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GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Pilgrims Progress

"Are you really going to retire?" "You're too young to retire." "What are you going to do when you retire?" are three of the questions I've been asked multiple times since January. Many other questions have been variations of these questions.

One thing I'm going to do in retirement is spend time with Peggy and we are making many plans of things we want to do together. Peggy was a teacher for forty years although she was not employed all of those years. Some of her teaching was done in Sunday school and children's choirs and there were years when she was a substitute teacher and a part time Head Start teacher and more than twenty-five years of full time teaching. It was a significant change for her when she retired last July, but a change that she has enjoyed "entirely too much."

Now, I'm joining her in retirement and looking forward enjoying it "entirely too much" as well. Many have asked and others have wondered what we are going to do in retirement. One of the first things we'll do is relocate. We are moving to The Villages, FL. It is a retirement community of approximately 80,000 people with approximately 35 golf courses, numerous community and recreational swimming pools, and more than 1000 clubs related to interests and hobbies of residents. There is a theater group that produces three plays each year and a community chorus with several performances each year. Both of these are attractive to Peggy. There is live entertainment and dancing on two town squares every evening of the year. The opportunity to be as active or as sedentary as we want is there for the choosing. Peggy and I have both been very active throughout our lives. We don't anticipate being sedentary in this new phase of our lives.

We will travel to visit our children and grandchildren and friends we have throughout the country. We will not be any closer to our children than we are here. We simply trade the one to which we are closer. We'll be about six hours driving time from Brandon and his family. Here we have been about that length of time from Danita and her family.

There also are many places in the world that we want to visit. I'm sure our list is longer than we will have money or time to complete. However, high on our list are a safari in Africa to see animals in their natural habitat, a trip to Australia, and a cruise through the Panama Canal. We enjoy cruises so I'm sure we'll take some cruises in addition to the one through the Panama Canal.

Some cruise lines have chaplains on cruises. I'll explore that as a possibility. I'll also be open to opportunities to be a guest seminar leader for congregations on topics related to faith and ethics, living a balanced life, and the intersections of our stories with the stories of biblical characters.

I'm guessing we'll take the first year of retirement to adjust to a freer, more flexible life style. We'll try a variety of things but not tie ourselves to too much of a schedule. We want to be spontaneous and able to make last minute decisions about taking a trip or going to visit friends and family. I'm anticipating about 40 years, a generation, of retirement. But whether retirement lasts one year or forty years I hope it is said of us, "they enjoyed it entirely too much."

Howard

WORSHIP SERVICES

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

MAY 29, 2011

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Scripture:
Genesis 12:1-9, Matthew 4:12-22

Sermon:
"Minor Influences, Major Choices"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

JUNE 5 2011

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Scripture:
Psalms 8, Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon:
"Getting the Final Exam Question Early"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

We will recognize all of our graduating high school seniors



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 will 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.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Glenview Community Church's Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2011, 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. There will be updates on current issues, including the Interim Minister search, bringing in a facilitator/coach/mediator during transition, the Senior Minister search and worship planning.

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

Directory Change Slips Are yours in?

In order to make the 2011 Directory as accurate as possible, we need your help. If you want your cell phone number in the directory, you must tell us. Has your email changed? Work phone? Forms are available in the office, Narthex or in the pews. Note: The pastoral staff is also asking for emergency contact information 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. Deadline is June 1st.

Ordination Service

The congregation is invited to the Ordination service of Jim Coyl on Sunday, May 22 at 3 pm in the Sanctuary. A reception will follow in the Mayflower Room

Women's Support Group

Women who have experienced breast cancer in their lives are invited to a gathering at GCC on Wednesday evening, May 25 at 7:00 pm. We will be finished at 8 pm. The purpose is to come together and share experiences, resources, support or just listen among friends. Marilyn Belleau and Rev. Pam Keckler will facilitate our time.

Illinois Conference

The Annual Illinois Conference meeting will be held on June 3-4 at the Double Tree Hotel in Oak Brook. More information to follow.

Bridge Marathon

The Women's Association sponsored annual Bridge Marathon luncheon and awards was held in the Mayflower Room Thursday with 24 ladies in attendance. 1st prize went to Corinne Spaulding and Barbara Subak. 2nd to Shirley Weinstein and Ruth Blanck, and 3rd to Marilyn Miller and Ann Vrabik. The high game for 18 hands went to the Weinstein/Blanck team with 3,280. The Bridge Marathon started in 1981 and has continued yearly ever since.

WELCOME SUMMER!

Join Us for Summer Brunch

Sunday, June 5th

Serving 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, 'Egg Skillets', Raffle Prizes & Entertainment!

This is a fundraiser for GCC...we hope you will join the fun & fellowship. Tickets are on sale through May during Sunday coffee hours.

Adults: \$6.50 Pancakes
\$7.50 'Egg Skillets'

Children 4 and above: \$5.00

Raffle Tickets: \$1.00 Each

Please contact Sally Thuresson at (847) 724-2366 for details or if you have any questions.



God Bless America

To honor the men and women of the military who have served our country both here and abroad, *the 4th annual Memorial Day concert "God Bless America—For Those Who Gave Their All"* will be presented on Sunday, May 29 at 3:00 p.m. at the Glenview Community Church, 1000 Elm Street, Glenview.

The Navy Band Great Lakes Brass Ambassadors will bring special honor to the program. The concert is **FREE** and open to the public and we invite all people of the community to honor the brave men and women who have given their lives in service to this country. It's an appropriate and wonderful way to begin the holiday weekend, so, turn off the grill and come over to remember those who've served. For information call (847)724-2210.

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). 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 Pollak

GCC MEN'S MINISTRY BARBEQUE

**Thursday June 2nd
6:00 p.m.**



Mark your calendars now and join us for our 3rd Annual Men's Ministry Barbeque to be held at the home of John Demler, 83 Coventry Road, Northfield, IL. Even if you've never attended a Men's Ministry event before you are welcome to join us for this evening of fellowship and good food.

Please RSVP to John Demler at johndemler@comcast.net or David Aki at dave254@comcast.net.



Join us for a Simple Gifts Concert "Sing To Live" on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. Admission is \$10.00 at the door.

The *Sing to Live Community Chorus* provides complimentary concert tickets to breast cancer survivors as part of its mission to provide the gift of music to the breast cancer community.

Sing with Us, Volunteer or Donate

For more information please visit their website at www.singtolive.org or email them at info@singtolive.org or call (773)250-sing.

Sing to Live is an Illinois Not-for Profit Organization.

Sunday School

May 22 will be family Worship will be out doors at 9:30 a.m. In case of rain, we will meet in the gym.

World or Community Concerns and What I Can Do

by our newest members - 8th graders from their Faith Papers

- Not willing to accept someone who is different from us. If people cannot move past their petty differences and issues with each other, no progress in terms of fixing the problems of the world will ever be made. At every service a minister will say, "No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here." To me, "here" is Earth, God's home. And after all, we are all one and the same. God's children and guests in God's house. We, as Christians must teach others the importance of treating one another like a guest.
- Gay Rights – everyone should be treated equally. Christians can start by accepting gays themselves. I know our church is very accepting to everyone, and I am so thankful to be in a church like that, because I am like that. But to change anything we all have to work together to support the cause, and then act on it.
- World Hunger – and the fact that over 100 children die each day. We can use our faith and the church community to resolve this issue.
- Racism in America stills troubles me and I would like to change it. We can stand up to racism and prejudice by being loving and working together to make change.
- Natural Disasters: We could get involved in mission trips to help out where we can
- There are too many! Hunger, homelessness, drug addicts, oil spills, global warming, the environment, the animals, the people who aren't as lucky as me, those with disease or cancer, people who have suffered losing something like an arm or leg and many more. We can do charity, show them your hand so when they fall down you can help them up.
- School budget cuts: pray that everything will work out and be okay for our education.
- The ecosystem: I don't want the world to end. We should all get involved.
- People doing drugs: We should support having a drug-free environment.
- Violence, because it is harming someone who has probably not done anything to you and is mostly tied to receiving approval from friends. We could spread the word about anti-violence/gangs.
- Global warming: it will greatly affect my generation and if we don't do something about it, it could end the world. We can do all the little things that will help.
- Having a safe home to go to after school and activities: We can volunteer at programs or start our own program.
- How we treat one another: Be more aware of others and be kind.
- The AIDS crisis: We can raise money or become missionaries and help.
- People living in poverty, homelessness: We can give people food or extra money.
- Bullying: It concerns me because it's such a terrible thing and nobody deserves to be treated like that. We should not take part in bullying and Christians can be people just to help out and talk to those who suffer with this problem.
- Conflict over seemingly small things: We can try to solve those conflicts peacefully with guidance from God and other peaceful leaders.



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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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At A Glance

THRS	5/19	9:00 am Resale Shop open until 5:00 pm, Plymouth Rm 6:30 pm NS Suburban Day Care Assn., Rm 201 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI	5/20	9:00 am Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm 7:00 pm NSY&R Volleyball, Gym 8:00 pm AA Mtg., Parlor 8:00 pm Al-Anon Mtg., Rm 201
SAT	5/21	9:00 am Resale Shop open until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm 9:00 am Men's Open Gym, Gym
SUN	5/22	9:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary 9:30 am Sunday School, outside or gym 10:30 am Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm 10:45 am Adult Education, Chapel 3:00 pm Ordination Service for Jim Coyl, Sanctuary 4:00 pm Mission Trip Mini Retreat, Plymouth Rm, Youth Rm
MON	5/23	No Scheduled Events
TUE	5/24	11:30 pm WA Chapter 8 Meeting, Founders Rm 7:00 pm Annual Congregational Meeting, Mayflower Rm 7:00 pm Core Fusion Class, Gym

WED 7:00 pm BSA 156 Troop Mtg, Gym & Mayflower Rm
8:00 pm Venture Crew, Rm 210 & Gym

Pastoral Care

Our prayers for the family of PFC Michael Morgan, 82nd Airborne, upon his deployment to Iraq on May 22.

Ed Beesenthal's memorial service is at Covenant Village on Sunay, May 22 at 2:00 p.m.

Broadcaster Deadlines:

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