



The

Visitor

GROW, PLAY AND SERVE WITH HEARTS
FOR CHILDREN AND HANDS FOR SERVICE!

Dreaming with God Pastor's Column

*Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters,
of the good news that I proclaimed to you,
which you in turn received, in which also you stand,
through which also you are being saved.
Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead,
how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead?
(1 Corinthians 15:1-2a)*

Dear Friends,

Happy Easter!

This month, we join all Christians around the globe in proclaiming, "Christ is risen! Risen indeed!" It is one of the most joyous times in our faith journey. In celebrating the resurrection of Jesus, we in fact say that the power of hope, love, and life is much greater than any forces of death in the world.

We are invited to participate in the celebration of life in many different ways this spring. There will be three baptisms in April and May. In ancient churches, baptism was a part of Easter celebration. As the new converts walked down into the baptismal water to "die with Christ" and walk out of the water to "rise with Christ," the drama of Jesus' resurrection was remembered at each baptism. Today's baptism might not be as dramatic as ancient ones, but nonetheless it is extremely powerful! On April 22, we will also offer an Earth Day Worship, a celebration of all lives. On April 29, the mission team and I, along with all who wish, will go to our sister church Olivet United Methodist Church for a pulpit exchange – another celebration with life in Christ!

In all of our celebrations, I pray that we will witness to Christ's presence in our world. I also pray that you will personally experience a power of resurrection in your life. An Easter offering envelop is included in this newsletter. Please use it to express your gratitude for life. God truly has blessed us with tremendous gifts. May our daily life reflect our thankfulness to God.

I hope this season of new life brings you much joy!

In Deep Peace and Love,

Pastor Hwa-Young

Member News & Happenings!

Let us remember the following members in our prayers.

Scott Harr	Susan Urban
Peter Adams	Gene Schnell
Sybil Anderson	Arden Orr
Jay Anderson	Rich Krick
Alisha Potter	



Celebrating Baptisms this Month!

April 8

Nolan Eric Tagtmeier

(Parents: Ryan and Ralene Tagtmeier)

April 22

Elle Rose Martinsen

(Parents: Luke and Elyse Martinsen)

We rejoice with the Tagtmeier and Martinsen families for the baptism celebrations!

Address Book Update!

*Howard and Marlene Lacina are back in Illinois. Their address is: Howard and Marlene Lacina, C/O Brookdale Niles, 8975 W. Golf Road, Apt 918, Niles, IL 60714. Landline: 847-635-1584, Cell: 208-481-1488.

*Phone number for Helen Murphy is 773-592-0421.

Many thanks to all who supported the United Methodist Women's recent fund raiser by coming to the Book Review and Brunch on Saint Patrick's Day. We couldn't have done it without all the wonderful helpers! So many people pitched in to help prepare the food, wash dishes (before and after the event), set the tables, arrange flowers, plate the meals, and clean up afterwards. It was a great day. We had 75 guests and made \$1,070 before expenses. Thank you all!

~Kay Harr and Jan Jeffery

Be a Garden Sponsor!

Beginning this spring, GUMC will offer its members an opportunity to support and help beautify our campus and create a sense of love and care for our church. Hands-on volunteers are needed for bed maintenance. An opportunity to make a donation of \$25 for annuals will also be an option. More information will be presented to the congregation during the month of April. Look for the garden plans on the bulletin board next to the choir room.



Volunteers are needed to help with the Rummage Sale. Sorting begins April 9 and continues through Thursday April 12.. Presale is Friday, April 13 and the sale is April 14. If you can help on any of those dates, please call the church office or you can fill out a volunteer form in the Sunday Bulletin.



The Endowment Committee has good news for G.U.M.C. again. The church received 2 very generous gifts recently. The estates of Shirley and Dick Howenstine and Jean Montgomery gifted \$10,000 and \$5,000 respectively! The money did not go to the Endowment Fund this time, because the church budget was in need. In appreciation for years of membership in our church, and what it has meant to you, you might think about adding a directive in your Will or Trust to make a donation to this fund in the future.

GROW

Life Goes On: April 17 . This group of singles enjoy the fellowship of getting together monthly at various restaurants suggested by the group. All widows, widowers and singles are welcome to join. Call for upcoming restaurant information.

Be Well on April 24 at 2:00 pm in the parlor. This is a support group offering the ability to share experiences of your life. It is in the sharing of your thoughts and feelings with others of like experiences that you can gain new knowledge and spiritual support. This group is open to all.

Earth Day Worship, Sunday, April 22

"Green Faith": April 22 is Earth Day! What does it mean to have faith in the midst of global warming, deforestation, and water pollution, and other threats of our earth? What does the Bible tell us about our relationship with the earth? In celebration of the Earth Day, let us gather to give thanks to God for all creation and hear how God calls us to protect our fragile earth. Bring your own mug for coffee hour!

Adult Forum: South Korea – Faith, Places, and People. Led by Pastor Hwa-Young and Pastor JK Sunday, April 22, 11:15 a.m.

Pastor Hwa-Young and Pastor JK had fun leading the adult forum on the Holy Land, so they decided to do another one together – this time on their homeland! Do you know that South Korea is about the size of Illinois but offers a very different landscape? Surrounded by the Pacific Ocean, South Korea has numerous mountains, rivers, islands, and plains, which makes the country one of the most beautiful places in the world! Christianity is about 200 years old in South Korea, yet it has grown so much that there's a church in almost every block in main cities. Hwa-Young and JK will share the vibrant spiritual traditions in Korea, the remarkable growth of Christian faith and its impact on Korean culture, and some of the interesting places in Korea.

Celebration of Pastor Hwa-Young's Ministry

Worship and Fellowship on Sunday, June 3, will be Pastor Hwa-Young's last Sunday with us. During the coffee hour in the Social Hall, Pastor Hwa-Young will show some pictures of her years with us. She has lots of pictures of church events but not necessarily with her in the pictures! If you have any pictures that include Pastor Hwa-Young, would you please forward them to her via email or text? Thank you very much!

DIAPER DRIVE

The 2018 Diaper Drive will begin April 15 and run through Mother's day, May 13. The mothers of young children at the YWCA Evanston/North Shore domestic violence shelter, "Mary Lou's Place" greatly appreciated the diapers that GUMC donated during the diaper drive of 2017. A new program initiated by the Y called "Bridges", gives the mothers and children who are survivors of domestic violence more time to recover and start new lives. They can stay up to 3 months at Mary Lou's Place, which gives them a little time to figure out how to support their families, recover emotionally and find housing. This program provides safe, independent housing for survivors who have moved through immediate crisis and trauma and are moving toward self-sufficiency. They have 1 and 2 bedroom apartments for up to 52 women and children. This is a very exciting program that has been in the works for quite a while and now has reached fruition. Now our diapers are more important than ever, as they are reaching an ever increasing number of families. The sizes that are most requested: Sizes 4, 5, 6, as well as pull ups in 2T, 3T, 4T, 5T and baby wipes. Any brand and any quantity is appreciated.



Opportunity to serve and do mission locally --1 evening meal per month. We have been invited to team up with Trinity UMC, Wilmette, to serve meals to the homeless at **A Just Harvest** in Rogers Park. The date and time are: Third Friday of each month, from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. - includes registration and cleanup. Car pooling can be arranged. If interested please contact - Ethel Doyle, 847-975-0361

Loose Coin and Singles for the month of April will be donated to Native American Ministry of Presence. Important to our Native American Ministry of Presence is supporting Native American organizations within the Northern Illinois Conference. We work jointly to provide cultural events that continue to celebrate traditional values, language, music, listening sessions and Native American spirituality. We also give college scholarships for Native youth. We provide opportunities to learn about Jesus through worship services, family camp, Bible study and by encouraging laity to attend events designed for Native Americans.

Cleaning Buckets - Supplies Needed :-

Floods, tornados, hurricanes, fires have depleted the supplies of UMCOR cleaning kits and replenishing them is The Northern IL Conference Mission Challenge this year. They are requesting all six UM Districts to help rebuild the supply for the Midwest Mission Distribution Center. GUMC is in the Chicago Northwestern Dist, which has been challenged to donate: Insect repellent spray (6 to 14 oz. can), Cleaning wipes (handy-wipes - NO terry cleaning towels), Liquid laundry detergent (one 50 oz. bottle or two 25 oz. bottles.) As you shop, if you can pick up an item(s) as specified (correct size only) please put it in the collection bin. Cash donations are very welcome, memo your check or contribution to:MMDC - Cleaning supplies. This appeal continues until June 3. Other cleaning kit items are also welcome, the collection bins have a complete list or go to: www.midwestmissiondc.org/donate - cleaning bucket list.

SERVE

Children's Christian Education News!

Sunday School: April begins with an empty tomb on Easter morning! This sets the tone for our theme for the month, Go and Tell. We will hear about Paul and how these followers of Jesus began to spread the Good News and learn how we can spread the good news, too!

Confirmation Class: Mark your calendar for a regular class on April 29. We will also participate in an all day retreat, 10:00 – 6:30, Saturday, April 21 at Skokie Central UMC Log Cabin with fellow United Methodist youth. Please rsvp to Linda Duback by April 8.

from Pastor Eric!

We have been having a good time hanging out in GUMY, we recently hosted the Youth Conference Gaga Ball event, and we had an outing to Sky High Sports. We conducted our first ASP training for the year. GUMY is rolling forward.

Looking ahead as the weather gets warmer, we will have a "Parents vs Youth" event - dodgeball or paintball. I'm really excited about "Art Jam". I believe art can help people connect with God since God is an artist. I have two outings planned: to the Art Museum and a state park to take photos and sketch God's creation.

Shalom,
Pastor Eric

April 2018 Schedule:

Saturday, April 21: Log Cabin Day Retreat for Youth (Confirmands and High School). A combined effort of several churches from our Youth Cluster; we will be spending the day at the Log Cabin at Central UMC in Skokie. We will have fellowship, study, games, songs and an awesome time. Let Mrs. Duback or I know if you are coming.

April 1: No GUMY - Easter

April 8: Rummage Sale Prep/Omega Restaurant at 11-3pm

April 15: GUMY at 5:30-7: 30 pm

April 22: ASP Training:2-4pm. GUMY/Confirmation at 5:30-7: 30 pm

April 29: High School Senior Breakfast (tentative), ASP Training: 2-4pm
GUMY/Confirmation at 5:30-7: 30 pm



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Join us for the United Methodist Women's 55th Annual



SATURDAY, April 14

8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Want in on the action early? Come to the PRE-SALE!

FRIDAY, April 13

6 pm - 8:30 pm

\$5.00 Admission Fee (Friday only)