



We are a Reconciling Congregation!

Connecting with others through Mission, Music and Ministry!

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 2, 2023

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

Paul Johnston

*WELCOME

*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Come, gracious God, we enter this place out of a broken, hurting and often violent world -- where we lay blame, you O Lord are gracious and full of compassion, and when we respond in anger, you O Lord are slow to anger and rich in love. When the world we experience is too much for us, your love is greatest. Thank you for inviting us into your gracious presence. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

*HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

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ASP COMMISSIONING

(see insert)

Please keep the following young adults and leaders in your prayers as they leave on July 8 for Knott County, Kentucky: Linda Kleckner, Lindsay Kleckner, Beth Peterson, Maddie Peterson, Spencer Peterson, Ed Porrett, Kate Ribordy, Tim Walters.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT

Romans 6:16-23

(Pew Bible p. 1754)

MUSIC	<i>Soon and Very Soon</i> David Kleckner, solo	Andrae Crouch
*GOSPEL	<i>Matthew 10:40-42</i>	(Pew Bible p. 1512)
Leader:	The word of God for the people of God.	
People:	Thanks be to God.	
*HYMN	<i>Thy Word Is a Lamp</i>	601
SERMON	<i>A Cup of Cold Water to Appalachia</i>	Rev. Eun-Hye Choi

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Great Thanksgiving for Independence Day

Invitation

People across this country will come together around tables: picnic tables, kitchen tables, dining tables... and whether it was BBQ, fried chicken, Mom's favorite homemade dish, hot dog stand, potluck, whatever is in the pantry or whatever they can afford, many pause to remember the value of independence and hopefully enjoy the company of friends and loved ones. Today we gather around another table to remember what true freedom really means. All are invited to this Table of Freedom. You don't have to earn it or fight for it. You simply have to accept the chair pulled up already for you. Yet, as we prepare ourselves for this feast, we are called to admit the complexity that lies at the edges of our celebrations.

Prayer of Confession

For all the ways we colonize each other with expectations, beliefs, judgments, and our own fear...

God, in your mercy, forgive and transform.

For all the ways we squander right relationship grabbing to "have" more while some go without.

God, in your mercy, forgive and transform.

For all the ways we abuse our freedom engaging hateful speech towards those not on "our" side.

God, in your mercy, forgive and transform.

For all the ways we deny equality deeming some "in" and others "out."

God, in your mercy, forgive and transform.

Silence

Words of Assurance

Jesus said, "I have come to set the prisoner free."

No matter what binds you this day, freedom is yours through new life in Christ.

In the name of him who came to loose the chains, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, set free. Glory to God! Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Liberating God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts with joy.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give praise to the Author of Freedom.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and holy thing,
to give our praise to you this day.
Liberator of all Humankind.
You unleashed your creative power and a world blossomed.
You bestowed upon every living thing life and breath, color and movement.
No matter how many battles we wage within and between ourselves and against you,
your promise, vision and gift of peace and abundance continues.

And so we lift up our voices in celebration of You.

Holy, holy, holy are You.

We join all the prophets and saints.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We join the parade of justice.

Blessed are they who come in the name of the Lord.

We add our cries and exclamations.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you and blessed is your son, Jesus.

To those who were imprisoned by status, law, illness, poverty, gender, age, disease,
he said, "your belief has set you free. You are a child of God."

He invited disciples, friends, and strangers alike to his tables.

He proclaimed God's grace to all with whom he broke bread.

He proclaimed God's love to all with whom he shared the cup.

And he told us to remember: freedom has come.

Holy Spirit, transform this meal and transform this body,

so that we might be free to love without condition,

invite without hesitance, go without reservation and proclaim your freedom to all the world.

Let the people say, "**Amen!**"

(This Great Thanksgiving prayer is by Dr. Macia McFee and used with her permission.)

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

Music

Prayer after the Sharing

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

America the Beautiful

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COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

OFFERING OUR THANKS AND OURSELVES

All loose coins and singles in the offering plates during July will go to Midwest Mission Distribution Center.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

WE THANK Jan Hutchins for playing the piano in the service today.

USHER: Steve Ellis

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*Everyone is invited to join us in the parlor for fellowship provided 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.*

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## **COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

### **WE WANT TO GIVE TOM TOBIN A LOVE GIFT**

for his 35 years of ministry and faithfulness to this church when he retires on July 9. Please send your gift to the church office no later than July 5.

### **THE ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENT**

is given by Sarane Siewerth and Anna Parry in loving memory of Priscilla Nutt.

### **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Please join us on Monday, July 3 (note date change) 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.

### **NEXT BOOK CLUB WILL BE HELD IN AUGUST (TAKING MONTH OF JULY OFF)**

We will be discussing "A Gentleman in Moscow" by Amor Towles.

### **UPPER ROOM FOR JULY/AUGUST**

is available in the narthex or by the church office.

### **SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

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

### **LOOSE COINS AND SINGLES**

in the offering plates during July, August & September will go to Midwest Mission Distribution Center which opened in Chatham, Illinois in 2000. Since then everything has been done with donations of time, money and needed items. These have come from individuals, churches, groups and volunteer labor. It has shown God's love in practical ways through the distribution of education, health, micro-business and disaster relief supplies meeting basic needs here and around the world. Our church is a drop-off location for this area. If you'd like to give more, you may send a check with #50000150 on the memo line.

### **NEED A HELPER?**

For gardening, lawn care, house cleaning, etc? GUMC's sponsored asylum seeker husband and wife are happy to help and are to be paid a minimum of \$15/hr. Contact Ethel Doyle to make arrangements 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@glenviewumc.org](mailto:office@glenviewumc.org); 847-729-1015.

### **DONATE TO THE FOOD PANTRY!**

When you do your shopping, pick up a few extra items to donate. Always needed: canned soup, canned fruit, oatmeal, canned meats, pancake mix, chili, pasta, applesauce, coffee/tea, juice/juice boxes, sugar, flour, rice, tuna, oil, etc.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

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. Call the church office to reserve your Sunday.

**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.

**WOMEN'S WELLNESS WEEKEND - SEPTEMBER 29, 30, OCTOBER 1 - DETAILS TO FOLLOW!****HOW TO STAY CONNECTED TO GUMC!**

**The monthly Visitor:** A once-a-month publication that outlines the entire month of offerings at GUMC. Please call or email the church office with your address.

**Connections:** An electronic news brief delivered directly to your email each Thursday morning. It includes the week's events, urgent prayer requests, photos of our church family in ministry, and losses in our church family. Visit [www.glenviewumc.org](http://www.glenviewumc.org) to sign up with our secure server or email the church office.

**Facebook:** Status updates that are happening at GUMC. Photos, press releases and reminders. Find and "like" our page on Facebook under "Glenview United Methodist Church".

**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:****July 2 - July 9, 2023**

**Today:** 11 am Fellowship, parlor  
**Monday:** 11 am Prayer Shawl group, parlor (note date change)  
**Tuesday:** ***Happy Fourth of July***  
**Saturday:** 8:00 am ASP Group leaves for Knott County, Kentucky

**Next Sunday:**

10 am Worship and Tom Tobin's last Sunday with us  
11 am Goodbye Celebration for Tom, choir room