

# Broadcaster

April 24, 2013

## DIVINE WORSHIP

We have all been touched by the horror at the Boston Marathon and the fertilizer plant explosion in Texas. And we likely know people whose lives have been severely affected by the flooding rains that so recently deluged the Chicago metropolitan area and washed over the floors of the lower level of the Glenview Community Church with as much as two inches of water. Because of this context of disruption and devastation I want to say a word to you about what I believe are the meaning and importance of corporate worship for us as we seek to serve God and follow Jesus Christ.

There was once a day when it was common for churches of our tradition to call the gathering of the church community on Sunday morning divine worship or meeting. We seldom refer to our time together as meeting, while worship no longer has divine attached to it. But, along the way, we have accumulated other names for this community event: service, celebration and praise. Often the focus is on the front, on the leaders. If it was a secular event, we'd call them performers. In this expression the congregation is little more than an audience. In the 19th century, Henry Ward Beecher (an entertainer if there ever was one!) emphasized worship as entertainment when he replaced the pews with theater seats at Plymouth Congregational Church in Brooklyn; the church whose pulpit he dramatically occupied each week.

Nevertheless, our worship tradition is not passive entertainment. To the contrary it is one of active congregational participation. And I believe that is crucial because worship sets our lives in the context of our relationship with God and, through God, with each other. It is also crucial because I am convinced that worship is the center of every congregation that is vital, responsive and alive. But what is it? What is worship?

For me, worship has at least six essential components.

**FIRST**, worship encounters the Holy. As one person commented to me years ago: I feel like I've just spent an hour in heaven. That is a tall order! But worship can bring us into the very presence of God.

**SECOND**, worship praises God. That's why worship can never be performance or entertainment. The focus of performance and entertainment is on us. But the focus of worship is on God. That means that worship is ministry because, at its core, ministry means minus. It means making less of ourselves and making more of God. Worship gets us out of the way so that we can become who God calls us to be.

**THIRD**, worship transforms the mind. Worship focuses on God's word. And, in the Greek of the New Testament, word and logic are synonyms. Worship opens Holy Scripture and illuminates it to reveal the word...the logic...of our God. If that happens in worship, our minds can't help but be transformed.

**FOURTH**, worship moves the heart. Martin Luther's crest – and now the crest of the Lutheran Church – is the Luther Rose. At its center is a heart. Just so, John Calvin's symbol for the Christian faith was a heart aflame. The Christian faith isn't just an idea to consider. It is committed devotion to the love of God in Jesus Christ. As John says it with such profound simplicity, God is love. When our hearts are moved, the Christian faith gets inside us...in our bones. When that happens, we are forever devoted to God and to all of God's children.

**FIFTH**, worship inspires discipleship. That means that worship makes us want to fol-

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## WORSHIP SERVICES

**APRIL 28, 2013**

**10:00 a.m.** *Worship*

**Schubert Mass**

*presented by:* Chancel Choir

Rev. Dr. Charles Mize

**MAY 5, 2013**

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**

We will confirm 34 confirmands

**10:00 a.m.** *Worship & Communion*

**Scripture:**

Psalm 67

John 14:23-27

**Sermon:**

"A New Teacher"

Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler

**MAY 12, 2013**

**YOUTH SUNDAY**

**10:00 a.m.** *Worship*

Our youth will be leading worship and the seniors will preach.



low Jesus and do the work of Christ in the world today. For Hands of Peace, and Called to Care, and the Night Ministry, and Rebuilding Together, and the Community Renewal Society, and Heifer International, and so many other physical expressions of love's spiritual strength that are precious to this congregation, worship is the inspiration and the launching pad.

**FINALLY**, worship expresses hope. And how desperate this wounded, and weary, and cynical world is for hope. Hope means that tomorrow's promise is not held hostage by yesterday's pain. In the words that Andrew Young used for the title of his spiritual memoir, hope means that God will make for us A Way Out of No Way. Hope is what painted the rainbow after the flood. Hope is what led Israel through the Red Sea from slavery to freedom. And, most magnificently, hope is what turned Jesus' agony and death on the cross into resurrection and new life.

So every Sunday...the first day of the week...the day of the resurrection, we gather to worship our God. We gather to become the body of Christ in the world today. We gather to be filled with an animated by the Holy Spirit so that we can follow Jesus. I pray every week that our worship will be all of these things, and more. Please let me know if these hallmarks are your experience. And come! If you have a familiar place in a GCC pew, don't let it get cold. And, if you haven't found your way to GCC on a Sunday recently, there's room for you.

Friends, being Christian means sharing God's gifts of faith, hope and love; with one another and with our world. Join us as we do that, each Sunday. See you in church!

Chuck Mize

## HEALING TOUCH

Healing Touch is used on cardiac, cancer, and surgical patients at many hospitals and clinics throughout the US. Healing Touch techniques initiate the body's relaxation response enabling your body to heal. Sessions are donated to GCC members on May 16 in the library from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sign up for your session by calling (847)804-6363 or email [s.h.johnson@comcast.net](mailto:s.h.johnson@comcast.net)



## MARILYN BELLEAU IS RETIRING

Twenty eight years ago the Glenview Community Church became a pioneering congregation for a wonderful new ministry. That ministry has blessed this congregation ever since. On August 2, 1985 Marilyn Belleau began her ministry among us as our Parish Nurse, making her the longest-serving member of the pastoral staff in GCC's history! In these twenty-eight years she has touched countless lives with her health care expertise and her sensitive spiritual guidance. She has served among us with gentleness and grace and, through these years, all of our lives have been enriched.

Last September Marilyn's position at GCC moved from full to half time at her request because she and her husband had relocated to Antioch, Illinois. After a year of commuting Marilyn has decided that now is time for her to retire. In her letter of resignation she writes:

*"It is definitely with mixed emotions that I share with you my desire to retire from Parish Nursing at Glenview Community Church on May 31, 2013. This has been an amazing experience, but I would now like to enjoy a slower pace of life at our lake house in Antioch. I will always look back at GCC with love and gratitude as I remember the members voting to accept a program of ministry that was new to the life of any church. GCC was a pioneer in the health ministry field, and for this I will be forever grateful."*

In the short time that I have served as your Senior Minister, I have been very much

impressed by the depth and breadth of Marilyn's ministry. What a gift she is to this congregation, and what a faithful witness she is to the love of Christ!

We will honor and celebrate Marilyn's ministry in worship, and in the Mayflower Room following worship on Pentecost Sunday, May 19. Please join us as we give thanks for the blessing of Marilyn Belleau and her remarkable ministry among us.

Chuck Mize

## WE'RE NOT BUILDING AN ARK!

However, water did enter the lower level of the GCC building on Thursday morning, April 18, covering almost every floor with up to two inches of water. Our insurance carrier has been very responsive to our needs, our restoration contractor is working diligently to make the necessary significant repairs in a timely way, and the engineering firm that designed our recent drainage improvements is devising a plan to minimize the possibility of the water entry issue that we have now experienced three times in the past several years. I am especially grateful to our Facilities Manager, Jennifer Helgren, Facilities Staff members Kryss and Miguel, to Office Staff member Tania Mc Carthy, and to our Moderator, Dave Aki and Property Board Chair Steve Krueger for their timely responsiveness on April 18.

Chuck Mize

## ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Glenview Community Church's Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 28, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the Mayflower Room. The purpose of the meeting will be to receive nominations and elect the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and board members and to receive the annual reports of the leadership.

This notice constitutes the official call to meeting. All members of the church are urged to be present.

## 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.

### **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](mailto:Betsywisemartin@att.net).

### **OCTOBER 5 AT 9:00 AM. – NOON COMMUNITY RENEWAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP ASSEMBLY**

Location TBD. Worship and learn how to take action for social justice. For more information please contact Nancy Mullarkey [Mullarkeyn@hotmail.com](mailto:Mullarkeyn@hotmail.com).

## REBUILDING TOGETHER

Please join us in the annual Rebuilding Together work day on Saturday, April 27. This will be the fourth year that GCC has been participating in this once a year event where teams all around the country help low-income homeowners and those with disabilities to live in dignity and independence and to remain in their homes, safe, warm and dry. This year our project is in Evanston. Sign up by contacting Dave Aki at [dave254@comcast.net](mailto:dave254@comcast.net).

## IN SYMPATHY

We trust the promise of the resurrection for Shirley Ashenfelter who died on Wednesday afternoon, April 17 after a long illness, even as we hold her son, Scott, in our prayers. Shirley's life will be trusted to our God at a memorial service yet to be scheduled at Chestnut Square.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, April 27 as we remember the life of Virginia Lawrence. The service will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel with a reception following.

## FOOD ON THE FIRST

The first Sunday of the month is coming! Hunger is here, in our community and nearby. Please remember to bring non-perishable food items to share with our hungry neighbors served by Northfield Township Food Pantry and Iglesia San Lucas, a UCC church in Chicago's Humboldt Park, founded in 1976 by Rev. Jorge Morales, with financial help from GCC. Each month, one of these pantries receives our donations. Financial contributions in an envelope marked for the Food Pantry are also welcome.

## PRAYER REQUEST BOX

*"Whenever hands are clasped in prayer,  
Our loving Lord is always there."*

A reminder to all church members that the GCC Prayer Ministry has a Prayer Box in the Narthex and Transept which provides you the opportunity to have your prayer requests prayed for by members of this ministry. Every week those requests are shared and prayed for. In requesting prayer, you may use only first name or initial if you wish on the cards available near the box. However, if you would like to become a member of the prayer chain, please call or email Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at [marilyn.belleau@gccucc.org](mailto:marilyn.belleau@gccucc.org); (847)724-2210 ext. 230.

## ATTENTION ALL SEWING ENTHUSIASTS!

Do you like to sew, iron, or roll fabric? Do you have scraps of fabric lying around the house that you'd like to get rid of? Are you interested in helping the youth of our church prior to the mission trip? Then the Confirmation and Youth Board has a project for YOU! We are looking for volunteers to help us with our pillowcase project. Please contact Debbie Berg [abcdberg@yahoo.com](mailto:abcdberg@yahoo.com) if you are interested in learning more about this service opportunity.

## PYF 4:00 - 6:00 PM YOUTH ROOM

**APRIL 28: Capture the Flag and Ice Cream:**  
We will meet at the church at 4:00 p.m. and then walk over to Roosevelt Park.

## STOCK SALES!!!

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 28, 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!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

There was a church that played a game and Bingo was its name - o.  
B-I-NGO, B-I-NGO, B-I-NGO  
and Bingo was its name-o.

The Children's Board invites all to a family fun night on Friday, May 17. Pizza will be served at 6:00 p.m. Bingo will be enjoyed from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. A \$5.00 charge per person is requested to cover the cost of refreshments. RSVP to Megan McClung at [mhmcclung@gmail.com](mailto:mhmcclung@gmail.com) or (312)371-2489.

## CONFIRMATION

Last Opening Prayers and Class day is Sunday, April 28. Vevang's class will meet in the Chapel at 8:45 a.m.; all others will meet in the Plymouth Room at 8:45 a.m.

**SUNDAY, MAY 5** – Confirmation Sunday. All 7th graders will attend worship and assist in various ways that morning. 8th Graders will receive reminders for the whole weekend.





# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GCC

THUR	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 5:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
04/25	9:00 AM	GCC Yoga, Narthex
	1:00 PM	Countdown to Fitness, Narthex Rm
	1:00 PM	Alzheimer's & Other Dementias Support Group, Parlor
	6:30 PM	N. Suburban Family Child Care Assoc., Rm 201
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
04/26	1:00 PM	GCC Pickleball, Gym
	7:00 PM	Common Ground, Founders Rm
	8:00 PM	AI-Anon, Rm 201
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
SAT	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
04/27	9:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
	11:30 AM	Virginia Lawrence Memorial, Chapel
	12:15 PM	Virginia Lawrence Reception, Mayflower Rm
SUN	8:45 AM	Confirmation Opening Prayers, Plymouth Rm
04/28	9:00 AM	Confirmation Classes, Various Rms
	10:00 AM	Worship Service, Sanctuary
	10:00 AM	Sunday School begins in Rm 201
	11:00 AM	Fellowship Time, Mayflower Rm
	11:30 AM	Rev. Dr. C. Mize Discussion Opportunity, Parlor
	3:00 PM	Simple Gifts Concert, Begins at The New Church
	4:00 PM	PYF, Youth Rm
	6:00 PM	Voices of GCC & Primary Choir Dinner, Mayflower Rm
MON	1:00 PM	Pickleball, Gym
04/29	7:00 PM	GCC Yoga, Rm 201
TUE	04/30	no events scheduled
WED	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
05/01	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Gym
	7:00 PM	Myra Loris Lectures, Mayflower Rm (ticketed event)
	8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Rm 210
THU	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 5:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
05/02	9:00 AM	GCC Yoga, Narthex
	11:00 AM	Countdown To Fitness, Founders Rm
	4:00 PM	HOP Leadership and Operations Mtgs., Parlor
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
05/03	7:00 PM	GCC Adult Volleyball, Gym
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
	8:00 PM	AI-Anon, Rm 201
SAT	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
05/04	9:00 AM	BSA 156 Planning Pow Wow, Founders Rm
	9:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
SUN	10:00 AM	Worship, Sanctuary
05/05	10:00 AM	Sunday School, Rm 201
	11:00 AM	Fellowship and Refreshments, Mayflower Rm
	11:15 AM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	11:30 AM	Rev. Dr. C. Mize Discussion Opportunity, Parlor Rm
	4:00 PM	PYF, Youth Rm

MON	12:00 PM	Called To Care, Parlor
05/06	7:00 PM	Silent Film with Tom Trenney, Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Yoga, Rm 201
	7:30 PM	CSA 156 Committee Mtg., Rm 213
TUE	7:00 PM	Constructive Conversation Mtg., Library
05/07		
WED	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open Until 1:00 PM, Plymouth Rm
05/08	7:00 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Gym
	7:00 PM	Children's Board Mtg., Parlor
	8:00 PM	Venture Crew, Gym

## THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS MAY 1, 2013 AT 9:00 AM

## WATER ENCROACHMENT

During the recent storms the church suffered a water encroachment in the basement. If you have planned events in a the lower rooms of the church please check to make sure your event was not cancelled or moved to another room. Many rooms will not be usable for some days/weeks ahead.

## CONVERSATIONS WITH CHUCK

Chuck is here! Our new senior minister Chuck Mize and his wife Jeanie would like to get to know you! Sign up to attend an informal conversation following coffee hour on Sundays until May 19. Sign up will be during coffee hours on March 10, 17 and 24.

## GCC NURSERY SCHOOL 2013-2014 REGISTRATION!

Preschool registration is open to all and we invite you to check out Glenview Community Church Nursery School. GCC member and Director Marcia Kiraly invites you and your children ages 2-5 to visit the school and see a class in action. We are NAEYC accredited and offer a variety of enrichment classes in Exploration, Music and Spanish and Parent's Day Out program. Feel free to visit us at [www.gccns.com](http://www.gccns.com) for more information. or contact Marcia Kiraly, [marciak@gccucc.org](mailto:marciak@gccucc.org) or 847.729.1440 for information and to schedule a tour of the school! We look forward to seeing you soon!

## 60 PLUS LUNCHEON NAME THAT TUNE!

Tuesday, May 21, 2013  
12 noon in the Mayflower Room

This will be our last luncheon until September, so let's celebrate with SONG, GOOD FOOD, AND FUN! Join us for a delicious lunch of homemade soup, fresh bread, and amazing dessert. Our special guest will be church member Al TeRonde, who will play a variety of musical delights on the piano. It will be our chance to showcase our musical knowledge in "Name That Tune"! It will be a team effort as we will be working together at tables to be the first to shout out the titles. There will be prizes to be won. Come join us for fellowship and fun.

If you need a ride, please call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at 847-724-2210 ext. 230. Bring your friends!

## GCC LIBRARY NEWS

We have received a donation of several new books on breast cancer. Many thanks to Melinda Pollak, director of Sing to Live, for this gift.

These new titles can be found in the Illness/Healing section (stack 5/shelf 3). You are welcome to borrow these books and others from our library. The Church Library Catalog is available online: <http://www.librarything.com/catalog/librarygcc>.



## MYRA LORIS IS COMING ...

Myra Loris will complete her lecture series on Chicago on the following Wednesday evenings beginning with dessert at 7:00 PM. Ms. Loris will begin at 7:30 PM and speak for an hour.

### MAY 1

"TRAGEDY AND TRIUMPH" looks at the Eastland Disaster and the Great Migration of Chicago's African American Population to the city from the South in the late 19th/early 20th Centuries.

### MAY 22

"RICHARD J. DALEY, 'the BOSS,'" focuses on Daley's background, his rise to power and the defining issue of his years as Mayor.

### JUNE 12

"RICHARD J. DALEY and the CITY THAT WORKS," looks at some of the greatest weaknesses and strengths of the Mayor who became synonymous with the city of Chicago, including the 1968 Democratic National Convention.

### TICKETS

\$15 per lecture or \$35 for the series, will be available at coffee hour in April and at the door or by calling Sandy Bradbury (847-729-9365). Chapters 3, 8 and 9 of the Glenview Community Church Women's Association, are sponsors of the program. All proceeds will benefit social service agencies.

## HANDS OF PEACE

is an interfaith organization that brings together Jewish, Israeli teens, Palestinian citizens of Israel and Muslim, Palestinian teens for dialogue and friendship along with our American teens of all religions. The Middle Eastern teenagers are hosted by families in and around the Glenview area. Hands of Peace is still in need of host families for at least 10 of our Middle Eastern teens. July 5th - 22nd

## ADULT ED PROGRAM SUNDAY, MAY 12

Ever wonder what the Confirmands talk about in their classes each Sunday? What are the requirements of service projects/worship reflection sheets? Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler, who oversees our Confirmation program for 7th/8th graders will share what these 60 young people have been learning this year and recent happenings from the Confirmation retreat. We'll conclude the session with an 8th grader actually being confirmed in the Chapel. Join us 9:00-9:50 a.m. May 12.

## COMING SOON

In order to ensure Glenview Community Church is supporting and promoting the right programs for our congregation, we need your input. In early May you will be receiving an email invitation to participate in an important online member survey to help inform us of your interests and areas of expertise. Hard copies of the survey to fill out will also be available at church. This survey intends to capture your interest areas and areas of expertise (volunteers are critical to running our programming!). We hope all members and friends of GCC participate in the survey to help us optimize how we tailor program communications to our congregants. This survey will only take 5-10 minutes of your time and we THANK YOU in advance for your participation. If you have any questions about the survey please contact Doug Morgan or Bob McGee.

*Thank you from the Planning Committee of the Executive Board.*

## MATANYA'S HOPE

The days are numbered. Only 8 weeks until I head off to Kenya again with dozens of duffel bags filled with thousands of supplies. I am so amazed by the incredible number of shoes that have been generously donated by all of you. But you still have time to drop off any gently used or new shoes in the Matanya's Hope collection box located outside the church office. I will be collecting until the week before I leave on June 10, so ask your friends, neighbors, and kids for their extra shoes! The kids in Kenya receiving your donations will be over the moon knowing they have protection for their feet. Thank you for your generosity.

Erika Grad,  
Youth Ambassador, Matanya's Hope

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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*

**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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# Simple Gifts

## COMMUNITY CONCERTS AT GCC



**SUNDAY**  
**April 28**  
**3:00 PM**

**Organ and... 5**

Our annual neighborhood organ walk (or drive) features Kirstin Synnesvedt (New Church), Julia Brueck (St. David's Episcopal Church), Gary Wendt (Glenview Community Church) and the Handbell Choirs of St. David's Church and Glenview Community Church.

