

# Broadcaster

GLENVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

OCTOBER 27, 2010

## A Pilgrim's Progress

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther walked up to the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany and nailed his 95 Theses to the door. In those days the church door served as the bulletin board for the community. The theses were statements of concern that Luther had about the church which he wanted to discuss and debate. Martin Luther invited people to a public debate of his theses and requested that those who could not be present to present their debate in writing. Initially, no one responded to Luther's invitation to debate. Soon people were responding. The common people were responding with enthusiasm, and the church leaders were responding with alarm. The issues Luther raised became such hot issues that the church was reformed and Protestantism born.

Our word, protest, is derived from the Latin, protestari which means a witness for; to state positively; affirm solemnly; assert. Protest means to make a solemn affirmation. What Martin Luther did was to make a solemn affirmation that salvation comes to each person by the grace of God and that all people can present their needs to God and that God does and will relate directly with them. At the time that Luther posted his 95 Theses he was studying and teaching the letter to the Romans to his students. It was his study of Romans that led him to his conclusions and to the writing and posting of the 95 Theses.

What made the hair on the back of Luther's neck stand up was papal indulgences, release from purgatory being contingent upon payment by a relative or friend. The sinners of the Empire, all devout believers, worried about their destinations beyond death; all of them expected to roast, at least for awhile, in eternal flames. These citizens of the Empire, for a specific sum of money, could shorten their stay in hell. They could decrease the demerits chalked up against them on the celestial scorecard by cashing in on the merits of Christ and

the saints of the ages. God's goodness and grace went up for sale; a smart investor could claim a piece of heaven, not only for himself but with an additional premium, could claim a piece for his family, ancestors and progeny. The 95 Theses nailed to the church door triggered more than a debate; those theses became marching orders for a church, a nation, a continent. And Martin Luther scholar, teacher, pastor, preacher; impeccably orthodox and loyal became what he least intended or desired to be: a prophetic reformer.

What Luther started unintentionally we need to keep going intentionally. Individuals and congregations are constantly in need of reform. Constantly we need to permit the love and grace of God to penetrate every corner of our lives. Continually we need God's love to reshape and reform us into better people and better servants of God.

Sunday, October 31st, is Reformation Sunday. Whether you are able to join us for worship or not, I hope you will explore areas in your life that you would like reformed and how God's love and grace can reshape and reform you into a better person and a better servant of God. May the Reformation continue in you and me.

Howard

## Turn Back Time



Don't forget to turn your clocks back an hour by 2:00 a.m. on November 7.

## SUNDAY SERVICES

OCTOBER 31, 2010

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

**Scripture:**

Exodus 34:29-35, Matthew 23:13-28

**Sermon:**

"Unmasking Our Identities"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

**Halloween Breakfast**

8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The cost of \$5 will include a serving of sausage, beverage of choice and all the pancakes you can eat!

NOVEMBER 7, 2010

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

**Scripture:**

Psalms 43, Matthew 23:1-12

**Sermon:**

"Saintly Learning"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

**ALL CHURCH MEMORIAL SERVICE**

3:00 p.m. Sanctuary

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

NOVEMBER 14, 2010

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir & Youth

**Scripture:**

Psalms 90:1-2, 13-17; 2 Timothy 1:1-14

**Sermon:**

"Guarding the Good Treasure"

Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler

NOVEMBER 21, 2010

9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir

**Scripture:**

Genesis 33:1-11, Matthew 14:13-21

**Sermon:**

"Enough"

Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

## Leadership Committee

The GCC Leadership Committee is now considering candidates for two positions, the Church Clerk and the Church Treasurer. These positions are both voted upon at the Mid Winter Congregational Meeting in February. These positions are open to all adult members of the congregation. If you are interested in being considered for either position or want further information about these positions, please contact Bill Dailey at (847)724-3563, or by email at [billcdai-ley@comcast.net](mailto:billcdai-ley@comcast.net).

## Glenview Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

**Glenview United Methodist Church  
Wednesday, November 24  
7:30 p.m.**

### Featured Speaker:

Rev. Dr. Robin K. Brown,  
of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Interfaith choir will practice before the service at Glenview United Methodist Church beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The collected monetary offering will be divided among Glenview Youth Services Easing Fund, the Northfield Township Food Pantry and the Glenview Police Citizens' Emergency Assistance Fund. All who attend are also encouraged to bring a can of staple food or a box of household paper supplies, which will be collected and donated to the Northfield Food Pantry.

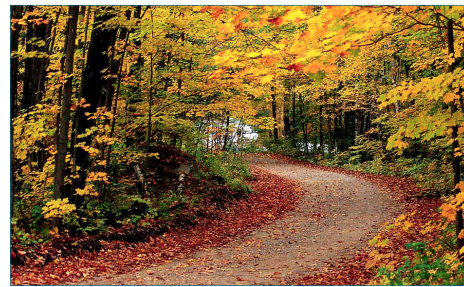
Glenview United Methodits Church is located on 727 North Harlem Road.

## SAVE THE DATE

Take the night off cooking and enjoy the catering of Goode N' Fresh at the next GCC Fall BBQ on Friday November 19th. Sponsored by the Women's Association, Chapter 11. Look for order forms soon! Questions ? Please call Kim Vanderveen (847) 730-3335 or email [chicagodutch@yahoo.com](mailto:chicagodutch@yahoo.com).

## All Church Memorial Service

On Sunday, November 7, at 3:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary, we will have our Annual All-Church Memorial Service. This service is designed to honor our loved ones who have died this year and in past years. Each name is remembered through special prayers and the solemn ringing of a bell. The Pastoral Staff will lead worship, with Dr. Keckler offering the meditation. All families and friends are invited to this meaningful service. A reception, sponsored by the Pastoral Care Board, will follow in the Narthex.



## GCC Final Walk

Final walk of the year! Take a surprise walk on November 14,, meet after church at 11:45 in the north parking lot. For information call Bob and Nan Hinchsliff @ 847-724-4836.

## Travel to Israel and Palestine



Hands of Peace is sponsoring for the very first time a trip to Israel and Palestine on October 23 through November 3 of 2011.

We will visit the major spiritual sites in the region (Jewish, Christian and Muslim) and explore in depth both sides of the political conflict. We expect to visit Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Hebron, Sderot, Ramallah, the Dead Sea, the Galilee, and Haifa among other places (itinerary is currently being planned).

Hands of Peace is partnering with MEJDI (Middle East Justice and Development Initiatives), a unique tour operator co-owned by three experts in the field of conflict resolution: Rabbi Marc Gopin (of George Mason University), Palestinian peace activist Aziz Abu-Sarah, and Middle East peace researcher Scott Cooper.

The current cost is estimated (with airfare) at \$3500--\$4000 (details are being worked out)

### WHY IS THIS TRIP DIFFERENT FROM ALL OTHER TRIPS?

MEJDI will provide us with two top-notch guides: one Israeli and one Palestinian, so that our intimate group (about 30 people) will receive both points of view throughout the trip.

Our "in-house" tour facilitator will be Ron Miller, professor of Religion at Lake Forest College, co-founder of Common Ground, and Board member of Hands of Peace. Ron will lead reflections and dialogue on each day's experiences.

We will visit with selected "Hands" and their families during the trip, and hope to include an Alumni Club follow-up meeting as part of the encounter.

If you interested in this trip please contact Laura Bernstein: [LJBernstein@comcast.net](mailto:LJBernstein@comcast.net) for more information and to put your name on the list. Space is limited!





## Talent, Skill, Love and Patience

These are the things you will find in each Quilt that will be Auctioned to benefit Heifer International on

Saturday, November 6th at GCC. You can add your appreciation by viewing, bidding, volunteering and inviting friends and neighbors to the fun. Preview from 9-11 a.m. in the gym.

Buy the pre-priced quilts and crafts in the gym from 9-3 p.m. Join the excitement in the Mayflower Room for the Auction of the magnificent quilts from 11-3 p.m. Yes, if you cannot come on this day, you can send your financial contribution to "GCC Heifer Quilt Auction" and join in helping the



poor here and around the world better themselves through their own hard work as a result of your gift. Count your blessings by blessings others.



December 5, 10:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

## Parents of 4th-6th Graders

As you may know, the Pageant will be upon us soon! Your sons and daughters have the opportunity to be the Children of All Nations who dress in country-specific costumes and bring gifts to the Baby Jesus.

During their November 7th and/or November 14th Sunday school classes, they will be able to pick out a costume - we have all kinds for all kinds of kids! We hope you will talk to your children about this opportunity and encourage them to participate, as in the past some kids have been hesitant to sign up because they haven't discussed it with their parents. We are happy to answer any questions that you may have! Please call C.J. Sultz (847)657-7079 and or Christine Foley (847)486-4153, your Children of All Nations coordinators.

## Breast Cancer Support Group

Women of GCC and their friends who would like to gather as a group will meet on Friday, November 12 at 11 am in Room 5. We offer this time twice a year to provide a space for women with breast cancer now or in the past, to share experiences or just to listen and be present with one another. Join Marilyn Belleau and Rev. Pam Keckler or call for questions



## Pastoral Care

We offer our sympathy to Betty McMillion upon the death of her husband Mac McMillion.

Mac died on October 16. Remember Betty and her family in your prayers.



## Ring in the Season

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21 AT 3:00 P.M

The North Shore Choral Society (NSCS) begins its 75th Anniversary season, Sunday, November 21 at 3:00 p.m., presenting "Ring in the Season" at GCC.

Dr. Julia Davids, Music Director, leads NSCS in holiday music including "There Shall a Star" from Mendelssohn's Christus, Biebl's Ave Maria, and the American premier of Canadian Jeff Enns' Creator of the "Stars of Night". The chorus will be joined by The Joyful Ringers handbell choir of GCC. Visit [www.northshorechoral.org](http://www.northshorechoral.org) or call (773)741-6727 for details. Call (773)956-8400 for tickets.

## Confirmation

Sunday, October 31 - Check with your teacher on plans for class and helping with the pancake breakfast. Regular class on Nov. 7.

## PYF

**November 2**  
**6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**  
**PYF MISSION IN & OUT**  
**Night Ministry Health Bus**

Hot meal assembly & Open Gym/ Youth Room: We will make a hot meal to serve along side the Night Ministry Health Bus. Everyone welcome for the hot meal Assembly. Health Bus ride along limited to 5 people.

## QUESTIONS & MORE QUESTIONS:

### World Religion

Have you started wondering about how different religions sit along side Christianity? Questioning faith is normal and part of our spiritual journey. Join our 4 week small group on this topic. It will meet on December 12, & 19, January 2, & 9 from 9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Sign up by December 5.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR 3Q10

Glenview Community Church  
Glenview, Illinois

Total Pledge collections YTD September 2010 (defined as Current Pledges, Non-Pledges, Pledge Overage, and Prior Year Pledges) totaled \$657,399 compared to a budget of \$711,800. These four revenue lines are shown separately below. Comparatively, Total Pledge collections YTD September 2009 totaled \$763,116 with a budget of \$677,409.

Expenses tracked well to budget in all departments. The major expense categories are shown below.

Expenses exceeded Revenues for YTD September 2010 by \$69,443.

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Over / (Under)</u>
<u>Revenues</u>			
Current Pledges	\$ 599,205	\$ 655,000	(\$ 55,795)
Non-Pledges	49,499	33,000	8,499
Pledge Overage	6,745	13,800	( 7,055)
Prior Year Pledges	9,950	10,000	( 50)
Missions	8,617	10,600	( 1,983)
All Other	<u>70,393</u>	<u>65,315</u>	<u>5,078</u>
Total Revenues	\$ 736,409	\$ 787,715	(\$ 51,306)
<u>Expenses</u>			
Pastoral	\$ 207,367	\$ 211,757	(\$ 4,390)
Administration	142,014	149,516	( 7,502)
Property	197,466	219,710	( 22,244)
Mission Board	78,799	80,782	( 1,983)
All Other Boards	159,308	164,913	( 5,605)
Capital Reserve	<u>20,898</u>	<u>20,898</u>	<u>- 0 -</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 805,852	\$ 847,576	(\$ 41,724)
Net Revenue (Expenses)	(\$ 69,443)	(\$ 59,861)	
General Reserve – 9/30/10	(\$ 68,341)		
Capital Reserve – 9/30/10	\$ 232,906		





In my life, and I suspect others, we encounter important moments that shape our lives. For me, Glenview Church has been central to some of those important moments. Listening to Doug Runnels

helped me rediscover my faith. And listening to Howard on Sunday helps me center my life, increase my understanding, and have fuller meaning. For example, our church's open arms for wherever one is on one's faith journey helps me find that fuller meaning. The church, its worship service, and its people represent an invaluable ability to connect with God, to understand Christ's teachings, and to strive for a better life. Thank you to the church and its faith community.

Larry Chandler

## Things Keep SPROUTING at GCC...

The Rainbow Garden continues to produce a bountiful harvest for us and we've continued to pick tomatoes, eggplant, habanero, and sweet banana pepper bringing our total harvest from the garden to something approaching 350 pounds. Considering how many families 2 oz of basil can serve, this is an amazing number! The success of this garden and the wonderful growing season we experienced this year has exceeded all of our wildest dreams! The Organic Pantry Project is so very grateful to GCC for the partnership that has allowed this to happen. PYF helped TOPP put the garden to bed for the winter by completing the final harvest, pulling the remaining plants and cutting them into small pieces for better composting, and covering the beds with raked leaves and straw.



### ON THE HORIZON FOR TOPP:

\* On Oct 17, the 4th and 5th graders joined TOPP's VP, Laura Heyser, in the kitchen. Together they produced 16 mini loaves of banana bread which were donated to the Northfield Food Pantry. TOPP will continue to work with Sunday schoolers throughout the winter to help support the NFP by finding creative uses for temporary food overages so that nothing goes to waste. Banana bread and banana chips are just the beginning!

- \* TOPP will present a season-end summary to the Executive Board at the November meeting. Included in this summary will be a proposal for continuing the garden in 2011.
- \* TOPP continues to grow within the community. Pleasant Ridge students have been out in force at the Peace Garden at the Ridge and will also be supporting TOPP efforts to provide healthy foods to the NFP throughout the winter and into the next growing season.
- \* TOPP will be working with the NFP and other community gardens created to feed the needy to better coordinate our crops to more fully meet the needs of NFP's consumers. Our goal is not just to provide healthy, organic food but also to do so without creating waste. We are currently surveying consumers to determine crop needs for next season.
- \* TOPP is very pleased to announce a new partnership! Thanks to GCC's wonderful Rainbow Garden and all the success we've had here, we are in communication with several other organizations about creating more community gardens. Most recently, TOPP has partnered with The New Church and we are excited to incorporate some of their wonderful ideas into the GCC garden in 2011.

If you'd like to support the Rainbow Garden, donations can be made to GCC with "Rainbow Garden" in the memo. TOPP can also be supported by contacting Jen Roberts at (847)414-1412 or visiting <http://organicpantryproject.org>



## A Benefit For Good News Partners

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2010**  
Cahn Auditorium at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois

Rick Steves to present "*Travel as Spiritual Act*"

Rick Steves is an author of more than 30 guidebooks, host of his popular PBS television series, and a radio host. The event will feature an intimate reception with Steves in The Guild Room and a larger lecture event at which Steves will talk about the spiritual nature of travel as well as his actions to help the homeless. All proceeds from the event benefit Good News Partners for the purchase of a new building for affordable housing.

Tickets can be purchased through Good News Partners website, [GoodNewsPartners.org](http://GoodNewsPartners.org).

### EVENT TIME:

**VIP Reception:** 2:30 p.m. in the Guild Room

**Tickets:** \$150

**Lecture:** 4:00 p.m. at Cahn Auditorium (doors open at 3:30 p.m.)

**Tickets:** \$30

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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	10/28	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm Until 5:00 pm	MON	11/1	7:00 pm	Walking Angels, Sanctuary
		7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary			8:00 pm	Tableau Angels, Sanctuary
FRI	10/29	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Room Until 1:00 pm	TUE	11/2	4:30 pm	Hebrew School, Various Rms
		9:30 am	Resale Shop Mtg., Parlor			6:30 pm	PYF Mission In and Out, Youth Rm
		8:00 pm	AA Meeting, Parlor			7:00 pm	Children's Board Mtg., Rm 201
		8:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting, Room 201	WED	11/3	9:00 am	Resale Shop until 1:00 pm, Plymouth Rm
SAT	10/30	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Room Until 1:00 pm			7:00 pm	BSA Troop 156, Gym & Mayflower Rm
SUN	10/31	8:00 am	Halloween Pancake Breakfast, Mayflower Rm			8:00 pm	Venturing Crew, Rm 210 & Gym
		8:45 am	Primary Choir, Rm 201				
		9:30 am	Worship, Sanctuary				
		9:30 am	Confirmation 7th Grade, Parlor				
		9:30 am	Sunday School, Rm 201				
		10:30 am	Fellowship Hour(Pancake Breakfast), Mayflower Rm				
		10:45 am	Adult Ed, Chapel				
		10:45 am	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal, Bell Rm				

## Broadcaster Deadlines:

Submit articles by 9:00 a.m. , Wednesday to Tania McCarthy  
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