



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.

We have "worship bags" for children to use during worship and they are in the back by the card table.

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.

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

January 5, 2025

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

I Speak Jesus

C. Gayle

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 Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

***A COVENANT PRAYER (unison)**

I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low by thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN *We Three Kings* 254 (large blue book)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PSALTER *Psalms 72:1-17* 795, res. 1 (large blue book)

Scott Daniels, cantor

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

ANTHEM *Christmas Hallelujah* Traditional

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

*HYMN *Gather Us In* 2236 (small black book)

SERMON *Guiding Light* 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.*

Confession Prayer

Holy God, we admit to you and to each other, that we are creatures who either through foolishness or wilfulness often choose darkness instead of light. Here and now we surrender to you our fears and proud opinions, our short-sighted folly and our pompous wisdom, our deep seated sins and our apathy towards change and renewal. Please forgive the darkness and pain we have inflicted on others and restore the light-starved hopes and ideals within our own souls. Through Christ Jesus our Saviour. Amen!

Great Thanksgiving for New Year

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, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or you had formed the earth,
from everlasting to everlasting, you alone are God.

You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth.

You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,
and spoke to us through your prophets.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ,
in whom you have revealed yourself, our light and our salvation. You sent a star to
guide wise men to where the Christ was born; and in your signs and witnesses, in every
age and through all the world,
you have led your people from far places to his light.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
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.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit
make us one with Christ,

one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty *God*, now and forever.

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

Music

Twas in the Moon of Wintertime

Prayer

*HYMN

The First Noel

245 (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 World Central Kitchen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

We Three Kings

John Henry Hopkins

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

USHER: Steve Ellis

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

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY

for this season's *Mittens & More Tree*. We and the Tree thank you all for a great season - a real bumper crop of heart and hand warming generosity has been harvested. Thank you for being such excellent Holiday Helpers! Our friends at Olivet and Care for Real are so grateful for all you have done for those in need in their

communities. Come back next Christmas for another season of decking our Tree! - The Missions & Service Ministry Team

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP

will be meeting in the parlor on Tuesday, Jan. 7th at 11 a.m. You are welcome to come join us in making hand made gifts for those who need a loving "hug".

JANUARY 2025 BOOK CLUB

We will be discussing *Comfort and Joy* by Kristen Hannah. Come join us for this lively discussion group on Tuesday, January 7th at 7 pm in the parlor. Everyone is encouraged to join.

SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS AND/OR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP ON THE SIGN UP BOARDS IN THE SOCIAL HALL OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE!

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.

*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.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SHOP AND DONATE TO THE FOOD PANTRIES - THEIR NEEDS ARE ONGOING!

LOOSE COINS AND SINGLES IN THE OFFERING PLATES DURING JANUARY THROUGH MARCH WILL GO TO WORLD CENTRAL KITCHEN.

Food is essential to life every day all over the world. World Central Kitchen is the first to respond with fresh prepared chef made meals where ever the crisis is and whatever the crisis. In 2010 Chef Jose Andres headed to Haiti after a devastating earthquake. That was his first to prepare meals for those during a natural disaster. Since preparing the first few times in countries experiencing emergencies he and his team have served meals to people all over the world who need assistance. From California forest fires where they assess food and water needs to Gaza where they have distributed over 75 million meals to families. Help World Central Kitchen to provide nourishing freshly prepared meals and to provide hope.

START GETTING READY FOR OUR ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF!

Save Sunday, January 26 for this annual fun event.

You can bring your favorite recipe for taste testing or be a taste tester!
We are looking for Hottest, Most Original, Best Presentation, Best Overall!

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: January 5 - January 12, 2025

Today: 11 am Fellowship, social hall
Tuesday: 10 am Staff meeting, pastor's office
11 am Prayer Shawl group, parlor
7 pm Book Club, parlor

Wednesday: 10 am Adult Bible Study, choir room
7 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, choir room

Next Sunday:
10 am Worship, Sunday school and Confirmation
11 am Fellowship, social hall

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