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Following the loving example of Jesus Christ, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person as a beloved child of God. We welcome into the life and ministry of Glenview United Methodist Church all persons of every age, ability, race, gender identity, ethnicity, nationality, marital status, sexual orientation, family configuration, or socioeconomic or employment status.

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Dear friends,

What a whole month we have had since I wrote on the April Visitor! One of my friends says on social media that we are going to be a professional cook, barber, teacher, entertainer, and prayer after this time of shelter in place. How long is your hair? What do you cook every day? How is it going your children's e-learning? What does your prayer life look like? What do you pray for?

My favorite psalm, Psalm 46 says,

"God is our shelter and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble. So, we will not be afraid, even if the earth is shaken and mountains fall into the ocean depths; even if the seas roar and rage, and the hills are shaken by the violence."

This is my prayer for you and myself. The shelter we are in now is God. Though the news we hear everyday is bleak and we may feel as if the earth is shaken and mountains fall into the ocean, God is our help and strength.

I hope you take time every morning and evening to be with God in silence and solitude because God is our shelter. I want you to try the Centering Prayer. It is simple. First, find a quiet and comfortable place. You can sit on a chair or on the floor. Straighten up your spine and feel your body. Just feel it. Do not judge your feelings. Second, close your eyes. Many thoughts and images might come and go in your mind. Just watch them and let them go. Whenever a new thought, feeling, and image comes to you, you say quietly, "abba," or "peace," or "Jesus." Let the word bring you back to God in your silent prayer. Stay in silence for twenty minutes. Third, at the end of prayer you slowly say the Lord's prayer. After the Lord's prayer give yourself a couple of minutes before opening your eyes.

The Centering prayer is all about spending time with God. God is always open toward us and ready to help us and meet us. It is up to us whether we are open toward God and take a refuge in God's shelter. If you want to practice the Centering prayer with me or have a question about it let me know. We can meet on zoom and pray together. When this shelter in place is done, we will be surprised by ourselves that we are changed. We become closer to God and to our authentic selves who God created in God's image. Thanks be to God.

Eun-Hye Choi, pastor

GUMC is Open

- Virtually
- Via Phone
- Via Email
- Via USPS Mail

We invite you to worship with us on Sunday morning. There are two ways to watch the service:

Glenview United Methodist Church Facebook page: (You must have a Facebook account)

YouTube: Search for Glenview United Methodist Church. (No account is necessary).

Turn up the volume and enjoy Time for Children, Scripture Readings, the Sermon and Announcements following the postlude.

An email is sent Sunday mornings at 9:30 with link to the service.

Meetings and book studies are done via ZOOM. It is FREE and easy to participate!
Contact the office for more information.

Let us remember the following members in our prayers.

Judy Knoblock, Curt Corbige, Rob Frame, Tom Tobin

Our members and friends who work the front lines, doctors, nurses, hospital staff, and EMTs

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

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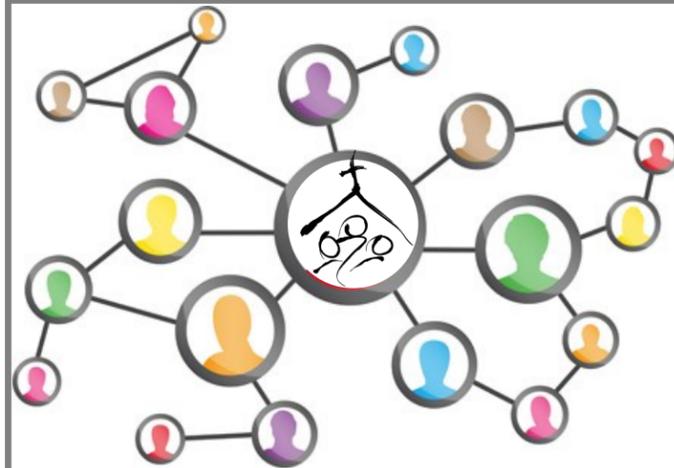
Well Wishes for Juanita! On Sunday, April 19, GUMC said farewell to Juanita Smith. Her new address is 4101 Loblolly Lane Richmond, KY 40475 She will be using her cell phone: 224-485-8885 We will miss her smiling face but are so happy she will be closer to family!

Wishing you well on your next adventure

Farewell and good luck!



Keep In Touch Kehoe's! On Monday, May 18, Amy, Jay and Merrick will be heading out to Dartmouth, Massachusetts, to begin their new careers. We will miss this bubbly family but are so excited for their new adventure!



Congregation Connection! While we are limited to not much more than walks around the block, or time in our yard, please share a story or images of you! What's going on? What would you share during coffee fellowship?

Send pictures or a short story of what's going on around you to office@glenviewumc.org or jferrone@glenviewumc.org. These pictures and stories will be shared in our Tuesday enews.



Nilson Scholarship: Now is your chance to apply for the Nilson \$1,000 Scholarship Award. It is for any GUMC member who will be enrolled in the fall of 2020 as a full time student in a 4-year college or university. Your entry for this award should consist of a short essay highlighting your accomplishments and activities, your higher education plans, and future career and personal interests. Also, please include a brief explanation as to how this award would benefit you. Entries must be submitted to the church office in a sealed envelope marked "Scholarships." The deadline is June 1.

Hello friends!

I hope you are all doing well - taking care of yourselves and other. I have managed the Ortiz family's first two home haircuts, with more coming this week. It seems everyone is learning new things these days - like it or not. I'm still thinking about the hobbies I want to pursue (in my case, I'd like to working on my guitar-strumming). But so far the only skills I've perfected are my grocery-sanitizing technique and ordering things for curbside pickup. I'm expert level with Target Drive Up.

Do you know what our Sunday School Students have gotten good at? For one thing, they are great at using Zoom for e-learning! Last Sunday (April 26th) we had their first Zoom Sunday School lesson. They were pros! Their teacher (me) fumbled around a bit, but it went well and we had a lot of fun. If you need the info to join our Zoom Sunday School, please contact me at 224-465-1129 and I'll get you set up.

As we continue church-from-a-distance, please take a moment each week to read our E-Newsletter. I hope to add more activities for our students in coming weeks and that's a great way to keep up with our latest activities.

Until we meet again, sending you all an e-hug!

Heidi Ortiz



future. Email office@glenviewumc.org so we can share your good news with your church family.

SENIORS! June is our Graduation Edition of the *Monthly Visitor*. Are you graduating college, high school or trade school? Let us know your plans for the

Ah May! This should finally be the month that we see consistently warmer days and our lawns start to "green up". It's also different from any other May that any of us has lived through, both old and young. Our children are finishing up their school years online, our backyards have turned into our parks, and this year's seniors will graduate unlike any other senior class before them. And sadly no ASP trip this summer

Church looks different too, online worship services and GUMYouth hanging out Sunday nights virtually sharing stories about their family's quarantine, online learning, and playing games like SpyFall and Psych to have some fun. One thing remains the same no matter how we gather: our love and support for each other and praying together. Beth and I are so amazed at the great attitudes and the resilience these kids have shown us during these past 6 weeks.

As we plan for May, there will be more online staff meetings, more online Children's Sermons and more Sunday nights hanging out online with our 6th-12th graders. With playing virtual games and having some virtual laughs, we have begun to realize that while it might be different, it is not all bad. In fact we are finding new ways to be resilient together. While we may not be ready to accept this as the new normal permanently, we have accepted it as our current situation and still look forward to that time when we'll worship together again in our beautiful sanctuary, devour a 50 count box of Munchkins in the Youth Room, .sharing stories, laughs and high fives.

Until then, we will find new ways to celebrate our graduating seniors, connect through GUMY and ASP and be resilient together!

Peace,

Beth and Greg



Many families experience job loss and seek to find food in Cook County. The United Methodist Foundation of Northern Illinois Conference matches your donation dollar to dollar now. You can go to Greater Chicago Food Depository website www.chicagosfoodbank.org and click Donate Now. After completing most of the form, as you get to the bottom, there is a box on the Donation page, "Matching Gift Information." Put UMF (United Methodist Foundation) and the food pantry name you want to donate, such as Northfield Township Pantry or Niles Township Pantry. Your donation will be matched and go to the pantry you designated. If you have any questions contact pastor Choi at Echoi@glenviewumc.org. We are in this situation together!



Welcome Little One! On April 22, 2020 Brooks Lee Epstein was born. His proud parents and big brother are Shannon, Aaron and Ty Epstein. He his the fabulous second grandchild of Kent and Sherry Smith. Congratulations on your new blessing!



Mothers Day Diaper Drive! In this strange and uncertain time, our annual diaper drive takes a different look. As Mary Lou's Place is physically closed to donations due to COVID-19, please consider donating the monetary amount you would have spent on purchasing diapers. Every gift makes a difference! Your gift will help them continue working for the most vulnerable among us in our community. Make a one-time gift now, or become a Monthly Donor for just \$10 a month. You can give online today at www.ywca-ens.org/donate. Thank you!



Support Group: A new support group is being coordinated at the church. Details were not available at time of print. Please contact Pastor Eun-Hye if you would like to join.



Mother's Day is May 10! A mom is a position in life as much as it is a family role.

For many of us, our mother is a person who loves us unconditionally—whether related by blood or not. Regardless of who fits the bill, please give her some love and kindness anyway you can during this time apart. You can send your mother a shout-out through the GUMC e-news on May 7. Send an email to the office and your message will be included in a special e-news section. Feel free to submit a picture of the special mother in your life.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

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

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| 5/1 Dee Ann Ellis | 5/1 Bonnie Frame | 5/1 Ellen Krcik |
| 5/1 Emily Krcik Cerny | 5/2 Hannah Russell | 5/3 Michael Galarza |
| 5/3 Jade Roth | 5/4 Lyn Johnson | 5/5 Kristy Naber |
| 5/6 Henry Netherland | 5/6 David Ventura | 5/7 John Galarza |
| 5/7 Andrew Richter | 5/8 Alex Ferrone | 5/8 Larry Stiefvater |
| 5/9 Jordan Buchta | 5/9 Daniel Geiger | 5/10 Patrick Keenan |
| 5/11 Donna Kwiatkowski | 5/12 Sharon Espino | 5/13 Kristopher Denzel |
| 5/14 Laura Price | 5/14 Ann Rowlands | 5/15 Lillian Ludwig |
| 5/15 Philip Sailer | 5/16 Kent Smith | 5/16 Shannon Smith |
| 5/16 Bodie Williams | 5/17 Ceil Zabielski | 5/18 Clayton Buchta |
| 5/21 Annette Johnson | 5/21 Melissa Read | 5/21 Mark Rowlands |
| 5/22 Joyce Hosler | 5/24 Mariann Randle | 5/26 Owen Cummings |
| 5/26 Maddie Peterson | 5/26 Spencer Peterson | 5/27 Todd Price |
| 5/28 Linda Kleckner | 5/28 Grace Ludwig | 5/29 Catherine Berg |
| 5/29 Liz Mylander | 5/30 Allen Pyterek | 5/31 Hudson Galer |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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| 5/2 Emily and Alex Golden | 5/4 Dawn and Michael Denzel |
| 5/7 Matthew and Korey Holzhueter | 5/9 Susan and Tom Urban |
| 5/15 Judy and Patrick Keenan | 5/21 Caryn and Will Granzow |
| 5/23 Carolla and Rich Schmid | 5/24 Jill and Ed Wu |
| 5/28 Barb and Keith Cordell | 5/28 Donnie and Wentworth Ford |
| 5/28 Bonnie and Rob Frame | 5/29 Sharon and Steve Dahnert |

