

LOVE STORY

That's the title of a best-selling novel by Erich Segal and movie by the same name starring Ryan O'Neal and Ali MacGraw. It's a tragic romance that boosted tissue sales because of all the tears that needed to be dried. In the signature scene, Oliver Barrett (O'Neal) apologizes to Jennifer Cavallari (MacGraw) for his anger. She answers that apology with the film's most famous line, Love means never having to say you're sorry. Pass the tissues!

Though that line is immortal, it's wrong! Love *does* mean saying we're sorry, and changing because we are. It means repenting, turning around, setting our lives on a new course: not because we're deeply afraid, but because we're greatly loved. That's the the greatest power of the Christian faith: to change us...to change our minds...to change our hearts...to change our lives...and to change our world...because we have discovered just how deep, and broad, and high God's love is for us in Jesus Christ. Yes, love means saying we're sorry...over and over again. It means trusting God's love for us enough to become vulnerable...to own up to the hurt and pain that we've caused...to wait for a word of forgiveness that welcomes the dawn of a new day of grace.

I'm telling you this because we're immersed in a love story right now. That's what Holy Week is. It's God's love story...the story of how determined Jesus is to love us. From a Passover with His disciples on Thursday... to His betrayal, trial, conviction, scourging and crucifixion on Friday...to the unbearable grief and emptiness of Holy Saturday... to the astounding news that Jesus is risen on Easter morning. It's all about love: how much God loves us, and how patiently God

waits for us to love in return. Because, for God, resurrection *is* love and life.

So, beloved, please note the details of how we will tell this love story at GCC this year. It will be well prepared. *Maundy Thursday's Passover Seder...Good Friday's* musical *Once Upon a Parable...Holy Saturday's Easter Vigil...Easter's festival worship...* and love's new life expressed in Bob Dylan's music of social significance on the Second Sunday in Eastertide (April 23rd).

This is the greatest Love Story ever told. Erich Segal's best seller pales in comparison! In the words of an old gospel song, join us as we *tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love*. See you in church!

Chuck Mize

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

With your help, our Annual Stewardship Appeal continues to grow to meet the financial needs of GCC's Message, Ministries and Mission in 2017! 351 households have pledged their financial support for our church. Additionally, 46 households have increased their pledges in response to our need, for a total of \$36,410. As of this writing, our pledges (including increases) and special gifts total \$897,600. Thank you!

Yet our challenge remains! Prior to our May 21st Annual Congregational Meeting, our pledges, increases and special gifts need to add at least another \$100,000 for GCC to continue its Message, Ministries and Mission in 2017. I pray that our commitment and desire will match our ability to meet this challenge!

Chuck Mize

Worship 10:00 a.m. APRIL

16

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

COMMUNION AT BOTH SERVICES

2:

SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

Bob Dylan Sunday: The Times They are A-Changing

Scripture: John 20:19-31

Sermon: *Evidence*

Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

APRIL

30

THIRD SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Sermon:

Coffee Cans and Cookies Rev. Dr. Chuck Mize

Alive Together With Christ

the message

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION

Proposed Constitution and Bylaws to be voted on at the Annual Meeting May 21.

On Sunday, May 21, at the Annual Meeting, members of GCC will vote on a motion to replace the current Constitution and Bylaws of the Glenview Community Church with the "Interim Constitution and Bylaws of Glenview Community Church as of May 2017 To Be Revised as Needed, for Adoption by May 2019." The Interim Constitution and Bylaws is intended to be used for a 2-year transition period, to incorporate any revisions or additions, so that a final Constitution and Bylaws would be voted on at the May 2019 Annual Meeting. Copies of this Interim Constitution and Bylaws are available in the Church Office, the Narthex and outside the chapel, and a link to this document is on the GCC website.

A favorable vote by at least twothirds of GCC members present and voting at the May 21, 2017 Annual Meeting will be required to adopt the Interim Constitution and Bylaws.

The Interim Constitution and Bylaws was drafted by the Governance Task Force (GTF). This document provides the framework for a new governance structure that was developed by the GTF over the last 2 years, after multiple informational/feedback sessions with the Spiritual Council, the Leadership Committee, the current boards and the congregation. Every Sunday starting April 23 until the May 21 vote, the GTF will have a table at the Fellowship Hour to answer your questions about the Interim Constitution and Bylaws and to provide information about the new governance structure. Or, if you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact any of these GTF members: **Bob McGee** (chair), Paul Bauerschmidt, Shane Bill, Leanne Drennan, Debby Fosdick, Megan Mc-Clung, Nancy Mullarkey or Karen Patterson-O'Brien.

business

FORWARD IN FAITH IS MOVING FORWARD!

The most generous capital campaign in the church's history is now poised to move from campaign to building! Collectively you pledged over \$3,846,000 to make GCC a more beautiful, functional and accessible space to support our growing ministries and missions. THANK YOU!

Now the Construction Committee (led by Nick Peters and including our owner's rep. Jerry Alisio of the AT Group) is meeting with the architects (TKWA) and builders (Pepper Construction) to determine how we can get the most "bang for our buck." You may recall the original Master Plan identified 20 "patterns" that could be improved/enhanced; the goal is to incorporate as many of those into the final plans as possible given our working budget.

Recommended plans will be shared with the congregation for review and approval before any construction takes place.

BY THE NUMBERS:

Forward in Faith pledges: \$3,846,050 Funds spent to date: 210,622 (architect, builder and campaign fees)

Available for construction: \$3,635,428

Pledges paid to date \$754,791 (Thank you! Many are paying pledges ahead of the 5-year schedule)

Next Construction Committee meeting is April 18.

LIFE EVERLASTING

We trust the promise of the resurrection for our longtime member, Frances Vogel, who passed away on February 28 in Texas, even as we hold her daughter, **Sue Hamer** and her family in our prayers...for Sue Newberry's father, R. Robert Horn who died in Crown Point, Indiana at the grand age of 95 on April 1, even as we hold **Sue, Keith**, Owen, Sue's mother Betty and their family in our prayers...and for Julie Hansen's father, Thomas Kroeschell, who passed away on Wednesday, March 22, even as we hold Julie, John, Brian, Stephen and their family in our prayers. A memorial service at The Northbrook United Methodist Church on Saturday, April 15, at 11 a.m.

HOLY WEEK

APRIL 13- MAUNDY THURSDAY

6:30 p.m. Seder Meal and worshipSponsored by the 8th grade Confirmation Class in the Mayflower Room.

APRIL 14 - GOOD FRIDAY

7:30 p.m. - Once Upon A Parable by Pote and Long. Worship service in song and story.

APRIL 15 - HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL - in the style of Taizé 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

APRIL 16 - EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Festival Easter Worship with Holy Communion.

EASTER EGG HUNT - On the east lawn after the 9:00 a.m. worship.

GIVING GLIMPSE

FEBRUARY 2017

The Message, Ministries and Mission of Glenview Community Church thrive because you fulfill your stewardship commitments and make faithful contributions. It is essential that we remain current in our giving. In the midst of our busy lives, we offer you this update reminder to keep in focus our progress on completing our financial commitments to GCC. This Giving Glimpse will be updated monthly and included in the worship bulletin and Broadcaster.

	Amount Received	Amount* Pledged	Over/ Under
February	\$ 45,964	\$ 90,401	- \$44,437
YTD	\$192,465	\$238,095	-\$45,630

NOTE: * The Amount Pledged will be the monthly and YTD pledges budgeted for 2016 until the 2017 budget has been approved by the GCC congregation.

Alive Together With Christ

PYF MARCH/APRIL

4:00-6:00

Questions: contact Rev. Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, email <u>elizabeth.ciccooini@</u> <u>gccucc.org</u>, call or text 708-228-4304.

APRIL 16

EASTER! Worship at 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Enjoy with your family.

APRIL 23

AUCTION There will be a sign up sheet for time slots.

APRIL 30

TRIP TO THE CITY Train to Boat to Navy Pier or Millennium Park.

MAY 7

PYF Game on! Walk to Roosevelt Park & Ice Cream.

POW-PYF ON WEDNESDAYS 7/8 CLUB

We are working on "Tough Stuff". Dinner will be at 5:30 p.m. followed by fellowship time and ending with some fun Bible discussions.

SPRINGTIME 60+

It's time for birds, flowers, colored eggs, and 60+! Come to the 60+ luncheon on Tuesday, April 18 from noon-1:30 for a fresh, springthemed meal and a chance to connect with your friends. Please contact Rev. Dale Susan Edmonds at (847) 724-2210 ext.230 or dalesusan.edmonds@gccucc.org if you will attend in order to help us plan the meal. See you then. *Pastoral Care Board*

HOMES NEEDED TO HOST YOUTH CHOIR

GCC is hosting the Youth Choirs (vocal and handbells) from Crystal Lake Congregational Church for a concert on Friday, April 21. We are looking for approximately 15 GCC homes to host these wonderful teenagers overnight following a 7:30 p.m. concert in the sanctuary. Return time is 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 22 when they will travel to their next tour destination. Please let Gary Wendt know if you are willing to host a couple of these young musicians.

gary.wendt@gccucc.org 847-724-2210 X251.



ARTIFICIALLY HIP

As part of the community's ongoing support for Luke Gregory and his battle with Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma, a benefit concert will take place on Friday, April 21 at the New Church in Glenview from 7 - 11 p.m. The event features Artificially Hip, a local rock cover band made up of gracefully aging Glenview residents, and several of Luke's favorite food vendors. Ticket price is \$100/person, which includes food, drinks (wine/beer/bourbon bar) and a great evening of entertainment. Proceeds from the concert will help defray medical expenses incurred by the Gregory family during Luke's multi-year battle with cancer. To learn more about the event and how to purchase tickets, please contact Jenny Burrowes via email *jburr20@gmail.com*.

THE YOUTH CHOIRS CONCERT

The Youth Choirs of the First Congregational Church of Crystal Lake kick off their 45th Annual Spring Concert Tour with a concert on Friday, April 21 at 7:30pm in our sanctuary. The 34 voice high school choir, Alleluia Sound, is conducted by Ann Tucker. Its members come from eight local high schools. The 10 member bell choir, Good Vibrations, is drawn from members of the choir. It is directed by Toni Gambini, Bellmaster. The First Congregational Church of Crystal Lake has an extensive music program including four choirs from kindergarten to adult, directed by Mrs. Tucker, and four bell choirs from grade 4 to adult, directed by Ms. Gambini. The concert is presented as part of the Simple Gifts Concert Series. A free will offering will be taken to offset the costs of the concert series.

FINAL CALL FOR CHILI COOK-OFF AND HOMETOWN AUCTION!

Hometown Auction and Chili Cook-off are on Sunday, April 23, 5-8pm. Come one, come all to help raise money for this summer's mission trip to Leech Lake, MN. Taste different chili samples and vote for your favorite; bid for a variety of items including several homemade baked goods, Bears tickets, Cubs tickets, a day at the Botanic Gardens, or even a weekend at a lake house; and/or contribute different amounts during the paddle-raising portion of the event. The success of this auction depends on YOUR donations and bids. Donation forms are available in the office. Questions? Contact *karen.ornduff@gmail.com* for questions about the event. Chili-makers can register with susan.shute@gmail.com.

CELEBRATE FAIR HOUSING MONTH AT THE LIBRARY

On the 49th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, Open Communities invites you to a screening of an excerpt of the 2016 docu-series America Divided. called **A House Divided**. The film explores the struggle for truly fair and affordable housing that communities across the country face. The event will be at the Glenview Public Library on Wednesday, April 26 from 6-8:30 pm. The event will include a postfilm discussion group, spoken word poetry from acclaimed Chicago poet Billy Tuggle, and light refreshments. Open Communities is a non-profit organization serving Glenview and the northern suburbs, providing free housing justice services including fair housing counseling/enforcement, tenant/ landlord advice, foreclosure prevention, homesharing, and organizing around housing, social, and economic justice.

GCC Faith in Action Team and Mission Outreach Board

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location			
Thursday, 13 April 2017					
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Parlor			
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Narthex			
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM	Maundy Thursday Worship/Seder Meal	Mayflower			
Friday, 14 April 201	7				
8:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Once Upon a Parable	Sanctuary			
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA Meeting	Parlor			
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AL-ANON	Library			
Saturday, 15 April 2	017				
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym			
7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Holy Saturday Easter Vigil	Chapel			
Sunday, 16 April 20	17				
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Easter Worship	Sanctuary			
10:10 AM to 10:30 AM	Easter Egg Hunt On East Lawn	Narthex			
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Easter Worship	Sanctuary			
Monday, 17 April 20	17				
8:00 AM to 8:30 PM	GCC Closed	Sanctuary			
Tuesday, 18 April 20	017				
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM	60 Plus Luncheon	Mayflower			
3:00 PM to 9:00 PM	GCCNS Family Fest	Mayflower			
3:30 PM to 6:00 PM	Confirmation Make Ups	Room 32			
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Finance Board Meeting	Parlor			
Wednesday, 19 Apr	il 2017				
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
9:30 AM to 10:30 AM	Womens Association Chapter 20	Chapel			
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Mayflower			
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	7/8 Club & POW	Mayflower			
6:00 PM to 7:15 PM	Bible Study	Parlor			
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Common Ground Meeting	Chapel			
Thursday, 20 April 2	Thursday, 20 April 2017				
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Narthex			
5:30 PM to 6:55 PM	12th Grade Dinner	Youth Room			
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Joyful Ringers Rehearsal	Bell Room			
7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Troop Mtg	Gym			
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary			
Friday, 21 April 201	7				
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	GCC Volleyball	Gym			
7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Youth Choirs-1st Congreg. Church of Crystal Lake	Sanctuary			
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA Meeting	Parlor			

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location		
Saturday, 22 April 2017				
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room		
Sunday, 23 April 2017				
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Church School Children Meet in Sanctuary	SanctuaryM		
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary		
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Fellowship and Refreshments	Mayflower		
11:15 AM to 12:15 PM	Leadership Committee Meeting	Parlor		
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room		
Monday, 24 April 2017				
3:30 PM to 6:00 PM	Confirmation Make Ups	Room 32		
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201		
Tuesday, 25 April 2017				
3:30 PM to 6:00 PM	Confirmation Make Ups	Room 32		
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Spiritual Council Meeting	Mayflower Room A		
Wednesday, 26 April 2017				
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room		
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Mayflower		
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	7/8 Club & POW	Mayflower		
6:00 PM to 7:15 PM	Bible Study	Parlor		

The next Deadline for the Broadcaster is April 19, 2017 at 9:00 AM



As in years tion will be Orders

having its annual plant sale this spring. are due by Easter Sunday, April 16 and

flowers will be available for delivery or pick up on Saturday, May 13, from 9 to noon. Please consider placing an order for your garden flowers, pots, hanging baskets as well as some herbs and vegetables. The quality of the plants is excellent and, most importantly, proceeds from the sale go directly to beautifying the GCC grounds. Plant forms are available in the church office and online at gccucc.org. If you have any questions, please contact Jill Ruter at 847-814-4156 or jill.ruter@gmail.com.

EASTER VIGIL IN THE STYLE OF TAIZÉ

AI -ANON

8:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Join us in the Chapel on Saturday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m. for this beautiful, meditative service of worship that carries us from the heartbreak of Good Friday to the hope of Easter Sunday. As we did to begin Lent on Ash Wednesday, we will worship in the style of the Taizé community with candles, readings, simple song, and a renewal of our baptismal promises. If you haven't participated in this service, please consider it this year!

THE TIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGING

From Hey, Mr. Tambourine Man, to Blowin' in the Wind, to Forever Young, our worship on April 23 will be woven with Bob Dylan's music of social significance, conscience and change. Beginning with the Beatles, then moving to the Decades of GCC, this will be our third annual Easter affirmation in the most memorable music of our times. Bob Dylan's Nobel Prize in Literature was awarded last year "...for having created new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition." Join us for Second Easter at GCC at 10 a.m. on Sunday, April 23 as we celebrate God's victory of life and love through the music of Bob Dylan.

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community



This year at Glenview Community Church, our Voices of GCC and Primary Choir will lead our Good Friday worship in a musical service titled *Once Upon a Parable*, by Allen Pote and Tom Long. *Once Upon a Parable* features Jesus played by several different actors; one for each parable. The parables include the Wise Man and the Foolish Man, the Good Samaritan, the Mustard Seed, the Vineyard, and the Prodigal Daughter. The service will conclude with a dramatic presentation of the crucifixion and the resurrection. Join us at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 14 for this unique and moving service offered through the eyes of our youth.



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Nonprofit Organization

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John O'Donohue (1956-2008)

