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

Dreaming with God Pastor's Column

Dear Friends,

My hearts are filled with gratitude. My ministry with you at Glenview UMC has been an extraordinary experience of God's grace. Each and every one of you in your own unique way expressed God's love to me.

My children know that Sunday is my favorite day of the week. Community worship is like a heartbeat of my life. I live from Sunday to Sunday, as our weekly worship defines the rhythm of my spiritual life. There's something so powerful about gathering to sing, pray, and hear the Word of God. Another important reason I love Sunday is that I get to see you all! I may not look like one, but I am more of an extrovert – someone who loves being with people and is energized by interactions with others. For these past 7 years, not a single Sunday passed for me without being inspired by your story, faith, perseverance, compassion, or just a simple smile. I will truly miss you all.

I am grateful for all we have shared in our ministry together. I am grateful for the joyful times we shared. Moments like baptizing a baby, confirming our youths, or celebrating graduation are unforgettable. I am grateful for tender moments we shared. Together we have experienced God's love in the deep abyss of sorrow, loss, or tragedy. Whether in joy or sadness, I sense that God has always been with us. I also recognize that I made numerous mistakes. I ask you to forgive me, if I caused a pain or disappointed you in any manner. I deeply appreciate the way you have understood me in my imperfection and vulnerability.

These past years have also been significant in my personal life. My daughters grew from cheerleading, tumbling teenagers to mature, independent young adults. I could not have asked for a better educational, social, and spiritual environment for their teenage years. I buried both my parents' ashes in our Memorial Garden. My parents lived through tumultuous historical moments in their lives, and I am deeply grateful that they are resting peacefully in such a beautiful garden for God's people. And I now am married to the love of my life. I am so glad that the last of a series of my personal experiences in Glenview is such a joyful one!

As I wrote in a recent eNews article, I am convinced that God always goes before us into our future. We never know what our future will be, but we are encouraged to move forward with the trust that God will guide our way. I trust that your ministry together with your new pastor, Rev. Eun-Hye Choi, will be filled with grace, joy, and fruitfulness. As you continue to serve God, "with hearts for children and hands for service," may God bless your hands and hearts so abundantly that God's powerful presence in the world will become visible and tangible by what you do and who you are.

What a blessing it truly has been to serve you and your loved ones! I will always cherish you in my heart.

In Christ's Love and Peace,
Pastor Hwa-Young

Member News & Happenings!

Let us remember the following members in our prayers.

Scott Harr	Helen Murphy
Arden Orr	John Galarza
Shirlee Gervens	Meg Pyterek
Tom Schroeder	



Celebration of Pastor Hwa-Young's Ministry : June 3rd will be Rev. Hwa-Young's last Sunday at GUMC. We will be having a luncheon after church to celebrate her seven years of ministry and her marriage to Thomas Smith. How can you be part of the celebration?

- Come to church and the luncheon on June 3rd! The more, the merrier.

- If you'd like to donate to a love offering on behalf of GUMC for Rev. Hwa-Young, you can drop it in the offering plate or at the church office. We will also be collecting a separate love offering for Hwa-Young & Tom's marriage. Please specify what your love offering donation is for.

- If anyone would like to write a special note/card to Rev. Hwa-Young or Hwa-Young & Tom, please bring it on June 3 and there will be baskets for them.

If you have any questions, please contact Judy Keenan (jp.keenan@sbcglobal.net or 847-729-1307).

Congratulations to Maya Kate Naber. She received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on May 13. Her parents are Aaron and Kristen Naber. Maya is the grandchild of Harold and Pamela Zendlock and Debora and Gregory Naber.

New Address:

Sharon and Scott Dahnert
114 Hampton Blvd.
Lake Bluff, IL 60044

Welcome New Members! Tina, Romeo and Jessica Gimeno were welcomed into our church family on May 6.

Annual Conference: Annual Conference for our pastors and our lay leaders will be held at Pheasant Run in St. Charles on Sunday June 3 through June 5. The theme for this year's conference will be "Navigating Uncharted Waters" .

Father's Day June 17: Celebrate Dad on his special day! For 365 days of the year, dad is busy juggling work, kids, sports and busy schedules. Take some time to celebrate him. Relax, renew and rejoice in the presence of the Holy Father.

Sunday School Ministry Recognition: On Sunday, May 18, we recognized those who provided Sunday school ministry this year: Peter Cummings, Caryn Granzow, Liz Mylander, Helen Jo Ellis, Amy Doherty, Pat Keenan, Paula Stoddard, Cori Mohr, Sue Krcik, Becky Houdek, Mark Rowlands, Sheri Staten, Melissa Read, Merrick Kehoe, John Keenan, Jack Murphy, and Maddie Peterson.



For those in our church who may not be aware that we have an endowment fund, the Endowment Committee would like to explain a little about it. Several years ago it was formed to invest donations that donors, or their families, wanted to grow for future needs the church might have. The money is invested with the Methodist Foundation in Chicago, but is managed by our committee. If or when you are planning the distribution of your estate, or looking for a way to honor a loved one, please consider leaving a portion to the future of our wonderful church.

Thank you! I'd like to thank everyone for their support during my 2nd knee surgery & recovery. I loved the cards, calls & food. Thank you to all! It meant a great deal to me.

~Susan Urban

Super Senior 2018! On Thursday, May 24, **Elsie Westman** was honored as 2018 GUMC Super Senior at a luncheon held at the North Shore Senior Center in Northfield. Elsie has been a faithful and active member of GUMC for more than 50 years. She currently is involved in United Methodist Women, a member of the Sunday Offering Counting Team, a member of HOPE Group (Helping Other People Endure) and Life Goes On. Elsie also reaches out to her community serving others. She is an avid knitter and makes hats for newborns, cancer patients, and winter hats and mittens. Most of this handiwork goes to ChildServ, Halos of Hope, Stroeger Hospital, and Olivet Church. For the Linus Program she makes blankets for seriously ill & traumatized children. She is a member and current chaplain for the Joseph Sesterhand American Legion Auxiliary. She is a "special lady", soft spoken, a good listener and caring. All of this, while winning the battle against cancer for the past 20 years. AN INSPIRATION FOR US ALL.

League Results are in! Our 2017-18 Bowling League has come to an end with a great finish. First place team is Sue Acer, Terry Costlow and Chris Ernst – Congratulations! Those who tried to catch up were: Catie Neumann, Steve Neumann, Jan Jeffery, Linda Kleckner, Sheri Staten, Curtis Corbige, John Potter, Michael Potter, Juanita Smith, Norma and Don Putman, Ken Ready, Doris Stengl, Lindsay Kleckner, Becky Netherland, Von and Mike Weidemann. We all had a fun year and are looking forward to our 2018-19 season beginning on September 1. Won't you join us!!

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!

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.

Loose Coin and Singles for the month of June will go to **Hands of Peace**. This Glenview interfaith organization arranges for Israeli and Palestinian youth to come to the US for 3 weeks each summer, stay with host families and bond with American teenagers in an interfaith setting. The youth learn peace building and leadership skills through dialogue and personal relationships.

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 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.

Meet the GUMC Missionary

Rev. Jin Y. Kim is an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church and a United Methodist missionary connected to *Glenview United Methodist Church*. The coins and singles in July will go to support his ministry. He is appointed to the director of the Pilgrimage of Justice and Peace at the World Council of Churches in Geneva, Switzerland. The missionaries sent by the General Board of Global Ministries received an opportunity once in every three years to travel back home. Since this is only his first year, Rev. Kim is not able to come back and visit our church personally. But please see the summary of his recent activities below. He has been engaged in the exciting mission of sharing God's justice and peace in the world.

Pilgrim Team Visits to Colombia

I was truly blessed to coordinate a series of the Pilgrim Team Visits to Colombia. Expressing solidarity with sisters and brothers in Colombia, all the groups of the PTV focused on the issue of gender based violence, land-based injustices and displacement in Colombia. The delegations listened to women's stories of ongoing violence and also stories of hope and transformation during the peace process since the peace agreement in 2016. Each team also visited the former combatants of the FARC who are now settled in Temporary Hamlet Zones for Normalization.

One of the teams shared their experience of visiting the wounded. Mario Castano, who was a resident of La Florida Community, Riosucio, Colombia, was killed in his home in the presence of his family in November 2017. He was a community leader defending their rights to the land. Mr. Castano used to say to his community: "Do not give up your land, if I shall die I will die for my land."

As Rev. Kim continues the ministry of sharing God's peace and justice, please keep him in your prayers. Rev. Kim hopes to visit Glenview UMC in two years!

Children's Christian Education News!

Ways for Kids to GROW

Sunday School: Summertime is fun time and we have a fun Sunday school curriculum planned: **The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss!** Our combined preschool – 5th grade will meet in room 10b in the social hall. And of course, we will enjoy playing some Dr. Seuss inspired games and crafts.

Wonder Time: Glenview UMC and Northbrook UMC invite children in preschool and elementary grades, along with their families to Wonder Time. There will be two 30 minute Wonder Time sessions that will include a Bible story and outdoor activity. Families are invited to bring a picnic and/or play at the park afterward, as time permits. Find us at the Wonder Time sign. Our first Wonder Time theme will be The Good Shepherd Tuesday, June 12 5:30 p.m. at Floral Park, Northbrook. Watch for July's Wonder Time at a Glenview Park. Questions? Contact Linda Duback.

from Pastor Eric!

GUMY Summer: Summer has arrived, and I'm excited about the events and activities I have planned for summer. I've been trying to plan events so there is a balance of time for Youth and Families. Below is the GUMY forecast for June - August.

Summer 2018 Schedule:

June

3: No GUMY/Annual Conference
10: GUMY-Ice Cream Field Trip
17: Father's Day, No GUMY
24: ASP meeting w/members
and leaders - No GUMY

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

ASP 2018

Our ASP trip is moving toward us quickly, so I just wanted to remind everyone of a few things.

- 1: Boots and clothing: Please be sure to get steel-toed boots and start wearing them in. Make sure to also have a good pair of work gloves.
- 2: Paperwork. Submit all your paperwork and payments by June 6th so we can be square with ASP and ready to rock.
3. Come to the last Info Meeting and Friday the 13th, to help pack the vans.
4. Pray for the trip.

I'm excited to be heading on the mission with our crew!

GRADUATION CONGRATULATIONS

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES:

Aidan Conlin, Tyson, Espino, Merrick Kehoe, Skylar Read, Jeremiah Rejuso, Valerie Tweddle, Sadie Williams

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:

Catherine Berg from Glenbrook South and headed to the University of Colorado, Boulder.

Andrew Brand from Glenbrook South and headed to the University of Colorado, Denver; College of Arts & Media studying Recording Arts and Music Business.

Emerine Cummings from Glenbrook South and headed to Washington University in St. Louis, MO with plans to major in Psychology

Jack Murphy from New Trier and headed to the University of Iowa majoring in Exercise Science with plans to go to grad school to become an Athletic Trainer.

Maddie Peterson from Glenbrook South and headed to Loyola and considering either a major in Psychology or Secondary Ed with an emphasis on History/Social Sciences.

Spencer Peterson from Glenbrook South and headed to Loyola and was accepted to their School of Music and is considering either Performance or Music Ed.

Kayt Ribordy from Glenbrook South and headed to Rice University.

COLLEGE GRADUATES:

Craig Duncan: Graduating from Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN. He will be relocating and working in Madison WI.

Matt Chorvat: Graduating from Northwestern University next month with a double major in Economics and Statistics and a minor in Russian Studies. Following graduation he will become a Commissioned Officer - an Ensign in the Navy. In July, Matt will be reporting to Nuclear Power School in Charleston, South Carolina for training to be a nuclear engineer on a submarine.

Dana Ready Booker: Graduating from Concordia University with a Master of Arts in the field of Principal Preparation. This combines with her other 2 Masters Degrees in the fields of Technology and Curriculum and Instruction.

Scott Dahnert: Graduated from Southern Illinois University in December with a major in International Communications. He has moved to Denver and is working for Nestle.

Congratulations to our Confirmands!

Meet our newest members of Glenview UMC: These seven youth just completed confirmation class and made their public profession of faith Sunday, May 6. Please enjoy getting to know them.

Jeremiah Rejuso: I am graduating from 8th grade at Gemini Jr High. My favorite hobby is Drawing/Art class. I'm interested in Broadcasting class when I go to Maine East High School. My favorite memory in my Confirmation class is the Retreat at the Cabin.

Aidan Conlin: I will be graduating from Springman in a few short days and starting Glenbrook South High School in August. This summer I will be busy attending a week of leadership training, a week at Camp Makajawan, and going on an Alaskan cruise. My favorite confirmation trip was going to Wesley Woods!

Tyson Espino: I am graduating 8th grade at Algonquin Middle School. I am attending Maine West High School next year. I am a black belt in Tae Kwon Do. I play golf, and I've also been swimming with various swim teams over the past 2 years. I play piano and cello. My favorite food is seafood. My favorite memory from confirmation was playing Gaga ball with all the Glenview United Methodist Youth.

Merrick Kehoe: I am finishing 8th grade at Wilmette Junior High and am excited for New Trier High School next year. I enjoyed my Confirmation journey, especially becoming great friends with Skylar, Alix, Sadie and Judy Keenan!

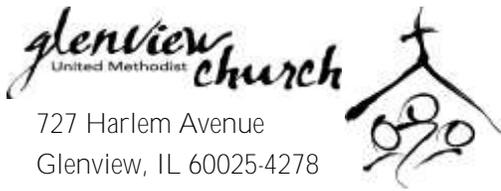
Skylar Read: I am graduating 8th grade from Springman Middle School. I will be attending Glenbrook South High School in the fall. I enjoy pizza and my dog, Fozzie. My favorite activity during confirmation was our retreat to Wesley Woods. I am looking forward to my first ASP trip this summer.

Alix Williams: I am a 7th Grader at Springman Middle School. I do gymnastics and play guitar. My favorite memory from Confirmation was going on the retreats and getting to know everyone.

Sadie Williams: I am graduating 8th grade at Springman Middle School. Next year I am going to GBS. I am in Track and Field, and I play the piano. My favorite memory from confirmation/GUMY is when we went on retreats for a couple days together.

Congratulations to Lillian Strezishar! Lillian (Lil) was the recipient of the April 11, 2018 Honor Flight. During World War II, Lil was a member of the Cadet Nurse Corps, which served an important part of the United States' response to entering the war. She was born in 1923 and grew up in Chicago and Michigan. After graduating high school in 1941, Lil enrolled at Augustana Nursing School at Augustana Hospital in Chicago. She was partway through her training when the opportunity to join the Cadet Nurse Corps was offered..

In 1945 Lil joined the Cadet Nurse Corps and worked at Hines VA Hospital. This is where she treated many veterans returning from the war. Lil specialized in enterostomal therapy, which includes "lots of tubes". After she fulfilled her Cadet Nurse Corps commitment, she transferred to Northwest Community Hospital where she remained for 20 years. She eventually left the hospital and spent the rest of her career as a nurse at various nursing homes around Chicago.



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Children in preschool and elementary, along with their families are invited Wonder Time! Each 30 minute Wonder Time session includes a Bible Story and Outdoor activity. Families are invited to bring a picnic and stay to play afterwards. Find us at the Wonder Time Sign.

Theme: Creation
Saturday, July 21 @ 9:30 p.m.
 Little Bear Park
 Patriot Rd. & Chestnut Ave.
 Glenview

Theme: The Good Shepherd
Tuesday, June 12 @ 5:30 p.m.
 Floral Park,
 3105 Floral Drive
 Northbrook

In case of rain, Wonder Time will be cancelled. For more information, contact Linda Duback, Coordinator of Children and Family Ministries at Glenview UMC, 847-729-1015 x107 or Christine Hides at 847-272-2442.

