



Glen Echo Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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SEEN IN THE SANCTUARY

The *Good Enough Ladder Garden* (left) has provided some creative and entertaining learning opportunities this Lent during the interactive “Tending the Garden” segment. On March 13th, Pastor Dawn, Brian, and Patty demonstrated how to avoid being overcome when unexpected events spring up in our lives. (This segment was adapted from materials provided by Doctor Marcia McFee and Worship Design Studio.)



MINISTER'S MOMENT

The picture to the right is of the white lace that is sometimes hung in the sanctuary on Easter. It represents the linen shroud that remained in the empty tomb when Jesus was resurrected. Betrayal, cruelty, desertion, trials and a gruesome death could not quash the ability of God to restore hope to the world. Regardless of the intentions of the tyrants who ruled when Jesus walked the earth, they did not prohibit God's power to resurrect the Savior.

The empty shroud is especially meaningful this year. After two years of holding Easter services in the parking lot, we will celebrate Christ's resurrection in the sanctuary on April 17th. The isolation that has been an undercurrent of two consecutive Easters will be left behind in contagion's tomb. The Choir will sing, puppets will play, and fulsome fellowship will be restored. We will proclaim through scripture and song the faithfulness of our Lord.

One of my favorite Easter hymns is "Thine Is the Glory," whose melody was composed by George Handel and whose lyrics were written by Edmund L. Budry and R. Birch Hoyle. The lyrics encapsulate my thoughts this Easter:

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
For our Lord now liveth; death has lost its sting.
Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son,
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

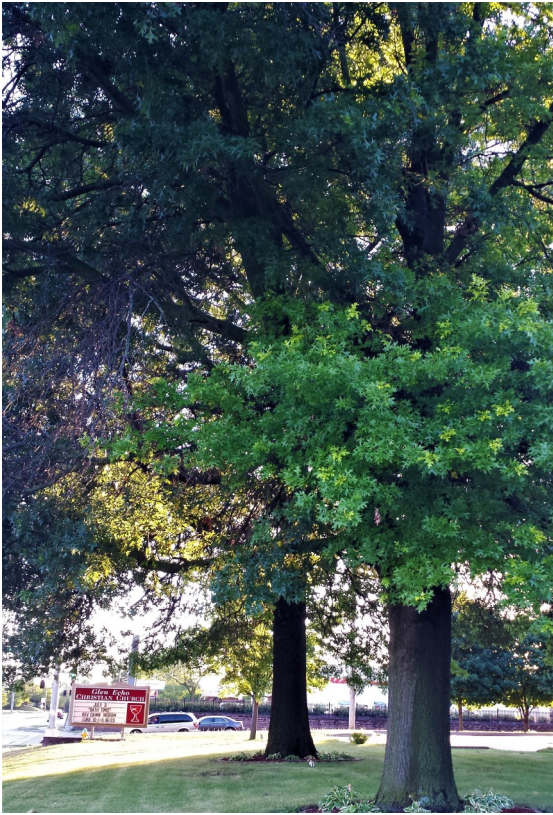
I hope that you will sing the song—loudly—with me on Easter.
Blessed to be on the journey with you,

Pastor Dawn



APRIL PREACHING SCHEDULE

DATE	SCRIPTURE LESSONS	SERMON TITLES
APRIL 3	John 12:1-8	Dramatic presentation: "A Costly Gift"
APRIL 10	Luke 19:28-40	"A Group Project"
APRIL 17	John 20:1-18	"The Good Gardener"
APRIL 24	Acts 5:27-32	"Passing the Baton"



There will be an Outdoor Clean Up Day at Glen Echo on Saturday, April 9th, at 9 AM. Refreshments will be served. Help prepare the church grounds for Easter!



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 10, 10:15 AM
Palm Sunday Worship Service

April 14, 7:00 PM
Maundy Thursday Service with River Valley Disciples

April 15, 6 AM to Midnight
Good Friday Prayer Vigil

April 17, 10:15 AM
Easter Sunday Celebration with Choir and Puppet Show, followed by Easter Egg Hunt with River Valley Disciples

EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

Once again, we are ordering Easter lilies. The cost of each flower is \$8.00. If you would like to order one or more lilies, please complete the enclosed form and return it with your payment to the church.

My name is _____.

I am ordering _____ Easter lily(s) in memory of/in honor of:
(number) (circle one)

_____ (name or names of people being remembered/honored)

Please choose one:

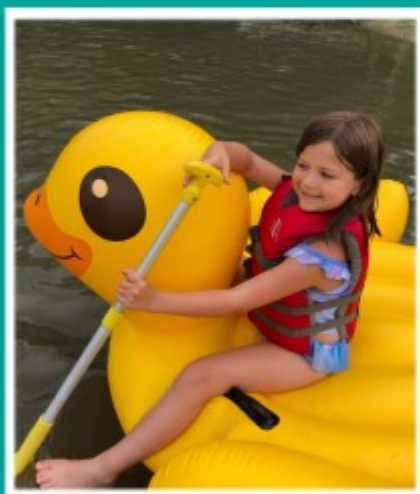
My payment accompanies this form. _____

My payment has been added to my offering check. _____

Camp dates and additional information can be found in the Camp Booklet on the bulletin board in the hallway or at <https://www.uppermidwestcc.org/summer-camp>.



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Powerful PURPOSE.**



SUMMER CAMP 2022

From an overnight for grandparents and grandkids, to weeklong sleep away camp for elementary, middle and high school students, to a weekend of faith and fun for the whole family, we've got a camp for you! Art, High Adventure, Rustic Camping, Leader Development camps and more are offered in the Christian Conference Center's summer program. We have a lot of **SERIOUS FUN**, all while growing in faith and learning to live and love with **POWERFUL PURPOSE**. Visit our website for dates, prices and in depth information about every offering.

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SENSE OF VALUE

The February 2022 Financial Report is below.

Beginning Balance	\$56,228.43
Receipts	\$12,325.00
Expenses	\$10,301.71
Ending Balance	\$58,251.72

Terri, Treasurer



We've Got Mail

PRAYER REQUESTS

L. Louise's family

Tammy

Jeanine

Abby

Fletch

Mandy

Sam

Brenna

Brian

Lisa

Shawn

Laura

Brenda

Craig

Carol

Grant

Aurica

Jill

Carla

Tornado survivors

Ukrainian people

Dear Pastor Dawn,

I would like to thank you and the generous women at Glen Echo for bringing me delicious food and good company. I'd also like to thank the congregation for their get-well wishes and prayers.

It really means a lot. I'd also like to thank Rosemarie for the lift to my doctor's appointment last week.

I'll be back soon!

Love,

Karen

ATTENDANCE

	In-Person	Online	Total
March 6	25	30	55
March 13	33	32	65
March 20	30	19	49
March 27	31	15	46

(Links to services and bulletins can be found at www.glenechochristianchurch.com/sermons.html.)



Folks from Glen Echo Christian Church and River Valley Disciples made casseroles for the Salvation Army on Sunday afternoon, March 20th. Laughter and fellowship were shared as 16 casseroles were made that will provide 160 servings for hungry neighbors.





God's Love Endures *Forever*

A special day offering of Disciples Mission Fund
Sunday April 10 and 17, 2022

"Give thanks to God for God is good,
God's steadfast love endures forever."
- Psalm 118:1

APRIL 2022

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>3</p> <p>10:15 Worship</p> <p>After church: Property Committee Meeting</p>	4	5	<p>6</p> <p>10:00 Good Enough 7:30 Good Enough</p>	<p>7</p> <p>2:00 Prayer 7:00 Choir Rehearsal</p>	8	9
<p>10 Palm Sunday</p> <p>10:15 Worship</p>	11	<p>12</p> <p>7:00 Choir Rehearsal</p>	13	<p>14 Maundy Thursday</p> <p>2:00 Prayer</p> <p>7 PM Maundy Thursday Service</p>	<p>15 Good Friday</p> <p>All Day Prayer Vigil</p>	16
<p>17 Easter</p> <p>10:15 Worship After church: Easter Egg Hunt</p>	18	19	20	<p>21</p> <p>2:00 Prayer</p> <p>7:00 GECC & RVD Core Group Meeting</p>	22	23
<p>24</p> <p>10:15 Worship After Church: Elders' Meeting</p>	25	26	27	<p>28</p> <p>2:00 Prayer</p>	29	30

Pastor Dawn will be on vacation Monday, April 25th through Monday, May 4th. Our Regional Minister, The Reverend Joshua Patty, will be the Guest Speaker at Glen Echo on Sunday, May 1st.

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APRIL 2022 SERVING SCHEDULE

April 3

Worship Leader: Dorothy

Elder: Pam

Deacon: Jim

April 10

Worship Leader: Rosemarie

Elder: Shirley

Deacon Agatha

April 17

Worship Leader: Julie

Elder: Kathleen

Deacon: Rosemarie

April 24

Worship Leader: Joan

Elder: Rosemarie

Deacon: Denny