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Outdoor Worship

Service

July 17 at 10:00 a.m.

Chairs are provided. Come as you are and enjoy God's word in the fresh open air.

Service will also be available on Facebook Live



Dear friends,

The Northern Illinois Conference to which our church belongs has three goals that were approved three years ago at the Annual Conference. They are to grow and reach new disciples of Jesus Christ; to live out the conviction that racism is incompatible with Christian teaching; and to increase the number of highly vital congregations. I have to tell you that these three goals are hard to achieve and hard to measure the progress. For the first goal I believe we need to focus on children/youth and their parents of our church and community. Yes, we should reach out to our non-church going neighbors but more importantly we have children and youth to teach and show Christian faith, beliefs, and practices among us. We need to let them know they can ask any questions and share any thoughts in the church. Also, we need to support their parents for this goal. The current pandemic made this ministry harder than before because many young families have lost connections with their faith community. For the second goal, the NIC provides seminars, retreats, and workshops of anti-racism. In my opinion and experience, anti-racism in the church is not about what strategies, workshops, and Bible studies we have. It is about our willingness to overcome the uncomfortable feelings first. Racism is prejudice against other races and ask them to become like us. But no racial minority person wants to act and behave like someone else even in the church. That's why Sunday morning church worship services are the most segregated time and place IN the USA. There is also institutional racism. we need strategies and workshopS to make progress to resist the evil of institutional racism. I will share with you the resources of anti-racism that the NIC provides. For the third goal, the Glenview UMC has been working to be a more agile church during this chaotic changing time. The goal of our church is becoming a serious partner with other non-profit organizations of our community, such as Wesley Childcare, Methodist Preschool, the school district 34, youth service center, scouts, police department, AA groups, and many more. Please contact, Scott Daniels, the chair of our Coordinating Council and the leader of Agile church team with your input.

One of our lay delegates, Tom Johnson, wrote a report of the NIC annual conference which was held June 6 to 8. The report is included in this newsletter. The other lay delegate, Linda Duback, and I will share more thoughts and experiences of the Annual conference during Sunday worship on July 3rd. The United Methodist Church is a connectional church, and we are a part of it. Also, The Glenview UMC has its own contexts and visions. I am so thankful to be a part of the UMC and a part of the Glenview UMC with you. Let us dream our future boldly! May God guide us and bless us!

With gratitude,
Eun-Hye Choi, pastor

Let us remember the following
members in our prayers.

Beth Peterson, Judy Knoblock,
Ed Pyterek, Susan Slaght

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

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On Sunday, June 12 GUMC held the Sacrament of Holy Baptism of **Payton Winchester Davis**. She is the beloved daughter to Charles and Kristin Davis. Payton is the granddaughter of Sheri Staten, John Russell and Glenn and Linda Davis. We rejoice in her baptism and welcome her into the family of God.

New address for Russell Lindley:

Belmont Village
Russell Lindley
Apt. 121
2200 Golf Road
Glenview, IL 60025
Same phone: 847-724-7650

IN MEMORIAM

Thomas "Tom" Schroeder : On Sunday, June 19, 2022, Tom Schroeder passed away peacefully at the age of 65. A Celebration of Life will be held on July 12, 2022 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at The Glen Club (2901 W. Lake Ave., Glenview, Illinois 60026). All are welcome to join.

We grieve for the Schroeder's loss and hold them in our prayers and close to our hearts. May God's love and grace comfort them.



It's a Boy! The newest grandchild of Andy and Joanne Richter was born June 4, 2022. His name is **Andrew James Martinsen**. He's in good hands with sisters Elle and Janie and parents Elyse and Luke.



Thank you for all the well wishes, Prayers, and TLC. My recovery from hip replacement is going very well i hope to be completely healed soon.

Jane Furch



Kindness Rock Garden

During the pandemic, Glenview/Northbrook Youth Services initiated a kindness rock project to help bring some joy to those in our community and to visitors to their agency. Boy scout Pack 156 completed the Youth Services *Kindness Rock Garden* at GUMC on Monday, June 6. The inspirational rocks were donated by the Cub Scouts and by GUMYouth. Make sure you stop by and take a look - and a rock - anytime outside the social hall doors.

Nilson Scholarship Winner!

It is with great pride that the Memorials Committee announces the winner of the 2022 Nilson Scholarship Award. **Aidan Conlin** is this year's winner, and will receive the \$1,000 award check. Aidan plans to attend the Milwaukee School of Engineering in the fall to pursue studies in computer engineering. We had a number of excellent applicants for the award, and the committee wants to thank all of them, and to wish them all the best of luck in the future.

ZOOM Support Group

If you need ears to listen to your griefs, struggles, or hurts please join in GUMC's Support Group. This group meets the second Thursday of the month at 1:30 pm on ZOOM. Please contact Pastor Choi at echoi@glenviewumc.org to get the ZOOM link.



A Thank You Note!

Many thanks to the congregation for the wonderful farewell, cards, best wishes, generous gifts and delicious food provided by Tom Tobin and the choir, Linda Kleckner and others. The special song composed by Barb Galarza and poem by Wanda Frye were much appreciated! I enjoyed myself in spite of knowing how much I will miss all of you in the future. Thank you for many wonderful memories of our years together!

Address Change for Kathy and Dave Heetland

2730 Lord Murphy Drive
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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.

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Having just returned from the NIGC, my reflections.

By Tom Johnson

The Conference had three basic purposes: business/motions, fellowship/community, and encouragement (uplifting) to send its pastors and laity back to the churches with elan.

A: The business was conducted effectively and efficiently. Many of the motions were directed at calling attention to those suffering and without voices, to help those in need and one to call attention and address an atrocity from the past. These were all done in the spirit of Christ and Christ centered. I'll address some of these starting with the past atrocity.

1. The Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church acknowledges the harm done to the Shawnee people at the Shawnee Methodist Mission from the Federal boarding school policy.

This boarding policy was a common practice with the intent to assimilate Indian children into our Western culture and many Churches also participated. What happened?

'There were more than 350 government-funded, and often church-run, **Indian Boarding schools** across the US in the 19th and 20th centuries. Indian children were forcibly abducted by government agents, sent to schools hundreds of miles away, and beaten, starved, or otherwise abused when they spoke their **native** languages [ref 1] and this practice continued even to 1969. [ref 2]. The Secretary of the Interior, Deb Haaland, said: "I come from ancestors who endured the horrors of the Indian boarding school assimilation policies carried out by the same department that I now lead".

As recently as May 12, 2022 investigation has found 53 burial sites and so far 500 buried children. [Ref 3] We as a church acknowledge that harm.

2. Advocate for the Human Rights of Palestinian Children and Families Living Under Israeli Military Occupation.

3. Identify and Oppose Apartheid in the Holy Land. This motion was tabled as they felt they needed to explore the meaning and appropriateness of the word apartheid.

Both of these (2,3) are associated with what appears to be apartheid. Apartheid ended in South Africa. Many feel what is happening in Palestine and Israel is Apartheid.

4. As a church, we are courageous in dismantling the powers of racism, tribalism, and colonialism.

5. Let's Overcome Christian Nationalism – Condemn the use of Christian symbols and prayers by the attackers on the U.S. Congress at the Capitol on January 6, 2021.

6. Support the Rights of Immigrants, Refugees, and Asylum Seekers to Justice Equity and Right to Counsel.

An organization, 'Justice For Our Neighbors (JFON), supplies legal representation that has helped a number of defenseless and poor immigrants in that quagmire of confusing legal issues.

7. A separation Resolution for Local Churches.

It looks like the world Methodist denomination will split with the vote taking place in 2024. The vote was delayed because of Covid-19. The fundamentalist believe that LBGTs are not Biblical.

More progressive churches are accepting of 'all who are born in the image of God'.

This motion is to try to find a fair and equitable solution for those churches who wish to leave. (It's complex and not yet resolved).

As you can see, except for the last, these motions, demonstrate that our church takes seriously Christ's teaching to help the oppressed and less fortunate.

Moving on.

B: I experienced the following, when we were all together as a total body:

1. The total-body meeting times were educational.

a) We listened to a black Chicago retired police chief, who said, 'too often there are different outcomes involving a white suspect and a black suspect, i.e. it's too often life and death. Some officers call black suspects xx?? [He put forth the term that I don't remember] indicating to me a degradation and thus an

inclination towards certain actions in the minds of those fellow police officers. This was poignant as it was told by a black police chief.

b) The bishop outlined the advantages of the episcopal system. It is a system that is from the top down. Having been on committees including staff parish, I have sometimes complained about this system. But he advocated for its advantages.

It allows for:

Support at several levels

Decisions are made after discussion and deliberation, so it is not just dictated.

It more effectively moves actions forward than other systems.

It is connectional. The connectivity, 'you are not alone', was very important.

c) We had a group Bible study.

Can you imagine trying to teach a classroom crowd of 350 or so.

If you didn't know about the life of an Ethiopian eunuch (Acts 8:26-40), you certainly did by the end of her presentation.

Seriously, there were four questions but the first was the most profound, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' I ask, when you read or hear the Bible, 'Do you understand what you are reading?

Do you understand its meaning? I have found that like peeling an onion, often there are layers to be uncovered.

What action should we as Christians take, based on the Bible, towards LBGTs, Native Americans, immigrants? All the motions I mentioned above.

And with our connectivity as a conference, we can do more than we could do alone.

The total body meeting was community/fellowship.

We had time to get to know and interact in significant ways with those in our small table group, again via questions.

The total body meeting was emotional

A missionary from Tanzania told her story.

a. It was particularly emotional for me as my nephew was a missionary in Uganda and the most remarkable person I have known. He died in his mid-40s. Over a 1000 (yes, one thousand) people from around the country and world came to his funeral.

B. Laity from several churches told their stories. How they overcame the difficulties during the pandemic. One church built a pavilion so they could worship outside. Of course, when proposed, the members and committees of that church complained, stating that is a terrible idea. Where would they get the money? Who would build it? They did build it and it not only was used for worship but also for other events including weddings.

At the close, we learned that a group in Florida, waiting to be ordained into the Methodist denomination, who had completed schooling, gotten degrees, did 'internships', and passed all the interviews about their faith and now stood to be ordained, were suddenly and decisively rejected ordination as a group, because some were LBGT.

So, I ask: When you read or hear the Bible, 'Do you really understand its meaning?

God Bless both of you.

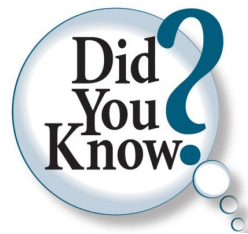
Shalom,

Tom

Ref 1: <https://boardingschoolhealing.org/education/us-indian-boarding-school-history/>

Ref 2: <https://www.bia.gov/service/federal-indian-boarding-school-initiative>

Ref 3: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/education/2022/05/12/federal-indian-boarding-schools-remains/>



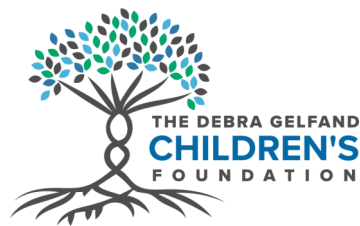
Did you know if you have no will or trust, state laws will determine who will inherit your property at your death. State laws do not include your church or any other charity as a beneficiary.



This year's diaper drive rivals any of our past drives! You brought them in on Sundays and made special trips during the week! Truly an amazing show of compassion to the women and children in need. Thank you all for your support!

thank you

Loose Coins and Singles: in the offering plate in July, August and September will go



to The Debra Gelfand Foundation, a non-profit organization, currently helping District 34 families experiencing hardship with food, household items, rents to prevent evictions, and other types of assistance. The Foundation relies solely on donations. At this time coins and singles will go to the Foundation. Please donate generously to this partnership between our church and this resource to those most needy in our community. To learn more about the Debra Gelfand Children's Foundation, visit www.Debragelfand.org.

Donations can also be made though the GUMC website. Go to www.glenviewumc.org and click on "Donate Online" and use a checking, savings or credit card.

Adventures with Beth and Greg



Though it is summer, there is still a lot going on at GUMC with the start of summer Family Ministry programming! On June 12th, after enjoying breakfast with their families, prepared and hosted by **Curt Corbidge**, during the worship service, high school graduates **Aidan Conlin, Tyson Espino, Skylar Read and Jeremiah Rejuso** and college graduates **Andrew Duback, Maddie Peterson, Spencer Peterson and Robin Woitesek** shared their next steps for their academic or life journey. We are very proud of all and wish them the very best.

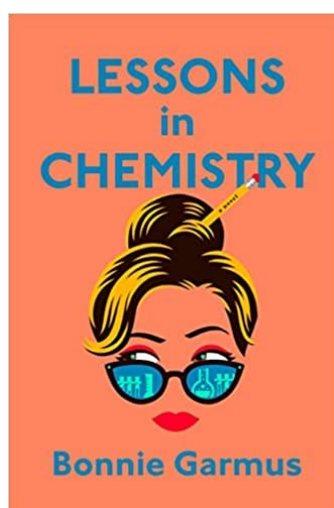
In June we hosted the first of three summer Family Movie Nights. Families gathered at GUMC to tie dye shirts to celebrate Pride month or the 4th of July. And though it didn't get quite dark enough for us to start our movie outside as planned, we moved inside and got out of the heat and away from mosquitoes. Our next **Family Movie night** will be **Friday, July 22nd at 7:30 pm** with another art project before snacks and a movie.

Continuing to combat hunger locally, GUMY continues to care for tomato, pepper, broccoli, zucchini and carrots plants the youth planted in the community garden at GUMC earlier this spring with produce being donated to Northfield Food Pantry. We also head to **Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) on July 14th** from 4:15 - 6:30 pm, carpooling from GUMC at 3:15 pm and stopping for dinner afterwards. Kindergarten to adults are invited to attend. FMSC requires a fairly low adult to student ratio so we ask if you have a child k - 5th grade that will be attending, that a parent attends with them. Please let us know if you can join us! And one more opportunity to combat hunger locally, there are opportunities to make lunches at **Youth Services** in July. Days and number of people needed include Wednesday, July 6 - 2 people, Monday, July 11 - 3 people, Wednesday, July 13 - 2 people, Monday, July 18 - 2 people. Time each day is 10 am - 11:45 am. From Youth Services, they have "expanded their summer program considerably to reach more children than ever and are able to provide a full lunch to each camper, which is something they have not been able to do since Covid. This is important because many of the participants are on free or reduced lunch during the school year, and it ensures they have a good meal while in their programs." Volunteers for Youth Services should be high school students or adults.

For **ASP at home**, we will be building benches and a tool chest for the community garden as well as helping put in a new fence for the Mission Garden (probably later in the summer or early fall). Check the weekly GUMC e-news and your email for exact details.

Lastly, there is a long history of Glenview United Methodist Church following the **Safe Gatherings** guidelines. From safegatherings.com, Safe Gathering's vision is to create a "world in which all children, youth and vulnerable adults are protected and feel safe." Their mission is to "screen and educate staff and volunteers to help prevent abuse of children, youth and vulnerable adults." In June, the Family Ministry team, including our nursery room staff, gathered to complete the training for Safe Gatherings. If you would like to work with children and youth moving forward, please contact us so that we can set you up for the Safe Gathering training.

Book Club Book Announced:



Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Sharon Gernady will lead the discussion on August 3th (Wednesday) at 7pm in the Parlor.

REVIEWS: **Lessons in Chemistry** is a page-turning and highly satisfying tale: zippy, zesty, and zotty. **Lessons in Chemistry** is a breath of fresh air--a witty, propulsive, and refreshingly hopeful novel populated with singular characters. This book is an utter delight--wry, warm, and compulsively readable.



Where in the world are United Methodists?

Take the Quiz!!

Answers below.

- Available in 35 languages in 100+ countries, where is The Upper Room published?
Dallas, Texas Munich, Germany Mayberry, North Carolina Nashville, Tennessee
- Where did United Methodists create a music video for their 100th birthday?
Sierra Leone Côte d'Ivoire Liberia Madagascar
- Mary Johnston Hospital has provided free healthcare since 1906? Where is it?
South Korea Narnia Vietnam Philippines
- The oldest U.S. Methodist church in continual use is located in which city?
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Richmond, Virginia Dubuque, Iowa Anchorage, Alaska
- Where does the Wesley Pilgrimage take place?
Fiji Wales England Ireland
- Where is the first Japanese Methodist church in the Western Jurisdiction?
California Illinois Hawaii Florida
- Where was Phillip Otterbein, a founder of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, born?
Austria Germany Italy Legoland
- The New Room where John Wesley once preached is located where in England?
Near Buckingham Palace On Abbey Road Surrounded by shops in Bristol Next to Stonehenge
- Nearly destroyed during war in the 1950s, what city now has a Global Ministries office?
London Emerald City Hiroshima Seoul
- 250 churches in Missouri partnered with churches in which country to build water wells?
Zimbabwe Mozambique Norway Wakanda

ANSWERS: 1. Nashville, Tennessee. 2. Côte d'Ivoire. 3. Philippines. 4. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 5. England. 6. Hawaii. 7. Germany. 8. surrounded by shops in Bristol. 9. Seoul. 10. Mozambique.

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



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| 7/1 Anna Parry | 7/3 Janet Ferrone | 7/3 Tita Gimeno |
| 7/3 Kay Harr | 7/4 Ashley Slobodecki | 7/4 Paula Stoddard |
| 7/4 Valerie Tweddle | 7/6 Paul Ellis | 7/6 Susanne Rudolph |
| 7/6 Linda Vassallo | 7/7 Bill Murphy | 7/7 Tracy Tweddle |
| 7/8 LaVerne Lundquist | 7/8 Emma Yonkers | 7/9 Melissa Gwozdz |
| 7/9 Jim Locke | 7/10 Tom Hutchins | 7/13 Diann Campbell |
| 7/14 Scott Daniels | 7/15 Walter Meyer | 7/17 Betsy Schweers |
| 7/18 Jim Glass | 7/19 Layla DeBaker | 7/23 Wyatt Cummings |
| 7/23 Susan Krcik | 7/23 Beth Peterson | 7/24 Tim Walters |
| 7/25 Ryan Ellis | 7/25 Joan Loyd | 7/26 Jason DeBaker |
| 7/26 Helen Jo Ellis | 7/28 Jean Losquadro | 7/31 Rose Ackerman |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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| 7/2 Katie and Matt Jones | 7/5 Dee Ann and Paul Ellis |
| 7/6 Sharon and Richard Espino | 7/7 Viola and John Scannell |
| 7/9 Beth and Greg Peterson | 7/11 Annette and Tom Johnson |
| 7/12 Cori and Jeff Mohr | 7/12 Alisha and Chuck Potter |
| 7/14 Leslie and Tom Schroeder | 7/15 Helen Jo and Stephen Ellis |
| 7/25 Linda and Dave Duback | 7/25 Ann and Bob Rowlands |
| 7/26 Patty and Daniel Stryker | 7/28 Joy and Bill Forman |
| 7/30 Kathy and Ted Sawicz | |

