

Broadcaster

APRIL 15, 2015

Open Doors
Open Hearts
Open House



TELL EVERYONE!

So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid. --Mark 16:8

That single verse from Mark's resurrection account was the scriptural anchor for my Easter sermon this year. The last three words of that verse – the power of fear – gave particular focus to that sermon. But there are a few things I didn't have a chance to say about this verse. So I'll take this opportunity to do that.

Mark 16:8 was originally the last verse of Mark's gospel. That's right, the good news of Jesus Christ as Mark tells it originally ended with the words they were afraid. Because some thought that that ending was both abrupt and inappropriate, a new ending of twelve more verses was added. This new ending extends the story and ends it with the triumph of Jesus' ascension into heaven, but it includes the following verse which is, in my view, much more problematic than the abruptness of verse 8:

"And these signs will accompany those who believe: by using my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover." --Mark 16:17-18

Casting out demons...speaking in tongues...handling snakes...drinking...healing touch: these things all make us very nervous. They're not a part of our faith tradition. Indeed, they don't seem to have anything to do with the religion that Jesus lived and taught. So we shake our heads and look askance at those who engage in

these practices as tests of true faith. These things aren't for us!

Unfortunately, Mark 16:8 is too often an accurate description of our response to the resurrection of Jesus. As I said in my Easter sermon, the resurrection makes us afraid because we don't know what we can count on anymore. As the old cliché goes, the only two things we can count on are death and taxes...and the resurrection takes one of those away! When we don't know what we can count on...when we experience a seismic shift in our status quo, our natural response is fear. When Easter is about colorful eggs, and chocolate treats, and Peeps, and lilies, and bunnies, and new outfits, and tulips, and daffodils, it is a safe celebration of abundance that numbs us and disguises the persuasion of death that is all around us. So we celebrate. But when it's about resurrection, then we must face the challenge of transformation rather than the comfort of tradition. So we're afraid.

Now for the words that come just before the afraid part of Mark 16:8: "they said nothing to anyone." Those words perfectly describe the chief malaise of established churches like ours whose history reaches back into the Christendom culture of our nation when we assumed that every family and individual belonged to a church. The question then was: what church do you attend? It was not do you belong to part of a faith community? That second question reveals a couple of things about our contemporary culture. First, we can no longer assume that every religious person in our culture is Christian. Second, religious affiliation is no longer the norm.

That means that, for followers of Jesus to-

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WORSHIP SERVICES

APRIL 19, 2015

10:00 a.m.

Scripture:

I John 3:1-3, Luke 24:36b-48

Sermon:

You Are Witnesses!

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

APRIL 26, 2015

10:00 a.m.



Presented by

Voices of GCC and Primary Choir

Directed by

Debby Shellard

MAY 3, 2015

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY
COMMUNION**

We will confirm 38 young people during worship.

Scripture: Luke 24:28-35

Sermon: *Stay With Us*

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler



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day, saying nothing is no longer an option. The Easter good news...the good news that Christ is risen...the good news that love wins is something we can't be quiet about and not share with others. This news is so life-changing that we can't help but shout it, and sing it, and tell it, and invite others to share it. Telling everyone is essential for a vital church. Saying nothing is the fatal blow for a dying church.

So, in these weeks following Easter, we have a number of opportunities to tell everyone. The first happened on Beatles Sunday (April 12) when we gave secular music a sacred employ. After all, the music of the Beatles is timeless because it is a profound celebration of life. And, at its core, that's exactly what the resurrection is! The second is happening on Open House Sunday, April 19. Sponsored by our Children's and Membership Boards, the theme is Open Doors, Open Hearts, Open House. This is an initiative to share our resurrection faith as we participate in it in our living faith community. So invite your neighbors and friends. Tell everyone! Finally, on Sunday April 26 at 10:00 a.m. and Monday, April 27 at 6:30 p.m. the GCC Children's Choirs will present the musical **The Sailor's Bible**. So invite your neighbors and friends. Tell everyone!

Friends, our faith isn't about lionizing our fallen leader or memorializing a corpse. Our faith is about following and serving our risen Lord. A resurrection faith can't sit still and be quiet. Easter means nothing unless Jesus is living in us and through us today. So tell everyone about God's love and how God is using GCC to share that love in Glenview and in our world today. Yes, tell everyone!

See you in church!

Chuck Mize

CALLING ALL ADULTS!!!

The Fellowship Board is excited to introduce "First Thursdays." Every first Thursday of each month adults over 21 and their guests are invited to meet out at various establishments in Glenview for fellowship. This May, come out to Grandpa's on Thursday, May 7 at 7:00 p.m.! Contact Ryan Peschke with questions at 773-678-2062 or peschker@gmail.com. We hope to see you!

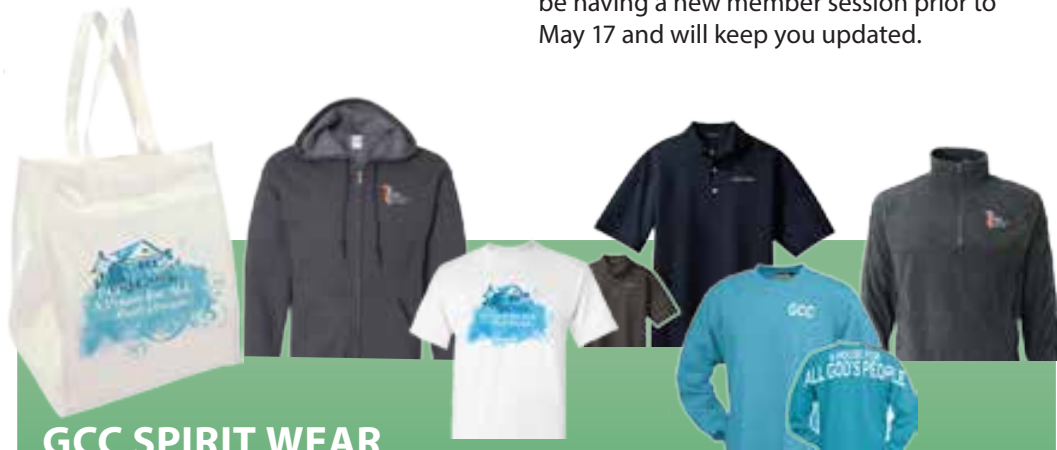
VOLUNTEER WHO INSPIRES PEOPLE

The Membership Board would like to acknowledge the volunteer efforts of people in our church community. So many people volunteer to work behind the scenes as well as in more well-known positions and all of these efforts are needed and appreciated—whether it is 5 minutes tidying up a room, helping plan an activity, stuffing envelopes, or holding a leadership role. This week, we'd like to extend our appreciation to **David Aki**.

GCC would like to recognize David Aki as a Volunteer who Inspires People (VIP). Dave recently served the church as moderator and is now continuing to support GCC as treasurer. These are time-consuming roles that require calm diplomacy and a vast working knowledge of church operations. Dave has also served as an active member of the Men's Ministry for many years. Thank you, Dave, for your tireless dedication to GCC.

LIFE EVERLASTING

We trust the promise of the resurrection for Joan Lindell who passed away on April 5, even as we hold her husband, Dr. Stephen Lindell, and family in our prayers; and for Barbara Clements who passed away on April 6, even as we hold her daughter, Shannon Hogan, and family in our prayers.



GCC SPIRIT WEAR

The youth are working with Energy Tees to sell spirit wear for GCC. The children and youth will use the money raised to fund their mission work. Each month the children and the youth do several projects for the Night Ministry, and other service organizations. The children and youth will get about 40% of the proceeds from the wearable items and 100% from the totes. The deadline for ordering is May 5. The link is available on GCC's website or you can go directly to gccspiritwear.com to order.

The flyers are included in this Broadcaster.



The Simple Gifts Concert Series of the Glenview Community Church presents British organist and composer Paul Ayres on Sunday, May 3 at 3:00 p.m. Arrive at 2:45 p.m. for Paul's pre-concert talk. His compositions usually involve words – solo songs, choral pieces, music for theatre productions – and he is particularly interested in working with pre-existing music, from arrangements of folk-songs, hymns, jazz standards and nursery rhymes to 're-compositions' of classical works, as in Purcell's Funeral Sentence, 4A Wreck and Messiah. Paul is currently being commissioned to write a piece for GCC's 75th Anniversary in the fall. A free will offering will be taken.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY MAY 17, 2015

Have you been checking "Visitor" each Sunday on the Friendship Pad and wishing you were a "Member?" This spring is the perfect time to find out more about GCC and what it means to become a member or an associate member. Please contact one of the pastors if you would like more information or if you wish to join the church. We'll be having a new member session prior to May 17 and will keep you updated.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GCC

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location
Thursday, 16 April 2015		
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Narthex
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	North Suburban Family Day Care Assoc.	Founders
7:30 PM to 9:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, 17 April 2015		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	GCC Pickleball	Gym
6:30 PM to 8:45 PM	Taste of Cadettes	Mayflower
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA MEETING	Parlor
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library
Saturday, 18 April 2015		
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Men's Open Gym	Gym
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
7:30 PM to 9:30 PM	Sing To Live Concert	Sanctuary
Sunday, 19 April 2015		
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 9:40 AM	8th Grade Parent Meeting	Mayflower
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Adult Ed	Chapel
9:00 AM to 9:45 AM	Fellowship Board Mtg	Founders
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	GCC Worship Service and Open House	Sanctuary
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Fellowship and Refreshments/Open House	Mayflower
11:15 AM to 12:00 PM	Leadership Committee Mtg.	Founders
3:30 PM to 5:30 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Room 201
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Monday, 20 April 2015		
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	BSA 156 Training	Parlor
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Cub Scout Committee Mtg	Room 213
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201
Tuesday, 21 April 2015		
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM	60 Plus Luncheon	Mayflower
5:30 PM to 6:30 PM	GCC Voices Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	PYF 12th Grade Dinner	Youth Room
6:30 PM to 6:59 PM	Operating Committee Meeting	Mayflower
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Spiritual Council Mtg	Mayflower
8:00 PM to 9:30 PM	Church School Teacher Bible Study	Youth Room
Wednesday, 22 April 2015		
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	Room 8
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Girl Scouts	Room 8
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	PYF/POW	Youth Room
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg	Gym
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	PYF Singers	Room 201
8:31 PM to 9:00 PM	Venturing Crew	Gym
Thursday, 23 April 2015		
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Narthex
7:30 PM to 9:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, 24 April 2015		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	GCC 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
Saturday, 25 April 2015		
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Men's Open Gym	Gym
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Voices of GCC and Primary Choir Dress Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location
Sunday, 26 April 2015		
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Adult Ed	Chapel
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Childrens Musical Service	Sanctuary
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Fellowship and Refreshments	Mayflower
11:30 AM to 12:30 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Bell Room
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room
Monday, 27 April 2015		
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM	HOP Mailing	Mayflower
9:30 AM to 11:00 AM	Spirit Group	Library
6:30 PM to 7:30 PM	Childrens Musical Service	Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201
Wednesday, 29 April 2015		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
3:00 PM to 4:30 PM	Bible Study	Parlor
4:15 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Room 7
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	PYF/POW	Youth Room
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg.	Gym
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	BSA 156	Room 5
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	PYF Singers	Room 201
8:31 PM to 9:00 PM	Venturing Crew	Gym

MYRA LORIS IS COMING. WORLD WAR II

Myra Loris will begin her six-part lecture series on World War II on the following Tuesday evenings starting with dessert at 7:00 PM. Ms. Loris will begin at 7:30 PM and speak for an hour.

MAY 5

"The End of Life As Usual" looks at the build-up to the war, from the American perspective, and the immediate changes and consequences to both the nation and to individuals in the early months of the war post Pearl Harbor.

MAY 19

"V" is for Victory looks at the massive changes taking place in the lives of the civilian population during the war years, including rationing, coupon books, Victory Gardens, Scrap (and fat and rubber) Drives and the heroic efforts of the folks back home to do their part for victory.

JUNE 9

"Production Miracle" looks at the astonishing conversion of America's civilian industry to the most enormous, successful defense Industry that the world has ever seen. Both the major industries involved, and all the social and demographic changes created by this conversion will be explored. Filled with amazing facts, numbers and data!

Tickets, \$15 per lecture or \$35 for the three-part series, will be available at coffee hour beginning April 13, at the door or by calling Beryl Bills (847-724-1694). Chapters 8 and 9 of the Glenview Community Church Women's Association, are sponsors of the program. All proceeds will benefit social service agencies.

The series will be resumed in the fall, beginning September 15.

THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS APRIL 22, 2015 AT 9:00 AM



Spring Plant Sales

The Annual Spring Plant Sale, sponsored by Chapter 1 of the Women's Association, is under way. Your support for buying through this Plant Sale allows us to buy plants for the Church gardens and planters each year.

Please consider buying through the Plant Sale this year. We have very competitive pricing on plants, plus we will deliver!

Forms are available in the Church office and in the Narthex for pick up and on line at www.gccucc.org. Questions, call Sue Hoffmann, 847-998-0164.



THE FORMS ARE DUE APRIL 19 AND PLANT PICK UP WILL BE MAY 16.

HANDS OF PEACE DIALOGUE NIGHT

Join us at the Atrium Gallery of the Midwest Palliative & Hospice Care Center (2050 Claire Court, Glenview) for a night of dialogue.

DANCING IN JAFFA

6:30-9:15 p.m. / Thursday, May 28

Pierre Dulaine, an internationally renowned ballroom dancer, fulfills a life-long dream when he takes his program, Dancing Classrooms, back to his city of birth, Jaffa. Over a ten-week period, Pierre teaches 10 year-old Palestinian-Israeli and Jewish-Israeli children to dance and compete together. This film explores the complex stories of three different children who are forced to confront issues of identity, segregation, and racial prejudice as they dance with their "enemy." The classroom becomes a microcosm of the larger Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the struggle to live and work together harmoniously.



Fair Trade products will be sold this Sunday, April 19 during fellowship time. Please stop by to stock your shelves of your favorite items. Your purchase brings smiles to the faces of children around the world.

BENEFIT IN AID OF VICTIMIZED IMMIGRANT WORKERS

International film and stage star Martin Sheen will keynote a breakfast for **Arise Chicago** on Friday, May 1 from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., at Cinespace, 2621 W. 15th Place, a 50-acre film studio in Chicago, the largest film studio outside of Hollywood. It is where **Chicago Fire** and the big new hit show **Empire** are filmed. As you know, Martin Sheen is very articulate about how his faith informs his activism, and is an inspiring speaker! You can come be a part of this event for a donation of \$100. Donations help recover unpaid wages for immigrant workers who have been victimized by unscrupulous employers.

To register for the event, go to www.arisechicago.org and be sure to click on **Non-profit/Faith Community** tickets. A flyer with details about the event and **Arise** activities can be located on the Mission Outreach Bulletin Board in the hallway to the office. Or you can contact jennifer@arisechicago.org for more information.

The Faith in Action Team

The *Sailor's Bible*

IT'S ALMOST TIME

2015

FOR THE CHILDREN'S MUSICAL

The sea is often a symbol for the chaos of life beyond our control. Humans can only weather storms in nature and in life with the help of God. This year's church musical, **The Sailor's Bible**, tells about three famous stories that involve dramatic events at sea: Noah and the great flood, Jonah and the great fish, and Paul's shipwreck. Come witness the power of God's love and saving grace! The play will be performed Sunday, April 26 at 10 a.m. and again Monday, April 27 at 6:30 p.m.



COMMON GROUND

Common Ground returns to GCC, but on a different night. Co-sponsored with our Adult Education Board, the Common Ground programs are on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Founders Room. \$10.

APRIL 15

Jerrol Leitner

What the Clergy Don't Want You to Know

In a recent article, popular author Rabbi Rami Shapiro creates a list of things he says clergy would rather keep secret. For example: "clergy have no innate authority," "prayer doesn't work the way you think it does," "anything you claim to know about God is a product of your imagination," and "theology is a defense of an already-held position." In this series, we will explore those statements – agreeing with some, disputing others, but always savoring the challenge Rabbi Rami sets before us.

MAY 20

Jim Kenney

The Worst of Nationalism — ISIL, the Euro-Fascists, Boko Haram, Israel-Palestine, and the American Extreme Right

Is nationalism the "presenting problem" of our time? And if it is, why? What are its roots and what energizes it? And why is it so toxic? We'll assume that the answer to the first question is "yes." And then we'll explore the roots, the extent, and the dangers of modern nationalism. Un-surprisingly, we'll visit IS (or ISIS or ISIL) as a modern embodiment of a developing global phenomenon. We'll touch on the role of nationalism in developing nations, in Africa, in Europe, in the Middle East, for example. But we won't ignore our home ground. We will also scrutinize emerging poisonous nationalism in the U.S.

CHURCH BUILDING HOURS

The Glenview Community Church is open seven days a week. The regular hours for the church (excluding special events) are as follows:

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

ADULT EDUCATION SUNDAYS 9:00 A.M. IN THE CHAPEL

APRIL 19

A CHILD OF A HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR SPEAKS OUT

Being the child of a Holocaust survivor can be difficult. Who could possibly understand the horrific experience? But one woman from the north side of Chicago learned a lesson in forgiveness that could be helpful for anyone living with fear, anger or resentment. Karen Kaplan will share her experience with us.

APRIL 26

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE AND ANTI-SEMITISM

Nick Bubnovich's presentation will examine the stories, fables and other events that may have prompted Shakespeare to write *The Merchant of Venice*. The play also requires us to ask whether Shakespeare was anti-Semitic and to examine its legacy.

MAY 3

RELIVING AUSCHWITZ

Holocaust survivor Dr. George Brent will be with us to share his experiences during World War II. He is a resident of Wilmette and a retired dentist. He is also an active member and supporter of the Illinois Holocaust Museum in Skokie. There are fewer and fewer survivors like George Brent, so this is an opportunity you don't want to miss.

CONFIRMANDS

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION MEETING

There will be an 8th grade confirmation meeting for parents on Sunday, April 19 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss the end of the year programs. Please come to the Mayflower Room.

Register for 7th Grade Confirmation 2015-16

All 6th graders are encouraged to register for 7th Grade Confirmation class for next fall. Parents, watch for information and registration forms coming your way soon. Questions, please contact Rev. Pam Keckler.

PYF APRIL / MAY SUNDAYS 4-6 PM

April 26: PYF Service to the Church. The youth will give back to GCC.

May 3: Millennium Park Scavenger Hunt! Meet at the church at 1:15 and we will take the train downtown. We will return on the 5:35 p.m. train from Union Station.



Open Doors
Open Hearts
Open House

Sunday,
April 19

Begin with worship at 10:00 a.m. and followed by the Open House festivities.



GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

By purchasing GCC wear, you help us raise much needed funds for the Youth Mission Trip and all their service projects. 40% of the proceeds go directly to the Youth of GCC. Thank you for your support!

www.gccspiritwear.com



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3 Charcoal
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