Broadcaster Glenview Community Church



February 4, 2009

A Pilgrim's Progress

The purpose of worship is to praise God. One of the earliest elements of praise used in worship is doxology. The word comes from the Greek language and is a combination of doxa which means glory and logos which means word. Doxology is glory word and an expression of praise. A custom developed from worship in the synagogue to end a rite or a hymn with a short verse praising God.

The Apostle Paul adapted this custom in his writing. Many of his letters in the New Testament end with a doxology. "To the only God, who alone is all-wise, be glory through Jesus Christ forever! Amen" (Romans 16:27) and "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all," (2 Corinthians 13:13) are two examples. However, a doxology is found other places on Paul's letters including Romans 11:36, Galatians 1:5, Ephesians 3:21. Basically the same phrase is used in these three instances, "To God be the glory forever and ever. Amen." Because Paul's letters were among the first written documents the early church had, the custom developed to adapt one or more of Paul's doxologies as part of worship in congregations to which Paul wrote letters. As a result a doxology became an element of early Christian worship. However, there was not one specific short verse praising God that became known as The Doxology.

Eventually a form developed that became a tradition for a doxology. By the 4th century, the form, Glory to the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost became universal among Catholics. From that point a Greater and a Shorter Doxology were developed. The Greater Doxology is Gloria in Excelsis Deo and was used in the Mass. The Shorter Doxology is the Gloria Patri. The Shorter Doxology often was sung at the end of the reading of a Psalm to Christianize the Psalm.

Many people today understand doxology to mean specific phrases sung to a specific tune. The phrases are:

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. These words were written by Thomas Ken in 1674 and are actually the last verse of a longer hymn, Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun.

The tune used with these words that is familiar to most is Old Hundredth, attributed to Louis Bourgeois published in 1551. This combination of phrases and tune is referred to by many as The Doxology because it is the one with which they are most familiar. It may be the only doxology with which they are familiar, thus the identification-The Doxology.

As there are many doxologies in Paul's letters, there are many doxologies that are used in Christian congregations. Often there are different phrases from the ones mentioned above that are sung to the Old Hundredth tune. Other phrases with other tunes also are doxologies. When we sing the Offertory Hymn Sunday, let's keep in mind we are continuing and participating in an ancient worship custom of "glory word."

Howard

This New Year

God of this new year, we are walking into mystery.

We face the future, not knowing what the days and months
Will bring to us or how we will respond.

Be love in us as we journey.

May we welcome all who come our way.

Deepen our faith to see all of life through your eyes.

Fill us with hope and an abiding trust that you dwell in us

Amidst all our joys and sorrows.

Thank you for the treasure of our faith life.

Thank you for the gift of being able to rise each day

With the assurance of your walking through the day with us.

God of this new year, we praise you. Amen.

Joyce Rupp - May I Have This Dance?

SUNDAY SERVICES

February 8, 2009

8:30 a.m. Voices of GCC Voices of GCC

Voices of GCC & Primary Choir

Scripture:

Psalm 147: 1-11; Isaiah 40:21-31

Sermon:

"Source of Strength" Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler

Night Ministry Cookie Bake Mid Winter Congregational Meeting New Membership Orientation Pasta Luigi

February 15, 2009

Mission Moment

8:30 a.m. Women's Choir 10:30 a.m. Women's Choir

Scripture:

Genesis: 1:1-2:4, Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon:

"Creation Revisited" Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts

February 22, 2009

8:30 a.m. *Bell Choir* 10:30 a.m. *Chancel Choir*

Scripture:

Psalm 50:1-6; Mark 9:2-9

Sermon:

"Sense of the Sacred" Rev. Sally Iberg

New Member ORIENTATION

FEBRUARY 8TH

Glenview Community Church will hold an orientation meeting for those considering membership at GCC on Sunday, February 8 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm, followed by dinner together at Pasta Luigi. Anyone interested in membership at GCC should contact Linda Binaei, Director of Member Engagement at linda.binaei@ gccucc.org or 847 724-2210 x 29 immediately. New members will be received during the 10:30 worship service on Sunday, February 15.

WANTED: GCC Members to Mentor Families

The Membership and Fellowship Boards at GCC are introducing a Mentor Program for new members. The purpose of the Mentor Program is to support new church members by inviting, encouraging and informing them of all that GCC has to offer. With your help we can successfully connect new members to church activities, group outings, or even better, a seat next to you during a Sunday service. If you are interested in being a mentor, please contact Director of Member Engagement, Linda Binaei, 847-724-2210 for more information.

MID-WINTER Congregational Meeting

By a vote of the Executive Board, the Mid-Winter Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 8, 2009 at 9:20 a.m. in the Sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting will be to receive reports from the Church Clerk, Church Treasurer, and Stewardship Board; receive nominations for Church Treasurer and Church Clerk; approve proposed changes to the Glenview Community Church Constitution; and, adopt the 2009 Budget.

This notice constitutes the official call to meeting. All members of the church are urged to be present.

Altar Flowers for 2009

We have open dates for altar flowers for 2009. If you would like to purchase flowers for one or more of the dates listed below, please pick up a form in the church office or Narthex and return it as soon as possible.

OPEN DATES

February 15 & 22 March 8, 15, 29 April 5 & 26 May 10

August 9 September 6, 20 October 11, 18, 25 November 15, 22, 29



NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR HANDS OF PEACE

The United Nations will be the backdrop on February 7 when Glenview Community Church's member, Gretchen Grad, is presented with the "Social Entrepreneur of the Year Award" for her work in founding Hands of Peace. The award is presented by Hamilton Ventures, an association of Hamilton College alumni devoted to new enterprise development.

GCC members are encouraged to take an active part in this summer's program, which will bring Israeli, Palestinian and American teens together for the seventh straight year.

Chair, Debby Fosdick at debbyfosdick@ ameritech.net or give her a call at 847-832-1396. "Be the change you wish to see in the

Do you have a high school student who

would like to participate? Can you open

your home to host a Middle East visitor?

help plan an event. The dates are July 17

through August 3. Please take a look at

our website for details at www.hands-

of-peace.org. You can also contact Board

Perhaps you'd like to donate a meal or

world"

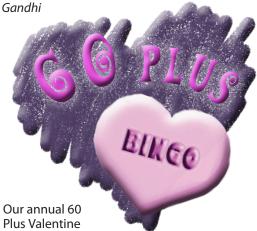
Adult Education

SUNDAYS 9:30 AM IN THE CHAPEL February

- No Adult Education—all congregation meeting at 9:30
- Debbie Burdick book review
- 22 Allan Ruter; Hamlet, Huck Finn and the Apostle Paul.

Small Group Ministries

Register today for March small groups. Rev. Dr. Howard Roberts will offer a Lenten Bible study on Thursday evenings beginning with a soup supper. Rev. Dr. Pam Keckler and Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse, will offer a small group to discuss women in the Bible on Tuesday mornings. Elizabeth Ciccolini, Director of Youth Ministries, will offer a small group on Wednesday evenings for high school juniors and seniors to talk about what comes after high school. On Wednesday evenings, Rev. Sally Iberg will lead a discussion of Robert Schnase's book. "Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations." You may register through February 22 at Fellowship Hour following worship. You may also register by stopping by or calling the office at 847 724-2210 or going to our website: www.gccucc.org. For more information, contact Rev. Sally Iberg at sally.iberg@gccucc.org or 847 724-2210 x 23.



Bingo Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 17th at 12 noon in the Mayflower Room. What better way to celebrate this day, but

with good food and an extra "lovely" dessert! You will have the opportunity to play our famous Valentine Bingo and win a prize. On this day everyone is a winner!

We ask that you bring an inexpensive wrapped gift (can be white elephant type) to be used as a prize when someone is lucky enough to call out "BINGO".

Join us and bring your friends. Rides are available - call Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at 847-724-2210 ext. 30.



FEBRUARY 8TH

Here it is, the night you've been waiting for!

An Evening at Pasta Luigi, our annual spaghetti dinner, will be presented this Sunday, February 8. Dinner is at 5:00 p.m. and entertainment features the Singing Waiters and Waitresses of the GCC Chancel Choir. Proceeds from the dinner will be divided between Cornerstone Community Outreach and the Northfield Food Pantry. Any leftovers will be taken to Good News Community Kitchen. Tickets are still available in the office or at the door.



Something For You

Interested in being a part of a new Women's Association chapter?
The membership committee of the Women's Association is assessing whether there is interest in the formation of a new chapter, potentially for (but not limited to) young moms. Chapters are a great way to be a part of a small group within the larger group. Members usually meet monthly to study, work together on outreach projects, and share fellowship and fun.

There will be an information meeting on Tuesday, February 17, from 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. in the Parlor of the church. Current chapter members will be on hand to answer any questions and share their perspectives on what chapter involvement has meant to them. If you are interested, please join us. If you have any questions in advance or are interested but unable to attend the meeting, please call C.J. Sultz at 657-7079.



Tenth Annual COOKIE BAKE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

REMINDER: Our tenth annual COOKIE Day is Sunday, February 8. Please bring your home made cookies - or OREOS to the kitchen before Sunday, February 8. On Sunday, February 8 please bring them to the Youth Room before by 1:30 p.m. The PYF and 678 Youth groups will package them into 3's and deliver them that week.

Call Dori at 847-724-4453 if you have any questions.



Time to Learn

Like to knit, but don't know how? Join others in a beginners knitting class.
These classes will be offered once a week and during the day.

If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please call Marilyn Belleau, Parish Nurse at 847-724-2210 ext. 30 or email,marilyn.belleau@gccucc.org A member of the congregation and expert knitter has volunteered to teach. Have fun while learning!



ONES FROM
THE HEARY

Glenview Community Church is scheduled for a Greater Chicago Food Depository (GCFD) work session on Saturday, February 14. We will leave Glenview Community Church at 12:30 p.m. and will return by 5:30 p.m. (work session from 1:30-4:30 p.m.). Ages 13 and older are welcome to come. RSVP NOW as we only have 12 spots available.

REACHES THE HEARS

The GCFD, and the 600 member Cook County food distribution pantries and agencies they serve, are experiencing approximately a 33% increase in demand for food this year so there is plenty of work to be done. Contact Tracy Sawires at esnstsms@hotmail.com or 847-832-0063 to reserve your spot now.

Thank you from your friends on the Missions Outreach Board.

Confirmation News:

The 8th grade confirmation classes will all meet together on Sunday evening, February 22 from 5-8 p.m. for the annual "Confirmation Survivor Night."

There will be friendly competition with various games and skills, along with a church scavenger hunt, as they solve the mysteries to the clues given. PYF will help in leadership roles that evening as well

Remember PYF-Subscribe@ gccucc.org for the latest details

Broadcaster **DEADLINE**

Please submit all articles by 9:00 am, Wednesday, one week in advance to publishing via email at tania.mccarthy@ gccucc.org

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Ministerial Staff

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Rev. Sally Iberg, Minister for Mission and Ministry

Directors:

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Affiliates:

Marcia Kiraly, *Director, GCC Nursery School* Barbara Thewis, *Manager, Resale Shop*

At A GLANCE

Thurs	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 5:00 pm
2-5	6:15 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal, Bell Rm
	7:00 pm	HOP Committee Mtg., Parlor
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Rm, Sanctuary
Fri	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm
2-6	6:00 pm	NSVYR VolleyBall, Gym
	8:00 pm	Al-Anon Mtg., Rm 201
	8:00 pm	AA Mtg., Parlor
Sat	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm
2-7	9:00 am	Men's Open Gym, Gym
Sun	8:00 am	Voices Rehearsal, Sanctuary
2-8	8:30 am	Sunday School, Room 105
	9:15 am	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm
	9:30 am	8th Grade Confirmation, Various Rms
	9:30 am	7th Grade Confirmation, Plymouth Rm
	9:30 am	MID-Winter Congregational Meeting
	9:30 am	Membership Board, Rm 7
	9:45 am	Voices & Primary Rehearsal, Rm 201

Sun	10:30 am	Sunday School Gathering, Rm 201		
2-8	11:30 am	Fellowship Hour, Mayflower Rm		
	2:00 pm	Confirmation/Youth Board, Youth Rm 678 Club, Youth Rm New Membership, Narthex		
			4:00 pm	PYF Gathering, Youth Rm
				5:00 pm
	Mon	6:00 pm	CEMC Rehearsal, Rm 201	
2-9	7:00 pm	Finance Board, Founders Rm		
	7:00 pm	Pilgrim Wind Ens. Rehearsal, Sanctuary		
Tues	6:30 pm	CEMC Rehearsal, Sanctuary		
2-10	7:00 pm	Mission Outreach Board, Parlor		
	7:00 pm Services & Sacraments Board, Youth Rm			
	7:00 pm	Adult Ed Board, Founders Rm		
	7:00 pm	Pastoral Care Board, Rm 210		
	7:00 pm	Children's Board, Rm 201		
Wed	9:00 am	Resale Shop, Plymouth Rm until 1:00 pm		
2-11	6:30 pm	BSA Troop 156 Mtg, Gym, Mayflower Rm		
	7:00 pm	Stewardship Board, Rm 7		
	7:00 pm	Venturing Crew, Rm 210		
	7:00 pm	Music Board, Rm 201		
	7:00 pm	Adult Work Camp Group, Parlor		

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