



# The Visitor

October, 2022

Dear friends,

“God loves a cheerful giver!” The Finance Committee members along with our faithful pastor are very thankful that we have so many of you who are cheerful and generous givers in our midst. So far, your generous offerings have enabled us to balance the budgeted expenses of our church. However, as we all know, prices are going up everywhere which presents a challenge for churches as well as homes and other organizations. We are hoping everyone will keep that in mind and offer a little extra if you are able to. Thank you for any help you can share – and keep smiling!

After two and half years of the pandemic, our church has fully restarted all ministries, programs, and activities (both in-person and online) from before the pandemic. The entire church facility is being fully used, and our staff members are working harder than ever. With the increase of activities, the expenses went up significantly compared to last year. To finish this year financially strong, we need your help.

You will receive the stewardship letter and the pledge card along with EFT (Electric Fund Transfer) form for the year 2023. Please prayerfully consider an increase to your pledge, as much as your situation allows. You can bring your pledge card on the October 30th to Consecration Sunday worship or return it to the Finance Secretary or church office. If you do EFT year after year, please fill out the form again not to disrupt your faithful giving.

There are many ways of giving to support your church and God loves all cheerful givers. The Finance Committee members and the pastor always deeply appreciate your generosity.

## Finance Committee Members

Sarane Siewerth

Karen Daniels

Jim Gernady

Sue Acer

Barb Galarza

Kay Harr

Pastor Eun-Hye Choi

**Let us remember the following  
members in our prayers.**

Judy Knoblock  
Connie Wiggins  
Barb Galarza  
Ben Campbell

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

Pastor Eun-Hye: [Echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Echoi@glenviewumc.org) or  
[Office@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Office@glenviewumc.org)



**The GUMC Mission Statement**

The mission of the Glenview United Methodist Church is to be “a supportive, multigenerational, faith community, that encourages positive change in people’s lives by connecting with God through Jesus Christ, connecting with each other, and compassionately connecting with the world.”



Fall Kick-Off was a TOUCHDOWN of epic proportions! Thank you to everyone who came out despite the rain. Pastor Eun-Hye preached on

being Stronger Together. Tom Tobin led the Sanctuary Choir with some of our favorite hymns and Beth and Greg Peterson commissioned our Sunday School Leaders. This year’s leaders are Susanne Rudolph, Maddie Peterson, and Spencer Peterson. Highschool helpers are Tim Walters, Robin Woitesek, Brielle Doherty, Keira Doherty and Owen Cummings.

After worship, a fun indoor lunch and party happened in the social hall. We Methodists love to eat and Fall Kick-Off came with plenty of food. Big thanks to Linda Kleckner for her expertise in the kitchen. Authentic German potato salad was prepared by Susanne Rudolph. The grills were manned by famed chef, Curt Corbige, with help from Chris Ernst, Chris Ferrone, and Michel Agriopoulos. Food servers were Sarane Siewerth, Kay Harr and Janet Ferrone. Live music was performed by the band Entropy, featuring GUMC’s own Spencer Peterson. Old fashioned relay races with a modern indoor twist were organized by the Petersons. Fun was had by all. There certainly is a lot going on at GUMC this program year!

**IN MEMORIAM**

We are saddened to announce the passing of  
**Ed Pyterek** on Friday, September 9.

Ed's Memorial Service information is:

Friday, October 21  
Visitation at N.H. Scott Funeral Home from 4 to 8pm.

Saturday, October 22 from 10-11 visitation at GUMC  
followed by a memorial service in the sanctuary at  
11am.

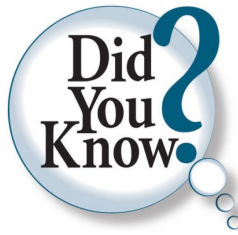
*Please hold the the Pyterek family in your prayers.  
We grieve for their loss and hold them close to our  
hearts. -- May God's love and grace comfort them.*



I want to sincerely thank all of  
you who have supported me  
with your cards, calls,  
thoughts and prayers after  
my recent fall. I’m doing well

now. Your thoughtfulness has helped me through  
some tough times.

~ Susan Slaght



Who needs estate planning?  
Every adult who is legally  
competent, who owns  
anything and cares about who  
receives it at the time of their disability or death. In  
addition, estate planning is necessary for anyone  
who wants to leave a bequest for Glenview United  
Methodist Church.

### **No WOMEN'S WELLNESS this year????**

The Women's Wellness Committee is SO SORRY to say that we were not able to obtain any times for a getaway weekend or to do a small day option at the church for our Women's Wellness time. We promise to work extra hard over this year to make sure Women's Wellness happens next fall!! Anyone who would like to volunteer to be on the committee, please let either Barb, Becky, or Kathy know. Be well until we can all meet together again!

Bring your creatures, great and small, to the

## Blessing of the



Join us Sunday, October 2, 2022 for our the Blessing of the Animals! Bring your furry friends, scaley sidekicks, aquatic acquaintances, and pals of the animal kingdom. All animals must be safely secured or on leashes. The pet blessing will be held on the front lawn. Arrive anytime between 3:00 and 4:00 p.m.

# Get to know... Beau!

Beau Surratt has been a church organist since the age 14. His earliest musical experiences were all in church - accompanying children's choirs and playing string parts on a keyboard in his home church's orchestra. These early experiences blossomed into a deep love of leading congregational song at the organ and piano, playing organ literature in a variety of styles, accompanying choirs, vocalists, and instrumentalists, and exploring all facets of singing in community. With particular loves for black gospel music, Psalm singing, and choral music of the English Cathedral tradition, Beau is a versatile church musician who delights in serving God through music ministry in the local church.

Though he studied organ and church music throughout college, Beau is a graduate of Elmhurst college with a degree in Theology and Religion has done graduate studies in worship, theology, and ministry at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and Bexley-Seabury Seminary Federation. His days are spent working as a Community Association Manager at NS Management, a condo management firm based in Skokie. Beau lives in Evanston with his husband Steve and their 19 year-old cat Magellan. He is a collector of fountain pens and stationery, loves all things Disney (especially Winnie the Pooh), and there is no distance too great for him to travel for good barbecue. Beau looks forward with great anticipation to serving the Glenview UMC congregation.

# Adventures with Beth and Greg

Fall is officially here! We love the crisp mornings and the new season. A friend recently sent us a message that read "Fall is Proof that Change is Beautiful!" We are going to try to take advantage of some of the beauty of the fall season!

Our GUMYouth will head out to Richardson's *Farm* for the *World's largest Corn Maze* on **Sunday, October 9th**. We will leave at 1 pm and return in the evening. GUMYouth and parents stay tuned for more information in your email inbox!

*The Crop Walk* for all ages is on **Sunday, October 16th**. There will be a table set up after the church services on Sunday to sign up.

On Sunday night **October 23 at 4:30 pm**, we will have a *Family Movie Night* with dinner, movie and bonfire afterwards. (Movie indoors if inclement weather).

On **Sunday, October 30th**, we will have the annual *Trunk or Treat* following the worship service.

Lots of opportunities this fall to be together. In Sunday School we have been learning that with God, family and friends, we are all stronger together. While our Sunday School students have been learning about Esther and Mordecai and King David, our Confirmation students have been learning about the beginnings of the Methodist Church and along with our older GUMYouth, will share a bit of what they are learning during the worship service on October 30th: Reformation Sunday.

We look forward to enjoying the change of the season with you, standing strong together!

Greg and Beth

## ***New era for church and Boy Scouts of America***

By Sam Hodges

June 23, 2022 | UM News

The Center for Scouting Ministries, part of United Methodist Men, has issued an update on the Boy Scouts of America bankruptcy restructuring plan after a judge's key ruling. As part of the plan, The United Methodist Church — a major sponsor of Scouting troops over many years — has agreed to contribute \$30 million to a fund for survivors of Scouting-related sex abuse. Local United Methodist churches continue to provide meeting space and other support for troops and to join in stepped-up child safety protocols. To read the entire article please visit: [www.umnews.org/en/news/new-era-for-church-and-boy-scouts-of-america](http://www.umnews.org/en/news/new-era-for-church-and-boy-scouts-of-america)

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On September 8, the Glenview United Methodist Church and BSA Troop 69 signed a facilities usage agreement. It will renew on a 12 month basis.

## **Sabbath Garden News!**

It seems that Fall arrived suddenly. Regardless of this, the garden reached the 100 pound mark for harvested vegetables that have been taken to the Northfield Food Pantry so far this year from the Sabbath Garden. Although the summer crops are slowing down, we have two beds that were planted in late August that we hope we will be able to harvest before the frosts of winter happen. These veggies include carrots, beets, radishes, and Kohlrabi. We are hoping to add to our 100 lb. total. Go on out and take a look around if you would like. It is beautiful!

## LOOSE COINS AND SINGLES...

in the offering plates during October, November and December will go to Curt's Café, located in Evanston and Highland Park. Curt's Café provides a much needed program for at risk and formerly incarcerated youth. They are taught marketable skills and assisted in finding employment. They support the students by introducing them to four disciplines: life skills, intellectual skills, food service skills, and experiential skills. These direct the youth on a secure and productive future. It costs more to send a teenager to a correctional institution than it does to put them through Northwestern! Curt's Café would like you to dine with them for a delicious breakfast or lunch.

Donations can also be made through the GUMC website. Go to [www.glenviewumc.org](http://www.glenviewumc.org) and click on "Donate Online" and use a checking, savings or credit card.



Loose Coins and Singles

Contribute

## M&SM team and Olivet send you a Big Thank You for the Plants, School Supplies & Undies!

Again this year, Chester Lacey's SUV was filled to the brim with all the school supplies and myriad undies, socks etc. you so kindly donated for the kids that live near Olivet UMC. His entire car was filled, except for the seat where the driver sits! The combo school supply and "Undee Sunday" give away was held on Saturday, September 17th. Check out the Olivet FB page for some lovely photos of the day.

Thank you also to those who donated plants for Olivet's new beautify the block garden project. There were more plants than would fit even into Chester's big SUV! Ed and Holly Porret earned an extra pat-on-the back for loading up the rest of the plants into their own car and taking them to Olivet. The garden beds were set up, filled, and blessed on Sunday August 14th. Members of Euclid Avenue and Glenview UMC joined the Olivet congregation in this rewarding and enjoyable event. This may become an annual project, so if you have a green thumb (or want to have one!), mark your 2023 calendars now!

THE MITTEN AND MORE TREE for OLIVET UMC – A bit of a nip is in the air again and that means it is time to turn our thoughts once again toward helping neighbors, near and far, stay warm through the coming winter. Last spring, GUMC's old Mitten Tree decided to retire after standing so proudly, year after year, holding up your generous gifts of knitted and stitched mittens, scarves, hats, gloves, coats, sweaters and more. But happily, after a thorough interview process, a glorious, multi-boughed statuesque replacement was found! The New Mitten Tree will make its debut in the back of our Sanctuary on November 20th and stand proudly through January 8th. Periodically during that period, deliveries will be made to our sister church for Olivet's Warming Ministry for all ages and their "Serving our Seniors (SOS) program for community elders. Donations may also be placed in the collection bins near the Social Hall and the church office.

# SUPPORT for NEW ARRIVALS FROM TEXAS

## VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

About 300 individuals have arrived over the last several weeks. Chicago could potentially receive up to 5000 people if Texas follows that same pattern as they did in sending people to New York and Washington, DC. Individuals and families are housed in temporary shelters in Chicago, and hotels in nearby suburbs.

Volunteer Information - As a welcoming city, we know Chicagoans and suburbanites are ready to show their generosity and are looking for ways to support these individuals. However, the shelter partners at this time cannot accept "walk-up" volunteers, and due to security and safety concerns for minors on-site, there is a registration process to become a volunteer. If you wish to volunteer, please complete the volunteer registration form found at [www.webapps1.chicago.gov/eforms/migrantvolunteerregistration](http://www.webapps1.chicago.gov/eforms/migrantvolunteerregistration)

Donation Information -For a comprehensive list of needed items see these websites: (Note that at this time they are requesting NEW items for most clothing and linens.)

City of Chicago - [www.Chicago.gov/support](http://www.Chicago.gov/support)

World Relief Chicagoland -- <https://worldrelief.org/chicagoland/bus-response/>

Drop Off Information - Glenview United Methodist Church is serving as a Drop Off Location.

Please deliver to the church office area or put in the collection bins marked "For Asylum Seekers".

For questions, contact: Ethel Doyle, [lareth@aol.com](mailto:lareth@aol.com), 847-975-0361.

## DONATION LIST ON THE BACK

## Donation Items Needed for Asylum Seekers

ONLY NEW ITEMS CAN BE ACCEPTED AT THIS TIME

\*List subject to change based on supply and demand. Please check this website regularly for the most up to date info.

[www.Chicago.gov/support](http://www.Chicago.gov/support)

- New hygiene kit items (toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo)
- Feminine hygiene products: Preference for sanitary pads and pantyliners
- Reusable bags (e.g., duffle bags and suitcases)
- Backpacks
- Bath towels
- Baby bottles
- Baby carriers
- Baby formula
- Pedialyte
- Diapers
- Baby wipes
- Blankets
- Nail clippers
- Pack n' plays
- Razors
- Hairbrushes
- Chapstick
- Ace bandages
- Antibacterial cream
- Antifungal cream
- Band-aids (all sizes)
- Calamine lotion
- Calcium antacid (e.g., Tums)
- First aid tape
- Gauze
- Heartburn medication (Famotidine)
- Hydrocortisone cream
- Tylenol/Ibuprofen
- Toys and activity books
- New clothing for adults (including cold weather clothing) : Urgent need for smaller sizes
- New clothing for children: 6 months-teens
- Underwear for adults: Urgent need for smaller sizes xs-m
- Underwear for children and teens
- Sports bras: Urgent need for smaller sizes xs-m
- Pre-adolescent bras
- Pajamas for women and children
- Comfortable shoes: Children all sizes , Men (sizes 8-10), Women (sizes 6-9)
- Socks : All sizes baby to adult

# CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



CROP WALK!!! HELP END HUNGER - ONE STEP AT A TIME –

This year the host church is: Northfield Community Church,  
400 Wagner Rd., Northfield

Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022, 12:00 Check in, Walk at 12:30

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!!

The event starts with checking in at 12:00-12:30. Walk begins at 12:30 p.m. You can walk any distance up to 5k. All proceeds are used by Church World Service to provide food, medical care, disaster relief, provide water wells in remote villages, 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 the Northfield and West Deerfield Township Food Pantries. Last years walk raised \$30,577.28! Help to beat it this year. The walk itself, in addition to the results, is a rewarding experience for all.

Participate by joining the GUMC team, donating, securing donors, and/or walking.

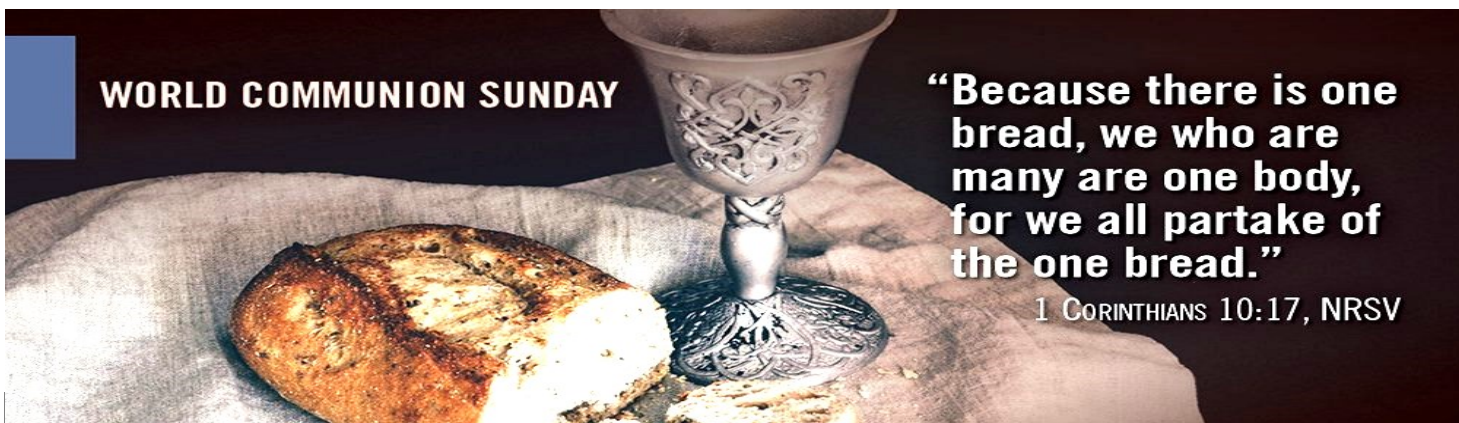
Register online [www.events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/glenbrook](http://www.events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/glenbrook)

or if you wish, in the Sunday collection; (make checks to Church World Service or CWS – memo CROP Walk).

## Be There.

The annual church conference of Glenview UMC will be on October 26 (Wednesday) at 6:30pm with the SPRC and 7pm with the leaders and members. DS Brittany will lead the meetings.

### WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



**“Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.”**

1 CORINTHIANS 10:17, NRSV

**October 2 at 10:00**

**Traditional Communion Worship Service**

Holy Communion joins us in Christian unity. This sacrament invites us to focus on the holiness of communion with God and one another. On World Communion Sunday - United Methodists, in conjunction with other denominations and believers worldwide, participate in communion to recognize our unity in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Be sure to partake in this universal and inclusive connection.

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

10/1 Kyle Smith  
10/6 Maya Naber  
10/6 Tom Urban  
10/7 Paula Cordell  
10/10 Barb Hillis  
10/11 Jayden DeBaker  
10/11 Nora Welter  
10/13 Lauren Gersten  
10/16 Sean Conlin  
10/18 Maggie Schnackenberg  
10/24 Nancy Corbige  
10/25 Mac Ramos  
10/27 Vince Vasquez  
10/30 Sarah Stasen

10/4 Deloris Volkman  
10/6 Kathy Sawicz  
10/7 Georgia Baker  
10/9 James Villaflor  
10/10 Nate Meyer  
10/11 Susan Urban  
10/11 Lincoln Williams  
10/14 Emma Sailer  
10/17 Romeo Gimeno  
10/19 Sydney Gwozdz  
10/24 Atticus Ludwig  
10/26 Libby Krcik  
10/28 Rosemary Velez  
10/31 Chris Field



10/12 Leo Holzhuetter  
10/14 Patty Stryker  
10/18 Michelle Cummings  
10/23 Kathy Heetland  
10/25 Scott Dahnert  
10/27 Alice Goodspeed  
10/29 Chuck Potter  
10/31 Ralph Hansen

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

10/5 Della and Bob Deme  
10/6 Linda and Dave Kleckner  
10/12 Pat and Jim Glass  
10/21 Wanda and Bob Frye

10/5 Joanne and Robert Rothermel  
10/6 Alice Joyce and Mathew Kowski  
10/12 Elyce and David Ventura  
10/30 Tracy and Howard Tweddle, III

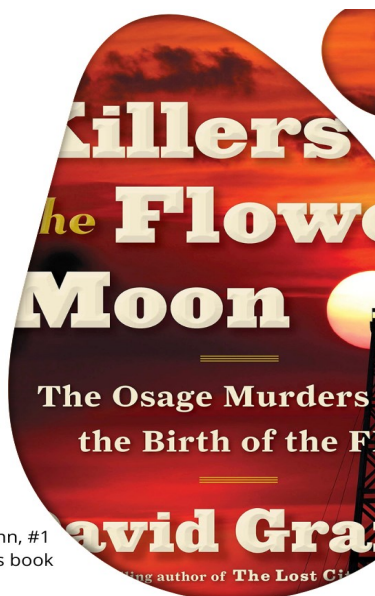


#### BOOK club

**OCTOBER 4**

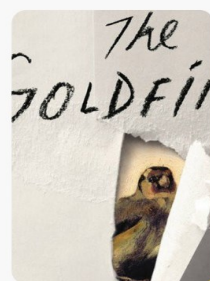
**7:00 P.M.**

## KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON



From New Yorker staff writer David Grann, #1 New York Times best-selling author. This book is a twisting, haunting true-life murder mystery about one of the most monstrous crimes in American history.

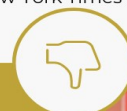
**NOVEMBER BOOK CLUB**  
**DISCUSSIN NOV. 1 @**  
**7:00 P.M.**



## THE GOLDFINCH

By Donna Tart

“A young New Yorker grieving his mother's death is pulled into a gritty underworld of art and wealth in this "extraordinary" and beloved Pulitzer Prize winner that "connects with the heart as well as the mind" (Stephen King, New York Times Book Review).



Everyone is welcome! Whether you've come to the book discussion before or this will be your first time, whether you finished the book or are halfway through ... come and join the discussion!



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