

HOW'S IT GOING?

I'm asked this question a lot. People want to know how I'm adjusting to my new schedule. When my ministry moved to half-time, I first had to figure out how to divide my work. In other words, what are the areas of work I do, and what will I keep and what will I either drop or give to others? It was an interesting project. I listed everything I could think of and ended up with 16 areas plus 9 different meetings – some monthly, some, every other month. Taking the time to do this detail was helpful in forming the main areas where I'm spending my time each week.

From now through the end of May, I will be focused on these main areas of ministry:

- 8th Grade Confirmation-I meet with our 24 confirmands each Sunday morning and work with them and their teachers in verbalizing what they believe. They will be confirmed May 5.
- Congregational Care Team This is the team that works on the poinsettia and lily lists and delivers the altar flowers to homebound members. They also help with memorial/funeral receptions.
- Congregational Life Ministry One of our ministries which oversee and help plan events such as Rally Day, Senior luncheons, Men's Ministry, Women's Association, Care Teams, Health Ministry, etc.
- Sunday Worship assist with worship/ preaching, etc. I will be away approximately once a month.
- Pastoral Care Visits to Seniors, funerals, Pam etc.

- Visitor/Member Engagement Weekly contact with visitors, meeting with the Member Engagement Team, organize New Member sessions.
- Spiritual Life Resources order Lenten devotionals and coordinate information for the seasonal calendar for Lent.
- The Wider Church Each month I have a meeting all day with our Chicago Metropolitan Association (CMA) where I'm on the Church & Ministry Committee that works with churches, pastors, and seminary students who will become pastors. It's important work I do outside the local church.

I shared this information with Spiritual Council recently, and someone asked me to name my top three areas where I would focus most. Since I feel that pastoral care is most essential, that will be my priority to visit or check in with members regularly. The other two areas include Confirmation and Visitors/Member Engagement. I'll also plan to attend fewer meetings, which is not at all bad!

So, how's it going? I would say, that after one month of adjustment, I'm starting to get a handle on my hours/units each week, and I'm slowly figuring out how to best spend my time. Michelle Obama, in her book, **Becoming**, says that when she left the White House, **"Time is beginning to feel different...And here I am, in this new place..."**

Thanks for asking and caring,

JANUARY 30, 2019 WORSHIP 10:00 AM FEBRUARY

FOURTH SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY HOLY COMMUNION

Scripture: Genesis 3:1-7 Luke 14:7-11; 18:9-14

Sermon: *The Twin Sins of Self* Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

FEBRUARY

FIFTH SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY

Scripture: I Corinthians 3:1-9

Sermon: Building with God Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY 17

Scripture: Jerimiah 17:5-10 Luke 6:17-26

Sermon: Found Footing on the Plain Enduring Worth Rev. Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini

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MIDWINTER CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Glenview Community Church Midwinter Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 24, 2019, at 11:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Agenda topics for this meeting include the presentation and vote for adoption of the Church Budget for 2019, reports from the Church Clerk and Treasurer, and updates from the Construction Committee and the Constitution Working Group.

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

SAVE THE DATE!

Plans are underway for our sixth annual **Chili Cook-off and "Hometown" Auction** on Sunday, April 28 at 5:00 p.m. The Congregational Life and Faith Formation ministries are teaming up to sponsor this event, with all proceeds supporting this summer's PYF mission trip to Birmingham, Alabama. Look for additional information on how you can participate in this year's event during the upcoming weeks.



KNIT & CROCHET NEWS

We will continue to knit & crochet 8" squares for Knit-A-Square in South Africa, as well as hats, mittens, gloves and scarves for our friends at **A Just Harvest**. We will also be knitting baby items for **The Night Ministry's Teen Parenting program (RAPPP.)**

Our next meeting will be in Room 108 at church (former Cradle/Toddler room) on Wednesday, February 6 from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. Please check church office/website/ emails for church closings due to weather.

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SEEKING FELLOWSHIP TIME HOSTS

In 2019, we are opening Fellowship Time Hosting to all members of GCC. We are looking for 2 different categories of hosts: 1) Church groups or individuals willing to host Fellowship Time once a month or once every other month, 2) Church groups or individuals who are willing to host Fellowship Time occasionally. Please see one of the Fellowship Leaders on Sunday morning to sign up: Jeanie Bond, Sally Thuresson, JoAnne Peters, Ann Grant, or email Jeanie at <u>birdeebee@yahoo.com</u>.

GCC VALENTINE PIZZA PARTY!

We would LOVE to have you join us on Sunday, February 10, immediately following the worship service, in the Gym, for pizza and fellowship. In addition to the pizza, there will be salad, drinks, and deserts, and arts & crafts for kids in the Art Room.

If you would be willing to provide a salad, dessert, or other support, please go to this link to <u>SIGN UP</u>.

This event is for everyone - with or without kids. Admission is free, but we will gratefully accept a freewill offering!

Please contact Julie Zylke at jzylke@sbcglobal.net or call her cell phone (847) 337-8259 to RSVP.

Hope to see everyone there!

Sponsored by the *Faith Formation and Congregational Life Ministries*

THE BROADCASTER

Would you like to receive the Broadcaster by email? Just email Tania at <u>tania.mccarthy@</u> <u>gccucc.org</u> and ask her to add you to the eblast list. You will then also receive a Friday note from Chuck and a weekly update of what's happening at GCC.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

There has been a good response to having a Spring Women's Retreat. The feedback thus far has pointed to a need for a different weekend and possible change to the length of the retreat. The retreat will be a great time for the women of GCC to gather, connect, celebrate, and grow in faith together. Would you be interested in helping plan and organize? The Planning Team would meet 2 – 3 times between now and the retreat. The Team would help recruitment, promotion, determine location, help plan meals, help with theme, and the fellowship activities of the retreat. Please contact me at elizabeth.ciccolini@gccucc.org by February 15 if you're interested in being a member of the Planning Team. Women's retreat brainstorming and interest meeting will be February 19 at 7 p.m. in Room 108.

SCIENCE DRIVE TO BENEFIT ONWARD HOUSE

As you are cleaning out after the holidays? Please consider supporting the GCC Women's Association Chapter 10 Science Drive to benefit the school-aged children's program at Onward House. Onward House serves lower income families and individuals in the community of Belmont Cragin, a neighborhood in northwest Chicago. Specifically they are in need of stickers/labels, masking tape, magnifying glasses, small bags of play sand, containers of varying sizes with lids, magnets, small flashlights, cardstock, ziplock bags, pipe cleaners, dice, straws, corn starch, mixing bowls, spatulas, colorful plastic cups (Solo brand), paint stirrers, small child safe mirrors, food coloring, shaving cream, Q-tips, cushions for seating, beakers, graduated cylinders, plastic wrap, aluminum foil, Borax, peroxide, baking soda, isopropyl alcohol, vinegar, balloons, funnels, salt, skewer sticks, popsicle sticks, conditioner, microfiber towels, glue, cotton balls, timers, and paper towels. Please refer to the flyers hanging around the church building for additional supplies needed. Look for collection boxes by the church office from January 26 through March 3. Please contact Jessica Greve at grevejess@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you!

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LENTEN BOOK STUDY GROUPS RETURN!

This year's Lenten book is *Finding God in a Bag of Groceries: Sharing Food, Discovering Grace* by Laura Lapins Willis. There are sign up sheets in the office and you can to the GCC website <u>HOMEPAGE</u> and click on the link to sign-up on-line.

GROUPS MEETINGS AND TIMES:

Tuesdays at 10 a.m. in the Youth Room with Rev. Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini (starts March 5).

Wednesdays at 4 p.m. in room 108 with Rev. Chuck Mize.

Wednesday evenings at Tom and Karen Aldrich's (starts March 13), and Blanche Hanson will lead one at Covenant Village.

The books are on sale now in the church office and will be available at fellowship time starting February 10. The cost of the book is \$10.

ANNOUNCING NEW ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMMING FOR GCC MEMBERS AND FRIENDS!

Exciting News! New Year! GCC Faith Formation Ministry is offering revised programs!

NEW NAME! Adult Ed Programs will have a new name, GCC Speakers' Forum!

NEW FORMAT AND SCHEDULE! Speakers' Forum will meet periodically on Wednesday evenings and will be an inter-generational dinner (*suggested donation of \$10*) with the Wednesday's young people fellowship groups.

NEW CO-SPONSORS! We will be partnering with Outreach Ministry, FIAT, Men's Ministry, Women's Association, Scouts, Congregational Life Ministry and Worship & Music Ministry to present speakers and groups from all areas of interest to GCC members and the wider community.

NEW HANDS-ON OUTREACH! We will seek to present programs which will provide an opportunity for hands-on community outreach and involvement.

HAVE AN IDEA OR REQUEST FOR A SPEAKER OR PROGRAM TOPIC? Please contact Tom Aldrich at 847-846-3294 or <u>thomaslaldrich@comcast.net</u>.

GCC SPEAKERS' FORUM'S FIRST PROGRAM OF 2019! On Wednesday evening, February 27, we welcome **Coach Matt MacPherson**, Associate Head Coach (Defensive Backs) for the Big Ten West Division and Holiday Bowl Champion Northwestern Wildcats. Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Program begins at 6:30 p.m.



For 20 years our church has been baking, buying, and bringing cookies for **The Night Ministry** to our church kitchen. Then PYF packages them (3 per package), and delivers them to **The Night Ministry** office. Then they are given to **The Night Ministry** bus to give to the cold, hungry folks who have come to the bus for warmth, counseling, and health care, For some, this may be their only meal for the whole day.

Please no NUTS or PEANUT BUTTER

This special bus is on the streets 6 nights a week at specific locations in Chicago offering assistance to street people. In addition to

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the bus, **The Night Ministry** also has a team of brave folks who go into the underpasses, bridges, etc. where there are known homeless enclaves. These teams bring sandwiches and medical care with them. **The Night Ministry** also provides housing, health care, outreach, spiritual care and social services to teenagers and young adults in Chicago who struggle with homelessness, poverty, and loneliness. GCC has helped support this agency for many years.

Please bring your cookies to the Youth Room by **Sunday morning, February 10**. Be sure to mark them **NIGHT MINISTRY** Questions: call Elizabth Ciccolini: (847) 724-2210 Ext. 233

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CHILDREN AND TEEN FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

The children and teens of GCC are back into their regular routines. Wednesdays continue to be a time when the children and teens can be together. **FISH** is back to its regular routine with parents volunteering their time. The **612 Youth Group** continues to enjoy good food, fellowship and fun. We will try an Intergenerational community dinner on February 27. We hope you can join us.



January was a busy month for our PYFers with final exams followed by the PYF Winter Trip. Each January PYF goes on a tubing / ski trip to Cascade Mt. followed by time at the Kalahari Water Park. It is a great end to a stressful week. This year we talked about diving deep. We talked about how important it is to get out of our comfort zone. This at times can be emotionally taxing, but finding it is easier to do when surrounded by God's love. We listened to the song, **Shallow** by Lady Gaga and thought about the lyrics in conjunction with Ephesians 3. Three different verses stood out as we dove deep into our understanding of self, community and God. Here are the verses from Ephesians 3: 16 I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, 18 I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.



PYF SUNDAYS & WEDNESDAYS (GCC'S HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP)

FEBRUARY 10

Topic - Hunger To Make a Difference Luke 10:25-37 **Mission Project** - Packaging cookies for the Night Ministry.

FEBRUARY 17 Pizza Snack 4 – 5 p.m.

FEBRUARY 24 *Topic: Hunger & Caring for Self* Activity We will assemble and create different self-care items. Candles etc.

FEBRUARY 27

Serving alongside The Night Ministry bus in Uptown. 7-10 p.m.

MARCH 3

Topic: Hunger to Make a Difference 2 Kings 5:1-14, Luke 10:1-12 Cooking at Holy Trinity.

MARCH 8

Mystery Dinner and Lock-In at Holy Trinity.

MARCH 18

Topic: Hunger for Stuff Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Luke 12:32-48 **Activity** The Joy of Painting.



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Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location		
Thursday, 31 Januar	y 2019			
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM	GCC Closed	Sanctuary		
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Sanctuary		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Pack 156 Scouts	Gym		
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary		
Friday, 01 February 2				
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	New To You Pop Up Store	Gym		
Saturday, 02 Februar				
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	New To You Pop Up Store	Gym		
Sunday, 03 February				
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	8th Grade Confirmation Class	Youth Room		
10:00 AM to 10:15 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM		
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Worship Service	Sanctuary		
11:05 AM to 11:30 AM	Refreshments and Fellowship	Narthex		
Monday, 04 February				
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM	New To You Pop Up Store	Gym		
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201		
Tuesday, 05 Februar				
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
2:00 PM to 5:00 PM	New To You Pop Up Store	Gym		
Wednesday, 06 Febr	uary 2019			
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM	Knitters/Crocheters	Cradle/Toddler Room		
4:15 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Youth Room		
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM	612 Youth Group	Youth Room		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Properties Team Meeting	Cradle/Toddler Room		
Thursday, 07 Februa	ry 2019			
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Room 201		
2:00 PM to 5:00 PM	New To You Pop Up Store	Gym		
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Sanctuary		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Pack 156 Scouts	Gym		
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary		
Friday, 08 February 2019				
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	New To You Pop Up Store	Gym		
Saturday, 09 Februar	y 2019			
8:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Mens Open Gym	Gym		
Sunday, 10 February	2019			
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	8th Grade Confirmation Class	Youth Room		
10:00 AM to 10:15 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM		
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Worship Service	Sanctuary		
11:05 AM to 11:30 AM	Refreshments and Fellowship	Narthex		
11:15 AM to 12:15 PM	Intergenerational Valentines Party	Gym		
4:00 PM to 5:55 PM	PYF	Youth Room		
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM	7th Grade Confirmation Class	Youth Room		
Monday, 11 February	/ 2019			
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM	New To You Pop Up Store	Gym		
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201		
Tuesday, 12 Februar	y 2019			
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
2:00 PM to 5:00 PM	New To You Pop Up Store	Gym		
6:00 PM to 6:58 PM	Executive Committee	Cradle/Toddler Room		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Ministry Steering Group Meeting	Youth Room		
Wednesday, 13 Febr	uary 2019			
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
4:15 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Youth Room		
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM	612 Youth Group	Youth Room		

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The Message, Ministries and Mission of Glenview Community Church thrive because you fulfill your stewardship commitments and make faithful contributions. It is essential that we remain current in our giving and ensure the fiscal health of the church. In the midst of our busy lives, we offer you this update reminder to keep in focus our progress on completing our financial commitments to GCC. This Financial Snapshot will be updated monthly and included in the worship bulletin and Broadcaster.

	YTD	Over/(Under)Budget
Pledge Fulfillment	\$785,821	(\$34,179)
Other Income	\$193,620	\$60,495
Expenses	\$1,150,732	(\$24,809)
Net Total	(\$172,389)	\$51,125

SUMMARY: We are \$51,125 better than budget through November. Our approved budget defines an annual deficit of \$79,779, so if the balance of the year holds to plan, we will end 2018 with an operating deficit of \$28,654.

2019 GENEROSITY CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Thank you to all who have continued to generously support Glenview Community Church. As of January 23, we have received pledges for \$866,000 from 284 pledgers.

There is always more work to do, more volunteers needed, more money to ask for...

The level of pledges needed to support 2019 salaries, maintenance, programs, and mission is \$970,000. Expenses cannot be reduced any further and we need increased pledge revenue to make up the funding gap. Our faith community is caring and generous. We are asking members and friends of GCC to prayerfully consider pledg-ing to support the annual operating need of minister and staff salaries, maintenance, programs, and missions.

You do not need a pledge card to communicate a pledge increase. Call or write to the Church Business Administrator, Lucinda Fuller, lucinda.fuller@gccucc.org, (847) 724-2210, or giving@gccucc.org.

We are making a difference with God's love!

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THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS FEBRUARY 6, 2019 BY 9:00 AM

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OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

REGULAR CHURCH HOURS

MONDAY AND FRIDAY 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. SATURDAY 8:00 a.m. - noon SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Nonprofit Organization

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Do you bow your head when you pray or do you look up into that blue space? Take your choice, prayers fly from all directions.

~~Mary Oliver