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Glenview United Methodist Church

THE VISITOR



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Friends,

It has been six years since I was appointed to Glenview UMC and Chris, Tim, and I moved to Glenview. On the first Sunday I fell in love with the beautiful sanctuary and the campus. I saw so much potential. I had a dream that our church became the center of the community for love and service. I believe that any village or neighborhood needs strong spiritual presences in addition to good schools, libraries, or parks, and our church is one of those presences. I give thanks to God for that. I can't say there were no challenges, but it has been fruitful and happy six years doing ministry with you. As a church you are wise, kind, open, and patient. You have so much to offer to one another and to the community. My family and I have been the main beneficiaries of your ministry of love and care. I thank you for that. I hope each of you finds support, joy, meaning, and love here, at Glenview UMC. I hope that our church is a safe place for you and your family to explore the deep faith and the direction of life.

At this six-year benchmark I will take a one-month sabbatical in July. Some of you asked me what I would do during the sabbatical. Chris and Tim will be on a trip to Scandinavian countries in the first two weeks of July and I will have quiet time at home for rest, reading, and writing. Then I will visit my family in California. I thank the guest preachers, worship leaders, and our staff who will take care of our worship and ministries. During my sabbatical, please contact the church office with your questions and needs. The office staff will guide you. Our church is in many good hands.

As the children of God the Creator, we believe that there is a season for everything. I hope and pray that you discern the season of your life and fulfill your journey. Someday we need to complete our journey and God is with us faithfully throughout the seasons.

Thanks be to God!

Eun-Hye Choi, pastor

**Let us remember the following
members in our prayers.**

**Marie Hoffman
Alice Ramos**



Please let us know if there is a concern
in your family.

Pastor Eun-Hye: Echoi@glenviewumc.org or
Office@glenviewumc.org

Baptisms!



We are happy to celebrate the
baptisms of Paul James,
Izabelle and Jaxson Janke.

They were surrounded by
friends and family who celebrated this event
with them. *May Janke family's journey of
faith be filled with love, hope, and endless
blessings.*



Some persons have given
jewelry, art, coin and
stamp collections,
antiques, mineral rights
and other personal
property to their church.

These gifts can be made during lifetime or at
death. There are certain tax advantages to
making these kinds of gifts. When the gifted
property is sold by the church, it can support
various causes of the church determined by
the donor.

Scam Alert!

What is a scam? A scam is any means
someone uses to get you to part with your
money. It is not always easy to spot a con or
scam artist.

But scammers know how to get around our
better judgment. They play on our emotions
or promise big payoffs to get us to act.
Scammers also pose as people, agencies, and
companies you know and trust. Scams can
occur over the telephone, through the mail,
over the internet, or in person, and you may
not be able to spot the scam artist until it is
too late.

Recently texts were sent to a few members
claiming to be Pastor Eun-Hye. They asked
for money and gift cards. Pastor Eun-Hye, or
anyone honest, will NEVER ask this of you. If
you receive a text from a fake Pastor Eun-Hye,
or anyone, please delete it and do not reply.

Thank You!

Thank you to the 30 members who attended
the church campus clean up day in June. The
kitchen was detailed and the stainless steel
counters and appliances shone like the sun.
The grounds were overhauled, weeded, and
cleaned. This group was an all ages band of
dedicated workers who wrestled cicadas and
buckthorn and came out the winners. Great
job by all!

Save The Date!!

Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024, 11:15 a.m. Social Hall – A big mission project for all age levels is coming to GUMC!! Midwest Mission Dist. Center is bringing Mission to us! We will be packing Rice and Soy Blessing Bags (Rice Meal Packs). (Similar to Feed My Starving Children's experience.) More information as time gets closer.

July Worship News!

July 7: Worship and Communion
Preacher: Rev. Steve Howland

July 14: Worship and Minutes for Mission
Preacher: Rev. Monica Isaac

July 21: Hymn Singing Sunday
Worship Leader: Cindy Applebee

July 28: Worship and Annual Conference Report; Preacher and worship leaders: Revs. Laura and Brad Underwood
Annual Conference report: Scott Daniels and Linda Duback

Sewers, Knitters, Crocheters

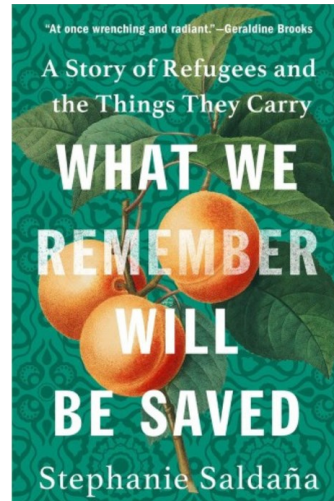
If you are interested in making handmade items for Midwest Mission to send around the world and around the corner, visit midwestmission.org/patterns or contact Ethel Doyle, she'll get the patterns for you. 847-975-0361

Book Club!

There will be NO Book Club in July or August.
September Book Discussion:

WHAT WE REMEMBER WILL BE SAVED

By Stephanie Saldana



Eggplant seeds, a lullaby in a vanishing language, an embroidered dress. When people flee their homes, the things they save speak of beauty and suffering and the indomitable human spirit.

Even if you haven't read any of the past books, feel free to read this and hop in on the discussion on September 10th. Everyone is welcome!

The Panzu Family

A call from the Panzu family, our Asylum Seeker family that we sponsored for 8 months in 2023, They moved to No. Carolina in January, to be near close friends and for good job opportunities. Natasha and Amelia called to say "Thank You for all you did for us." and "We Miss You. When can you come to visit us?" They are doing well in their new apartment and school. Isaac works full time for Amazon and Natasha works part time for them. Amelia and Sergio are comfortable in their new schools. If you would like to drop them a letter, card or note: The Panzu Family, 6620 Silver Crest Dr., Apt. 211, Charlotte, NC 28216

Volunteer

Make an impact that lasts.



At World Relief, no matter your age, passion or schedule, you can join in creating a community of welcome for refugees and immigrants across Chicagoland.

Choose the volunteering option that fits you best.

1 Build Long-Term Relationships

Through a weekly commitment, get to know immigrants and refugees personally at an ESL class or homework club. Or visit weekly with an individual or family in their home as a friendship partner, ESL tutor, youth tutor, or health advocate.

These roles do the months-long relational work that helps create a sense of belonging, connection to the local community, and adjustment to American life. Flexible times on weekdays, evenings, or weekends.

2 Meet Needs When You Can

Not able to commit to a weekly schedule? Use your available time to:

- Provide transportation to appointments or from the airport.
- Set up apartments for newly arriving families.
- Help with office projects at one of our offices.
- Help immigrants complete their citizenship applications at our clinics.

3 Serve One Time with a Group

Join with a group of friends, colleagues, or family to serve in a one-time opportunity. This includes participating in an advocacy activity, joining a conversation time with English language learners, sorting the donations in our warehouse, or holding a prayer walk or meeting.

4 Serve Long-Term with a Team

Join friends or fellow church members to partner with a refugee or asylum seeker family for 6 months. Offer them friendship, help them navigate life basics in America, and familiarize them with their community. Teams commit a financial gift to World Relief that contributes to rent assistance and other vital supports.

Click the QR code for more information and to sign up.



Questions?

Contact us at volunteerchicagoland@wr.org



Loose Coins and Singles

Howard Brown Health and Broadway Youth Center

Broadway Youth Center (BYC) is a safe haven for LGBTQ+ youth and young people experiencing homelessness or housing instability, offering integrated healthcare and social services to anyone ages 12 to 24. BYC sees anyone, regardless of ability to pay. Located in Uptown in Chicago, no appointments are necessary. Future newsletters will bring more information about this youth center. Rooted in LGBTQ+ health care, Howard Brown Health offers primary care, behavioral health and social services at 10 clinics across the city, regardless of ability to pay. Two clinics have recently had to close due to dramatically increased building rentals. But Howard Brown Health is committed to opening new clinics within 15 minutes of the closed services, continuing to provide necessary and quality care in the LGBTQ+ and poorer communities that need them.

“Howard Brown Health provides affirming healthcare and mobilizes for social justice. Howard Brown Health envisions a future where healthcare and transformative social policies actualize human rights and equity for all.” https://howardbrown.org/about_mission

Coins, singles or if more, a check to GUMC memo: Howard Brown or online to glenviewumc.org/donate
Mission & Service Ministry Committee

Here are our July birthdays and anniversaries. If you have a July birthday or anniversary and your name is not listed, please call the church office so we can update our records.

7/1 Anna Parry	7/3 Tita Gimeno	7/3 Kay Harr
7/4 Paula Stoddard	7/4 Valerie Tweddle	7/6 Paul Ellis
7/6 Susanne Rudolph	7/6 Linda Vassallo	7/7 Bill Murphy
7/7 Tracy Tweddle	7/8 Emma Yonkers	7/9 Melissa Gwozdz
7/9 Jim Locke	7/10 Tom Hutchins	7/13 Diann Campbell
7/14 Scott Daniels	7/15 Walter Meyer	7/17 Betsy Schweers
7/18 Jim Glass	7/19 Layla DeBaker	7/23 Wyatt Cummings
7/23 Susan Krcik	7/23 Beth Peterson	7/24 Tim Walters
7/25 Ryan Ellis	7/25 Joan Loyd	7/26 Jason DeBaker
7/26 Helen Jo Ellis	7/26 Maggie McCarron	7/28 Jean Losquadro

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

7/2 Katie and Matt Jones	7/5 Dee Ann and Paul Ellis	7/6 Sharon and Richard Espino
7/9 Beth and Greg Peterson	7/11 Annette and Tom Johnson	7/12 Cori and Jeff Mohr
7/12 Alisha and Chuck Potter	7/15 Helen Jo and Stephen Ellis	7/25 Linda and Dave Duback
7/25 Ann and Bob Rowlands	7/26 Patty and Daniel Stryker	7/28 Joy and Bill Forman
7/30 Kathy and Ted Sawicz		

Choir :musical_note: Joys

Called to Nurture! A Musical Celebration! What a joyous celebration of music! The diverse range of talents showcased by David McNulty, the Sanctuary Choir, Lindsay Klechner, Gabi Fiorenza, and Gabe Dudas truly enriched the worship experience. The vocalists, en-

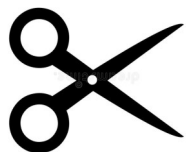
sembles, and instrumentalists came together to create a rich and meaningful gift of sound that lifted spirits and honored God.

This month, we celebrate with songs of communion, mission, favorite hymns and songs of praise. Please reach out if you would like to share your talents in voice, instrument or spoken word. You are important and gifted.

This month's celebrations will be filled with meaningful music! Songs of communion, mission, favorite hymns, and songs of praise will create a diverse and uplifting musical experience. We will continue to share our talents in voice, instrument, or spoken word—everyone's contributions will enrich the communal worship experience. We celebrate the importance of musical gifts each individual carries to Glenview United Methodist Church!

Ephesians 4:12:

And their calling is to nurture and prepare all the holy believers to do their own works of ministry, and as they do this they will enlarge and build up the body of Christ.



This month we need you to contribute a special hymn of praise to be shared at our service on Sunday, July 21st! Please list your favorite 3 hymns below:

1: _____

2: _____

3: _____

Return to the offering plate on Sunday or to the church office: M-Th 10-2.

Adventures with Beth and Greg

If the rest of this summer goes by as quickly as June has, we're going to be back in school before we know it! Although with as hot as June felt, maybe we'll welcome being inside with the A/C on! The veggie plants in the GUMY garden seem to be enjoying and thriving in the heat while I'm wilting in it! Excited to see how much our three beds produce for the Northfield Township Food Pantry!

Our GUMYouth Planning Meeting was canceled and rescheduled to July 8th at 7:30pm. We'll report on the results from that meeting in a July weekly E-News and Weekend Update.

At this writing, we are preparing for our first ever *Climate and Faith Youth Summit* hosted by us at GUMC. Our youth will present what they learned at a worship service sometime this summer.

Have a safe and happy Fourth of July! Maybe we'll see you out at the parade or the fireworks!

See you in Church!

Greg and Beth

Congratulations!

The GUMC Memorials Committee is pleased to announce that the GUMC Nilson College Scholarship will be awarded to **Fiona Doherty**. She graduates from Glenbrook South High School. Fiona will be attending University of Missouri this fall. Fiona is as of yet, undecided on her major.

Fiona participated in GBS Marching Band and Jr. year was voted drum major, conducting and leading the band students in this responsible and important roll. She had already been accepted in the University of Missouri marching band for next year. CONGRATULATIONS FIONA!

Sanctuary News!

Assisted Listening System for Church Sound: Did you know the Sanctuary has devices for use to aid in hearing during worship. Please see an usher on Sunday mornings to borrow one for worship.

Large print hymnals and bulletins are located on the offering plate table. Please return the hymnal after worship.



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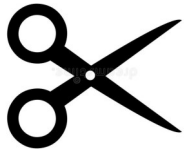
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BREAKING NEWS!

Breaking News; School Supplies Collection: We just learned that this year Olivet may be distributing school supplies as early as **Saturday, August 10 th** . Please begin picking up some school supplies as you do your shopping . For more info about the supplies, or if you want to learn about being one of the helpers at Olivet’s Back to School Block Party, contact Diana Berger (773-640-7812; palilaberger@sbcglobal net).



CPS List K-12:



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| Pencils | Glue sticks | Wide-ruled notebook paper |
| Pocket folders | Scissors | Additional folders |
| Notebook | Ruler | Dictionary |
| Crayons | Kleenex, paper towels | Calculator |
| Washable markers | Watercolor paints | Assignment notebook |
| Pencil-top erasers | Sketch pads | |
| Supply box | Spiral notebooks | |