



January 26th, 2009

CALL FOR ANNUAL MEETING

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 1 AND 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GLEN RIDGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH; THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION IS CALLED FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2009, TO MEET IN ROBINSON HALL AT 11:30 AM FOR:

1. THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS
2. VOTING THE 2009 BUDGET
3. THE TRANSACTION OF SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY COME BEFORE THE MEETING.

(Signed) Debbie Cusick

NOMINATIONS FOR CHURCH OFFICERS

In accordance with Article IV, Section 3 of the Constitution of the Glen Ridge Congregational Church, the Nominating Committee has submitted to the Secretary "Its nominations for the offices to be filled at the Annual Meeting of the Congregation to be held February 8, 2009." The following slate of candidates is offered:

Church Council Officers:

President/Moderator	*John Flippin '10
Vice President	*Marcia O'Grady '10
Secretary	*Debbie Cusick '11
Treasurer	*Craig Wood '11

Committee Chairs: To be Elected

Adult Education	
Marie Zolcinski 2010	* _____ 2010
	*Terry Doss 2011
	*Joseph Connolly 2011
	*Jenny Ogden 2011

AP&P	
*Tom Duym 2011	* _____ 2010
	*Alden Provost 2011
	* _____ 2011
	* _____ 2011

Children and Youth	
Kara Travia 2010	*Pam Baione 2011
	*Maira HernandezKinloch 2011
	*Elise Toland 2011
	*Sherry Brabham 2011
	*Amy Patterson 2010 (Y)
	*Lolly Kruse 2010 (Y)

Finance	
Michael Carey 2010	*Linda Seyffarth 2011
	* _____ 2010
	* _____ 2011
	* _____ 2011

Nominating	
* _____ 2010	*Beth Rowan 2011
	* _____ 2010
	* _____ 2011
	* _____ 2011

Mission and Outreach	
Todd Travia 2010	*Emily Kopec 2011
	*Marsha Watson 2011
	*Francie Starnes 2011
	*Patrick O'Grady 2010 (Y)

Parish Life	
*Caroline Bartlett 2011	*Kristina Shedd 2011
	*Jean Ost 2011
	*Lizzy O'Brien 2010 (Y)
	* _____ 2011

Stewardship	
* _____ 2011	*Art Dawson 2011

* _____ 2011
* _____ 2011

Worship

David Dik 2010	*David Ellertson 2011
Janet Spoerl 2010	* _____ 2010
	* _____ 2011
	* _____ 2011

Parish Clerk

*Barbara Duym 2010

Historian

*Joan Donnelly 2010

Assistant Treasurers

*Bart Brown
*Linda Seyffarth
*Gordon Hunziker

**To be elected this Annual Meeting.*

February 1st, 2009



**8:15am Chapel Communion Service
10:15am Worship/Communion/Church School**

The Rev. Cynthia Reynolds, Preaching

Power To Do

Mark 1:21-28



Child Care for the very young provided.

11:30am Fellowship

Greeting you on Sunday morning will be Elise and Matt Toland. The head usher will be Jim O'Grady, assisted by Tim Delorm, Sharon Harms, John Smalley, Tom Wright and David Ellertson. The Communion Servers will be Michael Carey, Linda Kerr, Dennis Krien, David Ellertson, Cole Ellertson, Courty Bartlett, Caroline Bartlett, Audrey Wood and Bill Wood. The Videographer is Ed Harris. Counters in the Treasurer's Office, Art Dawson and Bob Kansky. Joan and Bob Hayes will deliver the flowers.

✦ IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ✦

- ◇ *At home:* Ruth Payne, Lorraine Rieder, Susan Booth, Karen Augis, Phyllis Domenic, Fred Polixa, Madeline Edgar, Scott Spoerl, Robert Martin Schaeberle, Sandra Lefkowitz, Mary Keller, Bob Runge, Jim O'Brien, Bob Kansky, Danny Harris, Barbara Underwood, and Jack Cusick.
- ◇ *In extended care facilities:* Ed Warren (Altera Sterling House, Stuart FL), Lacle Stites, Art and Marilea Schlobohm (Green Hill), Samuel and Betty Bishop (Carolina Meadows), Don Olson (Job Haines), Ron Goebel (Gates Manor).
- ◇ *Mountainside Hospital:* David Stinson

Friends & family of our church: Andrea Row, Lewis Luring, Neil Connaghan, Maureen Sherman, Helen Brabham, George Boltnew, Tom Horton, Georgianna Booth, Alex Maclean, Agnes Joy Busk, Anna Withington, Jill Reintjes, Dan Glitzer, Sue Potter, Merrill Roberts, Joan and Frank Lytle, Barbara Acosta, Claire Meeker Xenikakis, Thomas Bright, Jim O'Brien, Sr., Amanda Oliver, Jean and Barry Frere, Jim Marturano, Elizabeth Knox, Gilda Oliver, Pat and Betty Vigliotti, Paula Newman, Frank Pescatore, Mary Embree, Jeff Glock, Bill Phillips and UCC Missionaries Jon and Dawn Barnes in South Africa and Back Bay Mission in Biloxi. The men and women of the Armed Forces serving overseas in harm's way.

SOUP TIME! Check out the church school hallways and see the soup bowls. For SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY we hope there is soup in each bowl for the Food Pantry.

PLEDGE UPDATE

“We’ve decided to double our pledge for 2009.” was the very welcome greeting I was met with at the close of worship this past Sunday. This family was moved to increase their pledge out of gratitude for the gifts of Tom Mustachio, our new Minister of Music. I ask each of you to follow the lead offered by this family and consider what it is that you are most grateful for here at GRCC. Worship, outreach, music, mission, confirmation, church school, fellowship – whatever it is, please take the time this week to thank God for the gift of our faith and our community and consider increasing your pledge for 2009. As of today, we have 142 pledges in for a total \$415,668. To state the oh so obvious – our mission is furthered if each of us is as generous as we can be! Thank you. ~Marcia O’Grady, Stewardship

PANTRY CORNER DONATIONS

The Pantry Corner staff of the Antiques Show cordially requests baked good items. PLEASE bring your special items to the Biddulph Room on the mornings of Fri., Jan. 30th or Sat., Jan. 31st. Make sure to label items “PANTRY CORNER”. Telephone Ann Waugh at 973-429-0245 with questions. Thanks in advance for your baked goodies!

IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our sympathy to Carolyn and Bruce Ferguson and their family on the death of Carolyn's mother, Helen House on January 19 in Illinois.

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

Church School Students go directly to class at 10:15 a.m. this Sunday. At Children's Chapel services information about filling a Health Kit will be distributed. Each family is asked to work together on this project and to return the filled kits by the end of February.

STANDING ROOM ONLY CONCERT

It was an appreciative Standing Room Only concert on Sunday featuring Laura George on flute and Darren O’Neill on guitar. Together, they played music of Spain, South America and Italy.

CHILDCARE HELPERS NEEDED! Volunteers are needed on Sunday mornings during worship to watch the very little ones. A sign-up sheet is in the childcare room or let Marty Lacey know if you can help.

CONFIRMAND INTERPRETS PSALM 62

Psalm 62 centers on God’s love for us. We should always trust him. He has a plan for us. As our defender, God protects us no matter what. The psalm tells us that God provides us with love, hope, and protection every day of our lives. Through the good and hard times, he will always be a presence in our lives. The passage states, “we must not put our trust in violence”. We are reminded at this time near Martin Luther King’s birthday that violence is not the answer and that the riches we accumulate in life should not be depended upon. God will use our deeds in life to determine our rewards. Our salvation relies upon his protection and constant love. ~Alex Intner

ANTIQUES SHOW-THURSDAY NIGHT, FRIDAY & SATURDAY

The Antiques Show chefs are busy planning the scrumptious meals our show is known for. The Thursday night preview starts with complimentary hors d'oeuvres by Rebecca Johns, Joanne Meeker's famous tea sandwiches and cheese from Allin's Cheese Shop. Starbucks coffee and dessert will be served in the Tea Room.

Friday Lunch

Potato Mushroom Chowder

Ham & Cheese Wraps

Gingerbread with Lemon Glaze

Friday Dinner

Chicken Veracruz

Rice & Beans

Cole Slaw

Cookies

Saturday Lunch

Pea Soup with Ham

Grilled Cheese & Tomato

Outrageous Brownies

Meal prices remain the same, \$8.50 for lunch and \$12 for dinner (reservations suggested for 6 or 7 pm). Please invite a friend and join us for a delicious meal.

LEARN TO LOVE: LENT

Adult Ed is happy to announce a study of 1Corinthians 13 during this Lent. The ministers’ sermons will focus on loving and increasing our skills to become more loving people. Members will also read *The Relationship Principles of Jesus* by Tom Holladay during Lent. Copies will be available for purchase at \$10. Three small groups are being developed to meet midweek during Lent to discuss the book. To volunteer your home to host one of the three groups, please speak to Marie Zolcinski.

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