



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

There are large print hymnals and supplements in the back of the sanctuary on the table. You are welcome to use them during the service and then return them to the table after the service.

**FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY
NEW YEAR'S EVE**

December 31, 2023

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE *The Holly and the Ivy* arr. Chip Davis

INTROIT *We Three Kings* Ryan Granzow, cellist

*WELCOME

*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Radiant God, all nations are drawn to your light; all people proclaim your praise. You befriend the forsaken and the hated; you are the help of the oppressed; for you have come to us in Jesus Christ. We rejoice in your great love for the world, and rise to praise you, together with people of all nations. Glory be to you, O God! Amen.

*OPENING HYMN *Star-Child* 2095

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT *Isaiah 60:1-6* (Pew Bible p. 1155)

NEW TESTAMENT *Ephesians 3:1-12* (Pew Bible p. 1820)

MUSIC *The Little Drummer Boy / Peace on Earth*

*GOSPEL *Matthew 2:1-12* (Pew Bible p. 1497)

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*HYMN *We Three Kings* 254

SERMON *Journey after Journey* 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 *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* 251

COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

OFFERING OUR THANKS AND OURSELVES

*Please return your 2024 Pledge Card to the offering plates or to the church office as soon as possible!
All loose coins and singles in the offering plates will go to Care for Real.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Carol of the Bells*

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

*Everyone is invited to join us in the social hall for coffee/treats provided by  
Rev. Eun-Hye, Chris and Tim Walters.*

*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.*

*Are you visiting? Please sign the blue "Visitor" card in the pews, so we can get to know you,  
and put in offering plates.*

## **COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

### **CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE CHURCH FOR THE YEAR 2023**

must be dated 12-31-23 and in the church office by 1-8-24.

### **2024 OFFERING ENVELOPE BOXES ARE AVAILABLE.**

Call the church office, or stop by, to pick up a box.

### **FIFTH SUNDAY APPEAL TODAY.**

Your donation in the enclosed envelope supports United Voices for Children (UVC); and your generosity allows UVC to continue to champion these affiliated agencies that serve children, youth and families: Kids Above All, MYSI Corporation and Rosecrance.

### **THE 2024 PETS OF GUMC CALENDAR**

is now available for purchase on Sundays during coffee fellowship or in the church office Monday through Thursday 10 am to 2 pm. The suggested donation of \$10 is appreciated. The funds raised from this event will support coffee fellowship throughout the year on Sundays when there are no volunteers. Thank you for your support.



**USE THIS QR CODE TO DONATE TO YOUR CHURCH!**

### **CONTACTLESS DONATIONS**

Use your smartphone camera or QR reader app at top of announcements to quickly and safely make your donation to GUMC. With one quick scan of QR code above, you can send in a one-time donation or schedule recurring donations. Thank you for your generosity.

### **BOOK CLUB IS MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 AT 7 PM IN THE PARLOR.**

We will be discussing "Giovanni's Room" by James Baldwin. Everyone is invited to join us for a lively discussion on this book.

### **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE - MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024**

We are partnering with First UMC of Arlington Heights, 1903 East Euclid Ave., Arlington Heights for this event. Volunteering is a fun, feel good experience for all. We will begin the day with a short worship service at 10 am. Then you will have a choice of a number of family-friendly projects to help with - making Linus blankets, dog biscuits for a shelter, placemats for Meals on Wheels, sandwiches for The Night Ministry and more!. Make this a "day on, versus a day off"! Any questions, contact Ethel Doyle at 847-975-0391.

### **NEW CLASS ON BASICS OF CHRISTIANITY AND UNITED METHODISM!**

This class is for both long-time and new members. There will be 4 classes via zoom starting on January 18 (Thursday) beginning at 7 p.m. Class #1 - History of Christianity and Methodism; Class #2 (1/25) Theologies, politics and structures of UMC; Class #3 (2/1) History, politics and beliefs of Glenview UMC; Class #4 (2/8) Ministries and People of Glenview UMC. Please contact Pastor Eun-Hye at [echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:echoi@glenviewumc.org) or the church office to get the zoom link. Everyone is invited to join this class.

### **THE ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP CHART FOR 2024 IS IN THE SOCIAL HALL.**

Just sign your name by the date/s you'd like to have altar flowers and the office will call you the week before to see what you'd like to say in the bulletin. Beginning 1/1/2024, the price of the altar arrangements has been increased to \$50.00.

### **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP SIGN UP CHART FOR 2024 IS ALSO IN THE SOCIAL HALL.**

Pick the date/s that you'd like to make coffee and bring treats for the fellowship time after worship in the social hall. This is a much appreciated ministry that everyone enjoys.

**ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF IS COMING SOON - JANUARY 28**  
**Start looking for your favorite recipe - details coming soon!**

**DON'T FORGET OUR MITTENS AND MORE TREE IN THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY!**

Yes, in the back near the narthex door, there stands the tree for *Mittens and More*! Its boughs are spread out in bare limbed chic, with hopes that you'll fill them week after week. From today, through 12<sup>th</sup> Night (Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>) the Tree will be receiving your donations for our sister church, Olivet UMC'S Warming Ministry and Serving our Seniors programs for their neighbors in need, and for new immigrants throughout Chicagoland. Please deck the tree with your generous gifts of knitted and stitched mittens, mufflers, hats, gloves, coats, sweaters, socks, blankets and more.

**UPPER ROOM for January/February is available in the narthex or by the church office.**

**THIS WEEK: December 31, 2023 - January 7, 2024**

**Today:** 11 am Fellowship  
**Monday:** **New Year's Day** - church building closed  
**Tuesday:** 10 am Staff meeting, pastor's office  
**Wednesday:** 10 am Adult Study, choir room  
7 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, choir room

**Next Sunday:** 10 am Worship, Communion, Sunday school and Confirmation  
11 am Fellowship  
11 am Parents of 6-12<sup>th</sup> graders meeting, room 11/12  
11:30 am Finance Committee meeting, pastor's office

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