

Chicago Theological Seminary

Dear Friends,

During the course of my ten years of service as General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ I grew convinced that nothing is more important to the future vitality of our church than the formation of courageous and compassionate leaders for our congregations. That's why I was so pleased to have joined the staff at Chicago Theological Seminary this January as Senior Advisor to the President and Visiting Professor of Ministry Studies. While much of the public excitement around CTS focuses on construction of our new building beginning this spring, the real energy is found in our first rate faculty, our wonderfully diverse student body, and the leadership of our President, Alice Hunt and her team. Together we are preparing leaders for tomorrow even as we begin to imagine what theological education will need to look like in the coming years.

Seminaries play a central role in the formation of leaders, but congregations are critical as well. Congregations help their members discern calls to leadership and encourage them in their education through financial support. Congregations provide field work settings where students learn the art of pastoral ministry under the supervision of gifted pastors. Congregations give annual financial gifts in support of theological education and help identify individuals of ability and means within their membership who can serve as seminary trustees or give major gifts to endow scholarships, professorships, and support annual operations. Congregations encourage their pastors to engage in continuing theological education, provide financial support for that work, and celebrate their pastors' involvements on boards and committees of theological seminaries.

Over the years you and your congregation have been generous partners with CTS and I want you to know that I am personally grateful for that commitment.

Some congregations see themselves as consumers of leaders. They wait until they have a need and assume their next leader will simply appear. Other congregations recognize that we must all be producers of leaders, active in developing the leaders we need for the whole church and for the next generation. Through your financial support of CTS, and in other kinds of support, you have claimed your vocation as a "leader producing" congregation, attentive to the Elisha, Timothys, and Priscillas in your midst. Thank you.

Sincerely,

John H. Thomas

Senior Advisor to the President and Visiting Professor of Ministry Studies

The Gospel of Mark

A dramatic proclamation of the shortest Gospel by Wayne Turney at St. David's Episcopal Church will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24 and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 25. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children and can be reserved by calling (847)724-1341 or by emailing office@stdavidsglenview.com.

Looking for more AMBASSADORS

Glenview Community Church appreciates all those who serve as Ambassadors at each of our worship services. If you would like to volunteer to serve and help extend "Radical Hospitality", please call M-J Detwiler at (847) 724-4844 or e-mail mjcd2223@gmail.com. You are scheduled approximately once every 6 weeks. We are always looking for more subs if that's more suitable for you. If you are serving as an Ambassador and want to continue you don't need to do anything, but if you are unable to continue serving as an Ambassador, call or e-mail M-J Detwiler.

WORSHIP SERVICES

APRIL 18

Rescue in the Night



8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Performed by:

Voices of GCC & Primary Choir

Director of Voices of GCC, Debby Shellard Minister, Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

APRIL 25

Confirmation Sunday and Communion

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir 8th Graders will be confirmed Scripture: John 21:1-19

Sermon:

"Gone Fishin"

Elizabeth Ciccolini

Director of Youth Ministries and Seminary student at Chicago Theological Seminary

MAY 2

8:30 a.m. Bell Choir

10:30 a.m. Bell Choir & Chancel Choir

Scripture: Psalm 138, Isaiah 6:1-10

Sermon:"From Witness to Participant"
Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler



SIGN CHI DO



The Art of Moving Prayer is combination of deep breathing, tai chi type movement, sign language and prayer to promote total body health and wellness. The practice of Sign Chi Do has been shown to reduce blood pressure, improve memory, increase concentration, improve muscle coordination and improve balance. People with all levels of physical abilities can participate!

Please come dressed in comfortable clothing that allows movement. Contact Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210, xt. 30 for more details.

Dates and Times:

Tuesday, April 27 Tuesday, April 20 & 27 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

SIMPLE GIFTS CONCERT

Sunday, April 18 at 3:00 p.m.

The ninth concert event of the Simple Gifts series is scheduled for Sunday, April 18, 2010 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary. On this occasion the Glenview Concert Band will bring their vibrant sound and musical skills to our Sanctuary for the enjoyment of all of those in our church and wider community who are able to attend.

A ticket purchase is not necessary, but a free will offering will be received. Put this event on your calendar now. You won't want to miss it!

Spring Plant Sale

Spring is Just around the corner so it's time to start thinking about your garden! Order forms for the annual Women's Association Plant Sale are available at church and online at www.gccucc.org. A wide variety of high quality plants are available.

Deadline for order: **Sunday , April 18** Pickup/Delivery * **Saturday , May 15** 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Please give June Mussay (847)729-0021 or Jill Ruter (847)729-2368 a call if you have any questions.

As always, the proceeds from this event will be used to beautify the church grounds.

* Delivery available for \$10/address

Did You Forget... To Buy Your Ticket For Pancakes?

No Worries! Walk In, You're Welcome!! \$5 at the door of the Mayflower Room this Sunday, April 18 between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. will fill your soul with faith, fellowship & fun, and fill your tummy with flapjacks. Hope to see you for breakfast before or after the musical! Hosted by the Men's Ministry and the 7th Grade Confirmands. Sponsored by the Resource Development Committee.

Adult Education Program IN THE CHAPEL AT 9:30 a.m. April 18

Please join the Adult Education group for Dr. Ron Miller's second installment of "Unpacking the Parables of Jesus".

Bring a friend and join us.

"SPRING HAS "SPRUNG" 60 PLUS LUNCHEON, APRIL 20, 2010

60 PLUS LUNCHEON, APRIL 20, 2010 12 NOON IN MAYFLOWER ROOM

Help us celebrate Spring as we gather for soup, bread and a special dessert. Don't miss this opportunity to be with others as we share food, fellowship and fun. Bring a friend.

If you need a ride, call Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 30.



Wednesday, April 21 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Please join us for the 5th annual GCCNS Spring Boutique. Over 20 vendors, most of them new to our boutique, will be selling everything from jewelry, handbags and women's workout wear to home decor, personalized stationery and children's toys.

Visit <u>www.gccns.com/springboutique</u> for a list of our wonderful vendors or contact Julie Loeber at (847)998-8803.



GCC REBUILDING TOGETHER WORK DAY - APRIL 24 SIGN UP NOW!

Contact Tracy Sawires at esnstsms@hotmail.com or (847)832-0063, immediately if you can participate on the GCC work crew-age 14 and older eligible to work. Only 10 spaces available! A team from GCC will be participating in the 4/24/10 Rebuilding Together work day. Our site will be just a few blocks from GCC and we need willing and able volunteers to paint, landscape, scrub and clean interior spaces, and other duties as assigned. Rebuilding Together is an organization that helps qualified residents or non profit organizations improve their living or working conditions. Following is from the RBT web site at www.rebuildingtogethernsc.com: Low-income elderly and families with disabled members often have no place to turn when the roof begins to leak, the front steps crumble or interior home improvements need to be done. Our goal is to help preserve those homes and neighborhoods and assure a warm, safe and dry home for people in

GCC CAREER NETWORK

Monday, April 26 at 12:00 p.m. in the Plymouth Room - **Emotional Well Being** *limited seating, please RSVP*

Presented by Julie Learner - MSW, LSW, Therapist at Family Service: Prevention, Education & Counseling.

If you are unemployed, returning to work, considering a job change or looking to expand your business network please join us. We meet at 12:00 p.m. on the last Monday of each month at Glenview Community Church to hear speakers, share experiences, resources, job openings and support one another. Members have access to a Yahoo! Group to share information, community meetings dates and be alerted of opportunities.

Contact Alek Jablonski at (847)922-6870 ajablonski03@hotmail.com or Rev. Pam Keckler (847)724-2210 x24 <u>pam.keckler@gccucc.org</u> for more information. **Annual Spring Meeting**

The Chicago Metropolitan Association (CMA) is having their annual spring meeting on May 1, 2010 at the Kenwood United Church of Christ, 4608 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago. The theme is "Walking in Unity". The registration fee is \$15.00; includes breakfast and lunch. Forms are in the church office. The deadline is April 16. Please visit the CMA website for additional information as it becomes available at www.cmaucc.org.

Knitting Galore

Hope all the knitters are still making prayer shawls and baby hats for Rwanda. We'll have a short gathering on Tuesday, April 27 at 1:30 p.m. in room 5. Any questions call Nan Hinchsliff at (847)724-4836 or email nhinchslif@aol.com. Thanks for all you are doing.



GCC Senior Housing Fair Sunday, May 2, 2010 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mayflower and Founders Rooms

The Glenview Community Church is once again sponsoring a Senior Housing Fair which will provide members of the church and visitors from the community an opportunity to be informed about various types of senior housing available in the North Shore and surrounding areas. Representatives from: Continuing Care, Retirement Communities, Assisted Living Facilities and Skilled Nursing Care Centers will be present. Don't miss this special free event and have your questions answered. The Glenview Community Church and the Village of Glenview's Senior Services Program are co-sponsoring this program. For more information, please call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 30.

Inaugural GCC Rummage Sale

Spring is here and that means spring cleaning is under way! Please plan on donating clothes, furniture, sporting equipment, toys, books, bikes and other household products to the inaugural GCC Rummage Sale. Make sure the items are in good condition. We will not be accepting donations of electronic equipment (TV's, computers, etc.), certain baby products (strollers, cribs and high chairs), luggage or upholstered furniture. Please bring your donated items to the metal storage container in the parking lot between 9:30 a.m. and noon on Sundays. Alternatively, call Steve Brown at (847)729-4766 to schedule a pick-up at your home. The GCC Rummage Sale will be on June 19th and 20th and is sponsored by the Resource Development Committee to benefit all of GCC's people, programs, and missions.



Join CHAPTER 3 for a fundraising event for Onward Neighborhood House (ONH) sponsored by Sawbridge Studios and Prufrock Florists at Sawbridge Studios 1015 Tower Court, Winnetka (847)441-2441 on Wednesday, May 10, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sam McGee, co-owner of Prufrock and renowned floral demonstrator, will teach the how-to's and secrets of professional flower arranging. Arrangements will be created in hand blown glass vases by celebrated glass artist, Simon Pearce of Vermont. The proceeds from each \$10.00 ticket, and 15% of the event's purchases will be donated directly to ONH.

Reservations required. Space is limited. Checks are payble to GCC CHAPTER 3; Please mail the check to Mary Feldmeir, 1342 Pleasant Lane, Glenview, IL 60025. For questions, please contact Mary Feldmeir at (847)724-6943 or wildcatter311 @comcast.net or sistudt@gmail.com.



PYF April & May

April 18

Service to the Church: This year we will be helping the church with a much needed project; Cleaning out McGee's Closet (a catch all storage closet). We will need a few parents as well as many youth to help sort, pitch and toss. A Grand Prize will be awarded for best "treasure" found. We will also have a Wii tournament.

April 25

Small Group: Destiny. We will create the year and make a tool kit to use to help keep us on track. Please RSVP, it will be helpful so enough supplies can be purchased.

May 2

Boat Ride and Navy Pier: Join us for this fun trip to the city. We will be taking the train downtown and taking the boat to and from Navy Pier. We will leave at 1:00 p.m. and return at 6:15 p.m.

Sunday School

Regular Sunday school classes will not be in session on April 18 so that all may enjoy the children's musical.

Confirmation

APRIL 18

No Opening Prayers.

8th grade will have regular class.

7th grade will be helping at the Pancake Breakfast.

8TH GRADE PARENTS – remember to turn in all retreat forms to Rev. Keckler this week.

GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Office Hours

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

Ministerial Staff

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts, Senior Minister Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, Minister for Spiritual Formation

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

Thur 4-15	9:00 am 1:00 pm 1:00 pm 6:15 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm 7:30 pm	Resale Shop open until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm Joyce Shrager Mtg., Parlor Ministers Mentor Mtg., Rm 210 Bell Choir, Bell Rm North Suburban Family, Rm 201 Chancel Choir, Sanctuary PFY Fellowship Time, Youth Rm
Fri 4-16	9:00 am 9:30 am 5:30 pm 8:00 pm 8:00 pm	Resale Shop open until 5:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm Prayer Group, Rm 5 Voices of GCC, Sanctuary AA, Parlor Al-Anon, Rm 201
Sat	9:00 am	Men's Open Gym, Gym
4-17	9:00 am	Resale Shop open until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
	9:00 am	Voices of GCC Dress Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Sun	7:45 am	Voices of GCC Dress Rehearsal, Sanctuary
4-18	8:00 am	Pancake Breakfast, Mayflower Rm
	8:30 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
	9:15 am	Pancake Breakfast, Mayflower Rm
	9:30 am	8th Grade Confirmation Class, Youth Rm
	9:30 am	Adult Education, Chapel
	10:30 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary

Sunday Con	11:30 am 3:00 pm 4:00 pm	Pancake Breakfast, Mayflower Rm Simple Gifts Concert Series, Sanctuary PYF, Youth Rm
Mon 4-19	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	BSA Troop 156, Founders Rm Prayer Group, Rm 5
Tue 4-20	12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Sixty Plus, Mayflower Rm Sign Chi Do, Rm 210
Wed 4-21	9:00 am 9:15 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	ReSale Shop until 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm Chapter 20, Chapel BSA 156 Mtg., Gym, Mayflower, Pilgrim Wind Ensemble, Sanctuary Venture Crew, Rm 210

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Permit NO. 41

Congratulations
On March 1, Rob and Beth McLennan of Evan ston, Illinois welcomed Maeve Elise and Rory Kristin into the world. Proud grandparents are Bob and Becky McLennan.

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