

OCTOBER, 2024

## GLENVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# THE VISITOR



### FROM THE PASTOR

Friends,

If you ask me, I feel less distracted and confused and more hopeful and grateful in this season of cultural and political whirlpools. I want to say I am hopeful not because I get what I want, but because I see more and more people working on building bridges for better communication and peace and practicing resolution and understanding rather than just ranting. Starting on **World Communion Sunday** on October 6, we will focus on reaching out to people on the other side and building bridges. On World Communion Sunday Father Dennis Callan of the Techny Tower who has been a missionary to many different countries will bring a message to us about worldwide Christian communities. We will celebrate World Communion with different types of bread from different cultures and countries.

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### ADVENTURES WITH BETH AND GREG

Children, Youth and Family Ministries at GUMC in October! (And a December Save the Date!) Sunday October 13 **Food Packing** with Midwest Missions after worship 11am until 3pm. Think Feed My Starving Children with no commute! Please be sure to join us! Contact Beth and Greg at [Petersons@glenviewumc.org](mailto:Petersons@glenviewumc.org) to reserve your spot! Saturday October 19 An **Evening in Venice** Dinner 6pm until 9pm in the Social Hall. This is such a fun evening we hope you can join us! \$25 per adult \$60 per family and Children 12 and under are \$10! Sunday October 27 **Trunk or Treat!** Parking Lot near Social Hall 11:15am. We need You GUMC! We can't have Trunk or Treat without trunks with treats! Please consider participating with your trunks and treats to make this a fun event for the kids! As for the kids...Wear your costumes to church that morning! And finally our Save the date! Sunday December 6th will be our **Children and Youth Christmas Program** during the worship service. More details to follow! See you in Church!



# Braver Angels

We Can Talk Across the Lines with  
Braver Angels!

**Braver Angels will be at GUMC on Sunday, October 20,** presenting how we build bridges in families, schools, and workplaces with the people who have different opinions. The presentation will start at 11:15am in the Choir Room.

Braver Angels is a national movement led by volunteer citizens on a mission to depolarize America's culture. They are building a working alliance of liberals, conservatives, and others to bridge the partisan divide for the good of our democratic republic. They work in communities, on college campuses, in the media, and in the halls of political power to raise the profile of polarization as a destructive problem that partisan Americans must solve together.

The Presenter, Chuck Stone, is Braver Angels' State Co-Coordinator for Illinois and adjunct faculty at DePaul University's School for Continuing and Professional Studies. He is retired from law practice in Chicago. Before that he was a reporter for daily newspapers in Texarkana, Texas and Rockford, Illinois. He has taught undergraduates at DePaul University for 30 years, most frequently teaching a course in critical thinking. He lives on the far south side of Chicago with his wife Ellen.

## World Communion Sunday

October 6

On World Communion Sunday a guest preacher, Father Dennis C. Callan, will bring us a message on the worldwide Christian communities. He is a member of the Society of the Divine Word (in Techny Towers), an international Roman Catholic Religious Community of nearly 6000 priests and brothers serving the Gospel in 79 countries around the world. Fr. Dennis, a native of Philadelphia, spent 18 years in Taiwan, Republic of China and another 16 years in South Korea before returning to the United States in 2016. During his time in Taiwan, Fr. Dennis held significant roles serving in parish communities, Director for the training of his community's seminarians in the China Province and General Affairs Director at Fu Jen Catholic University. In Korea served migrant workers, taught in seminaries at Seoul Catholic University and Suwon Catholic University, and served as a "contract priest" for the US Army. He also served as the Superior of his community in Korea and as the leader of his community's Religious Superiors in the Asia-Pacific area. Fr. Dennis is presently responsible for the care of Divine Word Missionaries who temporarily come into the United States for various purposes and needs.

In celebration of World Communion Sunday, we will serve breads from different parts of the world. **If you want to bring bread from your tradition, please let pastor Eun-Hye know at [echoi@glenviewumc.org](mailto:echoi@glenviewumc.org).**



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On October 13, our Missions and Service team is hosting "**Meal Pack event**" with the UMC's Midwest Mission Distribution Center for feeding thousands of people. All you need to do is invite your friends and neighbors to sign up! It is how we build a bridge and reach out to people. On October 19, we have our annual "**Evening in Venice**" dinner. As we know, it is a great time for us to connect with others with fun, food, and fellowship.

On October 20, we invite **Braver Angels** to present to us how we can build bridges in families, schools, and workplaces with people who have different opinions. It will start at 11:15am after you grab coffee and snacks. Braver Angels is a national movement led by volunteer citizens on a mission to depolarize America's culture. Invite friends!

On October 27, **Reformation Sunday**, we will celebrate three young people's confirmation! They will make a vow that they accept the freedom and power God gives them to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves. Then, they will join the Glenview UMC! I see hope in our young people who lead us to better resolutions and understandings of the world we live in. If you are not a member yet and want to join, please let me know. You can join GUMC with these young people.

*We look up to the mountains; does our strength come from mountains? No, our strength comes from the Lord, who made heaven, and earth and mountains. (Psalm 121: 1)*

Thanks be to God!

Eun-Hye Choi, pastor

## **Silent Auction Wish List!**

The goal of the *Evening in Venice* is to foster friendships among our church community. But we recognize it is also fun to bid on great stuff. If you feel moved to donate to the Silent Auction portion of the evening, please consider an item from our wish list.

◆ Tickets or Passes

◆ Hosted Parties

◆ Goods

◆ Kids Items

Your donation will benefit the church and be a source of joy for the highest bidder! Please contact Karen Daniels to discuss your donation idea. [kbddaniels@gmail.com](mailto:kbddaniels@gmail.com) or 847-858-2476. Silent auction donations must be received in church office no later than Monday, October 14th. Thank you!

**VERY SPECIAL GUEST:  
FATHER DENNIS C. CALLAN**

**WORLD  
COMMUNION  
SUNDAY**

Every year on the first Sunday in October, Christians around the globe celebrate World Communion Sunday. It is a day to remember that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and that every Christian Church and any denomination that promotes Christian unity are one.



**10  
A.M.**

**SUNDAY,  
OCTOBER 6**

**ON THIS DAY, PEOPLE  
DRAW FAITH AND  
INSPIRATION FROM  
SEEING THAT THEY ARE  
PART OF A COMMUNITY  
THAT BOASTS MILLIONS  
OF BELIEVERS AND  
WORSHIPPERS.**



**Save the Date!**

Our Annual Church Conference hosted by the new District Superintendent, Rev. Victor Melad, will be on November 24 (Sunday) morning after worship in the parlor. ALL people of GUMC are encouraged to attend this day of information. What has GUMC been doing and where are we going!

**HUGE THANKS!**

A big thank you to all involved in the execution of kick-off Sunday! The tables were lovely, the food delicious and even the weather cooperated! Thanks to each person involved for your hard work in making it happen!

**TRUNK  
OR  
TREAT**

**SUNDAY,  
OCTOBER 27**

**KIDS:**  
Wear your costumes to church. Bring a friend!

**ADULTS:**  
Decorate your trunk. Bring a treat to share!



After Sunday worship in the parking lot.

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United Methodist church

*Ruth Handler and her  
Dream Doll*

Tales in History  
Lynn Rymarz, storyteller, author

**November 2  
10:00 a.m. Brunch**



Put on your pink and step back in time to 1994, the 35th anniversary of Mattel's bestselling doll *Barbie*. Join Storyteller Lynn Rymarz as she portrays Ruth Handler, the creator of Barbie. Lynn will share Ruth's autobiography, a vintage Barbie, photos, posters and more. Bring your Barbie!

Tickets:  
\$20/adults  
\$10/children  
\$25 adult/\$15 Children  
at the door

Scan Here to purchase tickets. Choose "other"



Your Hosts:



United Women in Faith

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## Bible Study

Join the Bible study Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the choir room or via ZOOM. The Bible passages for the following Sunday will be discussed. Email Pastor Eun-Hye for the ZOOM link.

## Congratulations

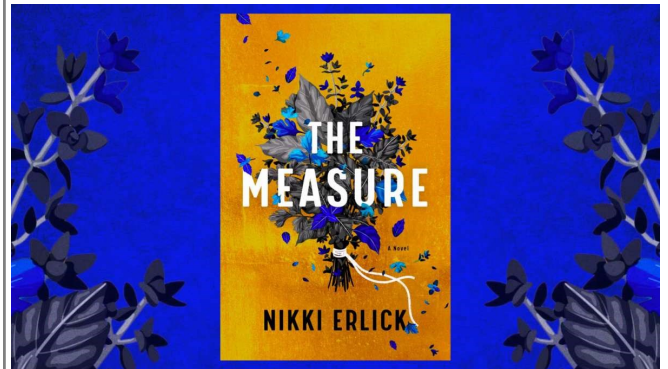
On September 15th, GUMC continued the Methodist tradition of presenting personal Bibles to the youth in 3rd grade and participating in confirmation. We celebrate this milestone with Emma Granzow and Jayden DeBaker. It is our prayer that this gift will be a starting point for a deeper relationship with God.

## Book Club!

### THE MEASURE by Nikki Erlick

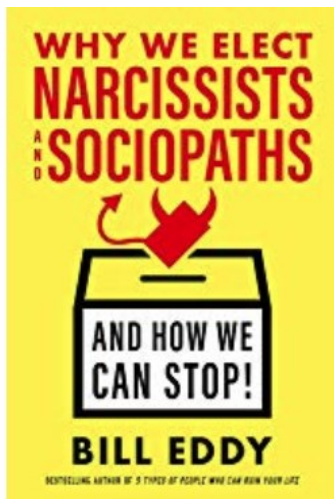
Grab the book now and start reading. Discussion will be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 8 in the church parlor.

Even if you haven't read any of the past books, feel free to read this and hop in on the discussion on October 8. Everyone is welcome!



This year, on October 27, GUMC will confirm a group of young adults that have been working over the summer to prepare themselves for confirmation into the Methodist faith. Please be sure to join us for this important event.

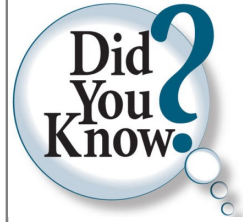
## New Small Group!



Join us for a group discussion of the book by Bill Eddy, *Why We Elect Narcissists and Sociopaths—And How We Can Stop!* on Sunday mornings beginning October 6 from 9 - 9:55am in Pastor Eun-Hye's office. The discussion will be facilitated by Rev. Monica Isaac, a Deacon in the Northern Illinois Conference, a Licensed Professional Counselor, Marriage and Family Therapist and trained mediator. Discussion will focus on the patterns and psychology of historical leaders with narcissistic and sociopathic tendencies including why they behave the way they do, how we recognize them, and how we can talk about it in a way that affects change. *We will be following the readings from the book, but it's not necessary to read the book in order to participate.* Hope to see you!

## Pastoral CARE

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 congregants 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



Life insurance is a way to make a larger gift to your church than you might otherwise be able to afford. Consider naming GUMC as a beneficiary of any life insurance policy.

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

# Happy Birthday

10/18 Michelle Cummings 1  
10/24 Atticus Ludwig  
10/26 Libby Krcik Gromaski  
10/29 Chuck Potter  
10/31 Ralph Hansen

10/1 Kyle Smith  
10/6 Tom Urban  
10/7 Paula Cordell  
10/11 Jayden DeBaker  
10/12 Leo Holzhueter  
10/14 Emma Sailer  
10/15 Lydia Larrick  
10/16 Joshua Underwood  
0/19 Sydney Gwozdz  
10/25 Molly Amrhein  
10/27 Alice Goodspeed  
10/30 Sarah Stasen

10/6 Kathy Sawicz  
10/7 Georgia Baker  
10/10 Barb Hillis  
10/11 Susan Urban  
10/13 PJ Janke  
10/14 Patty Stryker  
10/16 Sean Conlin  
10/17 Romeo Gimeno  
10/24 Nancy Corbige  
10/25 Mac Ramos  
10/27 Vince Vasquez  
10/31 Chris Field

# HAPPY Anniversary!

10/5 Della and Bob Deme 1  
10/6 Linda and Dave Kleckner  
10/12 Pat and Jim Glass  
10/21 Wanda and Bob Frye

0/5 Joanne and Robert Rothermel  
10/6 Alice Joyce and Mathew Kowski  
10/12 Elyce and David Ventura  
10/30 Tracy and Howard Twedde, III

# Missions & Service Ministry

EXPERIENCE THE JOY OF SERVING!!

A MISSION PROJECT IS COMING TO GUMC!!

Join us, Sunday, Oct. 13, at 11:15 a.m. in the Social Hall

## RICE MEAL PACK EVENT

Our goal is to feed 7,200 people so we will be packing 1200 bags. Ages 5 and up and all abilities are welcome. A light lunch will be served after the meal pack is finished. Sign up after worship, or call Mary Bently 913-396-1258 or online at [www.glenviewumc.org/current-events/meal-packing-event/](http://www.glenviewumc.org/current-events/meal-packing-event/)

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MISSION  
health • micro business

## CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



**CROP HUNGER WALK - October 6:** This year the walk takes place on Sunday, October 6 at Northfield Community Church, 400 Wagner Rd., (Willow & Wagner Rds.) Northfield. All walkers can enjoy a light lunch at noon and then at 1:00 p.m walk any distance up to

5k. You can participate by joining the GUMC team, donating, securing donors, and/or walking. All proceeds are used by Church World Service to provide food, medical care, disaster relief, provide water wells in remote villages, and self-help development for people in need, locally and around the world. 25% of the money raised by Glenbrook Crop Hunger Walk will be distributed to local food pantries and organizations. Last years' walk raised over \$40,000, GUMC raised \$1,420.35. Register online by joining the Glenview United Methodist Church team: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/event/northbrookil>. or, sign up after service, or, if you wish, make a check to Church World Service or CWS, memo CROP Walk



Loose Coins and Singles

**All loose coins and singles** in the offering plates will go to Curt's Café. Curt's Café offers a much needed program for at risk or formerly incarcerated youth. At Curt's they are taught marketable skills and assisted in finding employment.

They support the students by introducing them to four disciplines: life skills, intellectual skills, food service skills, and experiential skills. These taught skills direct the youth on a secure and productive future. It costs more to send a teenager to a correctional institution than it does to put them through Northwestern. For over 10 years they have maintained a 5% recidivism rate while the national average is 85%. Curt's Cafe would love for you to eat in one of their cafes in either Evanston or Highland Park. They serve breakfast and lunch. Why not try both locations? You can also donate by scanning this QR Code and choosing Loose Coins from the options.



# Missions & Service Ministry Continued

## Whose Birthday is it, Anyway?

The holiday season will be upon us shortly, and we are again happy to usher in the thirty-ninth year of our church's participation in the "Whose Birthday is it, Anyway?" program. As an important mission of our church, to share our blessings with those in need, this program reminds us of the true meaning of Christmas and the reason we celebrate the season.

For those unfamiliar with this beloved program, it offers us the opportunity to purchase gifts for those less fortunate than us. Our gifts will be the only ones received by many of the recipients this season. The agencies we will support this year are:

**Inspired Youth Tutoring Program** – grade school and middle school age children

**Methodist Youth Services** – High School students

**Glenview Terrace** – Seniors

**Olivet United Methodist Church** – Preschool through middle school age children

Please note our sign-up schedule for this year:

- Sunday, November 3, sign-up in person, after church
- Tuesday, November 5, sign-up on-line, using Sign-Up Genius. The link will be provided through the church website (use the Calendar/Events tab) and the e-newsletter. It will be available continuously until all names have been taken.
- Sunday, November 10, sign-up in person, after church
- Sunday, December 8, all wrapped gifts are due in the Parlor between 9:00 and 10:00.
- Gifts may be dropped off in the church office during the first week of December, prior to December 8. Please check with the church office for their office hours.

The coordinators of these agencies are extremely delighted and grateful for our continued support.

Holly Porrett

Missions & Service Committee

847-729-8983

**Another opportunity to serve is coming November 17th.** We'll be meeting in the church kitchen after the Sunday service to prepare evening snacks for the children in the Glenview/Northbrook Youth Services' Study Buddies Program. Watch for further announcements and sign up to join in the fun.



# Sing to the Lord!

Glenview UMC

## Sanctuary Choir

Fall 2024!

### NOW RECRUITING:

Who: Humans ages 14 – 99

What: Sanctuary Choir

Where: GUMC Choir Room

When: Wednesdays 7 pm

Sundays 9 am

Why: God is calling!

How: Show up – we'll do the rest!

Perks: Great seat, free exercise,  
memory improvement, new friends,  
free music, fashionable robe!



Contact Cindy or any choir member!

it's time to

# BYOB!



## NOW HIRING!

### Bring Your Own Bell

1. Positions Open (A, B, C, D, ... and the rest)
2. Weekend Hours: Sundays @ 11:30 - 12:30
3. Wages: God credit
4. Vacation: Monday - Friday
5. Benefits: Memory Improvement, Muscle development, friendships
6. Rehearsals: Oct. 6th / 20th & Nov. 3rd / 17th
7. Apply: Show up October 6, with a friend

Questions? Please speak with Cindy Applebee



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**AN EVENING IN**

**Venice**

*A Silent Auction and Time to Socialize with Friends.*

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19  
 6:00P.M.-9:00P.M.**

Glenview United Methodist Church

**\$25 / ADULT  
 \$60/FAMILIES  
 OR CHILDREN  
 12 AND UNDER  
 \$10.**

**MENU TO BE  
 ANNOUNCED**

SCAN QR CODE  
 AND CHOOSE  
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