

### THE SECRET

The last time I wrote for the Broadcaster, my title was *A "Come to Jesus" Message*. I used that phrase because of its popular meaning: to face hard realities and do something about them.

But coming to Jesus has a far more important religious significance. It means giving our lives to the Son of God and our Savior. It means aligning our lives with the love of the Man of Nazareth. It means sitting at the feet of our Master and learning the way of life that is life indeed. When we do, we discover that Jesus is, in contemporary parlance, *counter-intuitive*. Jesus invites us into a wisdom that seems foolish to the practical, expedient ways of the world. One of those ways that is most profound is that the secret to abundant wealth is giving what we have away, not getting more and more to increase our accumulation. In Jesus' words. **Those who save their lives** will lose them, and those who lose their lives for My sake and for God's good news of love will find them. That's the secret. In the words of St. Francis: For it is in aiving that we receive...and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

And this divestment isn't obligatory or burdensome. To the contrary, it is pure joy. Some of us subscribe to the United Church of Christ's *Daily Devotional* that appears in our email in-box each morning (go to <a href="https://www.ucc.org/daily\_devotional">www.ucc.org/daily\_devotional</a> to subscribe). Several GCC members spoke to me about the devotion for Sunday, February 10 and suggested that it offered a message that GCC needs. So here is that devotion, written by **Kaji Douša**, the Senior Pastor of The Park Avenue Christian Church, a congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples

of Christ) and the United Church of Christ, in New York City:

### **Nobody Likes a Grumpy Giver**

"Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake." – Deuteronomy 15:10

Your pastor probably doesn't think they're so good at raising money.

Your pastor probably is expected to raise a whole lot of money.

Your pastor is likely to be terrified of raising money.

"Inspiring generosity" and "unleashing giving potential" sound lovely. And they are. Our spirits leap when we are generous and pastors love a leaping spirit, I think. Well, I do, anyway.

Leaping spirit gifts are a joy. The tough ones are the gifts that land with a thud. Picture the gift with a rope attached to it. Bam! The gift is given but can always be tugged away. If the pastor preaches on that forbidden topic. If the musician doesn't play *The Old Rugged Cross* every month. Or if the pastor doesn't preach on that required topic or if the musician plays *The Old Rugged Cross* one more time...

A checklist of requirements that accompanies giving becomes a cord around the heart, making it hard for a spirit to leap as we tether our giving to our expectations. But gifts to the church are not for the pastor. They are for God.

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# FEBRUARY 13, 2019 WORSHIP 10:00 AM FEBRUARY

SIXTH SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY

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

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

### **FEBRUARY**

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY

Scripture: Revelation 21:1-7, 22-26; 22:1-5

Sermon:
Until Heaven and Earth are One
Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

### MARCH

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION

Scripture: Luke 9:28-43a

Sermon: Visions of Glory Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize 1/

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My recommendation? Align with a community and then make your peace with it. Gifts aren't made to decisions, they are made to the place you have decided God is at work. This brings cheer. If your gift makes you grumpy—are you in the right place?

### **Praver**

May my spirit leap as I think about Your generosity, O God. May my gifts do the same. Amen.

As we continue to work toward our Generosity Campaign goal of \$970,000 in pledges for the Message, Ministries and Mission of GCC in 2019, GCC member **Gill Mergl** offers us the following practical strategy for living beyond grumpy giving:

As of February 10, we are around \$100,000 short of our budget goal of \$970,000 in pledges. While the total might seem an overwhelming figure, with the number of generous families pledging to GCC this equates to a shortfall of just under \$30 per month per pledging family. When viewed that way it does not seem such a daunting goal to meet.

Pastor Kaji Douša reminds us that "nobody likes a grumpy giver." That must mean that everybody likes a generous giver. Join me in the joy of gracious giving: giving that gives all we have so we can receive everything we need...giving that opens the door to receiving...selflessness that turns dying into eternal life. That's the secret of God's love. May it turn grumpy to gracious for all of us! See you in church!

Chuck Mize

### 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.

### **SPIRITUAL COUNCIL MEETING REPORT 02-22-19**

At the January meeting, the Spiritual Council received the budget report for 2018 and looked ahead to possible developments in 2019.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE:** With most of the 2018 numbers in, we ended the year near breakeven. While this is wonderful news, it comes with a caution. The favorable numbers are largely due to three factors we cannot count on repeating: unusually strong investment income; several large, one-time non-pledge contributions; and property expenses that came in substantially under budget. These factors compensated for lagging pledge fulfillment in 2018. At the Midwinter Meeting on February 24, the congregation will vote on a budget for 2019.

**GENEROSITY UPDATE:** Pledges received at the time of the meeting were \$855,000— around \$100,000 under budget. The Generosity Team is conducting a second mile campaign with letters to encourage greater pledging.

**CONSTITUTION WORKING GROUP:** Bob McGee updated the Spiritual Council on proposed changes to the structure of the Ministry Steering Groups and the succession of Moderators. The Constitution Working Group will be holding sessions to inform the congregation of these proposals. Check your church communications for dates and times.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Elizabeth presented for discussion the idea of hosting a Vacation Bible School this summer for the Glenview and area community. Last summer's VBS with Holy Trinity and St. Phillip's was hugely successful in reaching a diverse population of children and in bringing together multiple generations. Hosting such a program would be great outreach for GCC but also a church-wide commitment. The Ministries and other groups will discuss the feasibility of such a project.

## JANUARY 22, 2019 CONSTRUCTION MEETING NOTES

### THINGS ARE HUMMING IN THE MUSIC HUB!!

- o The walls for the new bell room and music library are up.
- o The rough electrical work in the bell room and library are complete.
- o The lift (from Mayflower to stage height) is roughed in.

### THE ELEVATOR IS ON ITS WAY!!

- o The elevator will be delivered to the installer on 2/6.
- o Altounian is completing the stairs adjacent to the elevator shaft.
- o The roof above the elevator has been roughed in and will be completed as soon as weather permits.
- o The masonry work in the elevator shaft is complete.
- O Definite installation date depends on the above items being completed. It will take 5-10 days to complete once installation begins.

### **EVERYWHERE YOU LOOK......YOU SEE PROGRESS**

- o The gas line to the fireplace in the upper commons is in place.
- o The new water main from Glenview Road has been approved by the village.
- o The stairs from the Narthex to the Upper Commons are complete.
- The Upper Commons around the ceiling and windows will be painted soon so that installation of the "cloud" ceiling can begin.

ALTOUNIAN IS CONFIDENT WE WILL BE ABLE TO OCCUPY OUR NEW SPACE BY THE FIRST WEEK IN APRIL......IN TIME TO OBSERVE PALM SUNDAY AND CELEBRATE EASTER!

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location		
Thursday, 14 Februa	ary 2019			
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Room 201		
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		
Saturday, 16 February 2019				
8:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Mens Open Gym	Gym		
Sunday, 17 February 2019				
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		
4:00 PM to 5:55 PM	PYF	Youth Room		
Tuesday, 19 February 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		
7:00 PM to 8:15 PM	Women's Retreat Brainstorming	Cradle/Toddler Room		
8:16 PM to 9:15 PM	PYF Parenting	Cradle/Toddler Room		
Wednesday, 20 February 2019				
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
9:30 AM to 10:45 AM	Chap 20	Chapel		
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		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	New Member Meeting/ Room 108	Cradle/Toddler Room		
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7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Pack 156 Scouts	Gym		
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Saturday, 23 Februa	-			
8:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Mens Open Gym	Gym		
Sunday, 24 February		Verific Desire		
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 11:15 AM to 12:15 PM	Refreshments and Fellowship	Narthex		
4:00 PM to 5:55 PM	GCC Mid Winter Meeting PYF	Sanctuary Youth Room		
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM	7th Grade Confirmation Class	Youth Room		
Monday, 25 Februar		rodurroom		
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM	New To You Shop	Gym		
Tuesday, 26 Februar		<b>3</b> ,		
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 Shop	Gym		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Spiritual Council Meeting	Gym		
Wednesday, 27 Febr		-,		
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		
5:30 PM to 6:30 PM	Intergenerational Dinner	Gym		
6:30 PM to 7:30 PM	GCC Speakers Forum - Speaker, Matt McPhearson	Sanctuary		

### THE BROADCASTER

Would you like to receive the Broadcaster by email? Just email Tania at <u>tania.mccarthy@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.

THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS FEBRUARY 20, 2019 BY 9:00 AM

### **GIVING GLIMPSE DECEMBER 2018**

Our transition from 2018 to 2019 included saying good bye to our retiring Business Administrator Dale Wittenberg and welcoming Lucinda Fuller as our new Business Administrator. The final results of fiscal year 2018 are extremely favorable, but only through the grace of God: helped along by forward thinking church decisions, Wall Street's bear market, and very generous GCC members and friends. The congregation approved a 2018 operating deficit of \$79,779. We closed the year with an operating SURPLUS of \$8,335. This was achieved despite a pledge fulfillment \$43K below budget. High level details are outlined below and will be explained in detail at the Sunday, February 24 Mid-Winter Congregational meeting.

	YTD	Over/(Under)Budget
Pledge Fulfillment	\$ 910,345	(\$42,837)
Other Income	\$ 341,317	\$101,385
Expenses	\$1,243,327	(\$29,567)
Net Total	\$ 8,335	\$ 88,115

**SUMMARY:** We finished 2018 in such a strong position because of remarkable investment income, generous non-pledge contributions, and properties expenses that were \$40K below budget because we experienced no major failures. These favorable elements allowed us to achieve an operating surplus over budget.

For 2019, we need pledges to achieve our goal of \$970,000 and pledge fulfillment to return to expected levels. 2019 is already burdened by three essential, major and costly facility repairs/replacements. We also cannot be assured that non-pledge giving and investment income will remain favorable.

# 2019 GENEROSITY CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Thank you to all who have continued to generously support Glenview Community Church. As of February 1, we have received pledges for \$868,324 from 293 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 pledging 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, <a href="mailto:lucinda.fuller@gccucc.org">lucinda.fuller@gccucc.org</a>, (847) 724-2210, or <a href="mailto:giving@gccucc.org">giving@gccucc.org</a>.

### **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.

### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN GCC MEMBERSHIP?

Would you like to learn more about our faith community, the United Church of Christ and our ministries? Join us for an information session to hear what GCC has to offer. You only need to attend one; the first session will be Wednesday, February 20 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 108 (near the nursery area), the second session will be Sunday, March 3 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 32 (near the gym). We will officially receive and recognize new members on Sunday, March 10 but look forward to speaking with interested individuals now. Please RSVP to Reverend Pam Keckler pam. keckler@gccucc.org for the date that works best for you. If you cannot attend one of these information sessions but still want to join the church, contact either Pam or Reverend Chuck Mize to schedule a meeting.

### GCCNS 2019-2020 REGISTRATION

Preschool registration is open to all children and we invite you to come and check out Glenview Community Church Nursery School. GCC member and Director Marcia Kiraly invites you and your children ages 2-5 to visit GCCNS and see a class in action. We are NAEYC accredited and offer a variety of Enrichment classes in Exploration, Music, Spanish, Art, and Parent's Day Out programs. For complete information visit us at <a href="https://www.gccns.com">www.gccns.com</a> or contact Marcia Kiraly, <a href="marciak@gccucc.org">marciak@gccucc.org</a> or 847.729.1440. We look forward to seeing you soon!



### SCIENCE DRIVE TO BENEFIT ONWARD HOUSE

As you are cleaning out after the holidays, please consider supporting the *GCC Women's Association Chapter10 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!



## A BIG THANK YOU!

On 1/11/19, my husband, Bob, and I picked up a box of 389 gift cards from Susan to deliver to The Night Ministry; Judy Fellingham counted and bundled them in groups of 5 during her Wednesday volunteer time in the church office--so appreciated!

The grand total response according to Susan's email of 1/09/19: 389 cards + 72 additional gift cards from Chapter 20 = 461 gift cards plus at least an additional \$500 cash donated by others in the congregation

What an incredible example of joyful giving; everyone deserves to be congratulated!



## 2019 PATHWAYS TO JUSTICE CONFERENCE

MARCH 2, 2019 – 9:30AM TO 3:00PM MCCORMICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY 5460 S. UNIVERSITY AVE. CHICAGO, 60615

The *Pathways to Justice Conference* is an event organized by the Chicago Metropolitan Association Justice and Witness Committee of the United Church of Christ to respond to the hunger in local churches to be a force for social change. We offer opportunities to learn, share, and engage with local social justice warriors, who are using principles of restorative justice and effective organizing techniques in support of the U. N. Charter of Human Rights.

During the morning Teach-In, Jaquie Algee, Board President of Women's March Chicago and member of Governor Pritzker's transition team for civil rights, will share her insights about important justice issues locally and what effective grass roots organizers are doing. Presentations will also be given by leaders of local groups who are organizing against injustice in immigration, domestic violence, voters' rights, affordable housing, and mass incarceration. Afternoon table-talk sessions will foster small group discussions with the local leaders where participants will learn about the most recent successes and challenges in these focus areas. Participants will have an opportunity to share the work their congregations have undertaken on social justice issues.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided and music will be offered for praise and inspiration. A conference fee of \$10 can be paid with on-line registration, or by cash or check on the day of the conference. A discounted student fee of \$5, is payable by cash at the conference. Fee waivers are available if needed. Please contact Betsy Martin, listed below, if you need a fee waiver. No refunds are available.

Please copy this link to a browser to register online by February 22: <a href="https://pathwaystojustice2019.eventbrite.com">https://pathwaystojustice2019.eventbrite.com</a>

Or you can register by contacting Betsy Martin at betsywisemartin@att.net.

# GOD MOMENTS & PRAYERS FROM THE SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAMS AND REV. BOBBIE MCKAY, PH.D.

"Devotion" is a word I hadn't thought much about. But when I heard someone talk about "doing a devotion", my spirit and heart paid attention. I pray all the time. But "doing a devotion" felt like a new way to approach God from both the heart and the mind. It felt exactly right as a way to LOVE God and to KNOW God: a wonderful God moment of awareness and recognition.

Members of Spiritual Life Teams pray out loud and talk about "God Moments: Those times when God becomes real in our lives. This was a God moment for me and it led immediately to a God Idea. Why not ask spiritual life team members to share a God Moment with the congregation in each edition of the Broadcaster? Why not ask that same spiritual life team member or another member to share a prayer as a gift to the congregation?

Then why not invite the congregation to look for God Moments in their lives? Or share a prayer with someone they know and trust? Suddenly, In one single God Moment that I experienced, a whole new constellation of God possibilities unfolded: why not let GCC become a spiritual destination for God Moments and Prayers for everyone!

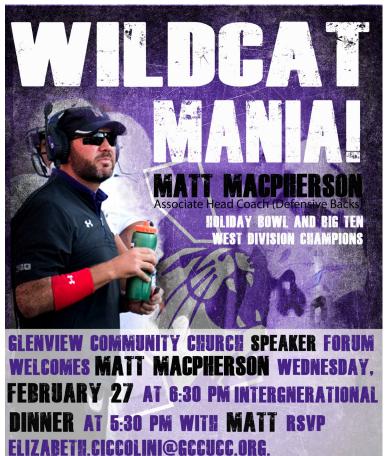
As in all God Moments, it stirred energy, excitement and profound thanks for God's Presence and Love right here in all of our lives. I will ask spiritual life team members to share God Moments and Prayers for each Broadcaster as our gift to our congregation:

### DISCOVER GOD; SHARE THE GIFT; CHANGE YOUR LIFE; CHANGE THE WORLD.

Gracious and Beautiful God: You gift us constantly with your presence. Help us to recognize you and pay attention to the gifts of new life you are bringing to us. Let our lives become a "devotion" of love and thanks-giving for your presence in this world and in each of our lives. Amen. (Bobbie McKay).

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

What happens to the altar flowers after worship? A person from the Congregational Care Team takes the flowers to one of our homebound members or perhaps to someone who is recovering from surgery, had a recent death in the family, etc. They receive not only the lovely flowers from the service, but also (and even more importantly) a brief visit. Each person on the team visits someone every other month or about 6 times a year. We are always looking for others who might like to join this group of visitors. If you have an interest or would like more details, contact Mary Beth Amoruso at 847-729-6524 or by email: <a href="mailto:inkling43mb@gmail.com">inkling43mb@gmail.com</a> or speak to Rev. Pam Keckler.



### 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. An intergenerational dinner will be held at 5:30 p.m. We are requesting a donation of \$8 per person to off set the cost of the meal. RSVP to **Elizabeth.ciccolini@gccucc.org**. Program begins at 6:30 p.m.

# LENTEN BOOK STUDY GROUPS

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 go to the GCC website *HOME PAGE* 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.

### NEW ADULT ED 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 \$8*) 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 thomaslaldrich@comcast.net.



The "Hometown" Auction and Chili Cook-off is coming up on Sunday, April 28, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Mark your calendar now for a night of food, fellowship, and fun, all to help raise money for this summer's mission trip to Birmingham, Alabama. We are looking for donations of many kinds, including homemade goodies, catered dinners/parties by you, quilts, sports or theatre tickets, unique experiences, gift certificates, or weekends at vacation homes. Cash donations are always welcome. Donation forms available in the church office or on the website click here. Contact karen.ornduff@gmail.com for questions about donations or the event.
Calling all chili cooks - do you have a great chili recipe? Beef, chicken, sausage, vegetarian... we are looking for all types of chili! Contact stephenisaacs006@gmail.com, and provide your name and phone number to enter the chili cook-off.

### **CHILDREN AND TEEN FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY**

There have been a lot of important discussions with the church school children and their families over the past two weeks. On Communion Sundays the children work on a mission project. We work together as a church school community. It is one of the treasured activities for our children and their teachers. On February 3, we made fleece tie blankets for the Night Ministry. We talked about how these blankets are an expression of our love for our neighbor.

During FISH on Wednesday we talked about how words matter. We focused on Psalm 19:14 Common English Bible (CEB)14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be pleasing to you, Lord, my rock and my redeemer. The children took turns thinking of kind words they could say to one another. They had a remarkable list. It included telling people they are honest, respectful, caring, smart, smart, friendly and sweet. Being kind and encouraging to one another is an important part of working together in a Christian Community.

Peace,

Elizabeth



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

PYF meets on Sundays from 4-5:30 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sunday's programing is below and on Wednesday we enjoy dinner, time with friends, games and a faith discussion.

**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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Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, Pastor

Rev. Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, Associate Pastor for

Youth and Children

### **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.

