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

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

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**CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**

*Colossians 1:11-20 -- "In Him all things hold together."*

*We close the church year with songs of gratitude and praise. The choir presents A Round of Thanks by Donald Moore, and "The Journey" while the congregation lifts hearts with How Great Thou Art, We Gather Together, and Now Thank We All Our God. Together we proclaim Christ's reign over all creation and give thanks for every gift God provides.*

**November 23, 2025**

**10:00 a.m.**

**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

*Thanksgiving*

George Winston

WELCOME

**\*PEACE**

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

**People: And also with you!**

**\*OPENING PRAYER (unison)**

**Gracious and Generous God, touch our hearts that we may receive your abundant gifts with humility and joy. Forgive us when we take your blessings for granted or hoard what was meant to be shared. Teach us again the beauty of thankfulness -- not just in our words, but in our living, not just at our tables, but in our relationships, not just today or this week, but in every season. Bless our gathering, our worship, and our gratitude, that we may honor you with thankful hearts and become signs of your grace in the world. In the name of Jesus Christ, who gives us life and joy, we pray. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*We Gather Together*

131 (large blue book)

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Beth Peterson

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

Response *Thank You, Jesus* 2081 (small black book)  
(Children PreK-K, room 10c; 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>, room 10b, may leave for Sunday school.)

### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PSALTER *Psalm 130* 848 (large blue book)  
Lindsay Kleckner, cantor

OLD TESTAMENT *Jeremiah 23:1-6* (Pew Bible p. 1210)

ANTHEM *A Round of Thanks* Moore

\*GOSPEL *Luke 1:68-79* (Pew Bible p. 1590)

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN *Now Thank We All Our God* 102, vs. 1 & 2 (large blue book)

SERMON Rev. Victor Melad

### 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 *How Great Thou Art* 77, vs. 1,2,4 (large blue book)

### SENDING FORTH

COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

RECEIVING THE GIFT OF NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to receive the following persons as members of our congregation this morning: Lauren Elizabeth and Avery Helen Ellis.

Response (in unison)

**We welcome you, sisters, to this ministry of Jesus Christ. We unite with you in love and service. We will embrace you with joy and share our lives with you. We will grow together in Word and Witness and together seek God's direction for ministry to the needs of our community and to those beyond. We thank God for you and for your commitment to this family of faith.**

OFFERING OUR THANKS AND OURSELVES

*All loose coins and singles in the offering plates will go to Midwest Mission Distribution Center.  
Please return your pledge card for 2026.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*The Journey*

Joseph Martin

**WE WELCOME OUR D.S. REV. VICTOR MELAD  
to our pulpit today.**

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

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**USHERS: Chris Walters, Mason Tagtmeier**

**ACOLYTE: Trevor Cummings**

**LAY READER: Jayden DeBaker**

*Everyone is invited to join us for fellowship in the parlor provided by members of Eve Circle.*

*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**

**THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT**

is given by Ruth Circle in loving memory of Mabel Janke.

**OUR ANNUAL CONFERENCE MEETING WILL BE HELD TODAY AT 11:00 AM IN THE PARLOR.**

Everyone is encourage to attend this meeting. Come find out what your church has been doing this year.

**WE ARE HOSTING THE GLENVIEW COMMUNITY’S INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

at 7:30 pm in our sanctuary on Tuesday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>. This is a very meaningful service including all our neighbors to prepare for the upcoming holiday.

**ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA TODAY ON THE ENCLOSED ORDER FORM.**

Deadline for orders is Nov. 30

**PLAN ON JOINING THE ADVENT DEVOTION MEETINGS BEGINNING DEC. 1**

Pastor Eun-Hye will have an Advent Devotion Meeting in her office on Monday evenings, beginning Dec. 1, at 7 pm and again on Wednesday mornings at 10 am in person and online (no meeting on 12/10). We will be using the book “An Unlikely Advent”, by Rachel Billups, which is available in the church office for \$10.

**THE ANNUAL COOKIE SALE IS COMING SOON!**

We need all church members to bake cookies, cookie bars, even candy for this sale (just label “nuts”, “no nuts”, “gluten free”). You may drop off your baked goods in the kitchen on Saturday, Dec. 13 from 12-3 pm or early Sunday morning, Dec. 14, the day of the sale. The boxes will be for sale after worship for \$10 per box and this benefits our Women In Faith.

## THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR *WHOSE BIRTHDAY IS IT, ANYWAY?* GIFT PROGRAM!

Please tag your gift with a gift tag. The info needed on the tag is listed on the info sheet you received when you signed up. Gifts to MYS and Glenview Terrace should list the recipient's name, number and agency. Gifts for Olivet should list Olivet, the number, and a short description of the wrapped gift. Gifts are due any time before Dec. 4 in the church office (M-Th 10 am - 2 pm) or before 10 am on Sunday, December 7. New clothing gift boxes will be available today and next Sunday, courtesy of Youth Services and Holly Porrett, for your gifts.

## THE TREE IS HERE!

NO weeks to go, 'cause M.M. Tree is in the house TODAY! There they stand, back by the narthex, looking at YOU and asking, "Are you one of my Holiday Helpers this year? My branches are bare and feeling a chill. Please help me to warm them with winter wise gear! I need mittens and scarves! I need hats, gloves, and coats!! Bring me sweaters and socks, bring me blankets and throws! Whatever is warming (whatever YOU'D want!), just toss it upon me so I don't look so gaunt!". If you are empty-handed today, no harm done as M&M will be with us throughout the Advent and Christmas seasons. Periodically during this time, our warming gifts will be delivered to our sister church Olivet UMC's neighborhood warming ministry and to Care for Real's clients, many of whom are recent migrants to our chilly winter climate and all of whom are facing very challenging times.

## DECEMBER BOOK CLUB

will be reading "At Home in Mitford" by Jan Karon. We will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 7 pm in the parlor. All are welcome to join us.

## 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: **November 23 - November 30, 2025**

**Today:** 11:00 am Annual Meeting, parlor  
2 pm Children's Theater play "Frozen, Jr."

**Tuesday:** 9:30 Staff meeting, pastor's office  
7:30 pm Glenview's Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, our sanctuary

**Wednesday:** 7:30 am Men's group, choir room  
10 am Adult Bible Study, choir room  
7 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, choir room

**Thursday:** **HAPPY THANKSGIVING** - church building closed

**Saturday:** 9:00 am Yoga, parlor

**Next Sunday:** First Sunday of Advent  
10 am Worship and Sunday school  
11 am Fellowship, social hall  
11:15 am All are welcome to help us decorate the trees and sanctuary for Christmas  
Deadline to order your Christmas poinsettia

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