



We are a Reconciling Congregation!

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

REMINDER:

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.

The parlor is also open to hear the worship service every Sunday; and Room 9 is open for parents and their young children to watch and hear the service.

***EPIPHANY OF THE LORD SUNDAY
NEW YEAR'S DAY***

January 1, 2023

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

From Heaven Above to Earth I Come
From Heaven Above to Earth I Come
See the Eastern Star
(Puerto Rican Carol)

arr. James Engel
arr. Ernst Pepping
arr. Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME

***OPENING PRAYER (unison)**

O God, Searcher of all our hearts, you have formed us as a people and claimed us for your own. As we come to acknowledge your sovereignty and grace, and to enter anew into covenant with you, reveal any reluctance or falsehood within us. Let your Spirit impress your truth on our inmost being, and receive us in mercy, for the sake of our Mediator, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(David Tripp)

***HYMN**

The First Noel

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LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: Let us give thanks for all of God's mercies. O God, our Covenant Friend, you have been gracious to us through all the years of our lives. We thank you for your loving care, which has filled our days and brought us to this time and place.

People: We praise your holy name, O God.

Leader: You have given us life and reason and set us in a world filled with your glory. You have comforted us with family and friends and ministered to us through the hands of our sisters and brothers.

People: We praise your holy name, O God.

Leader: You have filled our hearts with a hunger after you, and have given us your peace. You have redeemed us, and called us to a high calling in Christ Jesus. You have given us a place in the fellowship of your Spirit and the witness of your Church.

People: We praise your holy name, O God.

Leader: You have been our light in darkness and a rock of strength in adversity and temptation. You have been the very Spirit of joy in our joys and all-sufficient reward in all our labors.

People: We praise your holy name, O God.

Leader: You remembered us when we forgot you. You followed us even when we tried to flee from you. You met us with forgiveness when we returned to you. For all your patience and overflowing grace.

People: We praise your holy name, O God.

MUSIC

We Three Kings
Ryan Granzow, cello

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT *Jeremiah 31:31-34* (Pew Bible p. 1227)

*GOSPEL *John 15:1-8* (Pew Bible p. 1676)

SERMON *Covenant in Our Flesh* Rev. Eun-Hye Choi

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN *Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine* 606

WESLEY'S COVENANT SERVICE (from the United Methodist Book of Worship)
Invitation

Commit yourselves to Christ as his servants.

Give yourselves to him, that you may belong to him.

Christ has many services to be done.

Some are easier and more honorable, others are more difficult and disgraceful.

Some are suitable to our inclinations and interests, others are contrary to both.

In some we may please Christ and please ourselves. But then there are other works where we cannot please Christ except by denying ourselves.

It is necessary, therefore, that we consider what it means to be a servant of Christ.

Let us, therefore, go to Christ, and pray:

**Let me be your servant, under your command.
I will no longer be my own.
I will give up myself to your will in all things.**

Be satisfied that Christ shall give you your place and work.

**Lord, make me what you will.
I put myself fully into your hands:
put me to doing, put me to suffering,
let me be employed for you, or laid aside for you,
let me be full, let me be empty,
let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and with a willing heart
give it all to your pleasure and disposal.**

Christ will be the Savior of none but his servants.
He is the source of all salvation to those who obey.
Christ will have no servants except by consent;
Christ will not accept anything except full consent to all that he requires.
Christ will be all in all, or he will be nothing.
Confirm this by a holy covenant.

To make this covenant a reality in your life, listen to these admonitions:
First, set apart some time, more than once, to be spent alone before the Lord.
Second, be serious and in a spirit of holy awe and reverence.
Third, claim God's covenant, rely upon God's promise of giving grace and strength,
so you can keep your promise. Trust not your own strength and power.
Fourth, resolve to be faithful. You have given to the Lord your hearts, you have opened
your mouths to the Lord, and you have dedicated yourself to God.
With God's power, never go back.
And last, be then prepared to renew your covenant with the Lord.

MUSIC

Heirlooms
Becky Netherland, solo

Amy Grant

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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Invitation/Prayer of Confession

Great Thanksgiving/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 of the Bread and the Cup

Prayer

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

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COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

OFFERING OUR THANKS AND OURSELVES

All loose coins and singles in the offering plates in January will go to World Relief.

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

In Dulci Jubilo

J. S. Bach

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

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### USHER: Curtis Corbige

*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.*

*We follow the United Methodist Safe Sanctuaries guidelines as part of our child protection policy.*

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## **COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

### **BOOK CLUB FOR JANUARY -**

On Tuesday, January 3, we will be discussing "The Island of Sea Women" by Lisa Lee. Meg Pyterek will be leading the discussion. Everyone is invited to the parlor at 7 p.m. on 1/3. Start out the new year with a new book!

### **ADULT STUDY ON THE LECTIONARY -**

We will begin a new study on Wednesday mornings via Zoom at 10 am beginning January 11. Our worship (music, scripture readings and sermon) follow the Common Lectionary cycle since the Advent of 2022. This Lectionary study group will read and discuss each week's Scripture readings before Sunday worship. The United Methodist Lectionary book (\$25/copy) will be in the church office for your purchase. Or you can order it at Cokesbury by searching "The United Methodist Music & Worship 2022-2023. Pastor Eun-Hye will email each week's readings to the participants for people who don't have the book. So, you can participate in this study group with or without the book. You only need a Bible. This Lectionary Study group will start on January 11 (Wednesday) at 10 am on zoom. To get the zoom link, please contact Pastor Eun-Hye at [echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:echoi@glenviewumc.org).

### **ADULT STUDY ON ANXIETY AND GRIEF -**

We will begin a new group via Zoom on Thursday evenings at 7 pm beginning January 12. There is a revolutionary approach to understanding and healing the impact of loss by connecting anxiety and grief. This Support Group is for people who had a loss of a loved one recently or a long time ago and experience anxiety since the loss. This Support Group will meet with the book, "Anxiety: The Missing Stage of Grief" by Claire Bidwell Smith who is a hospice grief counselor. This support group will follow the contents and suggestions of the book to begin the healing process. The book will be in the church office for \$18/copy or you can order it online. The group will start on January 12. Please tell anyone who you think may benefit from this support group. Unaddressed or prolonged grief can cause anxiety, panic attacks, and other emotional hardships. Please contact Pastor Eun-Hye at [echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:echoi@glenviewumc.org) to get the zoom link.

### **THE ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF SPONSORED BY OUR GUMYOUTH**

will be held on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> in our social hall. Please let Greg and Beth Peterson know you will be bringing your favorite recipe to join in on this fun event to help raise funds for our Youth's ASP Summer Mission Trip. Start going through your favorite cook books/recipes to find the best, hottest, most original chili!!!

### **UPPER ROOM FOR JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2023**

is available in the narthex and by the church office.

### **THE MITTEN & MORE TREE IS HERE! NEXT SUNDAY IS THE LAST DAY FOR COLLECTIONS!**

Please leave your donations of mittens, scarves, hats, gloves, woolly socks, slippers, earmuffs, sweaters, blankets, etc. on the tree in the back of the sanctuary. Periodically during the Christmas season, your gifts will be delivered to our sister church for Olivet's Warming Ministry for all ages and their "Serving our Seniors (SOS)" program for community elders. Your donations may also be placed in the collection bins near the social hall and the church office. The tree will be up through Jan. 8.

### **REFUGEE UPDATE - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The Glenview UMC has committed to sponsor a refugee family for 6 months. World Relief, a refugee resettlement agency, will set up an apartment for them. A team of 3-6 volunteers from GUMC would be needed to help the family assimilate into their new homeland. There are various needs a volunteer can help with; i.e. help them learn English, take them shopping and doctor's appointments, etc. Training is provided. If interested in volunteering, please contact Ethel Doyle at 847-975-0361.

**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 congregant's family (with their permission). We need your help in order to offer ours. Pastor Eun-Hye: [Echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Echoi@glenviewumc.org); Office: [Office@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Office@glenviewumc.org); 847-729-1015.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2023!**

We invite the congregation to commemorate a special occasion, such as a birthday, anniversary or a child's special achievement by hosting the altar flowers on Sunday. On your flower Sunday, a note commemorating your event will be published in the Sunday Bulletin. Of course, "To the Glory of God" is always a good choice too. There is a small fee of \$45 for the flowers and you may take them home to enjoy following the service. Call the church office to reserve your Sunday.

### **IF YOU'D LIKE TO BE A PART OF THE WORSHIP EXPERIENCE,**

we can use a few more ushers. You would only have to usher less than one time a month. If you are interested, please call Doris Stengl in the church office.

**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, etc..

### **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.

### **LOOSE COINS AND SINGLES**

in the offering plates during January, February and March will go to World Relief. They are a global Christian humanitarian organization that brings sustainable solutions to the world's greatest problems--disasters, extreme poverty, violence, oppression and mass displacement. They partner with over 6,000 local churches and community leaders in the United States and abroad to bring hope, healing and transformation to the most vulnerable. They are bringing help and comfort to asylum seekers throughout the world. For more information, go to [worldrelief.org](http://worldrelief.org). If you'd like to give more, on your check just write "world relief" on the memo line.

### **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: January 1 - January 8, 2023**

**Tuesday:** 10 am Staff meeting via Zoom  
11 am Prayer Shawl meeting, choir room  
7 pm Book Club, parlor

**Wednesday:**

**Thursday:**

### **Next Sunday:**

10 am Worship, Sunday school and Confirmation  
4:30 GUMYouth, social hall