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***We are a Reconciling Congregation!***

***Connecting with others through Mission, Music and Ministry!***

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**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.

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.

***CONFIRMATION SUNDAY  
Fifth Sunday of Easter***

**May 18, 2025**

**10:00 a.m.**

**GATHERING**

PRELUDE *Meditation for Confirmation Sunday*

WELCOME

\*PEACE

Leader: May the peace of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: **And also with you!**

\*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

**God holds out to us the promise of new life. Life as unpredictable, as unrehearsed, as explosive as life at the very beginning in Creation. God calls us to respond to this gift with creativity, with joy, and with courage. In worship today when we celebrate the confirmation of our faith, we can begin to accept this gift of new life. Let us worship God. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

64 (large blue book)

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Beth Peterson

(sung as the children come forward and leave for Sunday school)

Response

*Halle, Halle, Halleluja*

2026 (small black book)

(Children Pre-K-K may leave to go to Sunday school in room 10c,.)

### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT

*Acts 11:1-18*

(Pew Bible p. 1711)

ANTHEM

*Witness*

Bolks

\*GOSPEL

*John 13:31-35*

(Pew Bible p. 1674)

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN

*You Are My All in All*

3040 (small green book)

PRAYER FOR THE CONFIRMATION STUDENTS (unison)

**Lord, you send out your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in you and in Jesus whom you sent. Look kindly on us and the candidates for confirmation as we listen to your voice. Open our hearts to your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that you have begun in us. As we prepare the students for confirmation, make each of us an instrument of your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that you will continue to guide us and sustain us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

WITNESSES TO FAITH

Eddie Cummings, Ryan Granzow, Izzy Janke

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

(see insert)

MUSIC

*Ashokan Farewell*  
Ryan Granzow, cello

Ungar

### 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.***

\*HYMN

*Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

2120 (small black 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 Loaves and Fishes.*

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Break Forth Into Joy*

Watts

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

### USHER: Curtis Corbige

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*Everyone is invited to join us in the social hall to welcome our Confirmands to our church family and enjoy the fellowship provided by the Fellowship Committee.*

*We follow the United Methodist Safe Sanctuaries guidelines as part of our child protection policy.*

*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

#### SIP AND SHARE

As you sip your coffee during fellowship today, please share a word of wisdom on a rock for our Youth Services Rock Garden outside the social hall. Colorful rocks will be provided, along with paint pens, for you to share a word or two of inspiration.

#### **GRADUATING 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS, HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS, COLLEGE AND TRADE SCHOOL GRADUATES -**

Please notify the church office no later than May 20 with your details - names, school, dates, college attending, degrees, and we will publish your good news in the June Visitor.

#### **UPPER ROOM FOR MAY/JUNE**

is available on the literature rack in the narthex and by the church office (both large and regular print).

#### **NILSON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>!**

Now is your chance to apply for the yearly Nilson \$1,000 Scholarship Award. It is for any GUMC member who will be enrolled in the fall of 2025 as a full time student in a 4-year college or university. Your entry for this award should consist of a short essay highlighting your accomplishments and activities, your higher education plans and future career and personal interests. Also, please include a brief explanation as to how this award would benefit you. Entries must be submitted to the church office in a sealed envelope **no later than June 1** marked "Scholarship".

#### **OUR JUNE BOOK CLUB WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 3rd!**

We will be discussing "Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers" by Jesse G. Sutanto at 7 p.m. in the parlor. Everyone is invited to join us.

## ALL CHURCH CLEANING DAY ON SATURDAY, JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>!

The Board of Trustees is holding this annual event from 8 am to noon! Please stay as long as you can. Many hands make light work.

### 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.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES - REWARDING EXPERIENCES

#### HINTS OF SPRING ARE IN THE AIR!

That means thoughts of gardening are beginning to pop up in gardeners' minds. In the near future, the church will begin the process of growing delicious vegetables in our Sabbath Garden. Remember, all of this produce grown is donated to local food pantries. Such activities as building raised boxes, garden clean up, spreading dirt and mulch, planting, and watering are music to any gardener's ears. If you would like to be involved in any, or all of these activities, please notify Mark Netherland at 847-337-2417 or at [marknetherland314@gmail.com](mailto:marknetherland314@gmail.com). Any help would be greatly appreciated. We are hoping for a blockbuster harvest this year! Hope to hear from you.

#### CARE FOR REAL

Third Wednesday of each month, distribute food to those facing food insecurity. We carpool from GUMC at 7:30 a.m. and drive to 5840 N. Broadway, Chicago. Back to GUMC by 1:30 pm or sooner.

#### A JUST HARVEST

Third Friday of each month. Serving full meal to clients, at tables, restaurant style at 7649 N. Paulina, Chicago. Carpool from GUMC at 11 am, work at AJH 11:30-2, back to GUMC by 3 pm. Partnering with Trinity UMC, Wilmette.

Contact Ethel Doyle at 847-975-0361 or [lareth@aol.com](mailto:lareth@aol.com).

#### THIS WEEK: **May 18 - May 25, 2025**

**Today:** 11 am Confirmation Fellowship, social hall  
11:15 am Membership/Engagement Committee, choir room  
11:15 am Staff Parish Relations Committee, pastor's office  
4:30 pm GUMYouth, social hall

**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 and Sunday school  
11 am Fellowship, social hall

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