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***We are a Reconciling Congregation!***

***Connecting with others through Mission, Music and Ministry!***

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**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 8 is open for parents and their young children to watch and hear the service.

***KICK OFF SUNDAY***  
***Connecting with others!***  
**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 10, 2023**

**10:00 a.m.**

**GATHERING**

PRELUDE *Praeludium in C Major* J. S. Bach

INTROIT *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* arr. Fettke

\*WELCOME

\*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

**Oh God, draw us closer to one another so that we may be closer to you, and closer to you that we may be closer to each other. Then may the fellowship of worship embolden us, and the joy of worship enable us. Through your Son you have taught the wise to speak softly, the strong to serve gently, and the humble to walk boldly. O God, bring us also into the ways of Jesus, so that we may achieve less than our ego demands, yet much more than that which in our own strength is possible. We pray through the love of Christ our Lord.**

\*OPENING HYMN *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love* 2223

## TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Beth Peterson

Response *You Are My All in All*

*You are my strength when I am weak*

*You are the treasure that I seek*

*You are my all in all*

*Chorus:*

*Jesus Lamb of God*

*Worthy is your name*

*Jesus Lamb of God*

*Worthy is your name*

(sung as the children come forward)

## TEACHER RECOGNITION

We want to acknowledge our Sunday school and Confirmation teachers and the helpers of our children for the upcoming year: Susanne Rudolph, Robin Woitesek, Beth and Greg Peterson (Confirmation), Maddie Peterson, Owen Cummings, Keira Read and Brielle Doherty.

(Children may leave to be a part of the children's activity in the social hall.)

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT

*Romans 13:8-14*

(Pew Bible p. 1765)

MUSIC

*Here I Am, Lord*

Schulte

\*GOSPEL

*Matthew 18:15-20*

(Pew Bible p. 1527)

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Deeply Connected Community*

Rev. Eun-Hye Choi

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have a special prayer request, please write it on the card and place it in the offering baskets at the exits.*

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.*

## SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

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### COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Introduce Cindy Applebee; Discussion on Anti-Racism Group  
Ministry of Membership Engagement and Outreach (see insert)

Linda Duback  
Scott Daniels

### OFFERING OUR THANKS AND OURSELVES

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

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Celebration!*

arr. Bradley

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

***WE WELCOME CINDY APPLEBEE as our new Director of Music.***

**USHER: Mark Rowlands**

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*Everyone is invited to join us outside for our annual Kick Off Sunday BBQ.  
Come to the social hall and get your food and then  
we'll be sitting under the social hall eaves and out by the garden.*

*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.*

### COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

#### **MANY THANKS**

*to all our talented musicians, singers, and instrumentalists who shared their time and talents  
this summer to provide music for our worship services. Sincerely, Jan Hutchins*

#### **THE ALTAR ARRANGEMENT**

is from Jan and Tom Hutchins to welcome families and friends back for another church year and to welcome our new Director of Music, Cindy Applebee.

#### **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.

#### **OCTOBER BOOK CLUB WILL BE A MOVIE REVIEW!**

We will be going to see the movie "Killers of Flower Moon" later in October. Details to follow.

## **Membership Engagement and Outreach Participation and Information Request**

Our Church has taken a significant step in shaping its identity within the community by introducing a fresh set of core values that encapsulate the essence of GUMC. These guiding principles — “Connecting with Others through Mission, Music, and Ministries” — embody our commitment to fostering meaningful connections. This endeavor holds immense importance as it not only sustains but also elevates the experiences of our current and future members on their spiritual journey at the Glenview United Methodist Church.

To address this crucial mission, our Church is establishing the Ministry of Member Engagement and Outreach, to delve into pivotal inquiries to fortify our church's essence. To do so, a warm invitation is extended to every member of our congregation to lend their wisdom, experience, vigor, and dedication to this exhilarating journey. We earnestly invite you to become a part of this transformative Ministry. Will you join us in shaping the future of GUMC?

For those among our cherished GUMC members who are eager to participate, please provide your name and contact information below:

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_
- Finally, please tell us how you would like to be connected with others at the GUMC, or provide any thoughts on programs or activities you would like to see happen or participate in: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please drop this off or send it via email to the Church office, by Tuesday, September 19, 2023. The inputs will be summarized for the next edition of the Visitor. Thank you for your service to the Glenview United Methodist Church!

Scott Daniels  
Ministry of Membership Engagement and Outreach

### **WOMEN'S WELLNESS WEEKEND**

is approaching soon, and we are eager to invite all women 18 and above to join us in this fun, relaxing and friendship filled weekend. Our presentation topic and discussion is "No More Faking Fine", which we hope will appeal to everyone, and there will be more free time on Saturday afternoon to relax and enjoy friendships. The dates of the weekend are Sept. 29 - Oct. 1 and we are hoping that old friends and new will join us for this lovely weekend. Please sign up after church or contact Kathy Sawicz ([kpsawicz@aol.com](mailto:kpsawicz@aol.com)) for a registration form. (There will also be a half day Saturday program on Oct. 14 for those who can't make it up to Wisconsin.) We are looking forward to seeing you there!

### **LUNCH BUNCH WOULD LIKE TO START AGAIN!**

We hope to get a group together once a month on a Monday to go out to eat. We'd like some ideas on restaurant choices. Please send the office some of your suggestions of restaurants you'd like to go to so we can make a plan.

### **ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

will begin on Wednesdays, starting October 4, at 10 a.m. in the choir room.

### ***"EVENING IN VENICE"***

is coming to the Glenview United Methodist Church on Saturday, October 21, 2023 from 6-9 p.m. It is a fundraising event for the church which will include a live presentation of an old-time radio program presented by Kay Harr and friends. An Italian inspired meal prepared by Curtis Corbige, which will include an assortment of appetizers, Chef Salad, a variety of pasta and sauces. A selection of desserts and beverages. A few Silent Auction items to bid on. All this for a wonderful price of \$25 per adult. A family rate of \$60 and children 12 and under \$10. There will be alternative programming for children to attend before and after dinner. Tickets available with credit card or check in the office or online at [www.glenviewumc.org](http://www.glenviewumc.org) - click "Donate" now then "Other".

### **COMING THIS JANUARY: THE PETS OF GUMC!**

Submit the highest quality photo of your pet to [jferrone@glenviewumc.org](mailto:jferrone@glenviewumc.org). 2024 calendars will be printed showcasing the family members we never get to see. Depending on participation, we may have TWO pets of each month. Photo submissions due by October 31 to insure printing by the new year. The calendars will be available for a small fee as a fundraiser for the Sunday Fellowship Committee. Let's have fun with this!

### **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, SINGLES AND DESIGNATED GIVING HELP WITH MAUI DISASTER RELIEF**

Since 2000, Midwest Mission Distribution Center, Pawnee, IL, a United Methodist organization, has responded to disasters with relief supplies, education, health items, etc., and are ready to help those in the Maui disaster. Your monetary donations allow MMDC to have funds to purchase items as the needs arise in Maui, as well as replenish supplies that will be shipped to Maui. If you'd like to give more, memo a check with "MMDC" or donate online at <http://www.glenviewumc.org/donate-online> and click on "Loose Coins". For an In-Kind Donations list go to: [midwestmission.org](http://midwestmission.org). Our church is a drop-off location for this area for supplies. In times like these, people need hope. Help us share God's love in a practical way.

### **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.

### MISSION COLLECTION OPPORTUNITIES

Please see the lists posted at the collection bins. The lists are of various items to help others in need. The listings represent Midwest Mission Dist. Center that helps in disasters and in the mission field and World Relief, Chicago helps the Chicago immigrant community.

### 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".

**UPPER ROOM for September/October is available 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.

### YOUR MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH IS IMPORTANT TO US.

\*If you need a listening ear, please reach out to Pastor Eun-Hye at [echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:echoi@glenviewumc.org).

\*To speak with someone anytime, call 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, available 24 hours.

\*In the Glenview area, the Family Service Center (FSC), located at 191 Waukegan Road is a place to turn. FSC provides high-quality therapeutic counseling for individuals and families, with expanded services to include clients within a wide range of ages, from preschoolers to older adults. Most insurance plans are accepted and fees are based on a subsidized fee scale. Call 847-251-7350 or visit [familyservicecenter.org](http://familyservicecenter.org).

### AN IMPORTANT REMINDER!

Should an emergency occur at any time in the building, please note the color-coded letter above each outside doorway. When calling fire or police departments, please note the letter above the closest door and relay that information when you call 911. All police and fire vehicles have this information:

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|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Office doorway</b>       | <b>Red A</b>    | <b>Sanctuary entrance</b> | <b>Green D</b>  |
| <b>Wesley east entrance</b> | <b>Yellow B</b> | <b>Preschool entrance</b> | <b>Purple E</b> |
| <b>Social Hall entrance</b> | <b>Blue C</b>   |                           |                 |

### DONATE TO THE FOOD PANTRY!

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

## 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 10 - September 17, 2023

**Today:** Picnic outside - please join us!  
**Monday:** 7 pm Eve Circle, parlor  
**Tuesday:** 9:15 am Ruth Circle, home of Wanda Frye  
10 am Staff Meeting, pastor's office  
7 pm Mission and Service Committee, choir room  
**Wednesday:** 7 pm Adult Choir rehearsal, choir room  
**Friday:** Serve at "A Just Harvest"  
**Saturday:** 8:30 Yoga, choir room  
10 am Memorial Service for John Tagtmeier

### Next Sunday:

10 am Worship, Bibles given to Sunday school and Confirmation, which starts today  
11 am Fellowship, parlor

### STAFF:

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