



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 open to hear the worship service every Sunday.

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 1, 2024

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Rise Up Shepherd and Follow
Kent Smith, soloist

arr. Hayes

WELCOME

(Children PreK-K, room 10c, 1st - 5th, room 10b, 6-8th, room 10a may leave for Sunday school.)

***PEACE**

Leader: May the peace of Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

***ADVENT PRAYER (unison)**

Merciful God, you sent your messengers, the prophets, to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may celebrate aright the commemoration of the nativity, and may await with joy the coming in glory of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

211 (large blue book)

LIGHTING THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE

Laura, Brad, Isobel and Joshua Underwood

Response Song *A Candle is Burning*
A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright,
A candle of hope in December's dark night,
While angels sing blessings from heaven's dark sky,
Our hearts we prepare now for Jesus is nigh.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT *Jeremiah 33:14-16* (Pew Bible p. 1232)

ANTHEM *Peace, Peace*

*GOSPEL *Luke 21:25-36* (Pew Bible p. 1636)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN *Where Charity and Love Prevail* 549 (large blue book)

SERMON *Be Alert: Hope is Here* Rev. Eun-Hye Choi

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*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.*

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not done your will, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors. Forgive us, we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to give you thanks and praise,
Great God of the Coming Dawn,
for in each new day you surprise the earth with splendor.
Your Spirit moves across the face of the waters
and brings forth life.

Made from the earth,
Made by your hand,
We forgot who we were
We forgot who you were
and we tried to remake ourselves.
We rejected your love and fell into sin and death.

Yet even in our darkness you continued to speak light and life.
When we were slaves in a foreign land,
You brought us out of our oppression,
led us through the waters,
and washed us up on the shores of a new life as a chosen people.
And we raise our voices with all the saints as we proclaim,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
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Blessed are you, and blessed in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
whose coming was announced by wilderness prophets
and who arrived to the song of angels
in the choir stall of a manger.
In Jesus you not only took our name but our flesh.
He was the One promised
He announced the new day and the acceptable year
When blind folks would see
And poor folks would rejoice
When captives would be set free
And the oppressed would once more walk upright in liberty.

On the night when he was betrayed
he sat at a table with his friends.
He took bread, blessed it, broke it,
served it to them, and said,
"Take this. Eat it.
It is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me."

In the same way he took the cup,
Blessed it, served it to them, and said,
"Drink from this every one of you.
This is my blood poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."

And so we remember.

And so we offer our praise and thanks
and our very selves as a holy and living sacrifice
in union with Christ's offering for us.
As we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

So, we call on you to send your Holy Spirit on us once more
And on this parched and thirsty land
And on these elements of bread and wine.
Let them be for us once more Christ's body
and let us be for you once more Christ's body
redeemed by his blood.
Make us one with Christ,
one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes again, and we feast at his table.

Amen.

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 (receive an angel card with Communion elements)

Music *Lo, How A Rose E're Blooming* Praetorius (German origins)

Prayer

*HYMN *People Look East* 202 (large blue book)

SENDING FORTH

COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

OFFERING OUR THANKS AND OURSELVES

*All loose coins and singles in the offering plates will go to Curt's Cafe.
Please return your pledge card! There are extras by the sound booth.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Hope Was Born* McDonald/Frey

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

**USHER: Steve Ellis**

**LAY READER: Brad Underwood**

*Everyone is invited to join us for fellowship and refreshments in the social hall.*

*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**

### **EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US FOR OUR**

**“Hanging of the Greens”** to help decorate our church for Advent and Christmas and also **Ornament Making** right after worship **TODAY!** This is open and includes all ages.

### **YOU MAY SEND YOUR CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO YOUR CHURCH FAMILY**

by signing the Congregational Christmas Card which will be a part of the January Visitor that will be mailed on Dec. 23. This card is sponsored by our GUMYouth and any donation you choose to give will be given to them.

### **INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS**

to our Community Candlelight Christmas Service held at the Schram Chapel, 1799 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 12. Start out the Christmas season with this beautiful, inspiring service with our choir.

### **ADVENT EVENING VESPER SERVICE VIA ZOOM**

will be held on Monday evenings, 12/2, 9, 16 and 23 at 7 p.m. Please contact Pastor Eun-Hye so you can get on her link for this program. If you need an Advent candleholder, Pastor has some you can use.

### **DECEMBER BOOK CLUB**

We will be discussing *“Counting Miracles”* by Nicholas Sparks. Come join us for this lively discussion group on Tuesday, December 3rd at 7 pm in the parlor. Everyone is encouraged to join.

## **USE THE ENCLOSED INSERT TO ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA FOR THE CHURCH!**

### ***WHOSE BIRTHDAY IS IT, ANYWAY?***

All gifts are due back at the church by 9 am on Sunday, Dec. 8. They should be wrapped and tagged with the Agency Name, Number and Recipients’ name. Drop them off in the church parlor on your way into church or bring them to the church office at any time before Dec. 8.

## **BELL CHOIR REHEARSALS ARE ON WEDNESDAYS AT 6 PM IN THE SANCTUARY! YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN!**

### **THE TREE IS HERE!**

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 Twelfth Night (Jan. 5), the Tree will be receiving your donations for our sister church, Olivet UMC’s neighborhood warming ministry and for Care for Real’s clients, many of whom are recent migrants to our chilly winter climate. Come one, come all and deck the tree with your generous gifts of knitted and stitched mittens, mufflers, hats, gloves, coats, sweaters, socks, blankets and more. Make them or buy them, it matters not! And even if you brought nothing to give today, please serenade the tree with a hip, hip, hooray!

### **OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH ARE REHEARSING FOR THEIR “ITS CHRISTMAS EVERYWHERE”**

Christmas program for our Sunday worship on Sunday, Dec. 8. You won’t want to miss this.

### **THE SANCTUARY CHOIR WILL PERFORM THEIR “LESSONS AND CAROLS” FOR US**

on Sunday, Dec. 15 **starting at 9:40 a.m.** in the sanctuary.

### **WE ARE AGAIN HAVING OUR ANNUAL COOKIE SALE**

on Sunday, Dec. 15 right after worship. A box of homemade cookies will be \$10.

### **EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO BAKE YOUR FAVORITE COOKIES**

to help make this sale the success it always has been. Make 3-4 doz. of your best, nicest Christmas cookies (you can include nuts but just label as such). This has been a favorite event that is coordinated by our Women In Faith.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE A BOX OF 2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR THE CHURCH,**  
please call or stop by the church office and you will be given one right away.

#### **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: December 1 - December 8, 2024**

**Today:** 11 am Fellowship, social hall  
11 am Sign GUMC Christmas Card, social hall  
11:15 Ornament Making for All, social hall  
11:15 "Hanging of the Greens", parlor and sanctuary

**Tuesday:** 10 am Staff meeting, pastor's office

**Wednesday:** 6 pm Bell Choir rehearsal, sanctuary  
6:30 Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, sanctuary

**Thursday:**

**Next Sunday:** Second Sunday of Advent  
10 am Worship, Confirmation and Sunday school

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