

MARCH, 2026

# GLENVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# THE VISITOR



Grace and peace to you, Glenview UMC,

My name is Rosa Lee. I am the pastor of Dixon Grace UMC, having previously served Milledgeville UMC and the Wesley Foundation at Northern Illinois University. Each context — congregational and campus ministry — has shaped my pastoral leadership and deepened my commitment to relational, community-engaged ministry.

In ministry, I place intentional focus on creativity in worship, preaching that connects Scripture with daily life, individualized pastoral care — especially through hospice journeys — strong community engagement, and collaborative, organized leadership. I also carry a heartfelt passion for multi-generational ministry and campus ministries, including youth and young adults, shaped deeply by my former service as a youth pastor and campus minister.

Currently, I live in Sterling with my husband, who is also a United Methodist pastor serving Sterling Wesley UMC, and our Goldendoodle puppy, Harry — currently seven months old. Harry is in training to become a therapy dog, with the hope that he will one day share comfort and joy with seniors, children, and anyone needing a gentle presence. (Yes — we joke that one day we may add “Potter” and have Harry Potter therapy dogs.) When I have free time, I enjoy playing organ and piano, kayaking, hiking, walking, reading, and good, strong coffee — often with ice cream or pie alongside.

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*"Connecting with others through Mission, Music, and Ministry."*

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## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

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There will be a **Celebration of Life** for **Ellen Schaden** on Sunday, April 12 at 2:00 p.m. in our Sanctuary.

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## PRAYERS ARE NEEDED

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Let us remember the following members in our prayers.

**Alice Ramos, Chris Ernst, Linda Kleckner  
Judy Knoblock, Jim Weinstein,  
Members who wish to remain private.**

Please let us know if there is a concern in your family.  
Pastor Eun-Hye: Echoi@glenviewumc.org or  
Office@glenviewumc.org

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## LENT BIBLE STUDY

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The Wednesday Bible study group will study Adam Hamilton's book *"The Message of Jesus"*. The books are available in the church office \$14/copy.

**10a.m. in-person or via ZOOM**

In this six-week study, pastor and best-selling author Adam Hamilton explores six of the most important themes in Jesus's teachings, why they matter, and how they speak to us today. The book will explore Jesus's preaching on the Kingdom of God, the Sermon on the Mount, the parables, the "I am" sayings in John, and more. Jesus's message is not only life-changing, but world-changing.

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## SOUP WITH SUBSTANCE

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When: Wednesday evenings (6pm – 7pm).

What: Soup and Bread dinner, Presentation, Discussion

Where: The Narthex of GUMC

Cost: Free-will donation for the meal;

March 4: Discernment Practice in a Christian Community (Laura Underwood)

March 11: The Values of Discernment Practice (Joanne Richter)

March 18: An Example of Community Discernment (Chris Walters)

March 25: Doing God's Will Together (Eun-Hye Choi)

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As I come to Glenview, I do so with gratitude, humility, and hope. I am aware that I follow meaningful pastoral leadership and that I come as the third consecutive Korean female pastor. I hold this not as a barrier, but as a sacred trust — an invitation to listen deeply, lead faithfully, and build relationships with care.

I believe the Church is strongest when we cultivate trust, communicate openly, and keep Christ at the center of all we do. I look forward to worshiping with you, learning your stories, and partnering in God's mission for Glenview UMC and the wider community. I am grateful for this precious opportunity to serve Glenview UMC. I am truly excited for the journey ahead.

Grace and peace,  
Rev. Dr. Rosa Lee

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# Children, Youth & Families

## **Directors**

Beth and Greg Peterson  
Petersons@glenviewumc.org

## **Teachers**

Susanne Rudolph & Maddie Peterson  
Sundayschool@glenviewumc.org

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Welcome March! Whether we start like a lion or a lamb, it's MARCH! We're closer to spring than we are to winter! Boo Ya! Now for the rest of the story...

Sunday, March 1st will be the continuation of our Confirmation/GUMYouth worship series about the four Gospel Apostles! On March 1st we will feature Jayden and Mason as our Apostles! You don't want to miss it! Trevor did such a great job as Mark! The final episode will take place during the service on Sunday, March 22 with Maeve as our Apostle!

Confirmation Class will be held on Saturday, March 21st from 8am until 11am as we push towards the finish line and our Confirmation ceremony in May!

Our Sunday School kids will meet all five Sundays in May. We hope you can join Miss Maddie and Ms. Susanne each of these dates!

Palm Sunday is scheduled for Sunday March, 29th. We hope you can be there for our opening procession! We'll meet in the parlor at 9:40am to get our palms and prepare for our entrance!

See you in Church!

Peace

Greg and Beth

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## HANDY (WO)MAN

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We are blessed with a beautiful and expansive campus, with many buildings that require ongoing care, maintenance, and repair. The Trustees of GUMC invite you to join us in supporting the important ministry of caring for our church property.

There is a place for everyone to help. The needs are wide-ranging: carpentry, electrical work, tree trimming, lawn mowing, event setup, cleaning, even holding a ladder while light bulbs are changed! The Trustees will gladly work alongside you and help match your time and abilities with current needs.

By sharing your time and talents, you help preserve our church's cherished presence in the community and ensure that our campus remains welcoming for all who gather here. Along the way, you may discover new corners of our church and build meaningful friendships with others who care deeply about Glenview UMC and its ministries.

Curtis Corbige, a member of the Trustees, serves as the contact person and coordinator. Please email him at [ccorbige@hotmail.com](mailto:ccorbige@hotmail.com) to add your name to the list of helpers.

With gratitude,  
The Board of Trustees  
Glenview UMC

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## BOOK CLUB

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Join in the Book Club discussion of *Strangers in Time* by David Baldacci on March 3 at 7p.m.

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## RUMMAGE SALE NEWS

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MARCH 27 AND 28!

During these cold winter days it the perfect time to clean out closets, attics, basements and drawers looking for treasures to donate to the sale.

**How You Can Help: Volunteer:** in the following weeks you will see the pink sign-up sheets. When you have filled it out, please turn them into the offering plates or drop them off in the church office. **Donate:** Your gently used clothing, household items, books and décor (no computers, mattresses or lawn equipment). Your "extra" items are someone else's treasure--and a direct contribution to our mission. **Spread the Word:** Invite your friends, family and neighbors to shop for a cause. Let's work together to make this our most successful year yet!

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## POTLUCK

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Join us for Potluck Around the World!!!

On Saturday, March 21 at 5PM, members, friends, and guests of GUMC will be gathering at the church to join in **Potluck Around the World!**

Sign up with the church office by Sunday, March 15, with your name, number attending, and the "Around the World" dish entrée or desert you plan to bring. Explore and be creative!



Most importantly, be prepared for a real treat. See you there!

~The Member Engagement Team

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## THE MUSIC CORNER NEWS

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### March 1 – Second Sunday of Lent: *Matthew 5:1–16* / *Psalm 15*

As we hear Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, worship this Sunday centers on the quiet call of discipleship. Hymns including *Shine, Jesus, Shine, Just a Closer Walk With Thee*, and *Let There Be Peace on Earth* frame our gathering in light, personal devotion, and shared calling. The choir will offer *Give Me Jesus*, expressing a simple, profound prayer of faithfulness. The choir will share the Taizé chant *Wait for the Lord* inviting us to listen to Jesus' words and witness their meaning in our lives.

### March 8 – Third Sunday of Lent: *Psalm 67* / *Gospel text shared by Rev. Greg Gross*

With a focus on mission and service, music this Sunday reflects both gratitude and hope. Izzy Jenke will offer the prelude solo *What a Beautiful Name*, centering worship in praise. The choir's anthem *Soon and Very Soon* lifts our vision toward God's promised future. The Taizé chant *Bless the Lord* echoes Psalm 67's call to thanksgiving and reminds us that mission begins with remembering God's mercy.

### March 15 – Fourth Sunday of Lent: *Luke 15:1–24* / *Psalm 32*

The parables of Jesus reveal stories of forgiveness, return, and grace that meets us where we are. Hymns *Come, Thou Fount, Softly and Tenderly*, and *Amazing Grace* allow the congregation to sing this journey of wandering and homecoming. The choir's anthem *Every Valley* reflects God's work of preparing and restoring, and Beth Peterson's flute meditation *Were You There* offers a contemplative space within the Lenten path. The Taizé chant *Jesus, Remember Me* becomes our shared prayer for mercy and belonging.

### March 22 – Fifth Sunday of Lent: *Matthew 16:13–20* / *Psalm 27*

As Jesus asks, "Who do you say that I am?" worship this Sunday invites reflection and response. Hymns *Walk With Me, Just As I Am*, and *Lord I Need You* shape a musical journey of walking with Christ, offering ourselves honestly, and trusting in God's sustaining presence. The introit *Above All* frames our gathering in Christ-centered devotion, and the Bell Choir with Women's Choir will present *10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)* as a song of praise rooted in Psalm 27's confidence and trust. The choral selection *Shalom* by the men's choir offers a musical blessing of peace. The Taizé chant *Eat This Bread* offers a gentle reminder of Christ's sustaining presence, drawing us into the shared life we hold together in him.

See page 8 for a peek at the music for Holy Week!



# Mission & Service Committee

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Hello Volunteers!

I'm reaching out on behalf of **World Relief** to make you aware of 3 ways to help refugees and immigrants right now. If you are open to helping in any of these ways, please reply to me and I'll get you connected!

1. From the airport, to English class, to doctor's appointments, and other such activities. This is a flexible opportunity with the primary need being during business hours. We provide training and you can use your own vehicle or World Relief vehicles depending on the family size and the route needed, as well as your own preference.
2. You may or may not know that we send a weekly advocacy reminder email here in Chicagoland - this is a short email where we highlight a policy point or two and remind you to call your representatives to advocate for just and dignifying policies related to immigration issues. We also share good news when advocacy makes an impact! If you'd like to join that mailing list, please let me know and we will add you.
3. As we prepare for the possibility of refugees in Chicagoland being impacted by Operation PARRIS (refugee reinterviewing, which has led to some refugees being detained from Minnesota last month), we are hosting several workshop/phone bank sessions to help educate and prepare refugees here. We need your help to make them a success!

If you'd be willing to come to one or more of the sessions below to help our staff team with calling refugees (interpretation provided) and/or helping families fill out family preparedness plan information, please let me know and I will connect you! Here are the details:

- a. March 6 & 13 at our DuPage office, 10am-1pm
- b. March 20 & 27 at our Aurora office, 10am-1pm
- c. Every Friday in March at our Chicago office, 10am-1pm

Thank you so much for your ongoing partnership and your warm welcome to refugee and immigrant neighbors across our region! Have a lovely weekend ahead, and looking forward to hearing from you!

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Regional Director of Volunteer Engagement

World Relief Chicagoland

[worldrelief.org/chicagoland](http://worldrelief.org/chicagoland)

630.344.2923

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## SHIPMENT TO MIDWEST MISSION

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Thanks to Mark Netherland & Ed Porrett with GUMC and Ray Trent & Jim Speicher from New Lenox for loading the GUMC collections in the NOMAD trailer to go to Midwest Mission Feb. 10, 2026., Ray and Jim are volunteers with NOMADs. and came to GUMC to pick up donated supplies which included a generous donation from the Niles Fire Dept. of hand sanitizers, face masks and personal protective garments. Also included in this shipment: 100 health kits assembled on MLK, Jr. Day by volunteers at First UMC Arlington Heights; and misc. items which included 3 electric sewing machines, 1 treadle machine, and sewing notions. GUMC is a collection site for the Lake North Dist. of the Northern IL Conference of the UMC.

NOMADS is short for: Nomads On A Mission Active in Devine Service. It is a United Methodist volunteer organization whose members travel to help Methodist organizations, where and when needed, doing most everything from cleaning after disasters to new construction. They also serve Midwest Mission in many capacities.

You can continue to help. The following are some items to collect for Midwest Mission. For thir expanded list go to: [midwestmission.org/kits](https://midwestmission.org/kits). Mark and put your donated item(s) in the collection bins. If questions, contact Ethel Doyle 847-975-0361, [lareth@aol.com](mailto:lareth@aol.com)



### MOST NEEDED

#### Used supplies:

- Medical Gear: wheelchairs, walkers, canes, orthopedic supplies
- Fire Gear & Equipment: contact your local fire dept. to see if they have "expired" gear
- Sewing Machines: treadle and electric in working condition
- Sewing notions, (thread, pin cushions, scissors, etc.) buttons, fabrics,
- Tools - New and gently used brooms, hand tools, and metal implements including shovels, rakes & hoes.
- Bleacher wood

#### New Supplies:

- Bed Packs: twin sheet set, pillow, pillowcase
- Dish Soap (42-64 oz)
- Liquid Laundry Detergent (max of 150 oz.)

#### Handmade items:

Patterns can be found at [midwestmission.org/patterns](https://midwestmission.org/patterns)

- Day and Night Pads
- Waterproof Bags
- Layette Kirt Gowns & Sleepers



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## THE MUSIC FOR HOLY WEEK

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### March 29 - Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday invites us into the movement of Holy Week through procession, song, and story. The Bell Choir and Sanctuary Choir will join with our Palm Parade as we sing beloved hymns including *Hosanna*, *Loud Hosanna*, *Ride On*, *Ride On in Majesty*, *All Glory*, *Laud and Honor*, and *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*. These familiar hymns help us move together from shouts of praise toward the deeper reflection that awaits in the days ahead.

### Looking Ahead – Good Friday

Our Good Friday service will be shaped by Taizé chant and prayerful stillness, with Beth Peterson offering gentle flute accompaniment throughout. The chants that have accompanied us during Lent will return as quiet companions, helping us settle our minds, soften our hearts, and gather our prayers before God. Through simple melody, repetition, and silence, we will remember Christ's passion and trust God's nearness on this holy day of reflection.

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## MUSIC EVENT

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### Young Musicians Concert Series Continues April 19

Glenview United Methodist Church's Young Musicians Concert Series returns on Sunday, April 19 at 4:00 pm with an exciting afternoon of brass ensemble music featuring talented local student performers.

This concert will showcase Yaneli Solorio (trumpet), Ian Martinez (trombone), Ariana Venecia (trombone), and David Johanson (tuba) in a vibrant program highlighting both classical and popular repertoire. Audience members will enjoy selections including *Two Pieces for Three Trombones* by Raymond Premru, the playful and familiar *Bluey Theme*, and the lively jazz standard *The Livery Stable Blues* (Dixieland Jazz Band).

The Young Musicians Concert Series is part of Glenview UMC's ongoing commitment to encourage, celebrate, and provide performance opportunities for emerging artists within our community. These concerts offer a welcoming space for young performers to share their musical gifts while inviting listeners of all ages to experience the joy of live music together.

Mark your calendar and plan to join us for this engaging and family-friendly concert. All are welcome.

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## JOIN US

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### GLENVIEW CONCERT BAND ENSEMBLE NIGHT

Monday, March 16, 7:00 p.m. in our church sanctuary showcasing ensembles of some of our members.

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## THEATER GROUP

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Don't miss this high-energy, family-friendly showcase featuring our talented students, alumni, and staff performing unforgettable numbers from **Hamilton**, **Wicked**, **Grease**, and more!

**Saturday, March 7 at 7:00pm & Sunday, March 8 at 2:00pm in the social hall!**

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# BIRTHDAYS

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

3/1 Keira Read	3/1 Elyce Ventura	3/3 Kelly Amrhein
3/4 Sandy Vanderburg	3/5 Samantha Derrington	3/5 Joy Forman
3/5 Jessica Gimeno	3/6 Lindsay Kleckner	3/7 Christopher Berg
3/7 Jennifer Sawicz	3/8 Greg Gwozdz	3/8 Ralene Tagtmeier
3/8 Howard Tweddle, Jr.	3/10 Jean Deal	3/10 Dick Schweers
3/11 Steve Ellis	3/11 Zachary Urban	3/13 David Slaght
3/14 Mark Netherland	3/16 Richard Krcik	3/16 Jack Murphy
3/18 Bob Deme	3/18 Pat Fawcett	3/20 Janet Conlin
3/20 Jeff Ludwig	3/20 Jonathan Urban	3/22 Mason Tagtmeier
3/22 Chris Walters	3/25 Casey Berg	3/25 Joaquin Gonzalez
3/25 Dan Stryker	3/26 Jonathan Hutchins	3/30 Annette Vander Ploeg

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

3/14 Valerie and Barry Putman	3/20 Delia and Mark Rowlands
3/21 Marie and Dick Hoffman	3/31 Susan and Richard Krcik

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## BASEBALL

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Join storyteller Lynn Rymarz as she shares the true story of Dottie Kamenshek, who spent ten seasons playing baseball as a Rockford Peach. Discover her childhood days growing up in Ohio with immigrant parents during the Depression and how she ended up playing with the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League when World War II broke out. Kamenshek and her teammates inspired the movie *A League of Their Own*.

Presented by the *United Women in Faith* on Saturday, April 25. A ballpark themed lunch will be served. Tickets and more info will be in the April Visitor. Save the date!!

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## EASTER FLOWERS

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**White** is the color deeply intertwined with the resurrection of Jesus, symbolizing his divinity and purity. White flowers remind us of new beginnings and hope, inspiring us to look to the future with optimism. **Yellow** symbolizes new beginnings and signify the joy of the season and the hope and optimism that comes with the onset of spring. **Red** symbolizes eternal life often signifying the blood of Jesus and his ultimate sacrifice. It is also a reminder of God's infinite love and is associated with passion, life, and courage. **Purple** represents faith and hope during this spiritual renewal and resurrection season.

**Please use the enclosed yellow order form for your Easter flowers. Return with your payment by March 16.**



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ACTIVITIES FOR

# HOLY WEEK

**Palm Sunday**

March 29

*Palm Procession with children and special music.*

**Maundy Thursday**

April 2 at 7pm in the Parlor.

*Soup and Bread Dinner with Communion in memory of Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples and Foot Washing.*

**Good Friday**

April 3 at 7pm in the Sanctuary

*special music, the skit, "In the Shadow of the Cross," prayers and Bible readings.*

**Easter Sunday**

April 5 starting at 9:45am in the Sanctuary  
*Celebrate the Resurrection with special music and Holy Communion .*