



We are a Reconciling Congregation!

<u>Grow, Play and Serve with a people with</u> 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.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 5, 2023 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE Two Preludes on 'Rockingham' C.H.H. Parry and Kenneth Leighton

WELCOME

All children K-5th grade are invited to go to Sunday school.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We have come here, not because we have all the answers,

People: but because Christ Jesus has made us the companions of this journey.

Leader: We have come, not because we are better than others,

People: but because we know that God does not reject fools or sinners.

Leader: We have come, not because our lives always run smoothly but because by faith

we journey together,

People: through highlands and lowlands towards a promised land.



LENTEN CANDLE

Confession Prayer (unison)

God of all mercy, you call us to venture out from our comfortable spaces so that we might be a blessing to others. Yet too often we fear the difficult places where your blessing is needed most. Your love for the whole world is wide and extravagant. Yet too often we make it narrow by false limits of our own. In your mercy, forgive us, in your grace, free us, in your love, renew us, that we may dwell in your love and serve your gracious will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Extinguishing second candle.

Response



PSALTER

Psalm 121
Lindsay Kleckner, cantor

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 12:1-4a (Pew Bible p. 17)

MUSIC God So Loved the World K. Lee Scott

*GOSPEL John 3:1-17 (Pew Bible p. 1649)

*Gospel Acclamation



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

People: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN Your Love, O God 120

SERMON Out of the Shadows Beau Surratt

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Invitation/Prayer of Confession and Pardon

Great Thanksgiving

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.

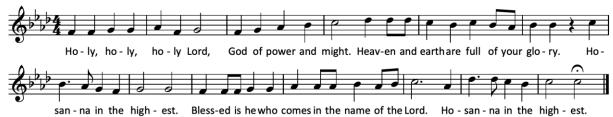
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of the universe, you created us from dust, and breathed into us the breath of life.

You made us for relationship, with you and with each other, but so often we view the world through the lens of our own desires, pride, and vanity.

When we forget our origins in the soil, and hold ourselves as more valuable than others, you gently humble us, reminding us of our place in the universe, calling us to honor all the life you have created, setting us free from the tyranny of self-importance.

Together with those who have gone back to the dust and those who share your breath of life still today, we praise you with this song:



Blessed is Jesus, born of stardust and Spirit, created and called to remind us that we are your beloved children, and so is everyone else.

He walked a humble path with the poor and lowly, and reminded those who had any form of power that they were responsible for their treatment of others.

Through his life, suffering, death, and resurrection, he bore witness to your saving love for all people.

On the night before Jesus gave up his life, he had dinner with his friends.

And taking the bread, simple gift of the earth, he gave thanks, blessed and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

"Take and eat of the bread of life. As the grain is crushed and the loaf torn apart, so my body will be broken, a sign of God's self-giving love and presence with all who suffer.

Each time you eat this bread, remember me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Take and drink of the cup of salvation: as the grape is crushed, so my blood is poured out as a sign of the new covenant of forgiveness and compassion. Remember me, whenever you drink this cup."

And so, remembering your life-giving work in Jesus Christ, we joyfully re-dedicate ourselves to your purposes, seeking to let our lives become a sign of your power to transform and make all things new, as together we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Breathe your Spirit of life into us again today, God, and bless these gifts of bread and cup. May they remind us to keep turning our lives toward you, following the example of Jesus as we seek to become the Body of Christ in the world, witnessing to your life-giving love.

By your Spirit draw us into right relationship, in unity with Christ and with all the saints, inviting all people to be transformed and made whole.



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 after Sharing

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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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 World Relief.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Chaconne in G Minor

Louis Couperin, arr. Joseph Bonnet

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

USHER: Chris Walters

Everyone is invited to join us in the parlor for fellowship prepared by the Fellowship Committee.

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.

COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR LENTEN "SOUP AND SUBSTANCE"

on Wednesday evenings from 6 - 7 p.m. in our narthex (right outside the sanctuary). We will share a light meal of soup and bread together and have a small study on "Jesus and Lessons from the Table".

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Please join us on Tuesday, February 7 at 11 a.m. in the choir room to knit or crochet a prayer shawl for someone who needs the loving warmth of God. If you would like to learn how to knit or crochet, please come.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Please join the ongoing Bible study on Wednesday mornings via Zoom at 10 am. Our worship (music, scripture readings and sermon) follow the Common Lectionary Cycle since Advent of 2022. This Lectionary study group will read and discuss each week's Scripture readings before Sunday worship. To get the zoom link, please contact Pastor Eun-Hye at echoi@glenviewumc.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Helping Hands of Glenview is seeking driver volunteers. The major volunteer activity with Helping Hands is driving senior and disabled residents to medical appointments, necessary shopping trips or personal care visits. This assistance is greatly appreciated and is a key ingredient in enabling seniors to remain in their own homes. Trips provided by our volunteers take no more than two hours and are usually within five miles one-way and never more than ten. A volunteer can drive as often or as seldom as desired. They need your help for as little as an hour a month to several hours a week. Add your name to the list of volunteers by calling Helping Hands at (847) 729-8181.

CONGREGATION TO HOST A RUMMAGE SALE!

Drop your rummage off between March 26 - March 30. The sale will be March 31st (1 - 7 p.m.) and April 1st (8 a.m. - noon). All of your donations are needed, and ask your friends and family start saving too. Please sign up to help before, during and/or after. Sign ups can be easily made through Sign Up Genius www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f4aaaa92ea02-rummage#/. Just go to the website and register. You can go back in and change your sign ups at any time. You will also get a reminder email. You can sign up in person on Feb. 26; there will be a poster in the hallway beginning 2/27; or email Janet Conlin at janetplnit1@comcast.net. Thank you for donating both your rummage and your time!

BOOK CLUB IN MARCH

will be discussing "Just One Damned Thing after Another" by Jodi Taylor. Leading the discussion will be Sarane Siewerth. Come join us on Tuesday, March 7th at 7 p.m. in the parlor.

GUMC'S NEW NEIGHBOR FAMILY

World Relief has assigned a 4-member refugee family from Angola for GUMC's care; Isaac, Mangala, their son, Sergio 11 and daughter Amelia 9. Their primary language is Portuguese. They are a lovely family and very much appreciate the friendship and fellowship of GUMC. The children are in school, the parents are in ESL classes. The GUMC trained volunteers will be visiting them weekly and helping in every way possible. Thank you all for your love, support and prayers. See the March Visitor for more details.

SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP -

If you would like to provide treats and juice after worship on a Sunday, please call the church office and schedule a Sunday. The coffee will be made, and the tables will be out in the parlor. Fellowship helps us to know one another better, make connections.

UPPER ROOM

for March/April is available on the literature rack in the narthex and the rack outside the church office.

LOOSE COINS AND SINGLES

in the offering plates during 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. If you'd like to give more, on your check just write "world relief" on the memo line.

OUR FOOD PANTRIES ARE IN NEED OF:

canned soup/ fruit/chicken, oatmeal, pancake mix, coffee, tea, juice boxes, beef stew, chili, applesauce, jelly, 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, 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: March 5 - March 12, 2023

Today: 11 am Coffee Fellowship, parlor **Tuesday:** 10 am Staff meeting via Zoom

11 am Prayer Shawl group, choir room

7 pm Book Club, parlor

Wednesday: 10 am Ongoing Adult Bible Study via Zoom

6-7 pm "Soup and Substance" (Jesus and Breadcrumbs)

7 pm Adult Choir rehearsal, choir room

Saturday: 10 am Women in Faith Board meeting, parlor

MOVE YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD ONE HOUR - DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Next Sunday: Third Sunday in Lent

10 am Worship, Sunday school and Confirmation

11 am Fellowship, parlor

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