

# **GCC SPIRIT**

His given name is John O'Neill, but in Green Bay, everybody knows him as St. Vince. He's the most sensational, colorful and famous fan of the Green Bay Packers. Now I know that in Bears country I might get in trouble for even mentioning his name, but the point of this story isn't football. It's the spirit of St. Vince! His head is crowned with a bishop's mitre, only his mitre has a picture of Vince Lombardi on it. He wears a cassock, a chasuble and a stole...all in elegant green and gold. And he carries a crozier (shepherd's crook) that sports a cheesehead. St. Vince... John O'Neill... is the irrepressible spirit and unforgettable personality of Green Bay Packers fans.

Spirit is something we celebrate, especially team spirit and school spirit. But what about church spirit? What about the spirit of our faith? How do we demonstrate our spirit and persuade others with its inspiration?

The church where I grew up counted among its members the business leaders of my hometown. Our usual pew was just one behind the pew that the bank president occupied. Each Sunday when it was time for a hymn, he'd open the hymnal to the proper number and stand there in dignified, unmoved silence; reading the words quietly to himself while the rest of us made an enthusiastic spectacle of ourselves by actually singing!

As we anticipate Rally Day on September 13th, it's time to let our spirit show...especially since our theme this year is **A Spirit of...** So be sure to be in the pews! Invite a friend or neighbor to come with you! Help

us build this family of Christ!

You in this wonderful congregation are so spirited...so spontaneous, responsive and demonstrative in your expression of the Spirit of God's love. The way we most naturally and often do that is with applause. Please keep responding...please don't hold back! But I also want to invite you to try responding in an ancient way. If something lifts you to the gates of heaven, affirm the power and the message with a resounding Amen! If something pierces the deepest recesses of your heart, affirm the gentle profundity of that moment with a whispered Amen. Amen, you see, is a Hebrew word that is either the affirming response of **So** be it! or the fervent prayer of May it be so! Let's practice this fall. If a worship leader says this: And let all the people say ..., the response is Amen!

Through its Message, Ministries and

*Mission*, the purpose of the Glenview Community Church is to make God's love real in healing, comforting, challenging and transforming ways that change lives and mend our world. For that we need spirit. And having spirit means that we are inspired by God's Spirit of love. Remember, the opposite of inspired is expired! So may we be inspired...and inspiring as we praise God and serve Christ in our day...with spirit! So let your spirit show...and bear real fruit in your lives. As the Apostle Paul teaches us,

...the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.

# **WORSHIP SERVICES**

#### SEPTEMBER 13, 2015 Rally Day Sunday

10:00 a.m.

Scripture: Mark 8:27-38

Sermon: Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize Take Up Your Cross!

#### SEPTEMBER 20, 2015 10:00 a.m.

**Scripture:** James 3:13-18 Mark 9:30-37

Sermon: Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize Who is the Greatest?

# **SEPTEMBER 27, 2015**

Stewardship Kick-off Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:11-13 James 5:13-20 Matthew 7:7-11

Sermon: Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize God Has Plans for Us!

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In Green Bay, St. Vince is memorable...unforgettable...legendary. So may it be for our spirit...for the spirit of Glenview Community Church. Yes, let your spirit show... the Spirit of God's love that is ours in Jesus Christ our Lord! See you in church!

#### Chuck Mize

#### LEADERSHIP RETREAT

A reminder to all Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Boards, along with members of the Spiritual Council (Executive Board) – we will have our annual leadership retreat on **Saturday, September 12** from 8:15 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Glenview Park Center. Breakfast items and lunch will be provided.

Glenview Community Church, UCC and The Chicago Metropolitan Association of the Illinois Conference, United Church of Christ

Soyfully invite you to the ordination to Christian ministry and installation as Bssociate Pastor for Youth and Children of

Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini

Sunday, September 13, 2015 4:00 p.m.

Glenview Community Church 1000 Elm Street, Glenview, Illinois

Please join us at a reception immediately following the service in the Mayflower Room of the church.

#### **COME SING WITH US**

The choir season at GCC has begun and it is NOT too late to join! Enjoy the camaraderie and good spirits of singing in the Chancel Choir as we lift our voices in praise. This will be an exciting year for the music program with many exciting projects. Rehearsals take place on Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. and on Sundays, 9:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. (right before worship service) in the Sanctuary. Questions? Contact Director of Adult Choirs, Guillermo Muñoz Küster at *guillermo@ gccucc.org*. We hope to see you at our next rehearsal!

#### **THE MEMORIAL GARDEN**

Do you spend time in the Memorial Garden visiting with your loved one? The Memorial Garden is a lovely serene place that is made special for all who visit by the Memorial Garden Committee. They have taken care of and planted all the beautiful flowers that adorn the garden to make it the serene place that it is. We are looking for new members to help maintain the lovely garden, so if you are one of the many who frequently visit your loved one or just sit for a moment to reflect, may you consider joining to help keep this Memorial Garden a special place?

If you are interested in joining or would like to know more about the Memorial Garden Committee please contact Irene Kreer at <u>KreerChicago@gmail.com</u> or call (847)456-2376.

#### **WE NEED YOU!**

Glenview Community Church thrives because we each participate in its ministry. Just now, there are two areas of our ministry that need your help. First, we need to expand our team of technicians to operate our sanctuary audio and video systems on Sunday mornings and for special services. Second, we need several people who are interested in tending to the gracious details of our church building to make it a more inviting and welcoming home. If you are interested in either of these ministries, please contact me at the church (847-724-2210) or by email <u>chuck.mize@gccucc.org</u>. Thank you!

Chuck Mize

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GCC

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Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location
Thursday, 10 Septen	nber 2015	
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	SanctuaryB
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Meetings	Mayflower
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, 11 September 2015		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA MEETING	Library
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Parlor
Saturday, 12 September 2015		
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
Sunday, 13 Septemb	er 2015	
8:00 AM to 9:30 AM	Stewardship Board Meeting	Founders
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Sunday	Sanctuary
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Worship Glenview Community Church Rally Day!	Parking Lot
3:00 PM to 4:00 PM	Voices Practice	Room 201
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini Ordination	Sanctuary
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini Ordination	Mayflower
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Monday, 14 Septemb	er 2015	
9:30 AM to 11:00 AM	Spirit Group	Library
6:30 PM to 7:30 PM	Faith in Action Team	Parlor
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Patrol Leader Meetings	Founders
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Misson Outreach Board Mtg.	Parlor
Tuesday, 15 Septemi	ber 2015	
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music and Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room
9:30 AM to 10:45 AM	GCCWA Exec. Board Meeting	Parlor
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music and Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room
6:45 PM to 9:00 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Services & Sacraments Meeting	Room 210
Wednesday, 16 Sept		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music and Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM 11:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Music and Movement	Cradle/Toddler Room Cradle/Toddler Room
3:00 PM to 4:00 PM	Music and Movement Bible Study	Parlor
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Mayflower
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM	POW / 87 Club	Mayflower
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Common Ground - Jim Kenney	Chapel
Thursday, 17 Septen		on open
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
6:30 PM to 9:00 PM	North Suburban Day Care Meeting	Founders
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Meetings	Mayflower
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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Friday, 18 Septembe 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA MEETING	Parlor
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library
Saturday, 19 September 2015		
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
Sunday, 20 Septemb		,
8:30 AM to 10:00 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:15 AM to 3:00 PM	Bears Tailgating Party!	Parking Lot
11:30 AM to 12:30 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Bell Room
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM	Daisy Scouts	Room 210
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room
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#### THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 AT 9:00 AM



# **MYRA LORIS IS BACK...WORLD WAR II**

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

**September 15:** *Casualties of Suspicion* looks at how old prejudices and attitudes led to new excuses for bias and discrimination during the war years, both on the part of government and individuals. The Neisse Internment Camps, Anti-Semitism and Racism and saucy specifics such as segregation in the military, the anti-Hispanic Zoot Suit Riots in LA, the role of the U.S. State Department in subverting the rescue of European Jews from the Death Camps and much, much more will be delved into.

**October 13:** *Hollywood Goes to War* looks at the role of government propaganda agencies, the media, stars of screen and stage, War Bond Drives, posters and slogans from the OWI and the vast and enormously successful social and cultural apparatus that was called into service both to raise morale and money during the war. Lots of great data and also lots of fun!

**November 10:** *Last Hired First Fired* looks at the essential and unique role of American women during the war, their contributions and their concerns, at the GI Bill, and summarizes the political, economic and social consequences that left the nation forever changed by the war's end.

**Tickets:** \$15 per lecture, or \$35 for the three-part series, are available during coffee hours 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.

#### **CHRISTIANITY 101**

Who is God? What is God's name? What is revelation? What's the difference between Jesus and Christ? Who or what is the Messiah? What or who is the Holy Spirit? What is the church? What is the church's purpose and mission? What is the Bible? Is the Bible the word of God? What is humankind? What is God's relationship to us? What is our relationship to God? What is sin? What is salvation? Is hell real? And, most importantly, what are your questions about what Christianity is; about what it means to be Christian?

These questions and more will shape a new 90 minute adult education offering on Wednesday afternoons at 3:00 p.m., in the Parlor, beginning on September 16. In addition to the questions above, we will also be using Martin Copenhaver's book, **To Begin at the Beginning**. If you are interested in participating in this offering but aren't available in the afternoon, please contact me. If there is enough interest, I will offer an evening class. I am very much looking forward to our time together!

#### Chuck Mize



On behalf of the Women's Association, Chapter 3, please join us for the 2015 Annual Onward House Charity Golf Tournament on **Wednesday, September 16** at Ruffled Feathers Golf Club, 1 Pete Dye Drive, Lemont, IL 60439. Your support allows Onward House to hire the best teachers for our neediest children: through Early Childhood Education, a School Age Program, Family Supportive Services, including a food pantry, Adult Education, including GED and ESL classes and job readiness training, and a Community Computer Resource Center, including an open access lab and adult computer classes. For tickets or more information please contact Melissa Tracy via <u>atmtracy@onwardhouse.org</u> or (312) 666-6726.

## **CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION**

#### Friday, September 11 at GCC

Confirmands and Parents of 7th and 8th graders will meet on Friday, September 11, from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Room. We have supper together at 6:00 p.m. and begin the Confirmation program. The evening will include a Parent Meeting and Confirmands will meet with their class and begin their lessons. Then the First Sunday Confirmation Class will begin on September 13. We will not be meeting at 8:45 as usual, but rather go to Elizabeth's Ordination Service at 4:00 p.m. Attendance at this service will be the Confirmation Class for that day. These events are both required. If a make-up is needed, please contact Rev. Pam Keckler.

# PYF

**September 13th** - 4 p.m. Elizabeth's ordination and installation service. No PYF. Details to follow.



# FALL 2015 GCC MUSIC AND MOVEMENT CLASSES

Are you 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 also 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 next week September 15 through September 16 for children ages 9 months – 4 years. Classes are offered on Tuesdays 9:15 -1 0:00 a.m., 10:15 - 11:00 a.m. and Wednesdays 9:15 - 10:00 a.m., 10:15 - 11:00 a.m., and 11:15 -12:00 p.m. Classes will be of mixed ages and parents or caregivers are required to stay with the child/children. The fall session will last for 10 weeks and end the week of December 14.

Registration forms can be found on the GCCNS website. Non GCC 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 <u>debbie-berg23@gmail.com</u>





Second Annual Bears Tailgating Party, **Sunday, September 20** right after church! Bears vs. Arizona Cardinals, game starts at 12:00 p.m. We'll have T.V.'s and we'll be grilling! Bring the family, wear your fan gear, bring some chairs, some food to pass and most of all your Bear Team Spirit! We'll take Packer fans, but reluctantly. R.S.V.P. at Rally Day. Hope to see you there! Sponsored by the Fellowship Board along with the Men's Ministry.

#### **60 PLUS**

Please join 60 Plus on September 29, 2015 for the Fifth Tuesday Celebration at 12:00 -1:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Room.

#### **FAMILY CAREGIVER FAIR**

Watch for news of the first ever **Family Caregiver Fair** on September 27, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at GCC.

"A majority of us will be caregivers at some point in our lives. As loved ones age, debilitating disease, chronic health conditions or simple frailty can soon follow. Or we may end up caring for someone permanently injured from an accident. While some employ paid providers, most rely on unpaid assistance from families, friends and neighbors. We won't always know when we'll be needed as a caregiver, but there are things we can do to feel more prepared."

FCA – Family Caregiver Alliance: National Center on Caregiving



#### LET'S MEET UP

First Thursdays: calling all adults 21 to 91+! Come out to Grandpa's on the First Thursday of each month to socialize and meet new people from GCC! Starts at 7:00 p.m. - look for our new sign! Whether you're 21, 41, 61 or 91+, you're sure to find someone to connect with! We hope to see you on **October 1.** Sponsored by the Fellowship Board.

Are you looking to have fun? Do you like to plan social events? Want an easy way to meet new people in the church? Then the Fellowship Board is for you! We're looking for good people with great ideas to join our group. Time commitment is minimal. Contact Laura O'Mera *lauraomera@gmail.com* or Ryan Peschke *peschker@gmail.com* or call the Church Office for more information.



Our Heifer Quilt Auction will be held at GCC on **Saturday, October 24**. We are still looking for quality quilts that people are willing to donate to our Auction. All money raised will help fight poverty and bring new life to many families around the world. Contact Tom Amos (847-724-2259) or *TomRosalieAA@aol.com* or you can contact Beryl Bills (847-724-1694) or *berylbills@comcast.net*.

Do you know a business or company that might be willing to place an ad in our Heifer Quilt Auction Bulletin? Tom can provide the details. In past years, some take space in the booklet to honor a friend or a passed loved one or upcoming events.

The Resale Shop is up and running and we would love to have you come by and check out all our new Fall / Winter merchandise. We will be accepting consignments from September 9 through October 30. Please stop by the shop to pick up a form and instructions. Donations are accepted as

well any day we are open. Our hours are Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 9:00 -1:00 p.m. and Thursday 9:00 - 5:00 p.m.

> Remember, every time you shop with us your dollars go to help local women and children charities. So stop on in and meet our staff - Laurie, Michelle, Kathryn and Martha

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## **GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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#### **PASTORS**

Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize, *Senior Pastor* Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Pastor* 

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Nonprofit Organization US Postage PAID Glenview, IL Permit NO. 41

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED** 

# **PONDERING IN SILENCE...**

Your love, O God, is an ocean with no shore to bound it. And if I plunge into it, I carry with me all the possessions I have. You know, Lord, what these possessions are --- the souls you have seen fit to link with mine. *Therese of Lisieux, France (1873-1897)*