

B Glenview Community Church Broadcaster



September 15, 2010

A Pilgrim's Progress

In 2004 with the leadership of the Planning Committee, we embarked on an involved strategic, long range planning process. Cathy Ach served as our facilitator. A wide variety of members participated in the process that culminated in the adoption by the congregation in 2005 of a vision statement: a strong community of Christian faith that welcomes and engages all people in personal and spiritual growth and a mission statement: learning, loving, and serving in God's name. Four goals were adopted to focus our efforts to fulfill our mission and achieve our vision. These goals are: engage members, extend mission, expand membership, and achieve financial stability. A great deal of energy and enthusiasm were expended to achieve all of this, but comparable energy and enthusiasm was not available to sustain the momentum and implement objectives.

During the last year the Planning Committee has reexamined the long range plan, concluded that it is a good plan with appropriate goals and challenged us to engage the boards in collaborative efforts to implement actions that will enable us to fulfill our mission and achieve our vision. In April as the staff was discussing things they could do to help focus the congregation's attention on the long range plan, the idea of having a theme for the church program year surfaced and staff members began enthusiastically brainstorming around the idea and were excited when they came up with "Embrace the Vision, Live the Mission" as a suggested theme. This was shared with the Planning Committee and then with the Executive Board receiving enthusiastic support from both.

You're going to be hearing, "Embrace the Vision, Live the Mission," a lot throughout this church year as we attempt to flesh out this theme. We will make this theme

a vital part of our lives through worship. Each of the boards will be identifying a variety of activities and events that will help communicate this theme. We'll be receiving a letter from the Stewardship Board within the week urging us to embrace the vision and live the mission by making generous pledges to support the ministry of GCC in 2011. Periodically you will read articles and notices in the Broadcaster from various boards and church leaders encouraging your participation in events and activities that will help us embrace the vision and live the mission.

I hope by now that "embrace the vision, live the mission" has gotten into your head like one of those tunes you hear that you can't seem to get out of your head. May "embrace the vision, live the mission" not only get in your head but get in your heart too so that with joy and compassion we do everything possible to learn, love, and serve in God's name in such a way that we become a strong community of Christian faith welcoming and engaging all people in personal and spiritual growth. Embrace the vision, live the mission.

Howard

Thank You For Your Patience

Thank you in advance for your patience during our temporary technical computer issues. The Broadcaster may be a day late and have a bit of a different appearance to it. Our GCC website may not be updated immediately. We are striving to resolve these issues as quickly as possible.

SUNDAY SERVICES

SEPTEMBER 19 2010

9:30 a.m.

Scripture:

1 Samuel 26:17-25, Revelation 2:1-7

Sermon:

"The Weary Congregation"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

SEPTEMBER 26, 2010

9:30 a.m.

Scripture:

Exodus 32:30-34, Revelation 3:1-6

Sermon:

"The Sleeping Congregation"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

OCTOBER 3, 2010

World Communion Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Scripture:

Proverbs 3:11-18, Revelation 3:1-6

Sermon:

"The Indifferent Congregation"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

OCTOBER 10, 2010

9:30 a.m.

Scripture:

Psalms 66:1-12, Luke 17:11-19

Sermon:

"No Thanks!"

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

Confirmans will join us in worship.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION CLASS

OCTOBER 17, 2010

The fall New Member Orientation Class is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, October 17 from 3-6 p.m. and includes dinner. Now may be the time for you to join Glenview Community Church or at least explore membership. Please join us in the class. If you are interested, please call Jane Payne at (847)724-2210 ext. 25 or email her at jane.payne@gccucc.org and she will gladly send you information about the class along with a registration form.

Outsmart the Flu and Receive a Flu Shot!

OCTOBER 9, 2010

Flu Shots and Pneumonia Shots will be given from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This year the Seasonal Flu and H1N1 Immunization will be combined into one injection. Registration will take place at the WEST ENTRANCE of Church. We have been assured that there is plenty of vaccine available so you don't need to worry.

We will also be offering the pneumonia vaccination.

COST:

65 yrs and older: FREE Flu/H1N1 Shot with Medicare Part B

All others: \$30.00 for Flu and H1N1, \$50.00 for Pneumonia.

(9yrs – 18yrs old must be accompanied by a parent)

Please call Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse with questions or concerns at (847)724-2210 ext. 30



HOMEBOUND

Are you homebound and unable to attend worship? Did you know that you can access the weekly sermons from our website at www.gccucc.org? If you do not have access to a computer and would like the sermons mailed to you, please contact the church office. On the last Tuesday of each month we will mail out the sermons from that month to those who request it and who do not have access to a computer.

GCC Career Network

The GCC Career Network has been active for several months now and has offered job help and education. Thanks to Alek and Renee Jablonski for the idea to begin this ministry here and for their leadership. They are now unable to continue in this role. We are looking for someone who would like to coordinate the speaker for the month (last Monday of each month at noon) and also to work with Rev. Keckler on any new ideas for this outreach. If you are interested in talking about this endeavor, please contact Pam Keckler at (847)724-2210, Ext. 24 or pam.keckler@gccucc.org. We meet again on Monday, September 27 at noon.

Women's Fall Retreat

The annual Women's Fall Retreat is approaching and we have just a few spaces left for reservations. We will meet on September 24-25, Friday evening through Saturday afternoon. We are returning to Cabrini Retreat Center on Golf Road where we'll have private bedrooms, delicious food and spiritual growth and fellowship. Please join us! Registration forms are available in the church office. Contact Rev. Keckler or Marilyn Belleau if you have questions. Cost for meals and lodging is \$65.



Quilts! Video! Animals! O'My!



This coming Sunday on the 19th, the Adult Education Seminar will feature a program on Heifer International in the Chapel after the Worship Service.. Tom Amos will bring Quilts to preview, will show a video, and will share his Heifer animal collection. Come and learn why we will be having a Heifer Quilt Auction on Saturday, November 6th.

Yes, You Can Still Help With the Heifer Quilt Auction!

Please let Beryl Bills or Tom Amos know if you can:

- (1) Donate to help sponsor a quilt or a craft (\$30-\$3,000)
- (2) Donate a well-made quilt or a fine craft.
- (3) Buy a personal ad or a business ad in the Auction Booklet.



***We need your help now.
You have our thanks.***

ADULT EDUCATION

**10:45 a.m. in the Chapel
Sunday, September 26**

A Faith Journey, by Mark Brown

Can a diagnosis of cancer bring about a positive life change? GCC member Mark Brown was diagnosed with Chronic Myeloid Leukemia in February, 2004 and then with lung cancer in April, 2009. Mark will share his story and answer questions about his illness, recovery, and reconnecting with God.

Church Directories Available

Church members can now pick up a complimentary copy of the 2010 GCC Church Directory at the Visitor's Table in the Narthex or in the Church Office.

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Joyfully invites you to attend a service of Installation for the Senior Pastor Reverend Sally Iberg on Sunday, September 19, 2010 at 3:00 in the afternoon.

Please join us at the PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 460 Lake Street, Oak Park, IL 60302

A Reception in Fellowship Hall to follow immediately.

CHICAGO METROPOLITAN ASSOCIATION ANNUAL FALL MEETING

October 16, 2010 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Trinity United Church of Christ
400 West 95th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60028-1120

The theme of this year's Fall Meeting is "Igniting Congregational Vitality" which is an appropriate theme for our gathering. In recent years, our churches have experienced some challenges that may leave us discouraged about the future. However, the key to overcoming these challenges is to understand that making the right changes in action and attitude can revitalize our congregations and invigorate our association. We look forward to enjoying a word from our keynote speaker, Ms. Vertie Powers, a nationally known speaker on church revitalization and evangelism and current Associate Conference Minister of the Southern Conference.

All are welcome at the meeting, which will begin with registration (fee \$15.00; \$5.00 for those "In-Care" with CMA). Fee includes breakfast and lunch.

Registration deadline is October 6, 2010. You can register online at www.emaucc.org or contact CMA's Administrative Assistant, Bertha Condra at (773)324-7650.

Forms are also available in the church office.

Confirmation

Don't forget – Confirmation Chaos for both 7th/8th grades will take place on Sunday morning, September 26 from 9-10:30. Meet in the youth room. Dr. Roberts and Elizabeth Ciccolini will greet you first while parents and confirmation teachers meet together. It will be a morning of fun, fellowship, food, and learning.

Mission Moment

"Seasons of the Spirit"
Theme: Prayerful Living

It's back to school time. Who's helping the teacher? A "practice" is often something you do every day—getting better and better at it. Is it possible to become a more generous person by "practicing"? That's a frequent question asked by visitors and newcomers to our United Church of Christ congregations, and churches really want to be able to answer, "Yes!" Through its Partners in Education ministry, the United Church of Christ helps church school teachers in congregations all across the country with resources, books, curricula, and workshops to assist them in planning, preparing, and presenting educational programs that enliven and inspire the children and the adults in their churches. These "partners" are members of UCC congregations, working within our Conferences and with the support of national staff on the Worship and Education Team of Local Church Ministries. In addition to their work with curricula and lesson planning, they offer confirmation programs, help make our language more inclusive, and support youth ministry.

Our churches are blessed with committed teachers in our local congregations and with the Conference and national staff to support, encourage, and equip them in their ministry. We're at the beginning of another school year, and our teachers all across the church are ready to teach a new generation about the marvelous things God has done and is still doing today. Let's ask God's blessings upon them, teachers and students alike!

The work of our Conferences and national setting are supported by your generous gifts to Our Church's Wider Mission. Thank you!

PYF

SEPTEMBER

Pilgrim Youth Fellowship meets in the Youth Room from 4 – 6pm and has use of the Gym each Sunday. Hope to see you there! Bring a friend!

SEPTEMBER 19:

Feel the Power! Mission Project Birthday Bags AND Paint Ball T-Shirts – Bring a Shirt

SEPTEMBER 26:

Feel the Power! Volleyball & Other Great Games

PYF Upcoming Events

October 17th:

Great America. Cost \$30 if you turn in your money by October 10th. Otherwise standard rates apply

November 2:

PYF Mission In & Out Night Ministry Health Bus 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Hot meal assembly & Open Gym/ Youth Room. We will make a hot meal to serve along side the Night Ministry Health Bus. Everyone is welcome to assemble the hot meal. The Night Ministry Health Bus ride is limited to 5 people.

November 5 -7:

Pilgrim Park. Cost \$135 for juniors and seniors; \$80 for freshman and sophomores; juniors and seniors will go up right after school on Friday and the freshman and sophomores will go Saturday morning. Time TBD. Drivers needed. Deposit \$50

January 21-22:

Winter Trip Kalahari & Cascade: Cost about \$125 depending on if you ski and how long, etc. More details to follow. Deposit \$50

March 11-12:

Lock-In: Regular Attendance to PYF required.

June 12th – 18:

Mission Trip: Logan, WV: Deposit \$75 www.youthworks.com for more info and more info to follow.

If you wish to bring a friend on a trip with you they need to have come to PYF a few times. See Elizabeth for more details.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
8:30 am - 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 Hartung-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*

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At A Glance

THRS	9/16	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm Until 5:00 pm	MON	9/20	7:00 pm	BSA 156 Committee Mtg, Founders Rm
		1:00 pm	Ministers Mentors, Rm 5			7:00 pm	Tableau Angel, Founder's Room
		6:30 pm	Northshore Suburban Day Care Assoc., Gym	TUE	9/21	12:00 am	Sixty Plus, Mayflower Rm
		7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary	WED	9/22	9:00 am	Resale Shop until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
FRI	9/17	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Room Until 1:00 pm			7:00 pm	BSA Troop 156, Gym & Mayflower Rm
		7:00 pm	CSA Rally Night Mtg. Mayflower, Founders & Gym			8:00 pm	Venturing Crew, Rm 210
		8:00 pm	AA Meeting, Parlor				
		8:00 pm	AI-Anon Meeting, Room 201				
SAT	9/18	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Room Until 1:00 pm				
SUN	9/19	8:45 am	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201				
		9:30 am	Worship, Sanctuary				
		9:30 am	7th Grade Confirmation, Founder's Rm				
		9:30 am	8th Grade Confirmation, Parlor, Library & Rm 5				
		9:30 am	Sunday School, Rm 201				
		10:20 am	Confirmation Closing Prayers, Youth Rm				
		10:30 am	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm				
		10:45 am	Adult Ed, Chapel				
		10:45 am	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm				
		4:00 pm	Voices of GCC Rehearsal, Room 201				
		4:00 pm	PYF Gathering, Youth Room, Gym				

Broadcaster Deadlines:

Submit articles by 9:00 a.m. , Wednesday to Tania McCarthy via e-mail at tania.mccarthy@gccucc.org.