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*We are a Reconciling Congregation!*

*Grow, Play and Serve with a people with  
Hearts for Children and Hands for Service*

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**REMINDER:**

Masks are recommended, but not required while in the building.

We have 4 hearing-enhancing devices that can be used for those that need them. Please ask in the sound booth for help with these.

Nursery/Toddler Room 8 is open with caregivers every Sunday.

***THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***

**September 4, 2022**

**10:00 a.m.**

**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

Tom Tobin, piano

WELCOME

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The Spirit of God calls to us.

**People: With sighs too deep for words.**

Leader: The Spirit of God calls to us.

**People: Summoning us to become more than we now are.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION ON LABOR DAY (unison)**

**We are workers, God, just like you. But we confess that our work is not always done in a manner that affirms and honors each other. Our work is not always done in a spirit that is pleasing to you. Creator God, help us to be your people, working for a world where all workers are valued. A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in. A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill. And one where those who serve us -- in stores, schools, hotels, restaurants, nursing homes and many other places -- are also served by us. It will be a world where all workers everywhere share in the abundance that you have given us. Amen.**

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Our God is a God of grace and transformation. When we ask, God gives us the courage and strength to live out our faith in the workplace and the marketplace, as well as in the sanctuary.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN

*I Come with Joy*

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## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

\*GOSPEL

*Matthew 6:25-34 & Luke 10:25-29*

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

MUSIC

*As the Deer*  
David Kleckner, soloist

Martin Nystrom

SERMON

*Power of Questions*

Rev. Eun-Hye Choi

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving for Labor Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

**We praise you for all who labor for the common good  
and for those whose service is unappreciated.**

**We thank you for children whose play is the work of learning  
to live in the world. We thank you for disciples who are obedient  
to the promptings of your Spirit in all their relationships.**

**We thank you for your yearning mercy that waits for us to make all our hours and days  
participation in your healing and blessing of the earth and all peoples.**

You made us in your image and set us in a lush garden as caretakers.  
When we chose to have it all to ourselves, you turned our freedom to the toil for survival.  
When we cried out in our misery, you delivered us from captivity  
and made covenant to be our sovereign God.

By the prophets you called us to return to you and delight in good food without price.  
You confronted us with the waste of laboring apart from you,  
and you asked us, "Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which does not satisfy? ...  
Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live."

And so,  
with your people on earth and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
Anointed with your Spirit, his food was to do your will and to complete it.  
He took the common things of daily life, blessed them, and broke and shared them so that all  
were satisfied.  
He told those who followed him,  
"Do not work for the food that perishes,  
but for the food that endures for eternal life." He confronted the powers of greed and evil at  
the cost of his life, but you triumphed over death and placed him at your right hand to  
intercede for his disciples until the feast of eternal life. By water and the Spirit, he calls us to  
continue his work until we and all peoples feast at his heavenly banquet.

And so,  
in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves to live daily as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them  
be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ,  
redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in  
ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly  
banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and  
glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on  
earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who  
trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the  
power and the glory forever. Amen.*

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer after the Sharing

## SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN

*One Bread, One Body*

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## COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

## OFFERING OUR THANKS AND OURSELVES

*All loose coins and singles in the offering plates will go to Debra Gelfand Children's Foundation.*

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*\*congregation is invited to stand if it is comfortable to do so*

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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.*

**USHER: Steve Ellis**

**SAVE THE DATE FOR KICK OFF SUNDAY -**

**Sunday, September 11, 2022**

**Choir returns, Sunday school and Confirmation are back -**

**We'll have our BBQ lunch right after worship outside on our front lawn -  
(nothing to bring - everyone come and enjoy good food and fun and great fellowship,  
and there will be games to play and a "bouncy" house)**

## COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### NEW ENTRANCE DOOR POLICY

Beginning today, on Sundays, the outside entrance doors of the social hall and the sanctuary will be unlocked at 8:30 a.m. and locked at 10:15 a.m. For all future meetings, the doors will be unlocked 15 minutes prior to meeting time and will be locked 15 minutes after meeting time begins.

### BIBLE STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Wednesday Bible study group will read, study and discuss the Gospel of John starting on September 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm on zoom for ten weeks. It will be a time to grow in faith and build up friendship with other Christians who would support your faith journey. You may contact Pastor Eun-Hye at [echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:echoi@glenviewumc.org) or church office at [office@glenviewumc.org](mailto:office@glenviewumc.org) to register. There is no textbook to purchase. Let Pastor Eun-Hye or church office know if you want to invite friends or family.

### BOOK CLUB BOOK ANNOUNCED

*The Only Woman in the Room*, by Marie Benedict. A powerful novel based on the incredible true story of the glamour icon and scientist, Hedy Lamarr, whose groundbreaking invention revolutionized modern communication, *The Only Woman in the Room* is a masterpiece. Join the discussion on September 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the choir room. All are welcome whether you have been to a book club meeting in the past or not. Be there!

### EVERYDAY THEOLOGY

Come to the choir room at 10 am to join in this new theology discussion group for five weeks on Wednesdays, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 10/5 and 10/12. Theology is the human experience of God which is revealed in the Bible. No books to purchase.

### **OUR WOMEN IN FAITH ARE HOSTING A "BREAKFAST WITH HEDY LAMARR"**

on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. in our social hall. Tickets in advance are \$20, \$25 at the door. Lynn Rymarz presents the program as this very fascinating lady, Hedy Lamarr. What do legendary film siren Hedy Lamarr and avant garde composer George Antheil and your cell phone have in common? The answer is spread spectrum radio: A revolutionary invention based on the rapid switching of communication signals among a range of different frequencies. Without it, we would not have the digital comforts that we take for granted today. Wireless phones, Bluetooth networks, GPS devices and most military communications rely on Lamarr and Antheil's breakthrough. Come hear the story and bring your friends! Kay Harr has tickets to sell in the parlor or you can stop by the church office during the week to purchase them.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

On Monday, August 8, GUMC hosted the first discussion on the proliferation of firearms, and the steps we, as members of the GUMC community, should take in opposition. Please join us after worship on September 18, in the parlor, for more information on this topic. Please watch for the invitation in the September *Visitor* and your weekly *Connections* e-news.

**OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** Cereal, juice boxes, pancake mix, canned chicken, canned beef stew and hearty soups, canned pasta with meat, peanut butter, jelly, brown and white rice, boxed potato sides, tuna, oil, sugar, flour and canned fruit. To learn more about helping the pantry please visit their website at: [www.twp.northfield.il.us/pantry/](http://www.twp.northfield.il.us/pantry/)

### **CHRIST CARING FOR PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE**

That's the motto of Stephen Ministry. The Stephen Minister's role is to bring God's love into the lives of people who are going through a difficult time or experiencing a crisis. What do Stephen Ministers do? They listen, care, support, encourage and pray with and for a person who is hurting. And in the midst of this confidential, one-to-one, caring relationship, God's healing love comes pouring through. If you or someone you know is facing a crisis-large or small-and could benefit from the caring presence of a Stephen Minister, please have them contact Pastor Eun-Hye.

### **LOOSE COINS AND SINGLES**

in the offering plates will go to Debra Gelfand Foundation. This non-profit organization is 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. Please donate generously to this partnership between our church and this resource to those most needy in our community. If you'd like to donate more, write a check with "Debra Gelfand Foundation" on the memo line. To learn more about this group, visit [www.DebraGelfand.org](http://www.DebraGelfand.org).

**UPPER ROOM FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER** are available on the literature rack in the narthex or by the church office.

### **IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY ON THE WEEKENDS:**

On the weekends (Friday - Sunday evening) our church office is closed, and the phone messages are not retrieved until Monday. For emergencies, please contact our pastor, Rev. Eun-Hye Choi at [echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:echoi@glenviewumc.org), or at: 847-525-7261.

### **CONTACTLESS DONATIONS**



Use your smartphone camera or QR reader app to quickly and safely make your donation to GUMC. With one quick scan, you can send in a one-time donation or schedule recurring donations. Thank you for your generosity.

### **THIS WEEK:**

**September 4 - September 11, 2022**

**Monday:** Labor Day - church building closed

**Tuesday:** 10 am Staff meeting via Zoom  
11 am Prayer Shawl group, choir room

**Wednesday:** 7 pm Adult Study on John begins on Zoom  
7 pm Adult Choir begins their weekly rehearsals, choir room  
7:30 pm A.A., rooms 11 & 12

**Thursday:** 1:30 pm Support Group via Zoom  
7 pm Book Club, parlor

**Saturday:** 6:30 am A.A., choir room  
1 pm Children's Theater (CT), social hall, choir room

**Next Sunday:** ***FALL KICK OFF SUNDAY***

10 am Worship, Teacher Recognition, Confirmation and Sunday school and Adult choir returns  
11 am Kick Off BBQ on our front lawn (all the food is provided) with games  
for all ages and a bouncy house

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