THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

In the week following the congregational vote that authorized a capital campaign to repair, renovate and renew our church's building, we received several questions about when the congregation would be receiving information about the campaign and requests for contributions to it. Here are some questions, and some answers!

When will the Campaign begin? It has already begun! The congregational vote that approved the Campaign on January 31 initiated the process. On the very next day, Havey and Associates, Inc. got to work. However, the work right now is a great deal of behind-the-scenes preparation. We could not officially engage Havey and Associates, Inc. until the congregation authorized it. That step was completed in the first week of February. Right now the Campaign is focused on organizational and administrative work. Committees are being assembled, volunteers (lots of them!) must be enlisted and trained, Campaign materials must be prepared...and on it goes! So, though you may not be seeing and hearing a great deal right now, be assured that there's a lot happening!

When will the Congregation be asked for financial commitments? Only when all the preparation and organizational work and training have been accomplished. The Campaign leadership heard from several of you that the timetable seemed too tight. In response, the timetable has been extended from July 31 to September 30. Individual contacts with the majority of GCC's members and friends will begin after Memorial Day.

Can I make a commitment now? While we appreciate everyone's enthusiasm, we ask that you refrain from making your generous gift until you are contacted by a volunteer from GCC.

What about the Master Plan? As Capital Task Force member Scott Lothian wisely said, the Master Plan might be better named the Master Vision. The Kubala Washatko Architects (TKWA) worked with us to prepare a vision for our church building that addresses the contemporary and future needs for GCC's Message, Ministries and Mission. Unfortunately, that vision must fit into the confines of our present building. That means that whatever we finally are able to do will be a compromise. Not every dream and request can be perfectly fulfilled. One of the guiding principles in the master planning process is a hierarchy that addresses daily needs, weekly needs, monthly needs, quarterly needs, annual needs and occasional needs - in that order. In other words, the planning process focused more on what happens in our building every day than it did on what only happens once a year. And, whether we call it a Master Plan or a Master Vision, it's not finished! It's still a work in progress, but we have come to the end of our contract with TKWA for now. Once we have a better idea about our available financial resources we can refine the plan with TKWA and Pepper Construction. There will be more opportunities for congregational input. And, only when the plan is approved by the congregation will the work of fine details and construction documents begin.

If you have more questions that this article doesn't fully address, please don't hesitate to contact me. I'll offer you my best understanding, or direct you to someone who can best respond to your concerns.

In this process I am so thankful for our devoted GCC members who have worked tirelessly to bring this campaign to this

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WORSHIP SERVICES

FEBRUARY 28, 2016

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT:

10:00 a.m.

Scripture: Luke 13:1-9

Sermon:

Rev. Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini **Persistent Tending**

MARCH 6, 2016

FORTH SUNDAY IN LENT:

10:00 a.m.

Scripture: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Sermon:

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

Overwhelming Love

MARCH 13, 2016

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT:

10:00 a.m.

Scripture: John 12:1-8

Sermon.

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize **Embarrassing Devotion** continued from the front page

point. And there is so much work yet to do! With the support of Havey & Associates, inc., the work of the Campaign will be coordinated at GCC by Campaign Coordinators. It's a huge job! I'm deeply grateful that Karen and Tom Aldrich have accepted this challenge!

As the Campaign moves forward, please hold the Campaign and GCC in your prayers. The purpose of this opportunity that is before us is to strengthen GCC's Message, Ministries and Mission so that we more persuasively share God's love for all people and become more fully A House for ALL God's People!

See you in church!

Chuck Mize

A BIG THANK YOU!

The GCC Women's Association Chapter 10 would like to say a big thank you to everyone who helped make our Lego and children's games drive in January a big success! Over 70 items were donated to the after school program at Onward House. The children at Onward House were thrilled with all of the items received and they will definitely be put to good use. Thanks again. Your generosity is much appreciated!

NEW MEMBER OPPORTUNITY

Have you been attending GCC for a while and thinking about becoming a member? We will receive new members on Palm Sunday, March 20 at the 10:00 worship service. There will be an informational session offered on either Sunday, March 13 after worship or Thursday evening, March 17 at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Rev. Keckler if you wish to attend one of the sessions or are interested in joining the church: pam.keckler@gccucc.org or 847-724-2210, Ext. 224.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Each Sunday we enjoy the altar flowers during our time of worship. The flowers are then delivered by a member of the Pastoral Care Board to a homebound member of the church. People often honor or remember a loved one who has passed when they purchase the altar flowers for a particular Sunday. We still have some Sundays open this year for altar flower sponsors. If you would like more information or wish to reserve a Sunday, please contact Susan Woodsome in the church office for details: 847-724-2210, Ext. 225.

ADULT ED PROGRAM SPIRITUALITY GAINED AND LOST

WILLIAM JANSSENS, LCSW APRIL 10, 2016

Many cultures of the past used and still use drugs, gathered from nature's bounty, to gain a higher level of connectedness and understanding of the world around them. Contemporary societies can lose spirituality with the use of the same drugs, as well as those manufactured. The drugs are used to hide and withdraw from the world around them. Some understanding of past usage and current ideas that are driving the trends of today will be presented.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

LAST CALL TO REGISTER FOR THE WOMEN'S RETREAT ON MARCH 11-13!

We will be at the beautiful Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel in Northbrook. We're excited to welcome Dr. Bobbie McKay as guest speaker. We begin Friday evening with food and fellowship. Saturday we are in sessions and small groups; Saturday evening there will be fun and relaxation; and Sunday morning we close our time together with worship. There's still room for those who may wish to attend. Contact Rev. Pam Keckler for more information at 847-724-2210, Ext. 224.

STEWARDSHIP 2016: "GRACE UPON GRACE"

Through February 7, 387 pledging units have committed \$950,959 to sustain and grow the Message, Ministries and Mission of Glenview Community Church in 2016. THANK YOU to everyone who has pledged! And a special shout out of THANKS to the generous folks who've responded to our Grace Upon Grace campaign by increasing the pledge that they had already made for 2016!

We are so close to achieving our Stewardship Goal! But we're still a little bit short. Last year 415 pledging units committed \$1,012, 540. So we are short 28 pledges and about \$62,000 behind last year's totals. 30 folks have responded positively to the Grace Upon Grace campaign, committing an additional \$38,000. This is about half of the amount of increased pledges received for our 2015 extra mile Gifts So Rare campaign.

We are a faith community of 1300 members and about 450 potential pledging units. We need to raise an additional \$70,000 to \$150,000. That's about \$155 to \$333 per pledging unit—or about one Starbucks tall latte per week. If you have not yet made a financial commitment to your church for 2016, please do it today! And if you are moved to respond to God's amazing grace by increasing your pledge, you will have passed on God's blessings to those whom GCC supports—All God's People!

Grace and Blessings from Your Stewardship Board

LIFE EVERLASTING

We trust the promise of the resurrection for member Maxine Orsinger who passed away February 21, 2016, even as we hold Pamela and Gregg and their families in our prayers; also for Mr. John Brady, father of Julia Brady Hoexter, who passed away on February 21, 2016; we hold Julia and Jim and their sons, John and Will in our prayers. May God's peace be with all.

LET'S MEET UP

First Thursdays: calling all adults 21 to 91+! Come out to Grandpa's on the first Thursday of each month to socialize and meet new people from GCC! Starts at 8:00 p.m. - look for our new sign! Whether you're 21, 41, 61 or 91+, you're sure to find someone to connect with! We hope to see all of you on *March 3, 2016*. Sponsored by the Fellowship Board.

HANDS OF PEACE



Hands of Peace presents Triangulation: Mosque Battles, Theatre, and Civic Engagement. Playwright/filmmaker Jamil Khoury from Silk Road Rising Theatre will introduce his latest work, Mosque Alert, and share selected video clips from the groundbreaking new play. *Mosque Alert* explores resistance to the building of mosques in communities across the U.S. with a specific focus on two families, one Muslim, the other Christian, living in Naperville, IL. Khoury's talk will address questions of religious pluralism, Islamophobia, and civil rights, drawing upon local, national, and international contexts. Join Hands of Peace for this special preview of Mosque Alert and discussion with playwrighter Jamil Khoury on *Thursday, March 3*, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Room at GCC. The event is free and open to the public.

HANDS OF PEACE

Interested in learning more about Hands of Peace sponsored trips to Israel and Palestine? An informational meeting about the 2016 Dual Narrative Tour will be held in the Founder's Room on Friday, March 4, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Former trip participants will show slides and share their experiences. Rev. Mize and Gretchen Grad will be tour leaders on the upcoming trip in October. Gretchen and trip coordinator, Rhonda McCarty, will be on hand to share information about the October trip and answer any questions that you may have. For more information about this meeting, please contact *RMcCarty@handsofpeace.org*.

BE PREPARED FOR THE BOY SCOUT TROOP 156 "ALL YOU CAN EAT" PAN-CAKE BREAKFAST!

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 AT 7:30 – 11:00 A.M. IN THE MAYFLOWER ROOM

Enjoy table service by smiling, uniformed waiters and even umbrella service by the door men in the west parking lot of the church. All proceeds from this annual event support the outdoor activities of the Boy Scouts including camp-outs and summer camp. A donation of \$5 is suggested and tickets are available from any Boy Scout or at the door.

Boy Scout Troop 156 has been chartered by Glenview Community Church since 1955 and is among the largest and most active units in Glenview. This year we have nearly 100 registered Boy Scouts and trained adult leaders, as well as a busy Cub Scout Pack and Venturing Crew.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK

Join in fellowship, food and fun at the St. Patrick's Pot Luck Dinner **Sunday, March 6**, 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Room.

Entertainment will be provided by Whitey O' Day and The Sheila Tully Irish Dancers. An Irish themed main dish will be provided - please bring a side dish or dessert to share! Suggested donation to offset the entertainment and food costs: \$5-10 for adults, kids are free! Please RSVP to Tom Thuresson (847)998-6150, <a href="mailto:table

SPRING yoga

MONDAY EVENINGS

7:00 - 8:00 p.m., Room 201 March 7 - May 23 (no class 3/28) or

THURSDAY MORNINGS

9:00 - 10:00 a.m., Narthex March 10 - May 26

Dress in comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat. For questions or to register by *March 1*: <u>kellygolding@comcast.net</u> or 847-657-1314

FOOD ON THE FIRST

Food insecurity is affecting families and children in our community. Please consider participating in GCC's Food on the First program by bringing non-perishable items to church on the first Sunday of each month. Monetary contributions are also accepted. Checks can be made out to GCC with a notation indicating Food on the First. Collection tables are located in the Narthex and by the West entrance. The food and money collected supports San Lucas UCC and the Northfield Township Food Pantry.

COMMON GROUND KENNETH JAMES

MARCH 16, 2016, 7:00 - 9:00 P.M. Dreams, Healing, and The Self

In this presentation, participants will consider ways to move from dreams to a deeper understanding of individual suffering, spiritual sustenance, and continuous healing by deepening the relationship to what Jung called the Self, the source and destiny of each individual life. Symbols in dreams are resources from the deep unconscious, the Self, offered to our waking identity, our Ego complex. Ways to remember dreams, and examples of how to work with dream imagery in waking life will be covered, and there will be ample opportunity of sharing.

PYF REUNIONTHE AL & GLORIA YEARS

On **Sunday, April 17,** Al Guilfoyle, our PYF youth minister from 1976-1986, and his wife, Gloria, will be returning to Glenview for a PYF reunion/catered lunch. We will celebrate special times from PYF from 30+ years ago! More details to follow, but please save the date if you are interested and pass along this information to any PYF kids from this era! Contact C.J. Sultz with any questions, *cjsultz@comcast.net* or 312-933-0413.



CONCERT FOR PEACE: MOVING TO PEACE

Come hear Katherine Hughes, violinist, the HAWK String Quartet (Carol Kalvonjian, violinist, Chuck Bontrager, violist, and Jill Kaeding, cello), Gary Wendt, organist, Jade Maze, jazz vocalist, and the rhythm section of Kent Wehman, Ken Haebich, and Neal Wehman, with a special appearance by members of the Glenview Community Church Chancel Choir, in a concert exploring the theme of peace on Sunday, March 13, 2016 at 3:00 p.m .at the Glenview Community Church, 1000 Elm Street (at Glenview Road) in Glenview.

Listen to and sing along with songs about peace, with a variety of styles and ensembles from traditional to contemporary. There will be a free will offering to benefit Hands of Peace www.handsofpeace.org.



The Mission Outreach Board is once again challenging the congregation of GCC to perform service hours during the month of March to celebrate community service. We hope to encourage volunteerism as a way to demonstrate God's love in our community. In 2015 GCC members recorded over 1500 hours of service – in 2016 we can do more!

Service can take many forms; shoveling a neighbor's walk, teaching Sunday school, working at a food pantry or making a meal for someone in need - the list goes on.

Beginning March 6, cards to record service hours will be placed in the bulletin. Please return completed cards to the designated box in the Narthex and check out the chart displaying recorded hours for everyone to see and celebrate.

FIELD TRIP TO TRINITY UCC

The 8th grade confirmands will take a field trip to Trinity UCC on Sunday afternoon, March 6 for a special baptismal ceremony and African American worship service. Trinity is our largest UCC church. We will be traveling by school bus. If any adults would like to come with us, please contact Rev. Pam Keckler for details.

ENGAGE IN THE **GCC** COMMUNITY

Would you like to connect with more people at GCC? How about helping GCC to make Christ's message, ministry and mission of love real for all people?

You can do these things by serving on one of GCC's boards. If you are interested, please reach out to any Board member or to Nancy Mullarkey, at Mullarkeyn@hotmail.com. The Leadership Committee is in the process of recruiting members to fill a variety of responsibilities to keep our Christian Community vibrant and loving.

PYF ON SUNDAYS

Each Sunday PYF meets in the Youth Room from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. to gather, learn, and grow together. This year's theme is *Nar-rate*. We will look at different ways stories are narrated each week in addition to the below activities.

FEBRUARY 28

Game On! The youth will enjoy a large group game and team building activities.

MARCH 6

Service Learning

MARCH 11

Lock In! Invitations to the lock-in will be mailed home. Please let me know if you do not get yours.

MARCH 20

Easter Egg Fun!

PYF ON WEDNESDAYS (POW)

POW meets each Wednesday from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Enjoy a meal and learn a little bit more about the Bible. There will be open gym and youth room.



Plans are underway for our third "hometown" auction on **Sunday, April 10**. This year's event will also be celebrating the 75th Anniversary of GCC! This will be a live auction with a professional auctioneer. The Confirmation and Youth Board and the Fellowship Board are teaming up again to sponsor this event, with all proceeds supporting confirmation and youth programming, including this summer's mission trip to West Virginia. We look forward to participation from the entire congregation. Look for additional information in the upcoming weeks.

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location	
Thursday, 25 February 2016			
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Meetings	Mayflower	
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	
Friday, 26 February 2016			
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	Pickleball	Gym	
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA MEETING	Parlor	
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library	
Saturday, 27 Februa	ry 2016		
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym	
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	
Sunday, 28 February	, 2016		
8:30 AM to 10:00 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room	
9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal	Room 201	
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM	
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary	
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Fellowship and Refreshments	Mayflower	
11:30 AM to 12:30 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Bell Room	
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM	Voices of GCC	Room 201	
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room	
Monday, 29 Februar	y 2016		
8:00 AM to 3:30 PM	HOP Stuffing	Mayflower	
9:30 AM to 11:00 AM	Adult Ed Book Study	Chapel	
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM	Cub Scouts	Gym	
Tuesday, 01 March 2	2016		
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	12th Grade Dinner	Youth Room	
Wednesday, 02 March 2016			
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM	GCCNS Board Meetings	Parlor	
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	
3:00 PM to 4:30 PM	Bible Study	Parlor	
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Mayflower	
5:30 PM to 6:45 PM	GCC Community Dinner	Mayflower	
5:30 PM to 8:00 PM	POW/87 Club	Mayflower Room A	
Thursday, 03 March 2016			
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	
6:30 PM to 9:00 PM	HOP - Mosque Alert Disscusion	Founders	
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Meetings	Gym	
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	
Friday, 04 March 2016			
8:00 AM to 2:30 PM	No GCCNS Today	Room 205	
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	Pickleball	Gym	
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	GCC Adult Volleyball	Gym	
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA MEETING	Parlor	
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library	

THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS MARCH 2, 2016 AT 9:00 AM

THE TUNNEL OF SPRING

(photo on the front cover by Ugo Mellone, Italy)

Ugo had heard of a strange phenomenon in southern Spain's Sierra Nevada: temporary snow tunnels, cascading towards the wetlands. Upon discovery of this hidden tunnel, Ugo found himself walking into a secret oasis lined with lush grass and lit by natural skylights. The climate in the Sierra Nevada varies greatly, from permanently snow-capped peaks to warm, fertile, low-lying valleys, resulting in an enormous diversity of species and habitats. Snow tunnels form in spring, when faster-flowing snow melt cuts through the top layers of ice to form a hidden cave system beneath the surface.

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	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
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11:30 AM to 12:30 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Bell Room
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM	Voices of GCC	Room 201
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM	St Patricks Day Dinner	Mayflower
Monday, 07 March 20	016	
9:30 AM to 11:00 AM	Adult Ed Book Study	Chapel
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM	Called to Care	Founders
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Yoga Classes	Room 201
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Committee Mtgs	Parlor
7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Childrens Board Meeting	Youth Room
Tuesday, 08 March 2	016	
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	12th Grade Dinner	Youth Room
6:45 PM to 9:00 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Adult Ed Meeting	Library
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	GCC Womens Assoc. Exec. Bd Meeting	Founders
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Music Bd Meeting	Music Office
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Pastoral Care Board	Parlor
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Services & Sacraments Meeting	Room 210
7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Confirmation & Youth Board Meeting	Youth Room
Wednesday, 09 Marc	ch 2016	
8:00 AM to 2:30 PM	No GCCNS Today	Room 205
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
3:00 PM to 4:30 PM	Bible Study	Parlor
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Mayflower
5:30 PM to 8:00 PM	POW / 87 Club	Mayflower
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Properties Board Meeting	Room 210

SACRED CONVERSATION ON RACE -LET'S GET A CONVERSATION STARTED

Beyonce sang and danced during the Super Bowl and made her race the focus of her show. How many people watched the show and applauded her and her message? How many people watched the show and had no idea she was channeling the spirit of Malcolm X with her song, her costumes and choreography? How many people watched the show and were aware of her message and turned off, thinking the Super Bowl wasn't a good time to bring up race? When is it appropriate to talk about race? Start a conversation.

The YWCA in Evanston is asking people on the North Shore to join a conversation about race. For additional information about racial justice programs visit www.ywca.org/rj.

GENDER VIOLENCE: ADDRESSING INJUSTICE

Dr. Beth Richie is speaking at First United Methodist Church, 516 Church Street in Evanston on Tuesday, **March 8** at 7:45 on Gender Violence: Addressing Injustice. If you are interested in additional information or carpooling to the event please contact Linda Crowder at lecrowder@comcast.net or Kathie Wilson at kmccw@sbcglobal.com.

MLK DAY

Many thanks to the 18 GCC members who attended MLK Day. To see where your legislator stands on the issues, click <u>Here</u> for the CRS's report card or go to <u>www.gccucc.org/resources/forms</u>.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PONDERING IN SILENCE...

Every happening great and small is a parable whereby God speaks to us, and the art of life is to get the message.

Christian Journalist Malcolm Muggeridge