

As I come to the end of my second month at GCC, I look back on one of the busiest, yet one of the most gratifying times of my professional life, due to the wonderful support of my transitional ministry by Pam, our church leadership and staff, and most especially, all of you. We are well on our way into the transitional period, with many members rejoining us in worship, many first-time visitors to our worship services, and a large new member orientation class and reception being planned for late October. A church history project is being planned, suggestions from a highly productive leadership retreat are being considered for implementation, our new 8:00 a.m. and second Sunday 4:00 p.m. worship services are underway, and our search for a permanent, part-time Director of Adult Choirs is progressing well. I have greatly appreciated the opportunity to attend meetings of most of the GCC boards, all of which were hard at work!

A special thanks to all who made the worship service on 9/11 – Rally Day such a great success: our Adult and Children's Choirs, our Joyful Ringers Handbell Choir, the instrumental ensemble, Gary Wendt, Phyllis Scott, and those representing the airline crews and passengers, Pentagon and World Trade Center employees, and Manhattan firefighters and police officers who lost their lives. I believe that our entire congregation shares this gratitude.

As I mentioned in my first Broadcaster message, two of my tasks in the transitional period will be to help the congregation come to terms with its history and to help it develop strategies for increasing its membership and worship attendance. I'm now involved with both – the first as an outcome of my describing what should happen in the transitional period and the second as a result of our recent Leadership Retreat.

Allan Ruter picked up on a generally held view that during the transitional period,

a church should come to terms with its history. In most instances celebration of the past is all that a congregation needs to assist it in forever putting away contentious issues, and focusing on a future that builds upon its successes of the past. Very quickly Allan developed a plan for assembling, organizing and cataloguing all materials related to the history of GCC found in several storage areas in the church (Phase One), and donated to this archival project by members of the church (Phase Two). Soon Bev Dawson joined Allan in planning this project, and then in meeting with Pam and me to present it and find space for it. We are planning to end Phase One with a celebratory GCC History Sunday (possibly in April 2012), during which some of the archived materials will be displayed, hymns written by members of the congregation will be sung during worship. stories of our past will be recorded for the archives, donations to the archives will be requested from the congregation, and a community meal might be shared. We are hoping that many will volunteer to help Allan and Bev with this exciting project.

An initiative that stood out during the very productive brainstorming session at the Leadership Retreat was strengthening our church membership. At its recent meeting the Planning Committee determined that the key elements of this initiative should be: a membership management system to be used especially for follow up with first-time visitors from the Glenview area and to identify and contact members whom we haven't seen for a while; defined member recruitment, retrieval and retention programs, and publicity materials and communications modalities to support these programs. Committees have been formed for planning these elements of the membership initiative.

We are on the move – how very exciting! Yours in Christ, Doug

WORSHIP SERVICES

OCTOBER 2, 2011

World Communion Sunday

8:00 a.m.

A Time for Reflection

10:00 a.m.

Community and Family Worship

Scripture:

Psalm 98:1-6; Philippians 3:12b-14

Sermon:

"Run On!"

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

OCTOBER 9, 2011

8:00 a.m.

A Time for Reflection

10:00 a.m.

Community Worship

Scripture:

Leviticus 16:29-34, Hebrews 5:1-3 & 7-9

Sermon:

"Yom Kippur: Christian Perspective" Rev. Dr. Douglas Busby

4:00 p.m.

2nd Sunday Informal Worship

Scripture:

Exodus 3:1-14

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

OCTOBER 16, 2011

8:00 a.m.

A Time for Reflection

10:00 a.m.

Community and Family Worship

Scripture:

Exodus 33:12-23, Matthew 22:15-22

Sermon:

"Serving Whom?" Rev. Dr. Douglas Busby



2012 Stewardship

Did you receive your 2012 Stewardship Campaign pledge package? You should have it by now, so if you have not received it yet, please let us know. Responses are rolling in quickly—thank you! A special thanks to all the early birds who responded so promptly (and will be receiving a special gift!!). We'll be reporting results soon so keep watching this space and listen for our reports on Sundays during the next couple weeks. If you need to discuss your pledge, feel free to contact Moderator Bill Dailey, Reverend Doug Busby or Stewardship chair John Tillman. John can be reached via email at johnmtillman@gmail.com or by cell at (773)294-5081. Thank you for supporting GCC!

New Member Sessions

Have you been attending GCC for some time and want to find out more about how to become a member? Doug and Pam will be leading two new member classes (Part I and Part II) on Sunday afternoons October 16 and 23 from 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Childcare is provided for those who make a reservation. We will then receive new members into the church during the 10:00 Community Worship on October 30. Please contact Susan in the church office if you would like to be part of these sessions or if you have questions (847)724-2210 ext. 225.

Worship Planning Session

Are you one of the people who were interested in our 2nd Sunday informal worship service? If so, you are invited to share your thoughts and ideas as we make plans for the future. Join us on Wednesday evening, September 28 in the Parlor at 7:00 p.m.

Leadership Committee

The GCC Leadership Committee is now considering candidates for the positions of Church Clerk and Church Treasurer. These positions are voted upon at the Mid Winter Congregational Meeting in February. Both positions are open to all adult members of the congregation. For a description of each position and their responsibilities, please refer to the GCC Constitution and By-Laws which can be obtained on the GCC website www. gccucc.org under the Resources tab or in the Church Office. The Leadership Committee will begin nomination discussions at our next meeting on October 16. If you are interested in being considered for either position or want further information, please contact David Aki at dave254@comcast.net or at (847)657-0139.

Men's Ministry Seminar WORKING WITH FIRST RESPONDERS



Pastoral Care

Our sympathy and prayers are offered to Kathryn Bettis and family on the death of her sister Kris Cessna, on September 13, 2011.

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Kit Sultz and family on the death of his father, Glenn Sultz on September 18, 2011.

Our sympathy is extended to Steve Ruch and family on the death of Steve's father, Joe Ruch on September 10. We continue to hold the family in our thoughts and prayers.

BE READY FOR FLU SEASON

Seasonal Flu/H1N1 and Pneumonia Shots will be available at GCC

Outsmart the flu and receive your flu and/or pneumonia shot on Saturday, October 8, 2011. Flu Shots and Pneumonia Shots will be given from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon in the Sanctuary.

Registration will take place at the West Entrance of the church where you will also receive a number.

COST: 65 years and older FREE Flu Shot with Medicare Part B

All others:

\$27.00 – Seasonal Flu/H1N1 \$65.00 –Pneumonia

Questions? Call Marilyn Belleau, Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse, at (847)724-2210 ext. 230.



GCC Walkers

Sunday, October 16, we will be walking around the lake in the quaint village of Tower Lakes (population 1,300). The houses in this community are built on the hills and slopes surrounding its three lakes. You won't believe you're in Illinois! Meet at the home of former GCC Walkers Jim and Diane Thompson, 118 South Hills Drive, Tower Lakes,IL. We will have snacks afterwards.

We will leave from the north GCC lot at 11:45 a.m., giving time to change clothing and/or shoes. The drive there will take at least 45 minutes, so that the round trip, approximate three-mile walk around the lake, and the brief social hour afterward will consume time well into mid-afternoon. Please let Steve know within a reasonable time frame if you are coming so that our hostess can plan, although any and all are welcome (including last-minute decisions).

SAVE THE DATE

Make sure you save the date of October 26 for a Breakfast with Myra Loris, humorist and storyteller, who will bring to life, The Good, The Bad & The Ugly. A Chicago Story, focusing on three key events from 1909 through 1931.

- The Good created by architect, Daniel Burnham
- The Bad murder of 14 year-old "Bobby" Franks in 1924
- The Ugly acts of syndicate Boss Al Ca-

Join us in the Mayflower Room on Wednesday, October 26.

9:00 a.m. **Breakfast** 10:15 a.m. –11:30 a.m. Speaker

Tickets are \$15 and will be available at Fellowship Hour on October 2, 9, 16, & 23. Sponsored by Chapter 8 Members of the Women's Association.

Simple G The 2011-2012 concert

The 2011-2012 concert season is upon us, and what a year it is going to be! Join us for our first concert on Halloween Eve, October 30th at 7:30 p.m. Tom Trenney, one of America's leading concert organists, will accompany a showing of the great silent film, The Phantom of the Opera, starring Lon Chaney. It is sure to be a scary and fun evening for the whole family!

Find us on Facebook (Simple Gifts Concert Series) and like us.

Food on the 1st

GCC Food Collection

Don't forget to bring your non-perishable food or paper products donation to church on the 1st Sunday of each month. The next collection date is Sunday, October 2. Hot items include: paper towels, toilet paper, rice, canned vegetables and fruit, cereal, juice, boxed meals, beans, peanut butter, jelly, and snacks. Don't forget - you can also turn in used eyeglasses and Campbell soup labels during the Food on the 1st by putting them in the baskets on each collection table (upper level west entrance and Narthex). Thank you from your friends on the Missions Outreach Board.

Adult Education Class

Sunday In The Chapel 8:50 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.

OCTOBER 2

Healing Touch, Reiki and Acupuncture. Ancient healers from Eastern cultures and modern healing techniques have much in common. Doug Busby discusses how each of these therapies is used to promote healing today.

BASIC YOGA

Thursdays in October

Join Kelly Golding, Registered Yoga Teacher, for an hour of basic hatha yoga poses and breathing exercises designed to increase balance, strength and flexibility. We will meet on Thursdays, October 6, 13 and 20 from 9:00 a.m - 10:00 a.m. in Room 201.

Beginners Welcome!

You may come for any class or all classes. Classes are free, donations to the church accepted. Please bring a blanket and a yoga mat.

Questions? Contact Kelly at (847)657-1314 kellygolding@comcast.net or Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at (847)724-2210 ext. 230 marilyn.belleau@gccucc.org

Sponsored by Advocate Health Care Parish Nurse Program



WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT

October 21-22 Maria House - Techny

Theme: Be Still

Registration Forms are available in the office. Each woman will have her individual bedroom. We'll meet Friday evening through Saturday afternoon. Take some time out for YOU and join us! If you have any questions, please call or see Marilyn (847)724-2210 ext 230 or Pam (847)724-2210 ext 224



Sunday School

Sunday school parents and students have rallied together to begin the new school year. We are blessed and grateful for the commitment and leadership of the teachers: Denise Morgan - preschool, Kathy and Colin Crawford, and Megan and Scott McClung - kindergarten, Tracey Noe and Stephanie Lindemann - first grade, Lisa Paul and Anne Wightman - second grade, Laura McNeela - third grade, Diane Christiansen - fourth grade, Karen Ornduff - fifth grade, Steve Lochen - sixth grade. Special thanks to the parents who have already assisted or signed up to do so in the future.

Regular Sunday school classes will not be in session on October 2, World Communion Sunday, so that children may worship with their families. Nursery care will be available. Although their class will not meet, preschoolers will be welcomed in the nursery.

PYF OCTOBER

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

October 2:

Mugging is Back!!! It is not what you think or maybe it is if you recall the youth participating in this great progressive dinner tradition. We will walk to designated houses with a mug and eat each course out of a mug. Bring a Friend!

October 9:

We will be assembling Hygiene kits for the Night Ministry. We need small soaps, shampoos, conditioners, lotions, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, wipes, wash clothes, etc. This will also be the first 678 Club day. I will need at least two youth helpers.

October 16:

PYF Cooks (RSVP for Fall Retreat / Deposit Due)

October 23:

We will go to Great America. We will leave the church at 9:30 and return at 6pm. Cost will be \$30. RSVP so very helpful!

October 30:

Halloween Video Scavenger Hunt. Extra points if you come in a costume!

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MINISTERIAL STAFF

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DIRECTORS:

Marilyn Belleau, RN, Health Ministry Kathy Lifton, Children's Ministry Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, Youth Ministry Debby Shellard, Children's Choirs **Gary Wendt**, Music & Organist Jim Winfield , Interim Adult Choir

AFFILIATES:

Marcia Kiraly, Director, GCC Nursery School Barbara Thewis, Manager, Resale Shop

Return Service Requested

At A Glance

THUR		
9/29	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open til 5:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
FRI		
9/30	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open til 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
	8:00 PM	AA Meeting, Parlor
	8:00 PM	Al-Anon Meeting, Rm 201
SAT		
10/1	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open til 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
SUN		
10/2	8:00 AM	Worship Service, Sanctuary
	8:50 AM	Adult Education, Chapel
	9:00 AM	Confirmation Opening Prayers, Youth Rm
	9:15 AM	Confirmation Classes, Various Rms
	9:15 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201
	10:00 AM	Community Worship, Sanctuary
	11:00 AM	Resale Shop Open House, Plymouth Rm
	11:15 AM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	11:15 AM 4:00 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm PYF, Youth Rm

MON		
10/3	7:00 PM	Walking Marys Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	8:00 PM	Tableau Angels Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	9:00 PM	Dancing Marys Rehearsal, Sanctuary
TUES		
10/4	6:30 PM	Sing To Live Rehearsal, Choir Rm & Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	Book Club, Chapel
	7:00 PM	Children's Board Mtg., Rm 201
	7:30 PM	Pack 156 Committee Mtg., Rm 213
WED		
10/5	9:00 AM	Resale Shop Open til 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Rm
	6:30 PM	BSA Troop 156 Meetings, Gym
	7:00 PM	Called to Care Mt.g, Rm 210 & Upper Rm
	8:00 PM	BSA Venture Crew, Parlor & Gym

Congratulations

New arrival: Kajsa Ruby Josephine Andersson, June 6, 2011. Proud grandparents are Pat and Bill Frey, and Great Grandmother Ginger Boynton.

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

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