



**GLENVIEW
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Pastoral Message

The Sun Rises Every Day

The sun rises in the morning. It does so every day. It rises so regularly and so often that we might form an assumption around it – “I *assume* the sun will rise this morning”. We may *expect* it to happen. We may even take it for granted.

What if the sun *didn't* rise one morning? What a surprise *that* would be. But the sun does rise, and for the time being we can safely assume that it will do so every day of our lifetimes.

What if we made a time lapse video of the sun rising for 365 days in a row? What a striking sense of the sun's presence, involvement, and importance in our world that would give. And what if we had a time lapse video of the sun rising every day of your lifetime so far – all 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, or 90+ years? What feelings, thoughts, or reflections would that call to mind?

In Matthew 5:45, it says that the Lord “makes His sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.” In that scripture, the Lord's sun is an image of His love for us, and also the goodness that goes forth from that love in an effort to usefully support and impact our lives for good. The Lord's sun rising “on the evil end on the good” is a picture of how the Lord's love flows into us, and offers itself to us as an option for our lives every day, and in each and every moment of the day. It's always there and available to us. The only question is whether or not, or to what degree, we will receive that love and allow the Lord's goodness to spread through us to others.

What if you could do a time lapse video of the Lord's sun (His love) rising on you every day of your life so far – all 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90+ years? What would that video *say* to you as you watched it? What would it *teach* you about the Lord's presence in your life, and about possibilities for your life? What would it *tell* you?

One of the nice things about the Lord's sun rising in us is that we can safely assume it won't stop happening. It will rise on you every day when you wake up in the morning and in every moment of your day – today, tomorrow, and the day after that.

These are just a few thoughts that come to mind as we get started on a new church year, and also on a new school year. To what degree can each one of us receive the Lord's love this year and allow His goodness to pass through us to others – in each relationship, each

Church Calendar

September

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| 1 | SUN | 10:00 | Worship Service—Auditorium |
| 2 | MON | 12:00 | Labor Day Potluck Picnic |
| 3 | TUE | 7:00 | Park Dwellings |
| 4 | WED | 10:30 | Arcana Class |
| | | 7:00 | Boys Club/Girls Club |
| 7-8 | SAT/SUN | | Men's Weekend |
| 8 | SUN | 10:00 | Worship Service—Auditorium |
| | | 6:00 | Youth Group |
| 9 | MON | 5:00 | Women Unwind |
| 11 | WED | 10:30 | Arcana Class |
| | | 7:00 | Boys Club/Girls Club |
| 12 | THUR | 7:00 | Board of Trustees |
| 15 | SUN | 10:00 | Worship Service—Sanctuary |
| 17 | TUE | 7:00 | MANC Board Meeting |
| 18 | WED | 10:30 | Arcana Class |
| | | 7:00 | Boys Club/Girls Club |
| 21 | SAT | | Annual Golf Outing |
| 22 | SUN | 10:00 | Worship Service—Sanctuary |
| 25 | WED | 10:30 | Arcana Class |
| | | 4:00 | GNCS Dine-Out Fundraiser—Culver's |
| | | 7:00 | Boys Club/Girls Club |
| 29 | SUN | 10:00 | Worship Service—Auditorium |
| | | | Holy Supper |
| | | 6:00 | Youth Group |

individual interaction, and each teaching moment of each day? How can each of us allow the Lord to “fill our cup” and allow it to spill over to support and influence the lives of others for good? The Lord's sun won't stop rising.

Happy September, everyone. Mark

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General Announcements

Labor Day Picnic—September 2

Please accept our invitation to the annual Labor Day potluck at the Park lake. We will be grilling meats and you all can bring the sides—starts at 12 pm on Monday, Labor Day. Hope to see you all there. Please invite your neighbors that don't receive this post. The more the merrier. (Kevin & Monika Smith)

Women Unwind—September 9

Our once-a-month get-together will take place on Monday, September 9 (due to Labor Day holiday) from 5-6:30 pm at Karen Stoeller's, 100 Park Drive, Glenview. Casual - with wine, soft drinks, cheese, crackers, and conversation. Contact: Sandy Ruch 847-724-0363

Annual Glenview New Church Golf Outing

It's time to hit the links with your GNC friends! Set aside Saturday morning September 21 to join us at Glenview Park District Golf Course on Shermer Road just down from the church. Tee times will start at 9am. As always, we'll have participants of all types – beginners and pros (almost), men and women, young and old. The \$130/pp fee includes 18 holes of golf, an electric golf cart, a gourmet (sandwich and a pop) lunch and a donation to the Glenview New Church. For more information call or email Owen Smith (630-327-1966, owen@abbeyco.inc). Please join us for this fun event!

GNCS at Blocktoberfest—September 21

GNCS will have a booth at Blocktoberfest once again this year! The event is on Saturday, September 21st from 11am-4pm. Stop in and say hello! If you have any friends, family or neighbors who are interested in a school - this is a great time for them to gather information. Don't forget that you will get a referral bonus if they enroll with GNCS! We have one school family that will receive a referral bonus already this year! See you at the Fest!

GNCS Dine-out Fundraiser—September 25

Take a night off from cooking and enjoy delicious food while supporting Glenview New Church School at our first dine-out fundraiser of the year. Join us at Culver's, 1727 Waukegan Road, Glenview from 4-8pm on Wednesday, September 25. Be sure and mention the GNCS fundraiser and 25% of sales will go to GNCS. Thanks for your support.

Jacquie Chapman Memory Book

We would like to compile a photo book in memory of Jacquie Chapman. This would include photos along with short memories of our dear friend and would be given to her family members. Theresa McQueen-Uber has graciously agreed to be in charge of this project. Please send submissions to Theresa at: Theresauber@icloud.com. Donations to support this project can be sent to Theresa at: 7426 Ben Hur Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15208

If you would like to get a copy of the book, please email your contact information to Theresa. An email will be sent back to you upon completion of the project, letting you know the cost per copy. Theresa will be using Snapfish to produce the books, which allows for copies to be sent to multiple addresses. The deadline for submission of photos and captions/short memories is September 15th. (Theresa McQueen-Uber)

Sunshine Freezer Update

The Sunshine freezer has been restocked with yummy cookies, ready for distribution! Planning for soup-making and restocking is in progress. Stay tuned!

On August 3rd, our Sunshine Committee cookies were, once again, a welcome addition to the Peds in the Weeds event for children dealing with cancer and their families, held at the Glenview New Church.

Thank you to those who have recently donated to our cause! Checks to Glenview New Church, with a memo to the Sunshine Committee, can be sent or dropped off at The Glenview New Church, 74 Park Drive, Glenview, IL 60025. *Building community. No strings attached. We all need it.* roxanne Junge, RMJunge@aol.com, 847-962-4073

Sunday Morning – Volunteers Needed

We are offering refreshments after the 10am worship services as volunteers are available. The usher schedule is also open. Anyone is welcome to sign up and students can earn school community service hours for these and other useful duties. Click this link to sign-up (or send me an email). <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0545a5ae2fa7fc1-gncsunday> Thank you in advance! Martha Heilman, Volunteer Coordinator 847-302-7619

GNCS Scarecrow Walk—October 4

Come enjoy the fall feels at this year's Scarecrow Walk Friday, October 4th from 4-6pm. Bonus for church and school families - there will be a preview from 3-4pm. Explore the scarecrows and enjoy the beauty of fall over apple cider and popcorn. Hitch a hayride to view and discover the wonder of the changing of seasons. This year we will have several pumpkins carved with a seasonal theme for all to enjoy. The scarecrows will remain up through October 31st so people can take a walk on our beautiful campus and celebrate the season.

Bryn Athyn College Presidential Search

Bryn Athyn College is seeking applicants for the position of President. The President is the chief executive officer of the school, reporting directly to the Board of Trustees, and has responsibility for and oversight of all campus administration, faculty, and students. In addition to leading the institution in the development of a financially sustainable vision, the President of Bryn Athyn College is responsible for:



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Leading the school toward the achievement of its mission

Developing and implementing a strategic plan

Leading the institution's fundraising efforts

Establishing and managing the College's annual operating budget

Working collaboratively with key stakeholders, including the Board of Trustees, Academy Corporation, Chancellor, administrators, Faculty Council, students, and the Alumni Association

Currently reporting to the President are the Dean of the Theological School, the Dean of Academics, the Dean of Faculty, the Dean of Student Life, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Admissions, and the Director of Institutional Advancement.

Bryn Athyn College offers undergraduate majors in Biology, Business, Early Childhood and Special Education, English and Communications, Human Society, Interdisciplinary, Mathematics, Psychology, and Religion. The institution also offers a Master of Divinity and the Master of Arts in Religious Studies.

As stated in the institution's by-laws, the successful candidate will be a member of the General Church of the New Jerusalem. Thus the College seeks a candidate who loves both the New Church and liberal arts education. Professional experience in academia and a graduate degree are preferred, but the position is open to candidates with other backgrounds.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest and a curriculum vitae by October 1, 2024. The successful candidate is expected to assume her/his responsibilities by July of 2025.

Nominations, application materials, and inquiries should be addressed to:

Bryn Athyn College Presidential Search Committee

Attention:

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Park Patter

July Jottings...as the song says, "Let's start at the very beginning..."

July 4th in the Park followed in its hallowed tradition—a parade of all sorts of decorated persons and vehicles around the Park, starting and ending in the parking lot. MC Mark (Pendleton) attired in red (tie), white (shirt) and blue (pants) started the program off with youthful flag raisers Nico Paraskevopoulos, Mo Acton and Theo Kruger-Sanders hoisting the colors. The pledge to the flag was followed by Liz Parker leading everyone in the singing of the national anthem. (Brings back happy memories, doesn't it?) The flagpole speech was a real treat—Marylin Wille told Elmo Acton her memories of growing up and living in the Park for 95 years. Elmo turned the memories into a marvelous speech that her niece, Roxanne Junge, read for all to enjoy.

Next up: awarding prizes to winners for their various kinds of entries and the clever décor of each. Cindy Parker, head honcho of the judging committee, Christy Vavloukis, John Wood and Jane Enis announced that everyone got a prize—loud cheers ensued. Time out to attend and/or participate in the village 4th parade. Return to the beach by the Lake where Brannon Smith and the Girls and Boys Club were providing the usual 4th food for our consumption. The usual games and races followed and also a dunk tank provided by Wade Smith. So ends another trip down memory lane of a Park 4th of July.

This year the Glenview New Church School had an entry in the village parade. Lisa Philbrick, Director of Admissions and Marketing, produced a really nice and interesting theme to match the village's celebration of their 125th birthday. Since the first mayor of Glenview was Hugh Burnham, the entry focused on the idea that we were still with the village, "every step of the way". A horse and carriage pulled Elmo Acton (Burnham) and Laura Barger (his wife Mary). Laura is actually a Burnham descendent! Many church and school members marched along in proper timely gear. It was a very successful production! The horse and carriage were extremely popular.

Goings and comings and other things...

Amy Bonczkowski put on the miles this summer driving to Colorado twice. First in June to help her daughter Danielle move into a new apartment with her daughter. Second in August to help celebrate her granddaughter Ana's 4th birthday. Throwing a dinosaur-themed party at the park including a giant T-Rex piñata and pin the tail on the dinosaur. She also drove her dad, Gordon McClarren, to Hazelhurst in July to celebrate the 4th at the cabins then back up in August with Danielle and Ana to celebrate her own birthday. She enjoys every moment of being a GRAMMY!

Judy and Larry Recht were a part of history. While celebrating their first wedding anniversary in Las Vegas including the last performance of Cirque-de-Soleil's Beatles Love, they experienced record-breaking daily temperatures of 115 and 120 degrees! Good thing it was a dry heat!



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Bruce and Valerie Reuter drove to Bryn Athyn in early June to attend the high school graduation of Owen Reuter (grandson) from the Academy of the New Church. Douglas Reuter gave the commencement address for the high school.

In June, Lucinda Fuller and Dan and Joan Woodard went to the wedding of their niece, Savanna Smith to Carl Asplundh, IV. New Hope, PA was the location for an outdoor service and elegant reception, The groom is the grandson of Naomi Smith, so many of her family attended as well. The Rev. Brett Buick from Kempton officiated.

Lucinda, now retired, also traveled to Paris, France with the Chicago Master Singer in early July. A trip west with Laura Barger to see Dr. Shar June was next.

Later in July, the Dan Woodard family went to the Fuller cabin in Hazelhurst, WI. Hazelhurst seems to be a haven for COVID—the Woodards, Kent Fullers and Sandy Ruch all suffered a case of COVID after vacationing there.

August Activities...

Once again, the church was asked by Kevynne (Smith) Dudek to host the Advocate Children's Hospital's annual family picnic on our grounds. We were glad to be asked—the picnic means so much to the kids and their families. It was a great success last year and just as

great this year. Thanks for the opportunity to be a part of it.

Somewhere during the month of August, Bobby Teel won a silver medal at a bowling tournament. Way to go, Bobby—maybe you could go to the next Olympics—bowling is a sport!

And another important event took place on Wednesday, August 21—GNCS started with a total of 46 students—12 in the upper grades. A good beginning to a good year.

When you go over to the church building, check out the snazzy refinished wooden doors, thanks to Robert Rose. It makes the whole building look better!

A little light fare in closing—you've had enough laughs with the Summer Olympics and two national political conventions to entertain you...

How do celebrities stay cool?
They have a lot of fans!