



Broadcaster

SEPTEMBER 27, 2017

IT'S GETTING VERY REAL!

Last Friday Pepper Construction cut nine holes in various spots in the ceilings of our church building. It was an intricate and an expensive process because all of the areas where the holes had to be opened have asbestos that must be abated. However, it was necessary to see exactly how our building is constructed because the blue-prints of the several phases of our facility are frustratingly vague. Now we'll know exactly what we're dealing with. Now the architects and engineers will know exactly how to plan. Now we'll have a much more accurate estimate of the cost of our church's renewal that will make its core state of the art, accessible and welcoming. But, most of all, seeing and hearing the process of opening these access holes (even though it set off the fire alarm!) made it obvious that we are actually moving toward a project that will make significant changes in the bricks and mortar of GCC's physical home that will make it a much more habitable and nurturing home for ALL God's people. **It's getting very real!**

Even as Pepper Construction was cutting these holes, Hurricane Maria was devastating Puerto Rico. The initial reports are of unprecedented, overwhelming destruction. Many are saying that Puerto Rico will never be the same again. This train of Atlantic hurricanes has been so devastating to the Caribbean islands and the United States mainland. It's impossible for me to imagine how, in the vortex of these hurricanes, anyone among us can continue to insist that climate change is a hoax. We have shamelessly stolen from and mercilessly violated the environment for our own myopic greed...and the change we have wrought

in our world's climate and ecosystem may be beyond the point of recovery. With this season of storms, fires and earthquakes, **it's getting very real.**

In response to the hurricanes and their victims, I challenged us to give at least \$10,000 to support the United Church of Christ Disaster Relief Ministry and Church World Service. You have achieved that goal and exceeded it! As of this writing, we have contributed \$12,000. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Because of your tender hearts, our love **is getting very real!**

This is an exciting season in the life of the Glenview Community Church! If you haven't been around for a while...if other things are stealing your time and attention away from God and Christ's perfect love... it's time to come home! It's time to see, and hear, and experience what God is doing in our lives today. It's time to participate in the healing and hope that only God's grace can make possible in our lives. It's time that **God got very real for you!**

Your place in your pew is reserved for you! No one else can fill it for you. Your participation in God's transformation is waiting for you! No one can do what you can do. Your celebration of God's overwhelming generosity is waiting for you! Nothing can make your life more rich or full.

So come and participate in worship...in something larger than yourself. And come and see how we are responding to personal human need in a compassionate and caring way. Come and see what the construction

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WORSHIP 10:00 AM OCTOBER

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WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY NEIGHBORS IN NEED

Scripture:
Ephesians 2:1-10
Matthew 21:23-32

Sermon:
Pillars of the Reformation:
Grace, Faith, and Good Works
Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN TRINITY

Scripture:
Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20
Matthew 21:33-46

Sermon:
Pillars of the Reformation:
Law and Gospel
Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN TRINITY

Scripture:
Philippians 4:1-13
Matthew 22:1-14

Sermon:
Pillars of the Reformation:
Joy
Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize

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plans are all about. There are tours every Sunday after worship and we will hear from our architects (TKWA), our construction manager (Pepper Construction) and our owner's representative (Jerry Aulisio) at an informational session after worship on Sunday, October 8.

But, most of all, just come! God can't do it without us. And we are deeply diminished without God! But when we and God get together, we can make all things new! See you in church!

Chuck Mize

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

On Wednesday afternoons from 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m., beginning on September 13, we will explore our faith in the pages of scripture. This fall our study will have two foci. First, we will dive into the world and words of the prophet Isaiah. Of all of the prophets of Israel, Isaiah is the most influential and central for Christians. Alongside of our partnership with Isaiah, we will also consider the culture and context of the Reformation whose 500th anniversary is October 31.

Please join us for this rich experience of Christian community, scripture study and faith exploration!

Chuck Mize

DO YOU LIKE PEOPLE?

Would you like an easy job with a 20 minute time commitment? We need more Ambassadors (a fancy name for greeters)! Here is what this job entails: you arrive 20 minutes before church and stand at an assigned door, welcoming everyone that crosses your path. That's it! You are only scheduled approximately every 5-6 weeks. If you're already an usher or serve communion, it's easy for me to schedule around that. Please consider this opportunity – it's a good way to help the church and it's fun to see so many people! Please contact M-J Carlson at 847-431-5657 or email M-J at mjcd2223@gmail.com.



CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE ASK THE EXPERTS

On Sunday, October 8 the architecture firm TKWA, Pepper Construction, and GCC's owners representative, Jerry Aulisio, will present and discuss the building construction design and answer your questions for our **Forward in Faith** project! They will have 3D renderings of the design so you can really see how the building will meet our goals of accessibility, infrastructure and community.

When: Sunday, October 8 at 11:15 a.m.

Where: in the sanctuary.

And if you have not had a chance to go on a walking tour or would like to go again, the Construction Committee will have tours through October. Meet in the Chapel Sunday mornings after worship.

THERE'S A NEW ACRONYM IN TOWN – THE CWG

CWG stands for Constitution Working Group, which the Spiritual Council approved in June 2017 and appointed the following members to serve: Tom Aldrich, Paul Bauerschmidt, Debby Fosdick, Stephen Isaacs, Megan McClung, Bob McGee (chair), Nancy Mullarkey, and Sally Sargent.

The CWG's task is to refine our current Interim Constitution and Bylaws, capturing feedback from the congregation and revising as needed during our 2-year transition period. The CWG will revise and submit the final GCC Constitution and Bylaws to the congregation for vote at the May 2019 Annual Meeting. The CWG is also empowered to propose more urgent revisions to the congregation if needed before May 2019.

The CWG will periodically update the Spiritual Council, regularly report at congregational meetings and submit articles, from time to time, in the Broadcaster. As we now fully embrace living into the new governance structure, please send your written suggestions, thoughts and concerns about it to Bob McGee at bmcgee750@gmail.com or contact any of the members of the Constitution Working Group listed above.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!

Myra Loris will discuss the impact of what are considered *Six Years that Shaped America 1946-1952*

OCTOBER 10: Dewey Win!!! considers the amazing and unique aspects of the 1948 election and of the many unexpected actions of President Harry Truman that would frame and change the decades that followed.

NOVEMBER 7: And Justice For All! examines the Civil Rights advances made during the Truman Administration and the aim and consequences of both the Nuremberg and Tokyo War Crimes Trials.

DESSERT will be served at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Loris will begin at 7:30 p.m. and speak for an hour.

TICKETS will be sold at fellowship hour on Sundays beginning in August and at the door the night of each lecture. To reserve tickets, call Beryl Bills 847-724-1694. Single ticket--\$15.00; three lecture series--\$35.



LIFE EVERLASTING

We trust the promise of the resurrection for our longtime members **Dorothy Shaw** and **Ted Shaw**. **Dottie** died on Wednesday, September 6, and **Ted** went to join **Dottie** as he quietly passed away in his sleep last Tuesday morning, September 19. Please continue to hold their children **John, Carol, Barb,** and **Janine** and their families in our prayers. We gave thanks for **Dottie** and **Ted's** lives and trust them to our God at a joint memorial service in the Chapel on Sunday, September 24...and for **Lloyd Bettis'** mother, **Lucille**, who passed away on Friday, September 22 at the grand age of 94, even as we hold **Lloyd, Kathryn** and their family in our prayers. **Mrs. Bettis** was given back to God at a funeral service at Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia, Iowa on Tuesday, September 26.

COMMUNITY DINNERS

Community Dinners are the first Wednesday of each month. This is a wonderful chance for intergenerational fellowship. Dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. The dates for the fall/winter dinners are October 4, November 1, and December 6. The first meal will be chicken, salad, pizza, and pasta. There is a suggested donation of \$8 a person. Dinners take place in the Mayflower Room.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

OCTOBER 15, 2017

We will formally receive new members into the church during worship on Sunday, October 15. There will be a session prior to that to learn more about GCC and our denomination, the United Church of Christ. Please contact one of the pastors if you are interested in joining, or would like more information.



SIMPLE GIFTS GALA SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 3:00 PM

The musicians of GCC open our concert season with sacred and secular music performed by vocal and instrumental soloists, small ensembles, the Chancel Choir and the Joyful Ringers! A free-will offering will be taken to support the Simple Gifts Concert Series.

NAME BADGES

We will be ordering the blue name badges in October for our new members as well as others who have requested one. If you need a new name badge, please contact Rev. Pam Keckler.



FALL CONFIRMATION

The 7th and 8th grade confirmands and parents recently met for the fall mini-retreat at the church. Since we are celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, we learned about the life of Martin Luther through an interactive play with narration and acting from the confirmation teachers and confirmands. We began our classes on September 17 with 51 confirmands enrolled.

HUDDLE

We often hear it during football season. "Huddle" is also a way to describe groups of people with common interests getting closer together. The Faith Formation Ministry invites YOU to help us identify ways to grow in faith together. Come and help us brainstorm ideas for possible "huddles" at GCC. Maybe you'd like to cook your way through the Bible with some new friends. Or read an inspiring book and discuss it with others. Plan a Bible study around a specific topic or book? Make plans to help locally with hunger or domestic violence? We want to hear from you about what "huddles" you want at GCC. Please join us after worship, 11:20 a.m. in the Founders Room, on October 1. Questions? Email karen.ornduff@gmail.com.

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location
Thursday, 28 September 2017		
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Narthex
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Bell Rehearsal	SanctuaryB
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA Troop 156/Court of Honor	Founders
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, 29 September 2017		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA Meeting	Parlor
Saturday, 30 September 2017		
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Spiritual Life	Chapel
Sunday, 01 October 2017		
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 9:30 AM	Parent Meeting/7th Grad Confirmation	Mayflower
9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal	Room 201
10:00 AM to 10:15 AM	Church School Children Meet In Sanctuary	SanctuaryM
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:05 AM to 12:00 PM	Fellowship & Refreshments	Mayflower
11:15 AM to 12:15 PM	Adult Faith Formation	Founders
3:00 PM to 4:30 PM	Simple Gifts Gala Concert	Sanctuary
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room
4:00 PM to 5:00 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Room 201
Monday, 02 October 2017		
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Meeting	Founders
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	WA Social Service Meeting	Parlor
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201
Tuesday, 03 October 2017		
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
5:30 PM to 6:58 PM	12th Grade Dinner	Youth Room
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Construction Meetings	Chapel
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	PYF Singers	Youth Room
Wednesday, 04 October 2017		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
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 5:30 PM	Bible Study	Parlor
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Mayflower
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM	Knitters/Crocheters	Library
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	6th - 12th Grade Wednesday Youth Group	Youth Room
5:30 PM to 6:15 PM	Community Dinner	Mayflower Room A
6:00 PM to 6:45 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Room 201
7:30 PM to 8:15 PM	6th - 12th Choir Rehearsal	Room 201
Thursday, 05 October 2017		
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA Court of Honor	Founders
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	PYF Singers	Youth Room
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Friday, 06 October 2017		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA Meeting	Parlor
Saturday, 07 October 2017		
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room

**The next Deadline for the Broadcaster is
October 4, 2017 at 9:00 AM**

GIVING GLIMPSE AUGUST 2017

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. 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 Giving Glimpse will be updated monthly and included in the worship bulletin and Broadcaster.

	Amount Received	Amount* Pledged	Over/Under
August	\$ 71,235	\$ 60,000	\$ 11,235
YTD	\$621,166	\$595,446	\$ 25,720

* Note: The amount pledged reflects the approved 2017 Budget.

KNITTERS NEWS

Great news knitters. All 600 of our knitted and crochet squares reached their destination at **Knit-A-Square** in South Africa! We will continue to knit 8" Squares for Knit-A-Square, as well as hats, mittens, gloves and scarves for our friends at **A Just Harvest**. We will meet in the Library at church on Wednesday, October 4 from 4:00-5:30 p.m. We'll see you there!



Ready to take a walk for good? **Glenbrook CROP Hunger Walk 2017** steps off at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday October 15 from the St. Giles Episcopal Church in Northbrook at 3025 Walters Avenue (Northbrook). Registration starts at 12:30 p.m.. On an average year there are over 1,300 **CROP** walks raising over \$1.2 MM for projects to ease hunger in America and around the world. If you would like to walk or contribute to the event visit www.crophungerwalk.org/northbrookil to register as a walker or make a donation. You can also reach out to Linda Crowder at lccrowder@comcast.net or 847-922-6827 with any questions.



CHURCH LEADERS HOLD ANNUAL RETREAT: EXPLORE "ALL THINGS NEW"

Saturday, September 9 was a gorgeous day; maybe you enjoyed a bike ride or were cheering at your child's soccer game. 37 members of GCC leadership spent the day planning and celebrating how the church's ministries will bring God into people's lives this coming year, where our theme is "All Things New." Members of Spiritual Council, the Ministry Steering Groups, Admin. Committees and church staff participated.

Covenant Village in Northbrook was the lovely site for our gathering, where we:

- explored how to make change easier
- had each of the 5 new Ministries plan their goals for the coming year
- heard updates from the Construction Committee
- Shared what we are grateful for and how we are generous to others
- enjoyed each other's fellowship AND had a tasty lunch

Everyone agreed the highlight was being joined by 15 GCC members who reside at Covenant Village. Over lunch we enjoyed hearing stories from their time in leadership, and how they are eager to remain active contributors to church life.

Our church year is off to a strong start with so many talented folks committing their time and energy to our leadership. Thank you all!

CHANGE TO PAGEANT TIMES FOR 2017

Yes, school just started and you are already hearing about the Pageant! This year's performances will be on Sunday, December 3 at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Please note these times are slightly later than last year. There is also an important practice in the afternoon of the day before, Saturday, December 2. Please mark your calendars now! Church school, confirmation and high school youth will be getting more information in the coming weeks, but if you have any questions in the meantime, please contact C.J. Sultz at 312-933-0413.

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL SINGERS...

Mrs. Shellard is planning to direct a piece for the Sunday, October 15 worship service combining high school singers with 6th -8th graders and Voices of GCC. There will be two rehearsals: one on Wednesday, October 4 from 7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. in room 201 and again on Sunday, October 8 from 3:00 p.m. - 4:00p.m. Come join us and sing ***I Believe in Someday*** based on the poem by Mattie Stepanek. Questions, contact Mrs. Shellard at dshellard@gmail.com.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

Please consider supporting our ***Neighbors in Need*** (NIN). It is a special mission offering of the UCC that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry(CAIM). Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries(JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants.

Neighbors in Need grants are awarded to churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities. These grants fund projects whose work ranges from direct service to community organizing and advocacy to addressing systemic injustice. Funding is provided through donations to the ***Neighbors in Need*** offering.

PYF

We continue to explore what it means to be open to new ideas, question our assumptions, and learn about being an open community. Below are a list of our October activities. All activities will begin and end in the Youth Room unless otherwise noted.

OCTOBER 1

Bingo

OCTOBER 8

Cooking Contest

OCTOBER 15

We will assemble disaster relief buckets. Please watch for details for needed donations. We will also learn about ***Hands of Peace*** and the application process.

OCTOBER 22

Tie Dye – please bring a shirt, pillow case, etc. to tie dye.

OCTOBER 29

Great America! Meet at church at 11:30 a.m. and we will return around 6:00 p.m.

FRIENDS,

HURRICANE IRMA



- In Florida we are aware of 2 churches that lost steeples
 - o United Church UCC – Marco Island, FL
 - o Pass-a-Grille Beach Community Church – Saint Pete Beach, FL.
- We have not received a report for the First Congregational UCC - Key West, FL, but we expect that they suffered damage.
- **UCC Disaster Ministries** has provided a **\$1,500** solidarity/emergency grant to the Miami Shores Community Church (UCC) supporting the purchase of a generator (charging station for the community), fuel, gas stoves for community cooking, purchasing and distributing ice.
 - o Additional offers of solidarity/emergency grants have been made to UCC congregations in the impacted region.

- **UCC Disaster Ministries** has contributed **\$10,000** toward a proactive program to prevent cholera and malnutrition in Haiti in the wake of Hurricane Irma, and to treat any instances that occur. The implementing partner is IMA World Health, of which the UCC is a member organization.
- **UCC Disaster Ministries** is providing **\$10,000** to support partners in Cuba with the distribution of **WASH** (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene), temporary shelter, non-food items, food security, recovery/livelihoods, and psychosocial support.
- **UCC Disaster Ministries** is providing **\$10,000** to support work in Northern Haiti with the areas where homes that were weakened by Hurricane Matthew have now sustained additional damage. The implementing partner is **Church World Service** (CWS), of which the UCC is a member organization



- **UCC Disaster Ministries** through our annual contribution to the **ACT Alliance Rapid Response Fund** we are supporting **Food Security**, non-food items and **WASH** in the Dominican Republic.

HURRICANE MARIA

Hurricane Maria hit islands in the Caribbean on September 19 as a Category 5 hurricane following in the path of Hurricane Irma.

THE DISASTER BY THE NUMBERS:

10,600 people in shelters in Puerto Rico.

Puerto Rico's power grid is completely down. There is no electricity on the island and officials estimate 6 months to completely restore the grid.

40 inches of rain in just 24 hours landed in parts of Puerto Rico.

90% of buildings in Dominica were damaged.

All 32 provinces in the Dominican Republic are under hurricane alert
Media are reporting around 30 storm-related fatalities.



NEEDS

- Cash Donations are the most effective, efficient and truly compassionate way to give.
- All in-kind (stuff) donations are discouraged unless a specific request has come from a reputable organization with pre-established networks and local presence in the impacted communities.
- Cleanup buckets are still needed www.ucc.org/disaster_2017_matching_grants_for_cws_kits_home_page.
- Volunteers (Roofers) are urgently needed in Volusia County www.ucc.org/disaster_matthew_recovery_volusia_county_florida
 - o Volusia County emergency management director Jim Judge said Thursday Irma caused at least \$319 million in damage in the county. 53 VIND clients need their roofs tarped due to lost shingles or previous tarps blown away.
 - o Note that this county was still recovering from Hurricane Matthew and has now sustained more damage from Hurricane Irma.



HURRICANE HARVEY

- Volunteers interested in future opportunities can sign up to receive updates and volunteer information http://www.ucc.org/hurricane_relief_sign_up
- Zach and Mary met with partners, conference leadership and local leaders on September 20-23.

RATIONALE FOR SUPPORTING UCC DISASTER MINISTRIES

I have been receiving inquiries about why individuals should consider supporting **UCC Disaster Ministries** over other organizations. Below is my short response.

My argument for sending funds to the UCC vs. Red Cross or some other well-known organization is simple. Long-term recovery work supports the most vulnerable populations (elderly, disabled, single parent households, low income, etc.) These are the people that have needs that extend beyond the first few days/weeks. Additionally, the long-term phase of recovery is the most expensive and most underfunded/supported phase of disaster. If we are called to serve the least of these... it's during this phase of disaster. I would also note that because of our size we are able to be nimble and flexible which allows us to address unique needs within each community and to fill gaps in services.

Zach Wolgemuth
Executive, UCC Disaster Ministries

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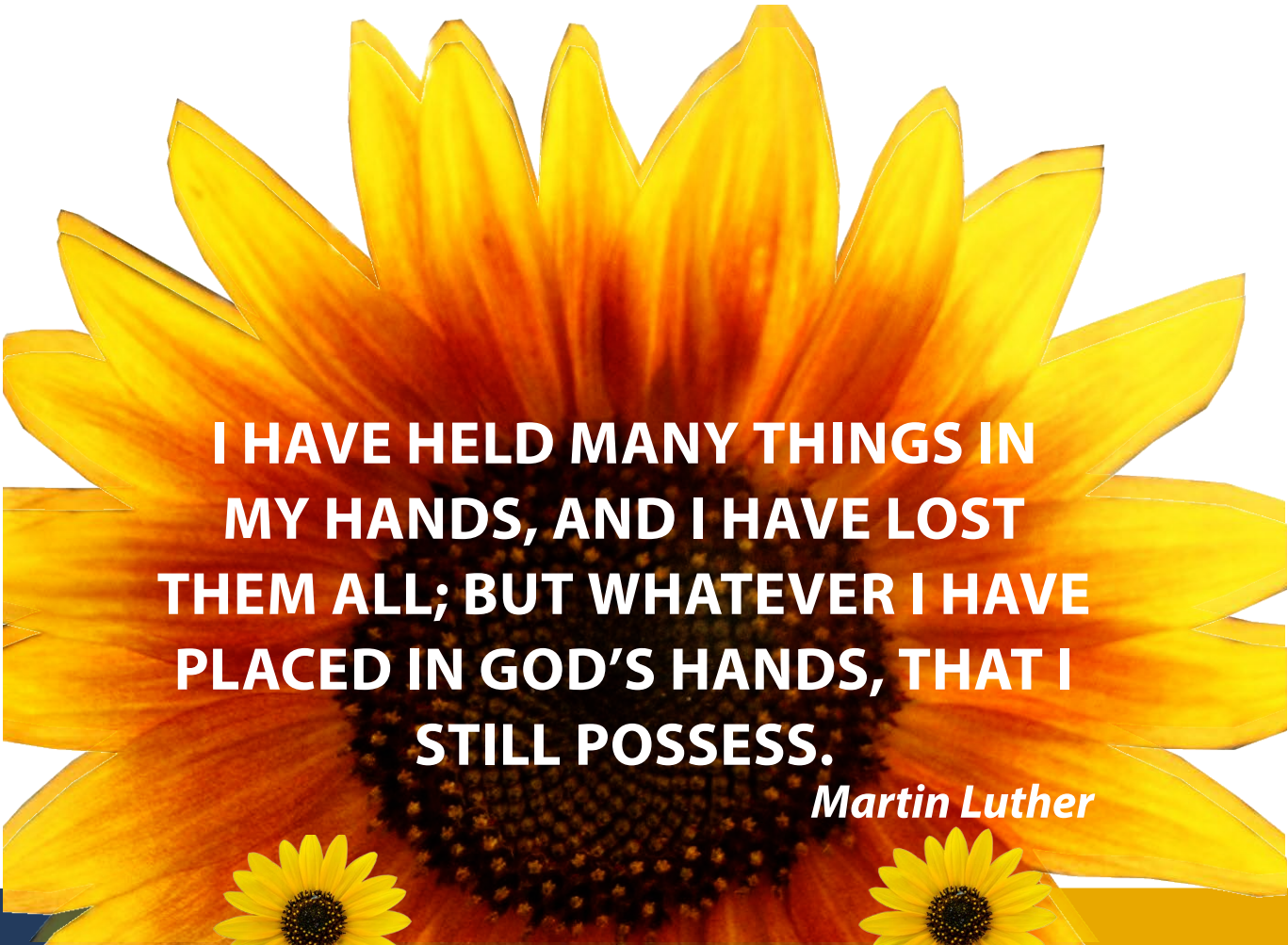
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Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Pastor*
Rev. Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, *Associate Pastor for
Children and Youth*

OFFICE HOURS

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



**I HAVE HELD MANY THINGS IN
MY HANDS, AND I HAVE LOST
THEM ALL; BUT WHATEVER I HAVE
PLACED IN GOD'S HANDS, THAT I
STILL POSSESS.**

Martin Luther