to: <a href="https://www.solidrockcarpenters.org">www.solidrockcarpenters.org</a>.

Chapel Open During Lent

The Chapel will be open during Lent for your prayer and meditation Monday through Friday anytime from Noon until 6:00 pm through Holy Week. If you are here at other times during the day and would like to pray in the Chapel or Sanctuary, please come to the office and we will unlock it for you if the space is not being used.

# Bring a Touch of Spring to Others!

Volunteers are needed to help deliver Easter lilies on Easter Sunday, April 24, after the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service. This delivery is a wonderful way you can reach out to church members and friends who are ill or home-bound. It takes a little of your time, but means so much to those receiving the flowers. If you are interested in helping or have any questions, please call Betsy Martin at (847)657-7595. Leave a voice mail if she is not home.



## Getting to Know You.

Get to know much more about Jennifer Helgren, our facility manager, who is better known as the "Bass Angler".

In addition to her responsibilities at GCC, Jennifer will tell of the research, equipment, preparation and practice involved in becoming a countrywide Bass Angler trophy winner. Her most enjoyment is in the "catch".

Join Chapter 20 on Wednesday, April 20 at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. All are welcome including other fisher *men*.



# Come to a Party! A Worship Brainstorming Party, that is...

The Planning Committee of the Executive Board, the Moderators, Ministers and Program Staff met recently to discuss the impact of having one worship service the past 9 months and our future recommendation to Executive Board followed by a report to the congregation at the Annual Meeting on May 24. We would like to hear ideas from the congregation concerning what you would like in a worship service, specifically thinking of two different services, what you don't want, suggested times and styles or types of worship, etc. Because of our time restraints, we are planning to hold two brainstorming sessions during the coffee hours on Sunday, May 1 and May 8 both at 10:45 a.m. We are aware these are busy days, but hope that you can give a few minutes to provide input. Since this is a brainstorming event, all ideas will be put on an easel, but no comments or opinions of others' suggestions will be permitted. The ground rules will be read before we begin. If you are unable to attend but have ideas, please submit them in writing to one of the moderators or ministers. Children are welcome to attend these sessions, and snacks will be available. Hope to see you at the party!!

Rev. Keckler

#### Let's Celebrate Easter!

#### 60 Plus Luncheon April 19th at 12 noon in the PLYMOUTH ROOM

Notice the change of room as we celebrate the Easter Season with a delicious soup and bread luncheon. Can't wait to see that special dessert that is a part of this enjoyable time together. A surprise activity awaits us all!!! Mark your calendar and bring a friend. New faces are always welcome!

Remember, if you need a ride, call Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ex. 30



### Let's Get in Shape!

#### Core Fusion Classes for Men and Women

When Traditional Core Exercises with a touch of Pilates, Balance Training and "Boot Camp" meet, you have a fusion class that will challenge your core muscles (abdominal and back muscles). There will be a variety of exercises that will help get you in shape.

Join Yvonne Bennett, personal trainer, for these core classes that promise to meet and exceed your expectations and keep you coming back for more.

**When:** Tuesdays, May 3, 17, 24, 31 **Time:** 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. in the gym **Cost:** \$40.00 for all 4 weeks

Minimum of 8-10 participants for the class to be held. Questions? Call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse, at 847-724-2210 ext. 30

#### **Adult Education Program**

There will be no Adult Education presentations on Palm Sunday, April 17 or Easter Sunday, April 24.

#### The Resale Shop

The Resale Shop will be closed Easter Week, Wednesday, April 20 through Saturday, April 23. It will reopen on Wednesday, April 27.

Visit our website at <u>www.theresaleshop-glenview.com</u>.



### **Broadcaster Deadlines:**

Submit articles by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday to Tania McCarthy via e-mail at <u>tania.mccarthy@gccucc.org.</u>

# Rebuilding Together GCC April 30 Work Date Sign Up NOW!

GCC is participating again in the Rebuilding Together project on Saturday, April 30. The GCC project this year is in Waukegan and is a house that belongs to a widowed mother raising five foster children. We have volunteer drivers lined up if you want to carpool from GCC and you can sign up for an 8:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. shift or a 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. shift. There will be storage related construction projects, organization/purging/hauling, and land-scaping to be done at the site. Duties will be assigned by the house captain upon arrival.

# RSVP to GCC member Kristine Voelker at <u>kristine\_voelker@yahoo.com</u> ASAP so we can put a strong GCC team together.

Low-income elderly and families with disabled members often have no place to turn when the roof begins to leak, the front steps crumble or interior home improvements need to be done. Rebuilding Together's goal is to help preserve those homes and neighborhoods and assure a warm, safe and dry home for people in need. Home ownership stabilizes and strengthens communities. Please visit their website at <a href="https://www.rebuildingtogeth-ernsc.com">www.rebuildingtogeth-ernsc.com</a>.



Monday, May 2 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 3 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Please join us for the 6th annual GCCNS Spring Boutique. Over 20 vendors, most of them new to our boutique, will be selling jewelry, purses, workout wear, home décor, personalized stationery, children's clothes, toys and more. Visit <a href="https://www.gccns.com/springboutique">www.gccns.com/springboutique</a> for a list of our wonderful vendors.

#### **LENTEN LECTIO DIVINA**

#### A time of prayer and reflection

Thursday, April 14 9:30-11 a.m. Moderator: Parish Nurse, Marilyn Belleau

#### **Sunday School**

Fifth grade Sunday school students will lead an informal worship service on Palm Sunday April 17. Following the procession of children bearing palms in the Sanctuary, parents and members of the congregation are invited to join us in the gym for the reenactment of Holy Week. Communion will be served. Regular Sunday school classes will not be in session. Child care will be available

#### **Confirmation**

8th grade – Final class is on April 17. Immediately after class we will take a short field trip to N.H. Scott and Hanekamp Funeral Home in Glenview. Parents are invited to come as well. Your confirmation robes have arrived. Please pick up your robe in the Youth Room.

7th Grade – regular class on April 17.

#### **Confirmation Field Trip** to Local Funeral Home

Each year our 8th grade confirmands visit a local funeral home to ask questions, take a tour, and talk with a funeral director. We will be going after class on Palm Sunday, April 17 to N.H. Scott and Hanekamp Funeral Home at 10:45 a.m. Parents are invited, as well as any other church member or friend. Just show up at the funeral home. Address is 1240 Waukegan Road. Contact Rev. Keckler if you have questions.

#### **PYF Winner**

Winner of the PYF Cubs Game Raffle was Scott Nelson. Scott and his family enjoyed a recent Cubs game. Thanks to all who supported the Youth Stock Sale for our summer mission trip.

### **PYF**

It's outdoor fun time at Roosevelt Park on Sunday, April 17. We will meet at church at 4:00 p.m., and then walk over to Roosevelt Park for softball, capture the flag and other activities.



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

## **Return Service Requested**

#### At A Glance

THRS 4/14 9:00 am Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm

9:30 am Lectio Divina, Rm 6

11:00 am Healing Touch, Library

12:00 pm Meditation and Prayer, Chapel

1:00 pm Ministers Mentoring Mtg, Rm 5

6:00 pm Healing Touch, Library

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

FRI 4/15 9:00 am Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm

12:00 pm Meditation and Prayer, Chapel

3:00 pm Memorial - McKinley, Sanctuary

7:00 pm NSY&R Volleyball, Gym

8:00 pm Al-Apon Mtg. Pm

8:00 pm Al-Anon Mtg., Rm 201

SAT 4/16 9:00 am Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm

9:00 am Eggstravaganza Easter Egg Hunt, Gym,

SUN 4/17 8:45 am Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201

9:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary

9:30 am Confirmation 7th Grade Class, Founders Rm

9:30 am Confirmation 8th Grade Classes, Various Rms

9:30 am Sunday School Class, Start in Rm 201

10:20 am Confirmation Closing Prayers, Youth Rm

10:30 am Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm 10:45 am Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm

10:45 am Celebration Com. Mtg, Parlor

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3:30 pm Voices of GCC, Rm 201 4:00 pm PYF Program, Youth Rm

MON 4/18 12:00 pm Meditation and Prayer, Chapel

7:00 pm PMRC, Rm 210

7:00 pm BAS 156 Committee Mtg., Parlor

TUE 4/19 12:00 pm Meditation and Prayer, Chapel

12:00 pm 60 Plus, Plymoth Rm

WED 4/20 9:15 am Chapter 11 Mtg., Parlor

9:30 am Chapter 20 Mtg., Chapel

12:00 pm Meditation and Prayer, Chapel

6:00 pm PYF Small Groups, Youth Rm

7:00 pm Pilgrim Wind Ensemble, Sanctuary

7:00 pm BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Gym & Rm 201

8:00 pm Venture Crew, Rm 210 & Gym

#### **Pastoral Care**

We offer our prayers for the family of Gwen Studt who died April 8. A memorial service was held on Wednesday, April 13.

We offer our prayers for the family of Maxine McKinley who died on March 24. A memorial service will be held at GCC on April 15 at 3 p.m.