

### Y'ALL COME BACK NOW, YA HEAR!

Made famous by the 60's sitcom *The Beverly Hillbillies*, that phrase was sung as the closing enticement at the end of every episode. But that phrase's roots reach deep into the soil of folksy rural Americana. It's a way to say we enjoy your company...we want you...we need you...life just isn't the same without you.

This is the season of *Y'all come back now, ya hear*. We're coming back from the leisure of summer and vacations. Kids are coming back to school or beginning a new year in a new school. And we're all coming back to the possibilities and promise of new beginnings that sow the seeds of future and hope in us.

GCC's official Y'all come back now, ya hear event is Rally Day on Sunday, September 9th. Church School will begin...our Joyful Ringers and Chancel Choir will fill the sanctuary with God's praise...we'll savor the blessing of community with food and fun on the church lawn and in Elm Street after worship...and, dare I even say it, there may just be enough construction dust from the beginning of our Forward in Faith project for us to write our names in it! Y'all come back now, ya hear!

This new beginning comes after a difficult year of financial reckoning at GCC, filled with frustration and pain because of staff reductions. Especially in church, money means people, and people have been hurt. This is the personal, relational cost that we experience when our financial resources are not adequate for the human resources that we have had and desired.

The church lives in the real world, so it must live in the physical reality of fiscal accountability and responsibility. But it also lives with God and for God in the real world, so it must live in the spiritual reality of faith and grace that makes God's love for all people real in the world. This witness can only happen if we make it in community... if we **congregate** (the verb root of congregational)...if **y'all come back!** 

Because of stunning sexual misconduct and decades of unspeakable sexual abuse of children by priests and pastors in the church, the church is rightly discredited and diminished today. But, none of this diminishes our essential need for God's gracious mercy and renewing love. In these chastened days, I believe God is calling GCC to be an inclusive community of sincerity and integrity; of healing and hope. There are people in Glenview and surrounding villages who have been wounded by the church...who are filled with cynicism and rage...who desperately need to be invited into a holy community of humble acceptance and genuinely warm welcome. GCC can be that community...if we - you and I – will risk offering it and inviting others to it.

Or, in the words of uncle Jed: **Y'all come back now, ya hear!** Y'all all come back to God and God's people as we make Jesus' love real, together! See you in church!

Chuck Mize

# WORSHIP 10:00 AM SEPTEMBER

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN TRINITY HOLY COMMUNION

**Scripture:** Psalm 77:1-15; James 1:17-27

Sermon: Between Doubt and Prayer Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### **RALLY DAY!**

Food and Fun on the south and east lawns, as well as in Elm Street, following worship

#### **Scripture:**

Isaiah 49:1-6, Revelation 21:22-25, Mark 11:1-17

#### **Sermon:**

We Would Be Building: A House of Faith, Hope and Love for All God's People Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

#### SEPTEMBER

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN TRINITY

Scripture: Hebrews 11:1-12:2

Sermon:

Temples Still Undone: We've Never Done It That Way Before Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

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**We Would Be Building** 

#### LIFE EVELASTING

We trust the promise of the resurrection for **Carolyn "Jo" Rand** who died unexpectedly on Monday, July 30, even as we hold her husband **Bob**, her daughters **Lee, Susie, Sharon** and **their families** in our prayers. A private memorial service was held at GCC on Saturday, August 18...and for our friend **Dan Flynn** who died unexpectedly at his home in Glenview.

#### NAME BADGES

Do you need a new name badges for church? Are you missing a back for your name badge (pin or magnet)? New name badges will be ordered soon. Contact Rev. Pam Keckler if you would like to place an order (\$5.00 for replacement) <a href="mailto:pam.keckler@gccucc.org">pam.keckler@gccucc.org</a>

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Each week after worship, the
Congregational Care team delivers the
altar flowers to one of our homebound
members or someone designated for a visit
by a pastor. If you would like to sponsor
a Sunday of altar flowers, please contact
Susan Woodsome in the church office.
Thank you!



# YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF IMMIGRANT CHILDREN!

Thanks to your generosity, we donated approximately \$800 worth of clothing, shoes, backpacks, games, crafts, and toiletries to immigrant children currently living at Maryville Academy in Des Plaines. In a time when many of society's issues seem outside of our ability to help, this is a great example of the tangible ways we can share God's love. Thanks again for your support! C.J. Sultz



# 2018-2019

#### PRIMARY CHOIR & VOICES OF GCC

Join us for the new season of children's choirs at Glenview Community Church!

**Primary Choir** – Grades K-2 will have practice from 9:15 - 9:45 a.m. on Sundays beginning September 16 in Room 201.

**Voices of GCC** – Grades 3-8 will have practice from 4:00-5:00 p.m. on Sundays beginning September 16 in Room 201.

Registration is easy. Go to <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/ZbFhPuj1h3RsvKnv2">https://goo.gl/forms/ZbFhPuj1h3RsvKnv2</a>

For updated information on upcoming children's choir schedules and our choir director search, check out the blog at <a href="https://www.gccmusic.org">www.gccmusic.org</a>.



#### **RALLY DAY ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2018**

Summer is winding down, and a new church year begins! Please join us for worship and church school on September 9 at 10:00 a.m. Then stay for the annual **RALLY DAY FESTIVAL** starting at 11:15 a.m. Lunch (burgers, dogs or turkey subs, chips, water and dessert) is available for purchase: \$4/person, \$3.00 for seniors, \$20 max/family. Don't miss the everpopular cake walk sponsored by Chapter 11, and enjoy kid-friendly games, fellowship and much more. Donations will be accepted for Glenview / Northbrook Youth Services, Northfield Food Pantry or The Night Ministry. Fun for ALL ages so mark your calendars.

#### RALLY DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Member Engagement Team is looking for a few enthusiastic volunteers/confirmands to help with the set up for lunch, serving the lunch, and clean up after everyone has been served on Rally Day, Sunday, September 9. If you are interested in participating in please contact Debbie Berg at <a href="mailto:debbieberg23@gmail.com">debbieberg23@gmail.com</a>.

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



### **WHAT A BUSY AUGUST!**

We had a busy August. There was Vacation Bible School (VBS) with 113 children and 50 adult and teen volunteers. It was a joy to be part of this ecumenical group while getting to know members of our neighboring congregations. It truly was an evangelical outreach of our ministry of God's love. There were over 28 different churches represented. It was heartfelt to be with the children and adults as they considered what it meant to trust God and count on God as the children transition to a new school year.



After I said good bye to VBS on Friday August 10, I said hello to a group of PYFers who agreed to help lead the August Tower Hill Retreat with confirmation students. A team of high schoolers interacted with the confirmation students discussing scripture, eating supper and playing games. One of the discussion questions came from **Hebrews 3:1 and 3:14:** it is said that believers are "partners of a heavenly calling" and "partners in Christ." What does this mean? And how do we live that out as Christians?"





Here were some of the answers that were presented to the group: putting faith into action, think before you act, important to act with heart, treat others the way you want to be treated. All enjoyed time at the beach and the dunes. Thank you to all the parents and adult leaders (Matt Bauer, Molly Koek, Megan McClung, Kate Zarish, Bob McGee and Pastor Chris Neptun from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church) who provided support to these young people.



### READY SET GO!

Rally Day, September 9, is upon us and we will again have great food, fellowship and fun games outside! Our program year Church School also starts September 9. Kindergarten – 4<sup>th</sup> grade will begin in worship with their parents and then join a Pastor on the chancel steps during worship **For Children Mostly**. They will then follow their teachers to their classrooms. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders will start in worship with their classes in the transept balcony and then head to their classes after for **For Children Mostly**. We have assembled a great church school teacher team. Below find a list of classrooms and teachers. Please register for church school at www. gccucc.org.

#### **Pre-School 3s**

Nathan Shook - Room 107

#### **Pre-Kindergarten**

Amanda Wetterman, Pam Beavin, Amy Opensky - Room 105

#### Kindergarten

Jocelyn Shook and Brian Healy - Room 209

#### 1st Grade

Bob McGee - Room 206

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Tara Call and Andrea Miller - Room 208

#### 3rd Grade

Jessica Greve and Leisl Bonakdarpour-Jaberg - Room 7

#### 4th Grade

Meredith Estes and Jennifer Healy – Room 32

#### 5th & 6th Grade

Alicia Brown and Jim Hoexter - Youth Room

#### **High School Helper and Floater** – Drew Ornduff

This year we will again have the Church School Citizenship Award. Church school students can earn points based on attendance and participation in the following; a service project, a fellowship event, in FISH, in the Pageant, and/or in the children's choir.

#### **FISH**

FISH, the Wednesday after-school Bible Study and Fellowship program for K-5th grade will begin September 12 and meet from 4:00-5:15 p.m. Please email Elizabeth at *elizabeth.ciccolini@gccucc.org* if your child(ren) are interested in participating. There is a fee of \$20 for fall/winter and \$20 for winter/spring to cover the cost of curriculum and supplies.

#### **PYF**

GCC's High School Youth Group will meet on Sundays from 4:00-5:30 p.m. with open youth room and gym from 5:30—6:00 p.m. We will meet in the youth room at GCC unless otherwise noted.

#### September 9

Topic: **Hunger to Make a Difference.** We will enjoy relay races and team building activities.

#### September 16

Topic: *Hunger & Society.* We will be making a snack mix for **The Night Ministry**. Please bring a donation of \$5 to cover the cost of materials.

#### September 23

Topic: **Hunger & God.** We will tie dye. Please bring a shirt to tie dye.

#### September 30

Topic: **Hunger for Spirituality.** We will go on a scavenger hunt.

# 612 YOUTH GROUP FOR 6TH - 12TH GRADERS

PYF will join middle school students to enjoy a meal, fellowship, and a mid-week faith discussion. The group will meet every Wednesday beginning September 12 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. They will begin and end in the Youth Room. Our first meal will be from Portillo's.

Peace, Elizabeth

#### **MUSIC AND MOVEMENT - FALL 2018**

If you are looking for something for your younger child/children to do while the older child/children are in preschool, then Music and Movement classes are for you. This is a class where both your younger children can attend together no matter what their ages. Our very own GCCNS music teacher, Debbie Berg, will be offering Music and Movement classes beginning this fall for children ages 9 months – 5 years. Classes will be offered on Tuesdays 9:15-10 and 10:15-11 and Wednesdays 9:15-10, 10:15-11, and 11 -11:45. Classes will be of mixed age and parents or caregivers are required to stay with the child/children. The fall session (11 weeks) will begin the September 11 and continue until the week of December 12. Please look for the registration form on the GCCNS website. Non-GCCNS families are welcome as well, so share the information with your friends from playgroups, library story time, or neighbors. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Berg at debbieberg23@gmail. com.



#### **JUSTICE TOPICS IN FILM – FALL 2018**

**GCC Faith in Action Team (FIAT)** invites you to a free film screening in September. FIAT will organize a field trip by train or car pool for those interested. However, the screening is popular so you need to register for the screening as noted below. Please contact Betsy Martin for more information and to let her know you have registered for the screening. Betsy Martin, 847-657-7595 or betsywisemartin@att.net.

*Milwaukee 53206* – Monday, September 17 at 6 p.m. at Old St. Patrick's Church in Chicago's Loop.

Voted *Urban World Film Festival 2017 Best Documentary, MILWAUKEE 53206* chronicles the lives of those living in the ZIP code that incarcerates the highest percentage of black men in America. Through the intimate stories of three 53206 residents, we witness the high toll that mass incarceration takes on individuals and families that make up the community. The film sheds light on the experiences of people from across the United States who live with the daily effects of mass incarceration. Followed by a panel discussion. Register to reserve your spot by clicking on this link. <a href="https://www.communityrenewalsociety.org/Milwaukee-53206\_09-17">https://www.communityrenewalsociety.org/Milwaukee-53206\_09-17</a>.



# SUMMER IS OVER... AND WE ARE BACK...

#### **GCC HOURS OF OPERATION**

Mondays and Fridays: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays:** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Saturdays:** 8:00 a.m. to noon **Sundays:** 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

**Mondays – Fridays:** 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location		
Sunday, 02 September 2018				
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Worship Service	Sanctuary		
Monday, 03 September 2018				
8:00 AM to 8:30 PM	Labor Day Holiday! GCC Closed	Sanctuary		
Thursday, 06 September 2018				
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Choir Room		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Pack 156 Scouts	Gym		
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary		
Sunday, 09 September 2018				
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	GCC Worship Service	Sanctuary		
11:05 AM to 12:30 PM	GCC Rally Day! - South Lawn of Church	Sanctuary		
4:00 PM to 5:55 PM	PYF	Youth Room		
Tuesday, 11 September 2018				
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		
6:00 PM to 6:58 PM	Executive Committee	Room 32		
6:30 PM to 9:00 PM	HOP Board Meeting	Chapel		
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM	Myra Loris	Sanctuary		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Ministry Steering Group Meeting	Gym		
Wednesday, 12 September 2018				
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		
11:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room		
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Youth Room		
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	612/Youth Group	Youth Room		
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	GCCNS Board Meetings	Cradle/Toddler Room		

### THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS SEPTEMBER 5, BY 9:00 AM

## WHY IT MATTERS

Myra Loris returns with a six-part series, with each lecture focusing on a different thesis and why it matters. The first three lectures will be held this fall. The series will conclude in spring 2019. Refreshments begin at 7:00 p.m. Lecture is at 7:30-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 per session or \$35 for all three sessions. Tickets are available at the door. Questions call Beryl Bills (847) 724-1694.

**September 11:** WHY IT MATTERS: Infrastructure. This session examines the current state of the U. S. infrastructure and when, historically, we have successfully mastered the infrastructure challenges that an expanding nation required, such as the Trans Continental RR, the Erie Canal, the WPA, the Federal Highway Program and much, much more.

**October 9:** WHY IT MATTERS: Immigration. First looking at some current issues relating to immigration and when, historically, we have addressed these issues in successful and meaningful ways, advancing both the individuals involved and the nation. The session focuses on the work and ideas of Jacob Riis, Lillian Wald, Jane Addams, LBJ and many more.

**November 13:** WHY IT MATTERS: Words. The power of words, of specific language, both past and present, written and oral, to shape the destiny of the American nation. The session will focus specifically on the language of the Declaration of Independence and how it was expanded and refined by the Suffragists, by Lincoln, by MLK and many others. The "pen" may indeed be mightier than "the sword".

# THE SPIRITUAL CENTER AT GCC: SPIRITUAL LIFE FOR EVERYONE

New **Spiritual Life Teams** are starting this fall. Don't wait to sign upthey may be filled!

- 1. Couples' Team led by Karen and Tom Aldrich.
- 2. Women's Team led by Kelly Golding and Pam Riedy.
- 3. Men's Team led by Mike Lauesen, Doug Morgan and Jason Stutz.
- 4. A team for all *THE GENESIS TEAM* led by Debby Fosdick, Kerry Karth and Debby Shellard.

Please contact any of the team leaders or email Dr. Bobbie McKay <u>bobbiemk@mc.net</u> for more information or to reserve your place on a team.

The Spiritual Life Team Program at GCC is a part of The Spiritual Center at GCC. It is a powerful opportunity to grow your spiritual life in a totally safe group setting.

Any of the present spiritual life team members can answer your questions and share this experience. You will be amazed at how easy it is to become a part of this powerful, national program that is located right here at GCC. Visit a team and learn about this amazing experience first-hand, right here at GCC. You will be taking the first step on the spiritual journey of a life time. Teams meet for one hour only, once a month: no homework, no requirements, no tasks to perform. Only the opportunity to engage in prayer and conversation about God with other seekers.

"DISCOVER GOD! SHARE THE GIFT! CHANGE YOUR LIFE! CHANGE THE WORLD!"

#### **GIVING GLIMPSE JULY 2018**

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	\$510,088	(\$7,711)
Other Income	\$125,306	\$34,855
Expenses	\$768,483	(\$2,102)
Net Total	(\$133,089)	\$29,246

**SUMMARY:** We are \$29,246 better than budget through July. Our approved budget defines an annual deficit of \$79,779, so if the balance of the year holds plan, we will end 2018 with an operating deficit of \$50,533.

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Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize, Senior Pastor 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. -o 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.

