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Dear friends,

I loved summer this year. Summer was not my favorite season in the past, but this year I learned to love everything about summer: fresh air in the morning, relaxed atmosphere everywhere I went, strolling in the summer night cool air, watching flowers and plants growing fiercely, and talking to trees. It is an unexpected gift I found during this pandemic-ridden summer. I cannot believe that we are in autumn already! I hope that you have now found new ways of living with the pandemic and found joys in them. I want to encourage you to try new ways of praying, reaching out to friends and neighbors, communicating with family members, or studying the Bible. I believe this pandemic gives us an opportunity to try new things or try new ways of doing routine things.

As a church we keep trying many new things since the pandemic broke out: outdoor Sunday School and youth ministry, outdoor prayer meeting, support group on Zoom, outdoor live concert, worship on-line and in-person at the same time, parking lot tailgate worship, Holy Communion on-line, Bible study on-line, raising funds on-line, and many more. Doing all these new things took courage to learn new skills, dedication to adapt to the new situations, love for people under our church's care, compassion for people in our community and faithfulness to God who calls us to live by faith, hope and love in any circumstances. I deeply thank you for making these new ministries possible and for responding warmly and positively to them.

In October we will try more new things. The first Sunday of October is World Communion Sunday and St. Francis' Day. After worship and communion in-person and on-line at 10am we will gather again for an outdoor animal blessing, open communion on the sidewalk, and outdoor live concert at 2pm. It is open to everyone. I want you to invite your family, friends, and neighbors to let their pets be blessed, take open communion, and enjoy lovely music. Also, please pray for good weather. God's grace is too big to be contained inside of our church! We need to share and spread God's grace, and bless the people of our community! See details in this newsletter.

In gratitude,

Eun-Hye Choi, pastor



**WORLD
 COMMUNION
 SUNDAY**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4
 Worship & Communion at
 10:00 a.m.

- In the Sanctuary
- On Facebook
- On YouTube

At 2:00 join us on
 the front lawn for:

- Live Music
- Walk-Up Blessing of the Animals

- Walk-Up Communion
- OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY



Let us remember the following members in our prayers.

Judy Knoblock, Burton Randle
Jim Weinstein

Please let us know if there is a concern in your family.

Pastor Eun-Hye: Echoi@glenviewumc.org or
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IN MEMORIAM

Marlene Yvonne Lacina born October 19, 1931, died September 7, 2020 in Tinley Park, Illinois. Her loving husband of 66 years, Howard Lacina was with her when she left her physical body. Marlene is survived by her husband Howard Lacina, sister Debbie Dahlquist, son Greg Lacina, daughters, Leslie Lacina, Judy Stoltzfus, Jennifer Adreani and numerous nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

Helen L. Wilson of Morton Grove, beloved wife of the late Edward; dear mother of Marla (Mark) Michel, Gail (Stan) Carpenter, Edward Jr. and Neil (Janine); loving grandmother and great grandmother of several; fond sister of the late Howard Mc Neil and Mary Cox. In lieu of flowers, donations to Glenview United Methodist Church 727 Harlem Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 appreciated.

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



This year's Rally Day was like no other Rally Day!

Thank you to all of our members and friends who joined us in-person and on-line to celebrate the start of the new program year at GUMC.

Thank you to Ed Porrett for live streaming our worship, and for a successful parking lot tailgate broadcast over the FM dial.

Thank you to Spencer Peterson's Groove Cartel for the great outdoor concert. (They're back on October 4. See back page for all the details.)

GUMC has a great year planned out—all while keeping your health and safety needs in mind. Please reach out to the church office or Pastor Eun-Hye with any suggestions, questions, or prayer requests.



Coins and singles in the offering plate for October thru December: Kids Above All (formerly Child Serv)

Since 1894 their mission has been to protect, heal and educate children and families so they can build better lives. Every child in their care has experienced trauma-abuse, neglect, poverty, toxic stress or violence. They encourage healing and personal growth so the children can realize their dreams. Foster care, adoption service, early childhood education, and group homes for youth are services provided.

venture with beth and greg

In September, our program year kicked off with Rally Day, distribution of bibles to our 3rd graders and the start of Sunday School, Confirmation and GUMY for our 2020-2021 program year. And though during the continued Covid 19 global pandemic, some things have definitely changed, our commitment and determination to support our youth in their faith journey is unwavering.

Last month our Confirmation students learned about John Wesley and why we are called Methodist. This month our Confirmation students will continue learning about the growth of Methodism and how tradition, experience and reason help us to understand and apply what we learn in the Bible.

Our GUMY gatherings in September focused on being grateful for what we have, knowing we can lean on God. In October, GUMY's focus will shift to what it means to "Press On" as Christians - something that seems to be a theme to which we have all become accustomed.

In both Confirmation and GUMY, we try to follow in Wesley's footsteps by praying, learning about the bible, and serving others. And having some fun along the way. October provides opportunities for all of these.

- Sun., 10/4** 10 am Worship - All stay to worship in person or online for Communion with your family.
2 pm - Blessing of the Animals with Live Music Gathering - stop by with your pet for a blessing and stay a while for some music on the front lawn
- Sun., 10/11** Confirmation and GUMY 4:30 - 6:00 pm
- Sun., 10/18** Confirmation and GUMY meet after church for a new Crop Walk Challenge
Please see the Glenbrook Crop Walk Information to register and donate and stay tuned for more information.
- Sun., 10/25** Confirmation and GUMY 4:30 - 6:00 pm

Any changes due to weather, covid status or opportunities that development will be sent in the weekly e-blasts and our weekend updates. We look forward to pressing on together this year!

Peace,
Beth and Greg



Congratulations to our former pastor, Gregory D. Gross!

Edgewater's Food Pantry Care for Real (CFR), hires Gregory D. Gross as the new Executive Director of CFR. He comes with a long history of public service that has advocated for both inclusivity and racial equality.

Gross will transition from his most recent work at The Night Ministry as its Director of Learning and Impact. He brings a wealth of experience to his new position at CFR, a \$7 million organization that serves over 50,000 people in need annually and distributes about 100,000 pounds of food each month. With a growing client list, those numbers are likely to increase in the upcoming years.



The following 3rd graders received their Bibles on Sunday, September 20.

Edie Cummings Ryan Granzow
Izzy Janke Fulton Vasquez

Third-grade minds are like sponges - open to new words and ideas. What a perfect time for the Bible to come into their lives!



Can you help fill the pantry? Northfield Township is grateful for whatever you can do.

Most Needed Items:
Canned soup
Canned chicken
Canned tuna
Canned pasta with meat
Canned beef stew

GUMC building is open by the office – 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. There is a donation bin inside the rotunda. Thank you!!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Here are our October birthdays and anniversaries. If you have an October birthday or anniversary and your name is not listed, please call the church office so we can update our records.

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| 10/1 Kyle Smith | 10/4 Deloris Volkman | 10/6 Maya Naber |
| 10/6 Kathy Sawicz | 10/6 Tom Urban | 10/7 Georgia Baker |
| 10/7 Paula Cordell | 10/9 James Villafior | 10/10 Barb Hillis |
| 10/10 Nate Meyer | 10/11 Jayden DeBaker | 10/11 Susan Urban |
| 10/11 Nora Welter | 10/11 Lincoln Williams | 10/12 Leo Holzhueter |
| 10/13 Lauren Gersten | 10/14 Emma Sailer | 10/16 Sean Conlin |
| 10/18 Michelle Cummings | 10/18 Maggie Schnackenberg | 10/19 Sydney Gwozdz |
| 10/19 Amelia Mareddy | 10/23 Kathy Heetland | 10/24 Nancy Corbige |
| 10/24 Atticus Ludwig | 10/25 Scott Dahnert | 10/25 Mac Ramos |
| 10/26 Libby Krcik | 10/27 Alice Goodspeed | 10/27 Vince Vasquez |
| 10/28 Rosemary Velez | 10/29 Chuck Potter | 10/30 Sarah Stasen |
| 10/31 Chris Field | 10/31 Ralph Hansen | |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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| 10/5 Della and Bob Deme | 10/5 Joanne and Robert Rothermel |
| 10/6 Linda and Dave Kleckner | 10/6 Alice Joyce and Mathew Kowski |
| 10/7 Janet and Chris Ferrone | 10/12 Pat and Jim Glass |
| 10/12 Elyce and David Ventura | 10/21 Wanda and Bob Frye |
| 10/30 Tracy and Howard Twedde, III | |

Dear friends,

We are continuing Outdoor In-person Sunday School through the month of October! Face coverings are required. Bring a jacket and join us for a Bible lesson and physically distant fun.



We are currently discussing if we can have a Trunk or Treat event this year. PLEASE make sure you at least skim our Thursday E-News email to find out the latest, since this is a time of life with lots of last minute changes. Not receiving your e-News??? Neither was I! And I'm a staff member! Apparently, G-Mail thought that the church newsletter was a marketing email and automatically put the email in a folder called Promotions with all my emails from the Gap. The whole universe is trying to confuse us this year. So if you still can't find your E-news after checking Spam and Promotions, please let me or the church office know.

Here's a trivia fact you may not know about me. I have a teaching degree and I'm licensed to teach in Illinois. You might think... "Wow, Heidi must really be thriving teaching her own kids during the Covid pandemic!" You would be incorrect. Despite having a teaching degree, I never taught full time after my student teaching was over. I never taught these subjects or ages. Also, our whole family feels worn out and grumpy and the kids are out of sorts and run away when I say it's time to start school. So. There you have it. If you are finding it difficult to wrangle your kids through their e-learning or homework, please use my example as a reason to have self-compassion. Even people with teaching degrees are struggling to facilitate their kids' schoolwork in 2020. The Golden Rule is "treat others the way you would like to be treated." But sometimes we need to remember the opposite is true too -- treat yourself with the same compassion you extend to others.

Hoping you are all staying well. Praying for you all,
Heidi Ortiz

Church Mice



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Sunday, Oct. 18

GLENBROOK CROP HUNGER WALK - Thank you for your past participation in Glenbrook Crop Hunger Walk. This year, because of health concerns due to the COVID-19 virus, each church, including GUMC, is hosting their own virtual "walk" on Sunday, October 18th. (GUMC may have a special challenge for all walkers – so stay tuned.) Walkers will wear masks and practice social distancing when walking on campus or nearby.

Please participate by donating, securing donors, and/or walking.

To donate go to www.crophungerwalk.org/glenbrook The registration/pledge process is fairly simple. If donating by check, make it to Church World Service, Memo: Glenview Crop Hunger Walk put in the offering plate or send to the church office.

To register as a walker, go to the web page and start by clicking on the register button. You may then choose to register with the team, Glenview United Methodist Church, or individual walker boxes. If you are making a pledge, click the pledge button and then fill out the appropriate boxes to sponsor an individual, a team, or the effort as a whole.

All proceeds are used by Church World Service to provide food, medical care, disaster relief, and self-help development for people in need, locally and around the world. 25% of the money raised by the Glenbrook Crop Hunger Walk will be distributed to local hunger-alleviating agencies, the Northfield and West Deerfield Township Food Pantries.

GUEST PREACHER

October 11th
Catherine Inserra!

Gospel of Matthew 19:13-15:
Let the little children come to me.
Message "Now Then, Do It!"

Deaconess Catherine Inserra is the Manager of Faith and Community Relations with *Kids Above All* (formerly *ChildServ*), a United Methodist affiliated, non-profit agency building better lives for children since 1894. Catherine's ministry in youth and family Christian Formation spans 16 years in the UMC and 10 years in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. She earned a Certificate of Spiritual Formation from Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, IL.

Catherine began her work with *Kids Above All* in February 2019. Catherine builds mission partnerships with local churches, community groups and schools throughout the Northern IL Conference of the United Methodist Church, but not limited to, in order to uphold our Methodist roots and further mission partnerships. It is these partnerships that help to fortify our staff and programs in four counties, and more importantly, the recipients of these services. Together, we stand up and speak up for kids, for them to rise up to reach their potential and live a good life.

PLEASE JOIN US ON OCTOBER 11 AT 10:00 A.M.



Monday – Thursday -
10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

GIVEPLUS⁺

Did you know...

You can support the church from anywhere at any time, even if you forget to bring cash or your check book. Simply use the GivePlus Mobil app to give with your smartphone.

Where can I download the GivePlus Mobile app?

Currently, GivePlus is available through the Apple's App Store and Google's Play Store.

Is the GivePlus Mobile app free to use?

Yes! The app is free to download from Apple's App Store, Google's Play Store and you are not charged a fee to make donations using the app.

What payment methods can I use to donate?

GivePlus donations can be made with all major credit and debit cards.

If you have other questions, or concerns, please reach out to the church office. *Thank you for your continued support of the ministries of GUMC!*



Children and Family Ministries along with the staff of GUMC is looking into a fun and safe Trunk or Treat 2020. Please watch the Sunday Bulletin and Thursday e-news for all the details! Finally a FUN reason to wear a mask!



The GUMC Annual All-Church Conference will be held via ZOOM on October 13 at 6:30 p.m. This is the conference that details what our church has accomplished this past year and where we plan to go in the upcoming year. This conference is important for all members of GUMC to participate in. It is the hope that this year's Church Conference will be well attended and filled with a spirit of celebration and joy.