

Happy Halloween

Broadcaster

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SEMPER REFORMANDA

We would not be celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation if it weren't for the irresistible dominance of **Martin Luther's** charismatic personality. Luther isn't the only great reformer of the 16th Century. There was **Philip Melancthon**, and **John Calvin**, and **John Knox**, and **Ulrich Zwingli**, and **Caspar Olevianus**, and **Zacharius Ursinus** to name only a few. But just as we pin the beginning of the Civil Rights movement to December 1, 1955 when Rosa Parks refused to move to the back of the bus, and the beginning of World War II to December 7, 1941 when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, we pin the beginning of the Protestant Reformation to October 31, 1517: the day that Luther posted his 95 Theses on the Castle Church door in Wittenberg. For the Protestant Reformation, Luther stands alone in power, in influence, in sensation, and in persuasion. He stands so squarely and is rooted so deeply in the great theological tradition of the **Apostle Paul** and **St. Augustine** that some consider him to be their equal in influence in Western Christianity. Whether he intended to or not, Luther sparked a movement that the princes of Germany rallied around and supported...a movement that emboldened them to defy the iron-fisted control of the church in Rome...a seismic shift that forever diminished the Roman church's spiritual and temporal power and sowed the seeds of commonwealth and democracy that blossomed into a renaissance of the human spirit.

Luther's personality is heroic; larger than life. At the Diet of Worms (his heresy trial) Luther defied Pope Leo X with a righteous flourish:

Here I stand. I can do no other. May God help me! Amen.

Martin Luther sparked a movement. But **Philip Melancthon** turned it into an institution. Martin Luther was the shining star of the faculty in Wittenberg. His faculty colleague Philip Melancthon was content to practice his scholarship in Luther's shadow. Luther was dynamic, bombastic, and eccentric; Melancthon was reticent, circumspect, and reasoned. Most significantly, Philip Melancthon took the sweeping inspiration of Luther's theological revolution and turned it into the systematic doctrine of the Augsburg Confession. In other words, Melancthon institutionalized Martin Luther's movement. He turned Luther into Lutheran.

In the U.S. church we hardly know Philip Melancthon's name. But, in Germany, Melancthon stands co-equal with Luther: in sculpture, in portrait and in memorial in most churches, including in the Castle Church in Wittenberg where both are entombed in positions of equal honor near the altar (though Luther's tomb is beneath the pulpit!). This is the point: movements are energized by personalities. The Christian Church in the West stands on the backs of great personalities like **St. Paul**, **St. Augustine**, and **Martin Luther**. But movements don't survive unless they become institutions...unless they move on from the charismatic personality that inspired their beginnings.

By nature, movements are dynamic and revolutionary. They thrive on change. But institutions are static and traditional. They

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WORSHIP 10:00 AM OCTOBER

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REFORMATION SUNDAY
500TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
REFORMATION - FESTIVAL WORSHIP

Scripture:
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-39

Sermon:
*Pillars of the Reformation:
Matchless Love*
Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize

NOVEMBER

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN TRINITY
COMMUNION SUNDAY

Scripture:
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13
Matthew 23:1-12

Sermon:
Holy Humility
Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN TRINITY
GENEROSITY SUNDAY AND
VETERANS RECOGNITION

Scripture:
Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-15
Matthew 25:1-13

Sermon:
Choose to Commit
Rev. Dr. Charles E. Mize

Alive Together With Christ

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venerate the status quo. The Glenview Community Church began as a movement. Its charismatic personality was the **Rev. Robert Edgar**, its founding pastor. During his nineteen years of ministry, GCC transitioned from movement to institution so successfully that it thrived in spite of the departures of Rev. Edgar and his three pastoral colleagues within the span of just a few months. That institution has carried us through more than 75 years.

Yet, for institutions to thrive they need to be re-energized and refreshed by movements that propel them out of their historic yesterdays and set them free from the deadly safety of ***we've never done it that way before!*** The church in general (and GCC in particular) cannot thrive if it doesn't become a movement again...a movement of the Holy Spirit...a movement of God's message, ministry and mission for today and tomorrow.

And that is the real significance of the Reformation. The heart of this 500th Anniversary of the Reformation is not in what happened in Wittenberg 500 years ago. It's in what happens in Glenview today and tomorrow. The rallying cry of the Reformation is the Latin phrase, ***Semper Reformanda***. It means that what happened in Wittenberg on October 31, 1517 was the beginning of an ongoing reformation process. Because God is always reforming the church, the church must always be reforming. So, as we mark the Reformation's 500th Anniversary, our most important questions are: ***How is God reforming us? and How will we be the body of Christ in the world in irresistible, saving, transforming, and humanizing ways?***

It all comes down to Jesus. Jesus is the core charismatic leader of our movement. He didn't found a church! Instead, He invites us to follow Him into a life of courage and compassion, of humility and truth, of justice and love. This is the movement to which we belong...the movement that never ends because its charismatic leader is still leading us on! In the words of the Easter proclamation: ***Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!***

My prayer for the Glenview Community

Church is that we will experience the reforming movement of God's Spirit...that it will be a movement of faith that sets us free from fear...a movement of hope that sets us free from history...and a movement of surpassing love that sets us free for abundant life. When institution yields to movement, Reformation isn't memorialized history. It's a vibrant reality that propels us into God's own future. ***Semper Reformanda!*** See you in church!

Chuck Mize

WHAT'S NEW? MINISTRY 101

There are many positive changes happening in leadership at GCC and it can be daunting to grasp the details and to figure out where each of us fits in. Here it is broken down.

There are 5 new leadership groups or ministries at GCC: Congregational Life, Faith Formation, Outreach, Resources, and Worship and Music. If you previously served on a "board," your "team" is now categorized within a ministry.

- 1) Let's start with Congregational Life. This ministry encompasses: Men's Ministry, Women's Associations, Membership Engagement, Fellowship, Congregational Care, Constructive Conversations, Health and Inclusivity.
- 2) Next is Faith Formation. This is comprised of Confirmation, Children's Programs, Youth, Adult Education and Spiritual Life.
- 3) Perhaps you are interested in helping others outside of GCC. This falls within the Outreach Ministry, including Faith in Action, Aid/Service and Invitation (Lectures, Open Houses, Visitor Follow-up, Member Recruitment and Church Promotion).
- 4) Logically, the Resource Ministry consists of Finance, Properties and Generosity (Stewardship).
- 5) Finally, imagine life without worship and music ministry, incorporating worship support, hospitality, sanctuary support, music support, fine arts events and pageant.

Within each ministry there is a Steering Group consisting of a Chair, Vice Chair, and two Coordinators. Under each ministry, teams carry out functions that serve the congregation and the community. The Ministry Steering Groups are structuring their teams to meet current needs and enabling teams and ministries with common goals to work together for greater cooperation.

For volunteering, time commitments vary. Some teams, such as Communion, are ongoing. Others operate at specific times of year. You can volunteer for just the teams that interest you, without confining yourself to a single ministry. Teams are able to structure operations and meeting schedules in a way that works best for them, so joining a team does not always commit you to attending monthly meetings.

The goal of the new team structure is to allow members to lend their time and talents to the causes they care about the most. For instance, I can serve communion twice a year, help with a potluck dinner and participate in a service project – all with a total of less than an hour spent per month. Or I can volunteer more if I prefer.

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED? There are three ways:

- 1) Check the GCC publications: weekly bulletin, ***News You Can Use*** and ***Broadcaster***.
- 2) Look for sign-up opportunities at the fellowship and refreshment time following worship on Sundays.
- 3) Contact the chair of one or more of the Ministries:

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Julie Orr, 847-400-4695

FAITH FORMATION

Karen Ornduff, 847-917-8226

OUTREACH

Linda Crowder, 847-922-6827

RESOURCES

Brad Smith, 847-525-1662

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Peter Stettler, 847-724-6335

Join us for the next five issues as we explore each ministry group in depth!

2018 CAMPAIGN: WE ARE A GENEROUS COMMUNITY

Your generous pledge makes things happen at GCC! See our continuing stories of how your pledge has inspired members of our Music Ministry, Youth Ministry and the Women's Association. Your generous pledge of 5% of your income makes it all possible. We need your pledge. Help us break a MILLION dollars...and let's do it by November 12!

COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED

Are you interested in taking an active role in our Sunday worship service? The Communion team is looking for volunteers to help serve Communion during our worship service. Communion is served the first Sunday of each month and you can sign up to serve as seldom or as often as you wish. We will have one introductory meeting on Saturday, November 4 at 9:00 a.m. in the Mayflower Room to familiarize you with the procedures.

If you are interested in becoming a member of our Communion team, please email or call Sally Hicks at Sarahhicks70@gmail.com or 847-729-3162.

Thank you! We look forward to having you join our team!

SPECIAL CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Spiritual Council of the Glenview Community Church has called a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 5, 2017, immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary. The purpose of this meeting is to consider approving the design development phase of our building project.

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

MYRA LORIS

NOVEMBER 7: *And Justice For All!* examines the Civil Rights advances made during the Truman Administration and the aim and consequences of both the Nuremberg and Tokyo War Crimes Trials.

DESSERT will be served at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Loris will begin at 7:30 p.m. and speak for an hour.

TICKETS will be sold at fellowship hour on Sundays and at the door. To reserve tickets (\$15), call Beryl Bills 847-724-1694.



Dystopias—Anti-Utopias

Instructor: Jim Kenney
November 15. \$10.00.

George Orwell did it so well (especially in *Animal Farm* and *1984*) that we now use the term "Orwellian" to name eras in which an ominous political malaise undermines civil (and civilizing) society. Aldous Huxley brought a very chilling perspective to his epic *Brave New World*. More recently, Margaret Atwood has given us *The Handmaid's Tale*, with extraordinary insights into the subjugation of women under a totalitarian "theocracy." All three help us in our current struggle to understand fear and hope.

FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

The Faith Formation Ministry invites parents of middle and high school students for a discussion focused on "Raising Self-Sufficient Kids". This will be an informal discussion to share information and perspectives starting at 4:00 p.m. on November 12 in the Youth Room. Please join us!

PYF

We continue to explore what it means to be open to new ideas, to question our assumptions, and to learn about being an open community. Below is a list of our October activities. All activities will begin and end in the Youth Room unless otherwise noted.

MISSION TRIP 2018 TO LOUISVILLE 9th -12th Graders 2018-2019

November 15 from 7 – 8 pm in the Mayflower Room - This is an informational meeting to learn about the mission trip, what the high schoolers will be doing, and how this enriches their learning about serving others and about themselves. The trip next year is June 10 – 15th. This meeting is for both parents and youth.

CONFIRMATION NEWS

Several confirmands recently left the church at 7:30 a.m. on a Sunday morning to participate in the **CROP Hunger Walk**. They raised over \$300 for this cause. Thank you, confirmands and teachers!

The **7th grade confirmation** class recently took a field trip to the Ismaili Jamatkhana, the Prayer and Education Center for the Shia Muslims. It is part of our understanding of how the only three monotheistic faiths are connected through a common ancestor – Abraham. We heard the story of their faith and spent time in their Prayer Room.

HUDDLES

Huddles (Adult Small Groups) are forming, and we want YOU to join one of our three groups that center around these exciting topics: **Cooking Through the Bible, Drinks and Theology**, or **Urban Entry: Video Series**.

If interested in cooking, please contact karen.ornduff@gmail.com.

If interested in Drinks/Theology, please contact bmcgee750@gmail.com.

If interested, in the video series, please contact betsywisemartin@att.net. If already signed up, no need to do so again. Just hoping to add a few more members as we get started.



THE SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAM PROGRAM GAINS NATIONAL RECOGNITION!

On October 2, Rev. Ivy Beckwith, Ph. D, who provides Spiritual Formation Leadership at the national level of the UCC, came to Glenview Community Church to meet with all the Spiritual Life Teams and learn about and experience the program. Each year, Rev. Beckwith engages in a national search for "Inspiring Models of Ministry", selecting several churches for this recognition. This year, the Spiritual Life Team Program at GCC will be the only program she selects to be honored as an "Inspiring Model of Ministry".

As a result of this recognition, UCC churches in Illinois will be invited to come to GCC to learn more about the Spiritual Life Team Program in Spring, 2018; see a demonstration of the actual experience, and stay for discussion and lunch (provided by the denomination!).

You can be a part of this exciting program to grow your spiritual life, in a small group setting, designed to grow your spirit at your pace. New teams will be starting in the new year; our Interfaith and Ecumenical programs will focus on connecting us to our spiritual neighbors; our church will become a spiritual destination for the community! Contact Dr. Bobbie McKay (bobbiekm@mc.net) or any of the members of the teams to learn more.

GIVING GLIMPSE SEPT. 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.

	YTD	Over/(Under)Budget
Pledge Fulfillment	\$661,336	(\$4,100)
Other Income	\$112,904	(\$1,020)
Expenses	\$994,548	(\$28,439)
	(\$220,308)	(\$23,319)

SUMMARY: We are \$23,319 better than budget YTD. Our approved budget defines a deficit of \$154,999, so if the balance of the year holds budget, we will end 2017 with an operating deficit of \$131,691.

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

This year's Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held at St. Catherine Laboure Catholic Church in Glenview (3535 Thornwood Ave) on Tuesday, November 21 at 7:30 pm. The Interfaith Choir will rehearse at 6:30 p.m. for those who would like to join and sing for the worship service.

KNITTERS NEWS

We will continue to knit 8" squares for *Knit-A-Square*, as well as hats, mittens, gloves and scarves for our friends at *A Just Harvest*. We will meet in the Library at church on Wednesday, November 1 from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. (All are invited to GCC Community Dinner in the Mayflower Room at 5:30 p.m. if you are interested.)

We will also be knitting some baby items for *The Night Ministry's* teen parenting program (RAPPP). If you are interested in knitting a baby vest please let me know and I will make sure you get some baby yarn. *Jeanie Bond*

SIGN UP NOW



UNTIL ALL ARE FED

You will hear FMSC say this again and again: "We want to reach everyone, until ALL are fed." We truly mean this. With God's help and your hands we will work together to end hunger around the world.

EMMANUEL'S JOY

After eating MannaPack meals consistently, Emmanuel (4) weighs 29 pounds and is thriving!

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

GCC will once again pack food at *Feed My Starving Children*! This is a great opportunity for families to participate in a service project together. Please join us on Saturday, November 25 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. We welcome anyone 5 years and older. You can register on the *Feed My Starving Children* website at fmsc.org and clicking on the "Volunteer" link and then on the "Join a Group" link. Use the code 1132559 to join the GCC group. Also, feel free to email Melissa Bacon-Aki at mbaconaki@comcast.net to sign up or receive more information.

PLEASE SIGN UP BY NOVEMBER 17.

Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location	Event Time	Event Name	Primary Location
Wednesday, 25 October 2017			Sunday, 05 November 2017		
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	8:00 AM to 9:30 AM	Generosity Team Meeting	Founders
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room	8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room	9:15 AM to 9:45 AM	Primary Choir Rehearsal	Room 201
11:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room	10:00 AM to 10:15 AM	Church School Children Meet In Sanctuary	SanctuaryM
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM	Bible Study	Parlor	10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Mayflower	11:05 AM to 12:00 PM	Congregational Meeting	Sanctuary
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	6th - 12th Grade Wednesday Youth Group	Youth Room	4:00 PM to 6:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Properties Meeting	Room 210	4:00 PM to 5:00 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Room 201
Thursday, 26 October 2017			Monday, 06 November 2017		
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	6:30 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA 156 Meeting	Founders
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Narthex	7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room	Tuesday, 07 November 2017		
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA Troop 156	Founders	5:30 PM to 6:58 PM	12th Grade Dinner	Youth Room
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Construction Meeting	Chapel
Friday, 27 October 2017			7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Myra Loris Presentation	Mayflower
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	PYF Singers	Youth Room
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA Meeting	Parlor	Wednesday, 08 November 2017		
Saturday, 28 October 2017			9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room	9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room
Sunday, 29 October 2017			10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room
8:45 AM to 9:50 AM	Confirmation Classes	Plymouth Room	11:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room
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10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Glenview Community Church Worship Service	Sanctuary	5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	6th - 12th Grade Wednesday Youth Group	Youth Room
11:05 AM to 12:00 PM	Fellowship & Refreshments	Mayflower	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Womens Assoc Meeting	Parlor
4:00 PM to 5:00 PM	PYF	Youth Room			
4:00 PM to 5:00 PM	Voices of GCC Rehearsal	Room 201			
Monday, 30 October 2017					
9:30 AM to 10:30 AM	Leadership Committee Meeting	Parlor			
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Yoga	Room 201			
Tuesday, 31 October 2017					
9:15 AM to 10:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room			
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room			
5:30 PM to 6:58 PM	12th Grade Dinner	Youth Room			
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	FIAT	Parlor			
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	PYF Singers	Youth Room			
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9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
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11:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Music & Movement Class	Cradle/Toddler Room			
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM	Bible Study	Parlor			
4:00 PM to 5:15 PM	FISH	Mayflower			
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM	Knitters/Crocheters	Library			
5:30 PM to 7:30 PM	6th - 12th Grade Wednesday Youth Group	Youth Room			
5:30 PM to 6:15 PM	Community Dinner	Mayflower Room A			
Thursday, 02 November 2017					
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Yoga	Narthex			
6:15 PM to 7:20 PM	Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room			
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	BSA Troop 156	Founders			
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary			
Friday, 03 November 2017					
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			
8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	AA Meeting	Parlor			
Saturday, 04 November 2017					
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Mens Open Gym	Gym			
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Communion Prep Meeting	Mayflower			
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Resale Shop Open	Plymouth Room			

THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR THE BROADCASTER IS
NOVEMBER 1, 2017 BY 9:00 AM

DO YOU LIKE PEOPLE?

Would you like an easy job with a 20 minute time commitment? We need more Ambassadors (a fancy name for greeters)! Here is what this job entails: you arrive 20 minutes before church and stand at an assigned door, welcoming everyone that crosses your path. That's it! You are only scheduled approximately every 5-6 weeks. If you're already an usher or serve communion, it's easy to schedule around that. Please consider this opportunity - it's a good way to help the church and it's fun to see so many people! Please contact M-J Carlson at 847-431-5657 or email M-J at mjcd2223@gmail.com.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We wish to welcome our newest members and their families: **Liz McReynolds; Jim & Pam Beavin and their children, Brent and Elyse; and Alicia & Louis Brown and their children, Louis, Henry, Albert and Marit.** We are glad you are with us!

**DON'T FORGET!
TURN BACK TIME**



Sunday, November 5, 2017:
1:00 AM back to 12:00 Midnight

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Rev. Dr. Pamela Keckler, *Pastor*
Rev. Elizabeth Hartung-Ciccolini, *Associate Pastor for Children and Youth*

OFFICE HOURS

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

PONDERING IN SILENCE

You are not only
responsible for what you say,
but also for what you
do not say.

Martin Luther

