



Broadcaster

Glenview Community Church

September 23, 2009

SUNDAY SERVICES

Pilgrim's Progress

The Christian calendar identifies the seasons of the year based on the life of Christ. It is complicated because it is a double calendar. The Christian Church grew up in the Roman Empire but it was greatly influenced by the Jewish festivals. Some parts of the Christian calendar are governed by the moon and some by the sun. The seasons of worship in the Christian calendar are Advent, Epiphany, Lent, Eastertide, Pentecost, and Ordinary Time overlaid on Jewish and Roman calendars.

We find ourselves at present, in terms of the church year or Christian calendar, in what is known as "Ordinary Time." The name comes from the way the weeks are recorded with ordinal numbers-numbers indicating position or order. Ordinary Time includes the weeks between Epiphany and Lent and the weeks following Pentecost until Advent. Sunday, September 27, is the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The term is not meant to be a disparagement of this time of year; it simply has to do with the numbering system.

There is a sense, however, in which this period in the church year is "ordinary" time in the more common sense of the word. This is not one of the penitential or expectant seasons like Lent or Advent. It's not one of the great seasons of celebration like Christmas or Easter. There is no "high holy day" during this period. It really is quite ordinary. It could be referred to as the Dog Days of the church year.

Several current circumstances are causing me to think this is an Extraordinary Time in the life of Glenview Community Church. Here are some examples:

- The tremendous experience we had on Rally Day seeing Sunday school and Confirmation teachers leading their students from worship to their classes; inspired by the music of our Handbell, Children's, and Chancel Choirs; finding encouragement in Scripture to live our lives in the complementary mood; games, lunch, and conversation following worship thanks to Chapter 11 of the Women's Association and Facility Staff.

- Sally Iberg joining others from CMA on work trip to New Orleans, continuing the involvement of adults in mission work camps.
- The ongoing Career Network Seminar that meets twice a month thanks to the leadership of Alek and Renee Jablonski and Pam Keckler.
- Planning 11 baptisms with 6 families-some of these families will be participating in the New Member Orientation Class on October 4.
- Sending invitation letters to 53 people who have indicated interest in becoming members of GCC. Planning and preparing with Sally Iberg and the Membership Board for the New Member Orientation Class.
- The opportunity to participate in town hall meetings and the congregational meeting on September 27 to support the efforts by many in our congregation to increase the revenue of GCC.
- Receiving the beautiful brochure from the Stewardship Board inviting us to continue to grow as a generous congregation pledging our financial support of the ministry of GCC.
- Planning for the 10th Anniversary Celebration of the organ on October 18.

What an Extraordinary Time for an Extraordinary Congregation to do extraordinary things in ordinary time. Even this "Ordinary Time" can be a wonderful season of celebration for us as a faith community. Let's get ready for the extraordinary things God is preparing us to do.

Howard

I have found that among its other benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver.
Maya Angelou



SEPTEMBER 27, 2009

Music Moment

8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Scripture:
Numbers 11:4-18,
Romans 12:9-21

Sermon:
"The Stress Factor"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

OCTOBER 4, 2009

World Communion Sunday Mission Moment Communion

8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

Scripture:
Matthew 25: 35-40

Sermon:
"We Prepare the Table"
Rev. Sally Iberg

OCTOBER 11, 2009

8:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m. Primary Choir
Chancel Choir

Scripture:
Matthew 6:1-18,
2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Sermon:
"The Daily Needs of the World"
Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts



We, as a congregation, have been entrusted to care for this very special place – Glenview Community Church, a shining beacon in this community and in the lives of many for over one hundred years. Our congregation has always rallied to support and care for this institution and today is not unlike our past history. What we can do collectively to serve God within these walls of GCC is unlimited - we have the potential to do great deeds. Perhaps if we think of our journey here together as a common faith journey, we can truly see the power of collectively combining our gifts – whether large or small – to make a difference while we're here.

We hope you will consider it a privilege to make a financial commitment to GCC this year as a member and as an entrusted caretaker here at this special place in God's world.

It is especially important this year to submit your commitment before September 27. It is vital for us to know what financial support we have for the 2010 expenses in order to prevent a further reduction in staff. You may submit your pledge forms via mail, on line or at church. Pledge forms at church can be found in the pews or adjacent to the pledge-o-meter and you can drop your pledge in the Pledge Box in the Narthex or place in Dale Wittenberg's mail box in the church office.

Thanks to those of you who have submitted your pledge in the first week of our campaign...of those pledges received to date – over 50% increased from those made in 2009!

Thank You & God Bless,
The Stewardship Board

Special CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

By a vote of the Executive Board, a Special Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 27, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to hear and vote upon acceptance of the recommendation of the 2010 Personnel Task Force to vacate the position of Minister for Mission and Ministry.

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

Beryl B. Bills,
Church Clerk

Financial Summary

A Year-to-Date summary as of August 31, 2009:

Pledges Received to date:	
Pledges Made -	\$978,521
Payments received against the Pledges made:	
Pledges Paid -	\$640,986
Total Revenues received (including Pledges Paid):	
Total Revenues -	\$796,137
Total Actual Expenses paid:	
Total Expenditures -	\$800,412

Respectfully submitted
Rob Hevey, Treasurer

Still Time....

There's still time to sign up for small groups.

GCC has a great group of facilitators offering small groups this fall: Bill Dailey, Kelly Golding, Nina Fockens, Tom Aldrich, Karen Aldrich, and Rev. Sally Iberg. Each group focuses on a different topic: personal financial stewardship, a book discussion of "Three Cups of Tea," another book discussion on "The First Paul", and conversation based on the DVD series "First Light: Jesus and the Kingdom of God." These groups meet at different times: Monday evenings, Wednesday mornings and evenings, and Thursday evenings. Information and registration is available in the church office or by calling 847 724-2210. You may register any time prior to September 27 or until the group is filled. Questions? Contact Rev. Sally Iberg at 847 724-2210 or sally.iberger@gccucc.org.

Job Opportunity

MAINTENANCE POSITION AVAILABLE

Glenview Community Church is searching for a full time daily maintenance staff member. Responsibilities include opening and securing the building, daily cleaning of classrooms and common areas, and minor electrical and mechanical tasks. Send resume to Jennifer Helgren, Facility Manager, Glenview Community Church 1000 Elm Street Glenview, IL 60025 or fax to (847) 724-2213.

GCC Career Network

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
12:00 noon AND 7:00 p.m.

12:00 p.m.

Communication Skills For Job Seekers

Presented by: Marianne Rowe-Dimas, image consultant, communication trainer, coach, business owner and author.

Learn how you can make a positive impression during interviews and set yourself apart from the competition by managing your visual and vocal communication.

7:00 p.m.

Phone Interview and Negotiations Skills

Presented by: Alek Jablonski

Join this interactive presentation covering how to be prepared for a full-blown phone interview - not just a quick screening. We will also go over the common components of a compensation package, salary requests, tips for salary negotiation, counteroffers and accepting or rejecting the offer.

If you are unemployed, returning to work, considering a job change or looking to expand your business network please join us! Members also have access to a Yahoo! Group to get resources, share information and be alerted of opportunities. Contact Alek Jablonski at (847)486-1920/ajablonski03@hotmail.com or Rev. Pam Keckler at (847)724-2210 for more information.

SAVE THE DATE! GCC BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, November 1

GCC and LifeSource will be holding its annual blood drive on Sunday, November 1 in the Plymouth Room from 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Donating blood is safe, fast and easy. If you are at least 17 years old and weigh a minimum of 110 lbs., please take time to donate with us on November 1. Look for sign up sheets at the coffee hours in the weeks before the blood drive. If you would like to sign up now to donate; volunteer to assist with the blood drive or have any questions, please contact Sally Hicks at 847-729-3162.

GCC Walkers

October 11@ 12:45 p.m

We will be walking in a meadow like park in Northbrook viewing wildflowers and crossing a bridge over the WF of NB of Chicago River. We will meet at 12:45 p.m. and car pool from the GCC north parking lot.

Call this walk's leader, Christine Scholz, at 847-272-7173, after Oct. 1, with any questions you may have. **All are welcome to walk with us.**



Rebuilding New Orleans

Here is the Chicago crew ready to board the van and travel to New Orleans to rebuild homes. Members are from Glenview Community Church, First Congregational Church of Downers Grove, First Congregational Church of Des Plaines, and Congregational Church of Deerfield.



Flu and Pneumonia Shots at GCC

Outsmart the flu and receive your seasonal flu shot. On Saturday, October 10 from 12 noon to 3 p.m. we will be offering the flu and pneumonia vaccine.

Register at the WEST ENTRANCE and proceed to the Sanctuary where your number will be called.

Cost: 65 yrs and older – FREE with Medicare Part B

All others: \$30.00 flu; \$45.00 pneumonia

Questions? Call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at 847-724-2210 ext. 30.



From Coffee Cup to Blessing Cup Women's Fall Retreat

Join us at our one-night Women's Retreat which will be held on Friday evening through Saturday afternoon, October 2-3, 2009. We'll be staying at the Cabrini Retreat Center on Golf Road in Des Plaines, Illinois. Friday night's program will begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by a hospitality time together. Saturday will include breakfast and lunch as we continue the retreat theme allowing for walks and quiet time. We'll conclude at 3:00 p.m. Cost, which includes a private room, is \$65. Registration forms are available in the church office. Please register as soon as possible as space is limited. Questions, see Marilyn Belleau or Rev. Pam Keckler.



Pilates Are Back!!!

Certified Pilates Instructor, Yvonne Bennett

Where: Glenview Community Church

When: September 29, 2009 thru November 17, 2009

(Skipping Tuesday, October 13, 2009 and November 10, 2009)

Time: 7:00 PM (Tuesday Nights)

Cost: \$75.00 per person for 6 week session

Registration: Pre-registration is required. Forms are in the church office and online at www.gccucc.org. Fax or e-mail completed forms to Yvonne Bennett:

Fax: (847) 913-0582

E-mail: yvonne@allbennetts.com or yvonne@coachbennett.com

Contact: Yvonne Bennett, Pilates Instructor for addt yvonne@allbennetts.com or yvonne@coachbennett.com (847) 971-0122

Attire & Equipment:

Loose comfortable clothing. Please bring an exercise mat, towel and water bottle to class.

Adult Education Seminar

IN THE CHAPEL AT 9:30 A.M.

September 27

Join Rev. Sally Iberg for a presentation and discussion about the time and place of Jesus' ministry and the nature of the Gospels. We will view the first segment of a new DVD series purchased by the Adult Education Board: First Light: Jesus and the Kingdom of God. Theologians Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan are featured on the DVD. Rev. Iberg is offering a small group on Monday evenings using this rich resource.

Sunday School

The 2009 - 2010 Sunday school program meets at 10:30 a.m. Four year olds through fourth graders gather in Room 201 for children's worship and are subsequently dismissed to classes led by :

Kindergarten, Laura McNeela

First grade, Diane Christiansen

Second grade, Denise Morgan

Third grade, Karen O'Brien

Fourth grade, Carol Uhl and Lisa Leger

Three year olds report directly to Room 105; teacher Barbara Lochen. Fifth graders report directly to Room 210; Karen Ornduff and Sarah Koloms. Sixth graders report to Room 213; Steve Lochen.

Parents may pick up three and four year old students in Room 105. Kindergartners through third graders will await their parents in the gym. Fourth, fifth, and sixth graders will meet their parents in the Mayflower Room.

Special thanks to Jodi Mahoney and Jennifer Paulus for leading the four year olds in the absence of a regular teacher.

Confirmation

Confirmation classes began on Rally Day and we are off to a great start! There is still room for any 7th grader who would like to join us, but we need to hear from you immediately. Call Rev. Keckler for more information.

Any parents unable to attend the parent meetings may pick up information from Rev. Keckler or at the bulletin board next to the Youth Room.

PYF

September 27

Service: Birthday Bags

Please bring items that would be good to help children who utilize the Northfield Food Pantry celebrate birthdays. Cake mix, small toys, games, puzzles, candles, birthday hats, & paper goods. See you then.

FALL RETREAT

October 3-4

Pressure and Stress

The retreat this year will again be at Tower Hill. There will be plenty of activities and good discussions, plus time to enjoy the facilities. Saturday night we will again have our traditional bon fire on the beach until we are tired. Hope you can join us.

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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*

Rev. Sally Iberg, *Minister for Mission and Ministry*

Directors:

Marilyn Belleau, *RN, Health Ministry*

Kathy Lifton, *Children's Ministry*

Elizabeth Ciccolini, *Youth Ministry*

Debby Shellard, *Children's Choirs*

Gary Wendt, *Organist, Instrumental Music*

Andrew Lewis, *Adult Choir*

Affiliates:

Marcia Kiraly, *Director, GCC Nursery School*

Barbara Thewis, *Manager, Resale Shop*

At A Glance

Thurs	9:00 am	Resale Shop until 5:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
9-24	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir, Sanctuary & Choir Rm
Fri	9:00 am	Resale Shop until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
9-25	8:00 pm	AA Mtg., Parlor
	8:00 pm	AI - Anon Meeting, Rm 201
Sat	9:00 am	Resale Shop until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
9-26		
Sun	9:15 am	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm
9-27	9:30 am	Confirmation Opening Prayers, Plymouth Rm
	9:30 am	7th Grade Confirmation, Library, Parlor, Rm 210
	9:30 am	8th Grade Confirmation, Youth Room
	9:30 am	Adult Education, Chapel
	9:45 am	Primary Choir, Rm 201
	10:30 am	Sunday School Gathering, Rm 201
	11:30 am	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm
	2:00 pm	678 Club, Youth Rm & Gym
	4:00 pm	PYF, Youth Rm, Gym
	4:00 pm	Voices of GCC, Rm 201
	7:00 pm	Congregational Meeting, Mayflower Rm

Mon	9:30 am	Finding My Spirit, Library
9-28	12:00 pm	GCC Networking, Plymouth Rm
	7:00 pm	GCC Networking, Plymouth Rm
Tues	7:00 pm	Pilates Class, Mayflower Rm
9-29		
Wed	9:00 am	Resale Shop until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
9-30	7:00 pm	BSA Troop 156 Courts of Honor, Mayflower Rm
	8:00 pm	Venture Crew, Rm 210

Broadcaster Deadline

Please submit all articles by 9:00 am, Wednesday, one week in advance to publishing via e-mail at tania.mccarthy@gccucc.org