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GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Pilgrims Progress

Forty-seven years ago I preached my first sermon. In October, 1966 I became pastor of the Stonelick Baptist Church and I was ordained on November 6, 1966 by the First Baptist Church of Monticello, Kentucky. So I've been doing ministry for a long time. And in less than two months that is going to end. I am aware that I will have done or soon will do some things for the last time. I will conduct my last wedding next month and my last Sunday in the pulpit, I'll conduct my last baptism. By the end of June I will have attended my last meeting as minister of a congregation.

I will have some work to do when I retire. I may need my own Adjustment Bureau to help me with the transition. One thing that already is helping me with the transition is to think about things I will miss and things I won't miss about no longer being a called minister.

There are lots of things I will miss. I will miss our interacting and relating with each other. I will miss the very special attention and appreciation that comes from many people because I'm their minister. I'll miss the deepened relationships that develop as a result of planning with people for baptisms, weddings, and memorial services. Being trusted and relied upon during these significant transitions in life is an honor and privilege for which I am deeply grateful. I'll miss the feeling of accomplishment of having delivered a sermon that seemed especially poignant and seemed to touch lives deeply. I'll miss brainstorming ideas about worship with gifted staff and then shaping those ideas in ways that help people worship God. I'll miss helping a congregation shape its vision and ministry to be ever expanding and inclusive as we have done in becoming an Open and Affirming Congregation.

There are some things I won't miss. I won't miss preparing a sermon every week. I'll miss delivering sermons. I won't

miss having to meet a deadline for an article for the Broadcaster. I will miss occasionally expressing an idea clearly in writing. I won't miss the meetings. I won't miss getting the call that something tragic has happened in someone's life and can I come. I won't miss hearing occasional hurtful and some times hateful comments about me. I won't miss the expectations that some have that I can solve their problems. I won't miss knowing there are some people for whom I cannot be a minister. I won't miss the fact that whatever I do, someone won't like it. I won't miss being misunderstood.

When I became a pastor forty-five years ago, I had no idea where the journey would take me. I certainly did not anticipate having the honor to serve such a talented and gifted congregation as Glenview Community Church. I never imagined the number of people who would love me, care for me, appreciate me, and encourage me as their pastor and friend and invite me into the depths of their lives. Wow, my life is rich because of people like you. I will miss you.

Howard



WORSHIP SERVICES

MAY 8, 2011

9:30 a.m.

"Life of the Party"
Voices of GCC

Directed by Debby Shellard

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

MAY 15, 2011

YOUTH SUNDAY

9:30 a.m.

*Special music by
Youth & Liturgical
Dancers*

Theme:

"Many Rooms – One Church"

Sermons:

*by High School Seniors
Ned Ruter
Dan Baddeloo
Vince Gabuzzi*

Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini
Director of Youth Ministries

MAY 22, 2011

9:30 a.m.

*Chancel Choir and
Joyful Ringers*

Scripture:

Habakkuk 1:1-17, 2 Corinthians 4:1-15

Sermon:

"Life in the Rough"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

Update from Moderators

Here is an update on three issues currently being addressed:

Interim Minister

The Interim Search Committee consists of Bob McGee, Church Clerk; David Aki, incoming Vice Moderator; Lloyd Bettis, Moderator; Bill Dailey, Vice-Moderator; and Constance Filling, Past Moderator.

We spent the last two months doing the following to retain an Interim Minister. We obtained feedback from the staff, the called ministers and members of the congregation. We met with the leader of the Chicago Metropolitan Association (our administrative link to the United Church of Christ) to share a profile of GCC and ask for assistance. As a result, in recent weeks we received profiles of several Interim Minister candidates and are in the process of interviewing these ministers during April and early May. Our goal is to recommend a candidate to the Executive Board in June so an Interim Minister can start in August.

Outside Facilitator/Coach/Mediator

We are in touch with two firms who specialize in helping members of a congregation move forward with common goals during a transition to a new Senior Minister. We will discuss this at the April and May Executive Board meetings for potential action and will report at the Annual Congregational Meeting as well.

Senior Minister Search Committee

Many members of our congregation have volunteered to be on the search committee. Other names have been referred to the Moderator by members. The list exceeds 60 members. In the near future, we will start to identify the number of people who should serve and the appropriate characteristics for members of the search committee.

Please feel free to contact us with any thoughts or questions.

Lloyd Bettis, *Moderator*; Bill Dailey, *Vice-Moderator*; Constance Filling, *Past Moderator*

LECTIO DIVINA

Incorporate prayer into your life. Scripture readings combine with short meditation to discern God's voice. Thursday, May 12, 9:30-11:00 AM, Room 5 Facilitated by Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse.

Position Available

Applications are being received for the position of Administrative Assistant to the Senior Minister. This is a crucial position for the ongoing ministry of the church. The person in this position assists the Senior Minister with the ongoing daily operation of the church office. This person will work closely with the Senior Minister and the Church Clerk in maintaining membership records, will schedule baptisms, weddings, funerals, and memorial services and prepare bulletins for worship services and memorial services. This person also works with the Moderator in preparing packets for the monthly Executive Board Meetings and packets for Congregational Meetings.

Specific qualifications include: ability to work well as a member of a team, excellent writing and communication skills including editorial and proofreading skills, skilled in using Microsoft Word, Publisher, Excel and others as needed, strong interpersonal, organization and communication skills, attention to detail and ability to produce quality deliverables within a fixed schedule, and demonstrates ability to manage multiple tasks and needs.

The goal is to select the person for this position in time for the new assistant to work closely with Jane Payne prior to Jane's retirement on August 31, 2011. Applicants should send a resume' and cover letter to the attention of Lloyd Bettis, Moderator, Glenview Community Church, 1000 Elm Street, Glenview, IL.

Giving Statements

First Quarter giving statements will not be mailed. Normally, at this time in April, quarterly giving statements would be prepared and mailed to GCC members.

This year we will not be mailing those 1st quarter statements since your 2011 pledge and giving should be fairly fresh in your memory. Instead, we will add an '11 month' giving statement mailed in early December which should be very helpful for those members needing to know what their YTD giving is for year-end planning purposes.

If you do need information regarding your pledge or 1st quarter giving, feel free to call the business office during regular office hours.

Dale Wittenberg,
Business Manager

Worship

Brainstorming Party

SUNDAY, MAY 8 AT 10:45 A.M.

Cathy Ach will facilitate this brainstorming session for future worship services, times, etc. We are gathering all ideas and invite you to share your thoughts. Please join us in the Mayflower Room. Snacks and beverages will be available during this coffee hour time. Children are invited to the gym for a movie during the meeting. The Planning Committee, Ministers and Staff want your input on what worship might look like at Glenview Community Church. We need to make a recommendation to Executive Board at the May meeting, having done a trial "one service" this past year. This is the time to share your opinion on future worship services. If you are unable to be present and wish to contribute your thoughts, please put them in writing and give to a moderator or minister by May 9.

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, June 26

Join the congregation as we commemorate Howard's retirement from the ministry with a special Service of Celebration (to follow the regular 9:30 a.m. worship service).

Donations are being collected to purchase a gift of appreciation and can be sent to the church office (please note: "minister retirement gift" on your check). **Funds are requested by May 15.**

Please help us celebrate Howard's contributions to GCC and his lifetime of ministry

Thank you!

Celebration Committee: Scott Brady, John Demler, John Estey, Dick Gottfred, Gretchen Grad, and Barbara Pollack

Update the Directory

A directory is only as good as the accuracy of its information! The Membership Board is asking you to please take a minute to give us any changes for the 2011 directory. The pastoral staff is also asking for emergency contacts for internal use only. Please call or email Jane Payne (847)724-2210 or jane.payne@gccucc.org or drop off a form in the office.

Forms are available in the office, Narthex or in the pews. Deadline is June 1st.

Adult Education Program

May 8 - No Adult Education Program

May 15 - Please join us for an Adult Education seminar at 10:45 a.m. in the Chapel.

THE PRESENTATION WILL BE:

Illinois Powers of Attorney for Property and Health Care

Attorneys Per Hanson, Jason Ornduff and Sally Sargent will discuss Illinois powers of attorney, including recent changes in the law, the importance of powers of attorney and decisions to make in creating powers of attorney.

Holy Week/ Easter Pictures

Did you see the lovely pictures painted by the 7th Grade Confirmation Class? The class spent time during Lent reading various scriptures related to the weeks of Jesus and his disciples. Then they chose some scenes from the stories and began their work of art. There are portraits depicting Palm Sunday, Holy Week scenes and Easter dawn all drawn and painted by the class and teachers. Check out the Narthex where they will be on display another week. Thank you to the Confirmants for this gallery that helps us both in our worship experience and our spiritual growth.

Join Us Brunch To Celebrate Summer!

Sunday, June 5th

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Mayflower Room

As a departure from our traditional Pancake Breakfasts, this will be '**Pancakes PLUS**'. Serving Pancakes as well as '**Egg Skillets**' and lots of Raffle Prizes! This fundraiser is for GCC....we hope you will join the fun & fellowship. A Special Raffle will Also be Part of the Event: Weekend Hotel Stay & Other Prizes. Tickets will be sold during May at Coffee Hours.

Adults:

\$6.50 Pancakes / \$7.50 'Egg Skillets'

Children 4 and above: \$5.00

Raffle Tickets: \$1.00 Each

Contact Sally Thuresson (847 724-2366 for details)

SOLID ROCK

MAY 11 AT 7:30 P.M.

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 Founders, refreshments will be served.

Donations will be accepted to support future Solid Rock Carpenters projects. To learn more about Solid Rock Carpenters go to: www.solidrockcarpenters.org.

Easter Lilies

Many thanks to everyone who purchased an Easter lily for the Easter services or who delivered lilies to GCC members. Your lilies added to our celebration of Easter and also brought the Easter spirit to 58 homebound GCC members. The Pastoral Care Board also delivered some extra lilies to the Abington Rehabilitation Center. The residents of Abington were delighted to have these beautiful spring flowers for their rooms.

Gratefully, The Pastoral Care Board

EQUAL EXCHANGE

The last two excerpts from *Principles of Fair Trade* by Ingrid Hess are:

7. Supporting good working conditions: All Fair Trade worksites must be safe and clean, no children are exploited and no slaves are used. When you buy something Fair Trade, you can be sure that the people who made it are being treated with dignity and respect. Fact: It is estimated that 158 million children between the ages of 5 to 14 are involved in child labor around the world.
8. Educating people about Fair Trade and encouraging them to get involved. GCC and Chapter 8 learned about Fair Trade and Equal Exchange ten years ago and began getting involved in their story by selling their products at that time. It has been gratifying to see our Congregation picking up the banner by buying and using Equal Exchange Coffees, teas, chocolates and snacks. Fact: Many church members are now aware of Fair Trade and look for that information about other products they use.

Thanks for learning the **8 Principles of Fair Trade**. Equal Exchange Products will be sold on May 8 during Coffee Hour. See you then.

GCC CHILDREN'S MUSICAL

Please mark your calendar and plan to see this year's GCC Children's Musical, **Life of the Party** on either Sunday, May 8th (Mother's Day) during the 9:30 a.m. service or Monday, May 9th at 6:30 p.m. The play focuses on the lives of sisters Mary and Martha and their brother Lazarus. The show appeals to all ages with songs that range from lighthearted and humorous to moving and dramatic. And you don't want to miss the youngest cast members with their "sheepish" grins!

Sunday School

Sunday school classes will not be in session on May 8 so that all may enjoy the children's musical in the Sanctuary. Childcare will be available.

8th Grade Confirmation Class List

Aaron Rhodes Ach
Tyler Harrison Aki
Kelly Ann Anderson
Allison Christina Berg
Daniel M. Bernstein
Colin Robert Burrowes
Emma Elizabeth Dean
Todd Miresse Frank
Dana Morrison Grad
Heather Joy Herrmann
Kelly Christine Hill
Kara Joan Kilpatrick
Amanda Marie Krueger

Breck Jensen Murphy
Matthew Erik Musich
Sarah Lynn Odeshoo
Ashley Oldshue
Austin Richard Paul
Mary Margaret Paulson
Melissa Anne Pratt
Kyle Christopher Schulze
Jordan Anthony Spalding
Annie Elise Stavins
Nicholas Swanson
Katherine Virginia Wells
Ashleigh Wirtz

Special Thanks to:

8th Grade Teachers: Monty Davis, Kerry Karth, Bob McGee
7th Grade Teachers: Lisa Leger and Mike McFaul

Confirmation

7TH GRADE

During the month of May we will attend worship as a class on May 8 Children's Musical and Youth Sunday, May 15. All services begin at 9:30 a. m.

Please turn in any reports to Rev. Keckler by May 15.

FELLOWSHIP

Faith AND MISSION

WINTER TRIP



LOEK = 1/17



Packaging Cookies



Retreat



COOKING FOR THE NIGHT MINISTRY



GOOD FRIENDS



GOOD MUSIC



Park



GOOD FOOD



SERVING GCC

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

8:30 am - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERIAL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts, *Senior Minister*

Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Minister for Spiritual Formation*

DIRECTORS:

Marilyn Belleau, *RN, Health Ministry*

Kathy Lifton, *Children's Ministry*

Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, *Youth Ministry*

Debby Shellard, *Children's Choirs*

Gary Wendt, *Organist, Instrumental Music*

Andrew Lewis, *Music*

AFFILIATES:

Marcia Kiraly, *Director, GCC Nursery School*

Barbara Thewis, *Manager, Resale Shop*

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Return Service Requested

At A Glance

THRS	5/05	9:00 am Resale Shop open until 5:00 pm, Plymouth Rm 4:30 pm HOP Leadership Mtg., Parlor 7:00 pm BSA 156 Partol Mtg., Founders Rm 7:00 pm HOP Operating Committee, Rm 201	TUE	5/10	7:00 pm Stewardship Board, Rm 7 7:00 pm Pastoral Care Board, Rm 210 7:00 pm Property Board, Library 7:00 pm Adult Education Board, Founders Rm 7:00 pm Service and Sacraments, Rm 213 7:30 pm Mission Outreach Board, Parlor 7:30 pm CSA 156 Committee, Rm 201
FRI	5/06	9:00 am Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm 11:00 am Healing Touch, Library 5:30 pm Voices of GCC Rehearsal, Sanctuary 8:00 pm AA Mtg., Parlor 8:00 pm AI-Anon Mtg., Rm 201	WED	5/12	6:00 pm PYF Small Groups, Youth Rm 7:00 pm BSA 156 Troop Mtg., Gym Only 7:00 pm Music Board, Rm 201 7:00 pm Planning Committee, Parlor 7:30 pm Solid Rock Carpenters, Founders Rm 8:00 pm Venture Crew, Rm 210 & Gym
SAT	5/07	9:00 am Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm 9:00 am Men's Open Gym, Gym 9:00 am Voices of GCC Rehearsal, Sanctuary			
SUN	5/08	9:30 am Worship by Voices of GCC, Sanctuary 9:30 am 7th Grade Confirmation in Worship Service 10:45 am Worship Brainstorming Party, Mayflower Rm			
MON	5/09	6:30 pm Worship by Voices of GCC, Sanctuary 7:00 pm Finance Board, Founders Rm 7:00 pm Scoutmaster's Meeting, Parlor			

Broadcaster Deadlines:

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