



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” in the back for children to use during worship.

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.

The parables of Jesus reveal stories of forgiveness, return and grace that meets us where we are.

Through the hymns, we sing this journey of wandering and homecoming.

The anthem reflects God’s work of preparing and restoring and offers a contemplative space within the Lenten path. The chant becomes our shared prayer for mercy and belonging.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 15, 2026

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Were You There?

Beth Peterson, flute solo

WELCOME

***PEACE**

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

People: **And also with you!**

***OPENING PRAYER (unison)**

Merciful God, we come before you as we are--sometimes faithful, sometimes wandering, sometimes unsure of where we belong. Forgive us, O God, when we choose distance over relationship, pride over humility, or resentment over grace. Gather us now in your presence. Remind us that we are your beloved children. Teach us to receive your grace with humble hearts and to extend that same grace to others. As we worship today, draw us

closer to you and to one another, that this community may reflect the joy of your household, where all are welcomed, forgiven, and restored. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* 121 (large blue book)

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

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

Response *I've Got Peace Like a River* 2145, v. 1 (small black book)
(Children PreK-K, room 10c; 1st - 5th, room 10b, may leave for Sunday school.)

Taizé Chant *Jesus, Remember Me* 488 (large blue book)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PSALTER *Psalm 25:1-10* 756, res. 2 (large blue book)
Ashly Chacko, cantor

ANTHEM *Every Valley* Beck

*GOSPEL *Luke 15:11-32* (Pew Bible p. 1624)

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*HYMN *Amazing Grace* 378, vs. 1-4 (large blue book)

SERMON *Sinners and Saints* Rev. Eun-Hye Choi

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 *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling* 348, vs. 1, 2 & 4 (large blue book)

SENDING FORTH

COMMUNITY LIFE AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

OFFERING OUR THANKS AND OURSELVES

All loose coins and singles in the offering plates in the back will go to Care for Real.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Lenten Cantabile

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

**USHER: Sandy Vanderburg**

*Please join us for coffee and conversation in the social hall provided by Sarane and Bruce Siewerth.*

*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**

**COME JOIN OUR LENTEN PROGRAM “SOUP AND SUBSTANCE” ON WEDNESDAYS AT 6 PM IN THE NARTHEX.**

We will meet every Wednesday through March 25 at 6 pm in the narthex. The Theme is “A Christian Discernment Practice” based on the book “Pursuing God’s Will Together: A Discernment Practice” by Ruth Haley Barton. There is no need to buy the book and we just ask a free will donation for the soup and bread supper. On March 18th Rev. Chris Walters will discuss “An Example of Community Discernment”.

**THE THEME OF LENT THIS YEAR WILL BE “THE MESSAGE OF JESUS”**

based on Adam Hamilton’s book.

Fifth Sunday in Lent (3/22) - Who Do You Say That I Am? - Matthew 6:13-20

**GLENVIEW CONCERT BAND ENSEMBLE NIGHT**

will be performed in our sanctuary on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

**COME TO OUR POTLUCK DINNER FROM “AROUND THE WORLD” ON SATURDAY, MARCH 21.**

We will gather together in the social hall at 5 pm for a delicious, fun event. Call the church office by Thursday, 3/19, to tell us you are coming and the “Around the World” dish entrée or dessert you plan to bring.

**LAST CHANCE TO ORDER YOUR EASTER FLOWERS ON THE ENCLOSED INSERT SHEET!**

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!**

We are blessed with a beautiful and expansive campus, with many building areas 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 - carpentry, electrical work, tree trimming, lawn mowing, event setup, cleaning, etc. If you would like to help keep YOUR church building/grounds in great shape, contact Curtis Corbige at [ccorbige@hotmail.com](mailto:ccorbige@hotmail.com)

**RUMMAGE SALE IS MARCH 27 AND 28!**

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 in 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. **Stop by the coffee fellowship table and pick up a poster to post in stores you frequent.**

Let’s work together to make this our most successful year yet!

## BOOK CLUB IN APRIL

will be discussing "Downeast" by Gigi Georges on Tuesday, April 7 at 7 pm in the parlor.

## LOOSE COINS AND SINGLES IN THE OFFERING PLATES WILL GO TO CARE FOR REAL.

This group is helping their neighbors in Edgewater and Roger's Park. They provide food, clothing, referrals and additional needed services. They do this with compassion to improve the wellbeing and health of the low income residents. They depend on 950 volunteers to help distribute food 5 days a week to those who are facing food insecurity. Care for Real is fostering a healthier, more equitable and stronger community.

Volunteers are essential to the work of Care for Real. They help with packing groceries, distributing food to their clients, working in their warehouse, sorting clothing donations, providing administrative support and so much more. CfR has volunteer opportunities seven days a week between their two locations: Edgewater, 5840 N. Broadway, Chicago, multiple days and times, and at the United Church of Rogers Park, 1545 W. Morse Ave., Chicago, Thursdays 3-6 pm. [www.careforreal.org](http://www.careforreal.org), [info@carforreal.org](mailto:info@carforreal.org), 773-769-6182.

## 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:

**March 15 - March 22, 2026**

#### Today:

11 am Fellowship, social hall  
11:15 am Rainbow Team meeting, pastor's office  
11:15 am Bell Choir rehearsal, sanctuary

#### Monday:

7 pm Glenview Concert Band performance, sanctuary  
7 pm Finance Committee via Zoom

#### Tuesday:

Voting Day, all day in choir room  
9:30 Staff meeting, pastor's office

#### Wednesday:

7:30 am Men's Study group, choir room  
10 am Adult Lenten study, choir room  
6 pm "Soup and Substance", narthex  
7 pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, choir room

#### Saturday:

8 am Confirmation, social hall  
5 pm "Dinner Around the World" Church Potluck dinner, social hall

#### Next Sunday:

Fifth Sunday in Lent  
10 am Worship, Confirmation skit and Sunday school  
11 am Fellowship, parlor  
11:15 am Bell Choir rehearsal, sanctuary  
11:15 Begin set up for Rummage Sale, social hall, choir room

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