

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Thank you for joining us for worship and fellowship today. We are blessed to have you with us and look forward to greeting you after worship.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

May 11 is the Second Sunday format which will include a Puppet Presentation. This service is directed toward families and children so there will not be regular Godly Play church school this two week. Childcare for babies and toddlers will be available, but preschool through 6th grade children should plan to remain in church with their families. Godly Play will meet on May 18 and 25 and then Summer Church School will begin on June 1. Hope to see you there!

INCLUSIVITY STATEMENT

Glenview Community Church is an Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ, accepting all without regard to race, color, age, marital status, national origin, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, or physical ability. It is also a W.I.S.E. church of the United Church of Christ - welcoming, inclusive, supportive, and engaged with respect to persons facing mental health challenges, their families, and their caregivers.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

There are large print bulletins available. If you need one, ask an usher.

HEARING DEVICES

Hearing devices are available for your use. They are located in the Narthex. If you need assistance in locating them, please see an usher who will be able to assist you.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers Rev. Dr. James Matarazzo, Rev. Abigail Lutz

Organist Gary Wendt

Chancel Choir Guillermo Muñoz Küster Vocalists Karen & Katelyn Ornduff

Instrumentalists Ken Haebich, bass; Kevin Kizer, saxophone; Neal Wehman, drums

Ambassadors Mary Ellen Johnson, Meredith Morgan

Head Usher Colin Crawford

Ushers Natalie Banovitz, Gordon Jones, Paul Kunkel

Technical Engineer Barry Nelson Offering Steward Steve Gale

MODERATOR

Susan Johns

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SECOND SUNDAY

May 11, 2025

FAITH GATHER

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. - Hebrews 11:1

PRELUDE My Faith Looks Up to Thee

arr. John Carter

SONG You Won't Let Go

M.W. Smith, S. Mosley, M. Fieldes

No shadow comes without the light making a way No raging storm can ever defy one word of faith My heart remains sure in the wind, sure in the waves

You are the anchor for my soul
You won't let go
You won't let go
No matter what may come I know
You won't let go
You won't let go

No valley low, changes the truth
So I'm not afraid
You hold me close
You lead me through and light up the way
You are the anchor for my soul
You won't let go
You won't let go
No matter what may come I know
You won't let go
You won't let go

Neither life, neither death,
The highest high, the deepest depth
Nothing can
Nothing can separate
Neither tears, neither trial
Certain as the sun will rise
Nothing can
Nothing can separate

My heart remains sure in the wind, sure in the waves, always

*PASSING THE PEACE

Children are encouraged to come forward and take a front row seat for today's service.

^{*}The asterisk indicates when to stand if able.

INSPIRE

PUPPET SHOW

SONG Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho

Congregation is encouraged to sing along to chorus.

Joshua fought the battle of Jericho Jericho Jericho Joshua fought the battle of Jericho And the walls came a tumblin' down

You may talk about your men of Gideon You may brag about your men of Saul But there's none like good old Joshua At the battle of Jericho

Chorus

Right up to the walls of Jericho They marched with spear in hand "Go blow those ram horns," Joshua cried "'Cause the battle is in God's hands"

Chorus

Then the lamb ram sheep horns began to blow The trumpets began to sound Then Joshua told the children to shout that morn And the walls came tumblin' down

Chorus

SONG My Name is Peter

My name is Peter, I am the one that the Lord once said would

be a rock

It was a shock . . .

I denied Jesus, not once or twice, but a total of three times in all, How did I fall? He denied the Savior; He didn't have the faith.

I denied the Savior: In Him my soul was safe.

My name is Thomas; I am the man that once doubted the Lord had arose.
God only knows....

I stuck my finger deep in the hole that was made in His side by a nail. How did I fail?

we were the ones above all who just should have believed Oh, how we grieved....

We are apostles,

He denied the Savior; He didn't have the faith.

We were the strongest,

I denied the Savior; In Him my soul was safe. but we still failed to have faith when we needed it so.

What did we know?

Ah, how our faith should be so treasured. Ah, it's the test by which we're measured.

They denied the Savior, They didn't have the faith.

We denied the Savior, In him our souls are saved.

SONG You Gotta Have Faith

Congregation is encouraged to sing along to chorus.

You know....
When you are scared and lonely
You know the one and only
Will always be there for you

Cause you gotta have faith, You gotta have.. faith, You gotta have faith, faith, faith, You gotta have faith, faith, faith.

You know..... When you have pair

When you have pain and sorrow You know he's there forever To always watch over you

Or if you feel you fumble, You're never ever on your own.

For every time you stumble,

He's there....

So when you're thinking
Your ship is sinking
Just look up to the one who's looking out for
you

He's there....
That hand upon your shoulder
He's always there to hold you
When you think you're gonna fall

And tell his story
And praise his glory
And spread his Word of endless love right
around the world

Oh yeah listen,
When you're thinking
Your ship is sinking
Just look up to the one who's looking out for
you

And tell his story
And praise his glory
And spread his Word of endless love right
around the world

And praise his glory And spread his Word of endless love right around the world

Cause you gotta have faith,
You gotta have.. faith,
You gotta have faith, faith, faith,
You gotta have faith, faith, faith.

Cause you gotta have faith, You gotta have.. faith, You gotta have faith, faith, faith, You gotta have faith, faith, faith.

And tell his story

When you're thinking Your ship is sinking Just look up to the one who's looking out for you

CONNECT

*PRAYERS

*HYMN #464 The Lord's Prayer

WEST INDIAN

OFFERING

SEND

***SONG** Growing In Faith (See Insert)

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE My Faith, It Is An Oaken Staff

arr. Lani Smith



Growing In Faith



PUPPETEERS

Evan Bauerschmidt: Tall Dude #3, signs and staging **Nick Bonakdarpour-Jaberg:** Narrator for Daniel scene **Brooke Estes:** Henrietta, Joshua's Wife, Peter, Daniel

Anna Gartner (Devoted 4 Year Puppeteer): Polly, Thomas, Mariah, King

Darius, Jericho trumpeter.

Ryan Huebner: MayLynn, popup puppets Prince #1 (Groucho) **Peter Kunkel:** Nathaniel Narrator, Joshua, Prince #3 (Harpo)

Lily Stutz: Alan, Prince #2 (Chico)

Jimi Yamakawa: Johnny Jumpup, popup puppets, color curtain, lions

ADULT HELPERS

Lauren Bauerschmidt: Scruffy, popup puppets, signs

Greg Bliss: Tall Dude #1, signs, popup puppets, the wall, scenery workman,

the voice of God

Sue Cunningham: Musical Accompaniment

Audry Farber: Set decorations

Peter Grant: Sign director, popup puppets, colorful curtain

Carol Habel: Quality control, song writer

Jim Habel: Director, script tweaker, den builder

Scott Lothian: Tall Dude #2, signs, popup puppets, scenery workman

Abigail Lutz: Minister

Gill Mergl: Music director, stage manager, sounds and vocals, song writer

Gary Wendt: Organ, various instruments, vocals

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 18

The Glenview Community Church Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 18, 2025, immediately after worship in the sanctuary. Fifty members shall constitute a quorum. Please plan to attend.

Hour of Prayer

Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary (May 15- June 5)

Join Rev. Abigail for a designated hour of prayer. Bring your joys and concerns as we gather to share prayer requests and pray together. All are welcome. This will be a casual and welcoming time of community prayer.

Support Our Youth Mission Trip! Our youth are heading to Louisville, KY, this June with YouthWorks. You can support them by purchasing \$25 Mission Trip Shares. Each share comes with a thank-you card and an invite to a Shareholders Gathering this summer. Purchase a share after worship!

May is Mental Health Awareness Month!

Looking for support? Check out some of these local resources~

- Glenview Counseling Group: Offers individual, couples, and family therapy for children, teens, and adults. <u>glenviewcounseling.com</u>
- Courage to Connect Therapeutic Center: Provides therapy, psychological testing, and psychiatric medication management for all ages. <u>couragetoconnecttherapy.com</u>
- LumiClinics Behavioral Wellness Center: Specializes in treating anxiety, depression, ADHD, OCD, and more. <u>lumiclinics.org</u>
- Josselyn Center: Offers comprehensive care including therapy, psychiatry, and support groups, coordinated around personalized treatment plans. josselyn.org
- Turning Point Behavioral Health Center (Skokie): Provides individual, family, and group therapy, case management, residential programs, and crisis services. findhelp.org

Electronic Giving

Didn't bring your cash? No more checks? No problem! Scan the QR code to be directed to the GCC giving web page where you can make a donation directly from your phone. Thank you to everyone for their continued support!





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YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

Glenview Community Church is a Christian community of acceptance and welcome for all God's people. We strive to make our buildings and grounds a place of sanctuary and safety for each person who comes here. Our church community is:

Inspired by Christ,
Enriched by Faith,
Committed to Inclusivity.
We serve God as advocates for Justice, Compassion, and Peace.