



# THE CHRISTIAN ECHO



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## SCENES FROM THE FALL SEASON

*(clockwise from upper left)* Mahayla became a new sister in Christ on September 29<sup>th</sup>. World Communion Sunday was celebrated on October 6<sup>th</sup> with bread, songs, and fabrics from around the world. Thanks to an anonymous donor and the Property Committee's efforts, the lounge received a facelift. Glen Echo members continued the decades-long tradition of participating in the Des Moines Area Hunger Hike. This year's hike was October 13<sup>th</sup>.



# MINISTER'S MOMENT



Early Sunday morning, November 3rd, we will “fall back” as Daylight Saving Time ends. Hopefully, clocks will be moved back one hour before folks go to bed on Saturday night. As we fall back and gain an extra hour of sleep, our bodies are recharged to go forward.

The month of November gives us several opportunities to fall back in order to go forward. The first Sunday of November is All Saints’ Day, and we remember saints through the ages whose examples contributed to our faith journeys. Veterans Day is the second Sunday, and we commemorate the brave soldiers who set aside their own comfort to serve their country. The fourth Thursday of the month is Thanksgiving, when we give thanks for the spiritual and material gifts bestowed by God -- and we celebrate this bounty with extra good food and fellowship.

As I give thanks for God’s good gifts, I find that I have more opportunities to think about my relationship with the Giver. Am I willing to be as generous with God as God is with me? Do I spend enough time communing with the Lover of My Soul? Am I willing to grow in the ways that God guides? Who, or what, is my first love: God, or God’s gifts?

Invariably, I find that I fall short as I consider these questions, and I fall back and pray for forgiveness. Through God’s forgiveness, I am realigned and recharged to move forward on the faith journey. This pattern of falling back to go forward will probably continue until God calls me home.

In the meantime, this imperfect person is deeply loved by a perfect Creator.  
And so are you.

Happy Thanksgiving,  
*Pastor Dawn*

## NOVEMBER PREACHING SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>FIRST LESSON</u>	<u>SECOND LESSON</u>	<u>SERMON TITLE</u>
Nov. 3	Psalm 149	Ephesians 1:15-23	“All Saints Day”
Nov. 10	Not Applicable	2 Timothy 3:16-17	“Puppet Prophets”
Nov. 17	Isaiah 12:2-6	Luke 21:5-15	“Stone Cold Wisdom”
Nov. 24	Psalm 46	Colossians 1:11-20	“Kingdom Transfers”



### ALL SAINTS & TIME CHANGE

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will honor our members who have gone to be with the Lord in the last year. Daylight Saving Time also ends at 2:00 AM that day, and we'll get an extra hour of sleep if we set back our clocks one hour on Saturday night!



**Extra  
sleep is  
on the  
way!**

### ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE

Glen Echo will host a Bake Sale at the church on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Please bring baked contributions to the church on November 4<sup>th</sup> to be priced. (Strong arms will be needed to move the couches and chairs out of the lounge after church on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.) Thanks for your help!



### ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting is Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. Save the date to vote on the 2020 Budget, the 2020 Slate of Officers, and the renewal of the *Ethical Guidelines for Congregational Conduct*, which has been mailed with this newsletter.

# SERVING GOD TOGETHER

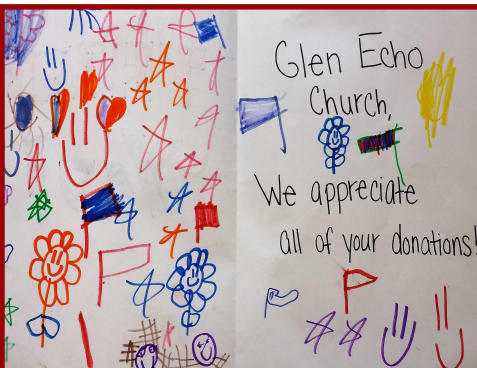
### VETERANS DAY

We will celebrate Veterans Day and Youth Sunday on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. Veterans are invited to bring pictures of themselves in uniform, and/or artifacts from their time in the service, for a display in the church entryway.



### AND YOUTH SUNDAY

The youth will lead the first part of the worship service. The Puppet Prophets will present the sermon as a treat for our veterans.



### WILLARD SCHOOL

Nurse Maggie at Willard School has communicated that they have an immediate need for gloves and mittens for the children. Donations can be placed in the green basket on the hall table.

**Pastor Dawn will preach & choirs from 3 churches will sing at the 7:00 PM Community Thanksgiving Service at Immanuel UMC (2900 49th Street) on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>. Come to worship & then stay for food & fellowship.**

# MISSION AND MAINTENANCE



## MORE GOOD NEWS FROM THE BEAVERDALE PARADE

The organizers of the Beaverdale Parade called the church office and let us know that \$50 would be sent to the charity(s) of our choice because we won third place in the 2019 Beaverdale Parade! The Des Moines Central Iowa Shelter and the DMARC Food Pantry will each receive \$25.

The congregation's efforts brought smiles to those who watched the parade, and food to folks who deal with food scarcity! Thanks be to God!

**\$6,808.00 has been collected so far for the Cool-Aid Campaign.**

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**The Thanksgiving Offering will be received at Glen Echo Christian Church on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.**



# LES YOUTH GROUP

NOVEMBER SCHEDULE	NOVEMBER 3 WORSHIP	NOVEMBER 10 WORSHIP	NOVEMBER 17 WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP	NOVEMBER 24
SUPPER	Glen Echo CC	Highland Park CC	Glen Echo CC	<b>No Youth Group</b>  <b>7 PM</b> <b>Community Thanksgiving Service at Immanuel United Methodist Church, Urbandale</b>
CHECK-IN QUESTION	No Check-In Question	Kathleen	Dawn	
DIRECTIONS	Julie	Julie & Heather	Jan	
ACTIVITY	Puppet Rehearsal	Planning & Rehearsal for HPCC	Jan	
PRAYER	Brian	Kathleen	Dawn	

## SENSE OF VALUE

This is the balance for the  
General Fund for September 2019:

8/31/18 Balance	\$ 733.22
Receipts	13,639.00
Expenses	10,024.32
Transfers	11.46
9/30/19 Balance	\$ 4,359.36

Terri  
Stewardship Chair

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

October 6	65
October 13	57
October 20	65
October 27	66

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your cards, gifts and well wishes during Pastor Appreciation Month. I am blessed by your kindness and grateful for your thoughtfulness.

Yours in Christ,

*Pastor Dawn*



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Kathy  
Diane  
Ruth  
Stan  
Velda  
Jim  
Steve  
Marlene  
Foster children  
Caregivers  
Nina  
Erin  
Jim  
Chris  
Lynette  
David  
Tom  
Patsy  
Rich  
Julie  
George  
Candy  
Deb  
Donna  
Nelda  
Sandy  
Janet  
Mary  
Monica  
Little Rue  
Bengfords  
Lily  
Molly  
Jim  
Arianne  
Randy  
Dorothy Rose  
Bill  
Gene  
Pam  
V.A.  
Mary  
Carol  
Debbie



# NOVEMBER 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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<b>3 All Saints Service</b> 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 11:30 Coffee 3:00 Edencrest 5:00 Les Youth Group	4	5 Election Day Bake Sale	6 7:15 Choir Practice	7 2:00 Prayer	8	9
<b>10 Youth Sunday &amp; Veterans' Day</b> Thanksgiving offering (Casserole pans distributed) 9:00 Sunday School 9:45 Choir 10:15 Worship 11:30 Coffee 5:00 Les Youth Group	11	12 7:00 Committee/ Cabinet/ Board Meetings	13 7:15 Choir Practice	14 2:00 Prayer	15	16
<b>17</b> Thanksgiving offering (Casseroles collected) 9:00 Sunday School 9:45 Choir 10:15 Worship 11:30 Congregational Meeting 5:00 Les Youth Group	18	19	20 7:15 Choir Practice	21 2:00 Prayer  7:00 Elders Meeting	22 10:00 Deacon Callers	23
<b>24</b> 9:00 Sunday School 9:45 Choir 10:15 Worship 11:30 Coffee 7:00 Community Service @ Immanuel United Methodist Ch.	25	26	27 7:15 Choir Practice	28 <i>Office Closed for Thanksgiving</i>	29 <i>Office Closed</i>	30 9:00 Advent Decorating Party

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## **SERVING SCHEDULE**

### November 3

**Worship Leader:** Kathleen  
**Elders:** David, Kathleen  
**Diaconate:** Debbie, Linda  
Mary Ann, Jim

### November 17

**Worship Leader:** David  
**Elders:** Ivan, Barb  
**Diaconate:** Kathy, Julie  
Juanita, Mark

### November 10

**Worship Leader:** Junior  
**Elders:** L. Louise, Deb  
**Diaconate:** Mary, Jim  
Kathy, Julie

### November 24

**Worship Leader:** Kathleen  
**Elders:** Barb, Ivan  
**Diaconate:** Juanita, Mark  
Jim, Ashley

**Visiting Elders:** David, L. Louise

\*Elders, Deacons, the Choir, and the Worship Leader are asked to gather in the lounge at 10:10 AM.