

I'm pleased to report that our Sunday 8:00 a.m. service, "A Time for Spiritual Reflection," appears to be meeting the expressed need of several in our congregation for guiet time for communication with God principally in reflection on scripture, meditation and prayer. Gary has also led us in some wonderful songs of a contemplative nature, such as those from the Taizé Community in France. I have led two guided meditations and two sessions of centering prayer, a form of meditation, introducing each with brief instructions. A wonderful way to start the day, and the week - spiritually energized!

I'm varying how I compose and deliver my sermons in the transitional period to get an indication of what sermon style and content the majority in our congregation prefers. So your comments on my sermons will be useful to the Search and Call Committee when it prepares the church profile to be distributed to prospective candidates for Senior Minister.

We hope to have a large New Members induction at our "Community Worship" service on October 30th. The New Members Orientation will be held in the Church Parlor from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday October 16th and Sunday October 23rd. The second session will be followed by a supper for New Members and their families. If desired, childcare in the Cradle/Toddler Room can be made available during both orientation sessions. Key elements of the orientation will include the history, worship, organization and activities of the United Church of Christ and the Glenview Community Church. You will also hear brief presentations by our Moderator, and by representatives of our Children's, Confirmation and Youth, Music, Called-to-Care, Sacraments and Services, and our Women's Association and Men's Ministry. If you are a prospective member and haven't received a letter from me, inviting you to the New Member Orientation, I apologize for the oversight – please come!

Finally, a musical event that I (and I hope our families) won't want to miss. Those who have seen or heard the Andrew Lloyd Webber version of the Phantom of the Opera would have been thrilled by dramatic organ music, especially the "Daaaa, da da da da da" that recurs throughout this musical. Now we have the unique opportunity to hear Tom Trenney, renowned concert organist, use our organ to accompany the silent film, "The Phantom of the Opera," starring Lon Chaney. Mr. Trenney's awe-inspiring musical background to the dramatic events in this 1925 classic might sometimes make them real scary, certainly in tune with Halloween! Let's enjoy this concert here at 7:30 p.m., on Sunday, October 30th. It's being co-sponsored by our Simple Gifts Concert Series, and the North Shore Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

We are still on the move – how very exciting!

Yours in Christ,

Doug

Autumn Prayer

Maker of the Seasons, thank you for all the that autumn teaches me. Change my focus so that I see not only what I am leaving behind, but also the harvest and the plenitude that my life holds. May my heart grow freer and my life more peaceful as I resonate with, and respond to, the many teachings this season offers to me.

The Heart's Journey Through the Seasons
The Circle of Life

WORSHIP SERVICES

OCTOBER 16, 2011

8:00 a.m. A Time for Reflection

10:00 a.m. Community

Scripture:

Exodus 33:12-23, Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon:

"Serving Whom?" Rev. Dr. Douglas Busby

OCTOBER 23, 2011

8:00 a.m. A Time for Reflection

10:00 a.m. Community

Scripture:

Leviticus 19:13-17 Matthew 22:34-40

Sermon:

"Relating to Our Neighbor" Rev. Dr. Douglas Busby

OCTOBER 30, 2011

8:00 a.m. A Time for Reflection

10:00 a.m. Community

Scripture:

Psalm 43 Matthew 23:1-12

Sermon:

"Following The Right Path" Rev. Dr. Douglas Busby

New Member Sessions

Have you been attending GCC for some time and want to find out more about how to become a member? Doug and Pam will be leading two new member classes (Part I and Part II) on Sunday afternoons October 16 and 23 from 3-5 p.m. Childcare is provided for those who make a reservation. We will then receive new members into the church during the 10:00 a.m. Community Worship on October 30. Please call the church office if you would like to be part of these sessions or if you have questions.

All Church Memorial

Each year on the first Sunday of November we offer an All Church Memorial Service at GCC for those who have lost loved ones either in the past year or several years ago. The names are read aloud and a brief worship service is included as well. This year we will gather together on Sunday afternoon, November 6 at 3:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served by the Pastoral Care Board following our service.

Concert & Dedication

Chicago Theological Seminary is hosting a concert on Thursday, October 20 at 8 pm to celebrate their new building. The Dedication Ceremony and service will be held on Friday, October 21, from 2:00-3:30 p.m. Tickets and more information are available at the CTS website, www.ctschicago.edu.

Men's Ministry

SEMINAR: Working with First Responders

The Men's Ministry will be hosting a seminar on how to effectively work with First Responders in a medical emergency. First Responders are often the paramedics from the Fire Department who are dispatched by a call to 911 in a medical emergency. The seminar will be moderated by Steve Scholly and Brian Tidwell. They will discuss how best to call for help and what can be done until help arrives. This seminar will be held on Tuesday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the Founders Room and is open to everyone at GCC. If you have any questions, please contact David Aki at dave254@comcast.net or at (847)657-0139.



Adventures in Africa

60 Plus Luncheon Tuesday, October 18, 2011

Join us on an exciting journey as we listen to GCC member, Bill Cooper, share his amazing slides and experiences of his trip to Africa. Lunch is at 12 noon and the program will begin at 12:45 p.m. What a wonderful way to spend an afternoon!

If you need a ride, please call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 230.

The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

October 26

Have breakfast with Myra Loris, humorist and storyteller, who will bring to life, *The Good, The Bad & The Ugly*. A Chicago Story, focusing on three key events from 1909 through 1931.

Join us in the Mayflower Room on Wednesday, October 26.

9:00 a.m. Breakfast **10:15 a.m. –11:30 a.m.** Speaker

Tickets are \$15 and will be available at Fellowship Hour on October 16 and 23. Sponsored by Chapter 8 Members of the Women's Association.

Break Bread Together

The Fellowship Board's "Break Bread Together" dinner program is back!

This is an opportunity to build and nourish new relationships with fellow GCC members by breaking bread together (enjoying dinner), either at a member's home or at a restaurant.

Adults (singles or couples) are welcome to sign up. You will be placed in groups of 7-8 with the goal of gathering people together who do not know each other, so that new GCC friendships can be fostered. We are hoping to have the groups meet for the first time in late October or November. You can also sign up at coffee hour on October 16th.

Other questions? Contact C.J. Sultz at cj.sultz@us.mcd.com_or (847)657-7079.

Adult Education Class

Sunday In The Chapel 8:50 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.

October 16—Science and the Near Death Experience. In the first of a series on the question "Is There An Afterlife?" Professor Neal Grossman of The University of Illinois –Chicago examines the growing body of scientific research on NDEs and shares his insights: "One of the reasons this research is resisted with exceptional fierceness is because the message of this research—the message of universal love—is threatening to the power structures that govern science and academia."

BASIC YOGA

Thursdays in October

Join Kelly Golding, Registered Yoga Teacher, for an hour of basic hatha yoga poses and breathing exercises designed to increase balance, strength and flexibility. We meet on Thursdays, October 13 and 20 from 9:00 a.m - 10:00 a.m. in Room 201. Classes are free, donations to the church accepted. Please bring a blanket and a yoga mat.

Questions? Contact Kelly at (847)657-1314 <u>kellygolding@comcast.net</u> or Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 230 <u>marilyn.belleau@gccucc.org</u>

Sponsored by Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse Program

Phantom of the Opera

The 2011-2012 concert season is upon us, and what a year it is going to be! Join us for our first concert on Halloween Eve, October 30th at 7:30 p.m. Tom Trenney, one of America's leading concert organists, will accompany a showing of the great silent film, *The Phantom of the Opera*, starring Lon Chaney. It is sure to be a scary and fun evening for the whole family!

FALL BBQ NOVEMBER 18 SAVE THE DATE

Take a night off cooking and enjoy the catering of Goode n Fresh at the next GCC Fall BBQ on Friday, November 18. Sponsored by the WA Chapter 11. Order forms coming soon!



Sunday, October 16

If you want to walk with other confirmands on a Crop Walk, meet at the church at 7:30 a.m. on October 16 and bring a pledge of \$20. Please let your teacher know if you are unable to attend.

The Federal Budget Blues COMMON GROUND AT GCC Friday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Please join us in the Founders Room from 7:00 pm. - 9:00 p.m. for an evening with John Wasik of the University of Illinois-Chicago. He is the author of 13 books including *The Cul-de-Sac Syndrone: Turning Around the Unsustainable American Dream*. He has lectured around the U.S. and has appeared on NBC, NPR, PBS, CNBC, Bloomberg TV, Fox, and on radio stations across the world; his column for Bloomberg News reaches readers on five continents.

Refreshments will be served and there will be a \$10.00 donation at the door to support the programs at Common Ground. Mark your calendars now and bring a friend also interested in learning.

Kids in Need in Kenya

Help school children in Kenya by donating new or used shoes, fleece jackets, and blankets. Erica Grad went to Kenya with donated supplies last summer, and wanted to double that for her trip next summer. A collection box is set up outside the office. She is working with the non-profit Matanya's Hope www. matanyashope.org which sponsors rural children so that they can go to school. Help Erica meet her goal of collecting at least 300 items.

Women's Fall Retreat

OCTOBER 21-22

Techny Towers, Northbrook Maria House

Celebrate our busy lives, yet find time for ourselves. Join us for food, fun and fellowship on Friday evening through Saturday afternoon. Price is only \$65 and scholarships are available.

Registration Forms are available in the office. Each woman will have her individual bedroom. Space is still available. Take some time out for YOU and join us! Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler and Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse.

Mission Moment ARISE Chicago OCTOBER 16

Please welcome Reverend C.J. Hawking, representing ARISE Chicago, as our Mission Moment speaker on October 16. Please join Reverend Hawking for conversation in the Mayflower room after the service. ARISE Chicago builds partnerships between faith communities and workers to fight workplace injustice through education, organizing, and advocating for public policy changes. With knowledge that the basic tenants of all faith traditions support the rights of workers, ARISE Chicago organizes the religious community to bring about just resolutions to workplace injustice www. arisechicago.org.

Greater Chicago Food Depository Work Session OCTOBER 22

Join us as we head down to the Greater Chicago Food Depository on Saturday, October 22. We will leave GCC at 12:15 and will return by 5:30 p.m. Ages 13 and older can participate! Sign up now as we only have 5 spaces and we need you. In addition to providing valuable service by preparing emergency boxes, sorting food, and bagging dry pasta and rice. We also donate our volunteer credits to partner agencies like Northfield Food Pantry, A Just Harvest and San Lucas so thev can receive additional food from GCFD. Please bring a non-perishable food donation when you come. Our next GCFD session will be December 10. Contact Tracy Sawires to sign up or with any questions esnstsms@hotmail.com, (847)832-0063.

Church Directories

Church directories are now available in the church office to all members.

Helping Hands of Glenview ANNUAL FALL YARD CLEAN-UP November 12, 2011

During the fall of each year, Helping Hands of Glenview coordinates a fall yard clean-up for seniors and persons with disabilities who are unable to do the work themselves or cannot afford to hire someone to do the work. If you are interested or would like to add your address to the list, please call Helping Hands at (847)729-8181. Leave your name, address and phone on the voicemail and someone will call you back.

678 Parents

At our Confirmation Parent meeting we talked about the value of middle school parents getting together on Sunday mornings to talk about a range of topics affecting parents and young teens. We will offer a first session on Sunday, October 16 from 9:15-9:45 a.m. in the Youth Room. All Middler parents are welcome.

Confirmation Class

We continue to meet for opening prayers each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the Youth Room, followed by individual classes. Confirmands may choose to do their 8 worship reflections at any of the worship services offered at GCC (8 a.m., 10 a.m. or 4 p.m. on Second Sunday.) Extra worksheets are available on the bulletin board near the youth room.

PYF OCTOBER

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

October 16:

PYF Cooks (RSVP for Fall Retreat / Deposit Due)

October 23:

We will go to Great America. We will leave the church at 9:30 a.m. and return at 6:00 p.m. Cost will be \$30. RSVP so very helpful!

October 30:

Halloween Video Scavenger Hunt. Extra points if you come in a costume!

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OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 p.m.

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Return Service Requested

At A Glance

THUR		
10/13	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open til 5:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
	9:00 AM	Yoga Class, Rm 201
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI		
10/14	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open til 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
	8:00 PM	Al-Anon Meeting, Rm 201
SAT		
10/15	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open til 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
	9:00 AM	Men's Open Gym, Gym
SUN		
10/16	8:00 AM	Worship Service, Sanctuary
	8:50 AM	Adult Education, Chapel
	9:00 AM	Confirmation Opening Prayers, Youth Rm
	9:15 AM	678 Parents Mtg., Youth Rm
	9:15 AM	Confirmation Classes, Various Rms
	9:15 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201
	10:00 AM	Community Worship, Sanctuary
	10:00 AM	Sunday School Classes, Various Rms
	11:00 AM	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm
	11:15 AM	Leadership Mtg., Founders Rm
	11:15 AM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	3:00 PM	New Members Orientation, Parlor

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	4:00 PM	PYF Cooks, Youth Rm and various rooms		
	4:00 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal, Rm 201		
MON				
10/17	9:30 AM	Finding My Spirit,		
	7:00 PM	Walking Marys Rehearsal, Sanctuary		
	7:00 PM	Finance Board Mtg., Founders Rm		
	7:30 PM	Mission Outreach Board, Parlor		
	8:00 PM	Tableau Angels Rehearsal, Sanctuary		
	9:00 PM	Dancing Marys Rehearsal, Sanctuary		
TUES				
10/18	12:00 PM	60 Plus Luncheon, Mayflower Rm		
	6:30 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal, Choir Rm & Sanctuary		
	7:00 PM	First Responders Seminar, Founders Rm		
WED				
10/19	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open til 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm		
	9:30 AM	WA Chapter 20, Chapel		
	6:30 PM	BSA Troop 156 Meeting, Gym		
	8:00 PM	BSA Venture Crew, Parlor & Gym		
Broadcaster Deadlines				

Sunday Continued

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