

# The

# Visitor

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

## Telling and Listening

"If the evidence is insubstantial, they will dismiss your evidence." That is what Dr. Blount told all of us one night during his class. He challenged us to speak out about our faith and our relationship with God as though God was on trial and our story, our witness, was going to clear His name.

I think about when people discover or experience something new and wonderful like: a destination, a restaurant, an exciting new game, or new technology, etc. After experiencing such a fantastic thing, they rave about it to you saying, "This is going to change your life." I hope that we can say the same about our relationship with God. Will you say, "This is going to change your life." Then follow up with, "This is how God has changed mine."

I pray we can seize moments to share, but also cherish the moment to listen to other's stories. I feel at times people have a story to tell, but the story is suppressed. If we lose the ability to be still and listen - then we miss the opportunity to exchange wisdom, experience, insight and at times grief. We miss the chance to see God working in others' lives, which can help you know where you might have overlooked God working in your own, or perhaps point to where they may not have noticed God working in theirs.

I will close with these two scriptures:

**Proverbs 25:25 GNT** "Finally hearing good news from a distant land is like a drink of cold water when you are dry and thirsty."

**Luke 12:8 NIV** "I tell you, whoever publicly acknowledges me before others, the Son of Man will also acknowledge before the angels of God."

As the scripture says, hearing and sharing about God's grace in our lives does good for us. I hope that we can do this more with one another and with the people we encounter. How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, and that God reigns.

Blessings to you all,

Pastor Eric Reniva

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# Member News & Happenings!

**Let us remember the following  
members in our prayers.**

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| Scott Harr     | Donnie Ford      |
| Arden Orr      | Susan Slaght     |
| Tom Schroeder  | Marlene Corbige  |
| John Galarza   | Judy Neuberger   |
| Meg Pyterek    | Damian Neuberger |
| Leigh Dierbeck | Elsie Westman    |
| Sarah Stasen   |                  |



**With profound regrets, we announce the passing  
of our dear church members and friends:**

**Dave Mottl**, past member and father of Sherry Smith, passed away peacefully at the Lexington of Wheeling at the age of 94 on June 5.

**David Wiggins**, beloved husband of Connie, passed away on May 31.

**Pete Mattson**, former member, passed away on Thursday, June 21 in San Diego.

*Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers. May God's love and grace comfort them.*



**Welcome to the World!** Baby Ty Epstein was born Saturday, June 16 at 2:10 a.m. in New Jersey. He is a healthy 7 lbs. baby boy. He is the first child to Shannon and Aaron Epstein and grandchild to Kent and Sherry Smith.

**Unfortunately**, the community outreach event:, *Wine Tasting* on July 12 at Heinen's Food Store in Glenview has been cancelled!

**Temporary changing of the guard!** Due to Doris' surgery on July 5, the office will be open shorter hours for a couple of weeks. Please call Janet before you stop by to be sure the office will be open. 847-729-1015

Dear GUMC Friends,

Thank you so much for such a lovely luncheon and celebration!

We are so deeply touched by the shower of love shown through the delicious food, the amazing cake, the lovely words of farewell and celebration (cards, letters, and in person), the generous gifts, and, most of all, your presence. It has been truly a blessing for each of us to share our life in faith with you! Dahee and Minji said that it was "the nicest luncheon ever"!

As we move forward, we realize the best way to return all your love is to share more love in our daily life wherever we are. Your love, kindness, and generosity will always be cherished in our hearts! We will keep you in our prayers!

Love and Peace,

Dahee, Minji, Tom, and Hwa-Young

**Congratulations:** The Memorials Committee is pleased to announce Alex Ferrone has won the 2018 Nilson Scholarship. Alex attends Marquette University. He has been active in GUMY, lacrosse & has interned at a law firm for 2 years. Alex has also started an organization, *Love Filled Laundry*, which raises money for people suffering from domestic violence. Funds are also raised for suicide prevention & awareness through selling tee shirts.

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The Endowment Committee is happy to be awarding the Nilson/Thake Scholarship to Alex Ferrone to help with college expenses during his sophomore year at Marquette University this Fall. Many years ago the Nilson family donated money to the church Endowment Fund. Earnings from that donation long ago have continually provided a scholarship each year ever since. We are thankful for their generous foresight that has made this possible to help our youth year after year. And congratulations Alex for earning it this time!

**New Address:**

Arden Orr  
Covenant Village - Axelson  
2195 Foxglove - Apt. 951  
Northbrook, IL 60062

**Pastoral care for our church family!** Too often we find out about illnesses, crises and hospitalizations after they occur. This is a missed opportunity for the calls and visits we would like to share. Please let us know if there is a concern in your family or in another congregants family (with their permission) We need your help in order to offer ours.

Pastor Eun-Hye: [Echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Echoi@glenviewumc.org)  
Pastor Eric: [Ereniva@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Ereniva@glenviewumc.org)  
[Office@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Office@glenviewumc.org)

**The Community Garden** is underway and growing. Whenever you can spare a few minutes please stop to see what you can do or call/e-mail Mark Netherland.

**Thank you!** I am now home, as of Wednesday, June 20. I'm doing much better, but still recuperating. I would like to thank everyone for their concern, calls, prayers, cards, meals, etc. I felt truly blessed and uplifted by the care and concern of my church family.

~Leigh Dierbeck



**Come join us at Ravinia!** CSO: Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue. Monday, July 23rd 2:00 PM Public Gates Open 8:00 PM Concert Starts Tickets: Lawn: \$10. Chairs, food and drink are available for purchase in the park, or bring your own chairs, dinner & drinks. The Kleckners will provide the table. Call or text Linda at 847-431-4251 for where we will be seated. We will be there by 6:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Thank you for your help** with Pastor Hwa-Young's luncheon! I know we're all so sad to see Pastor Hwa-Young leave GUMC, but the luncheon this past Sunday was such a nice way to celebrate her ministry with us and her recent marriage to Tom. A huge thank you to everyone that helped with the luncheon... donating food & beverages, decorating vases, bringing flowers, helping prep and serve food, cleaning up afterwards, and that's just a few of the ways people helped! A special thank you to Marianne Brackey for the beautiful cakes and Linda Kleckner & Curt Corbige for leading the food preparation. Thank you for your help and kind generosity.

~Judy Keenan on behalf of SPRC

**ASP Commissioning is July 8.** We hope you'll join us for worship on July 8, when we commission our ASP team, and on July 29, when we share in worship (and afterwards) about our experience. Please pray for our team, which includes the following adults and youth who will be traveling with Pastor Eric to Jackson, KY in Breathitt County: Emerine and Wyatt Cummings, Nick Depies, Alex and Haley Ferrone, Elena Gonyo, Shelby Green, Merrick Kehoe, Linda and Lindsay Kleckner, Nate and Walter Meyer, Grace and Jack Murphy, Maddie and Spencer Peterson, Ed Porrett, Chuck and John Potter, Skylar Read, Anne and Kayt Ribordy. Please come to worship on Sunday July 8 to help bless and send off the GUMC Team.

### **High School Youth Mission Trip: Appalachia Service Project News!**

We are now up to twenty-five youth and adults heading to Jackson, Kentucky, July 14-21, to help repair homes and build relationships with our brothers and sisters in Christ. The theme for ASP's Summer 2018 is "Called to Action." Your prayers and support for our annual mission trip are love in action and they make all the difference to our team—thank you!

**THANK YOU** to our generous congregation for your support of our youth! With your giving and your continued prayers, you are INVESTING in the lives of our youth, and in the lives of families living in Appalachia. Please let Pastor Eric know if you have questions or would like to know more about how to support ASP and our youth.

**Loose Coin and Singles** for the month of July will go to support the ministry of Rev. Jin Y. Kim. He is a United Methodist missionary connected to Glenview United Methodist Church and is serving in Geneva, Switzerland. The General Board of Global Ministries appointed Rev. Kim as the director of the Pilgrimage of Justice and Peace at the World Council of Churches in Geneva, Switzerland. He is responsible for planning, implementing, monitoring and reporting of pilgrim teams of justice and peace sent to various countries experiencing injustice and violence. See the June Visitor to learn more about the Rev. Kim's work and recent Pilgrim Team Visits to Colombia, SA

**Interfaith Service Mission Trip** - Adults & High-schoolers - Aug. 1-5. Doing good in Detroit: working at Cass Community Social Services by repairing, maintaining and building facilities for their programs that help meet the needs in their community for food, housing and employment. Volunteers with all kinds of skills are welcome. Approx. cost is \$400-\$425.00 includes bus transportation, food and lodging. Scholarships are available. For more info, contact: [interfaithmissiontrip@gmail.com](mailto:interfaithmissiontrip@gmail.com) or Ethel Doyle 847-975-0361

**Serve and do mission locally** - 1 evening meal per month for the homeless. GUMC has teamed up with Trinity UMC, Wilmette to help serve the homeless a nutritious meal at **A Just Harvest** in Rogers Park the third Friday of each month, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Carpooling is available. Contact Ethel Doyle, 847-975-0361.



**School Supplies for Olivet's neighborhood children.** While doing normal shopping, pick up a few school supply items and put in the collection bins near the Social Hall or Church Office. Pick up an official list at GUMC at the collection bins. A list will also be included in the August Visitor.

# Children's Christian Education News!

**Wonder Time:** Children in preschool and elementary grades, along with their families, are invited to Wonder Time. The 30 minute Wonder Time session includes a Bible story and outdoor activity. Families are invited to bring a snack and stay to play afterwards. Find us at Little Bear Park, Saturday, July 21 @ 9:30 a.m. Look for Mrs. Duback and the Wonder Time sign. Questions? Contact Linda at 847.729.1015 or lduback@glenviewumc.org.

**Service Project for children:** Our church's community garden is flourishing with all the rain we've had. Part of our Summer Sunday school program includes helping to weed the garden and harvest the vegetables. You can support this project by talking about the garden program at home (and how it provides fresh vegetables to our local food pantries) and by stopping by during the week to spend some time weeding!

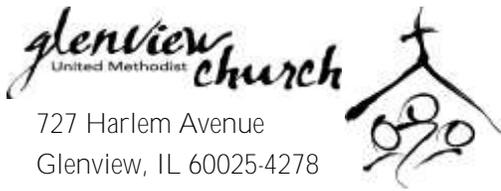


## July

- 1: GUMY Water Balloon Battle
- 8: GUMY Room Painting event
- 13: ASP Car Packing
- 14-21: ASP Trip
- 22: No GUMY
- 28: ASP Sunday run through
- 29: ASP Sunday

## August

- 4: Great America
- 25: Wizard World
- 26: GUMY/Confirmation Picnic



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# Welcome

**Pastor Eun-Hye is  
here!  
July 1, 10:00 a.m.**

**Pastor Eun Hye's first Sunday  
with GUMC!**

***Please come for worship and stay for coffee hour!  
Welcome and meet Pastor Eun Hye,  
her husband Chris and son, Tim.***

***Hope to see you all on July 1st!***

**Reach out and welcome her at: [Echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Echoi@glenviewumc.org)  
847 729 1015 ext. 103**