

So, the great “shovel out” begins. I figure, if I pack two boxes a day, my office might be packed up by October 11. I have a lot of stuff that has accumulated over the years, all of it with stories attached. Like the set of five cocktail glasses with Louis Eduard Nollau on them – remnants of our 2010 choir trip to Germany. But, these glasses were also used on a Thursday evening as I introduced our choir director, Mike Jones, to the complexities of Scotch Whiskey, and then convinced him to return to GCC as our choir director. Or the bust that I have of Frieda Kahlo, which I received as a gift for baptizing a colleague’s daughter. Then there is the myriad collection of nativities, all of which came from a “secret Santa” within the congregation, every year. So much. So many memories. A bobblehead of Pope Francis (because folks knew I really admired Pope Francis). So much. Where will it all go? It feels like a lifetime.

If you weren’t in church this past Sunday, we had a wonderful worship service as we were joined by members of Heritage Presbyterian Church who shared with us their “Heritage Home Delivers” ministry program.

The Carpets of the Church are Now Clean and they even look a different color. Thank you to all of the folks who showed up last Friday (August 14) to put the church back together again. Those people are: Ed and Anne Frelka, Jerry Doran, Frank Raciti, Dean Gluesing, Randy Govier, Jay Sutton, Gerald Freitag, Charles Peterson, Pat and Chuck Gilbert, Tom Sprague and Pastor Dave. If I am missing anybody, I truly apologize. Thank you for your hard work, and interrupting your day to get the church back in order.

Street Angels Needs Our Help We continue to collect hygiene products for Street Angels as their shower truck makes its way to the various neighborhoods that tend to have more homeless people. There is a GREAT need to Men’s Underwear (sizes L, 2X, Med, XL, and 3X) and Women’s Underwear (Sizes 5, 6, 19, Sm, Med, and 3X. We will Collect from now through September 13.

Rally Day is Coming Up September 13 -- Recently, a parishioner said to me, “you can’t leave yet, there are so many things you have to teach us about.” She then proceeded to give me a list. Since Rally Day is the Kick-Off for Sunday School and the Dedication of our Teachers and the Sunday School Program for the coming year, I am going to use that list as a springboard for the “sermon” on that day. So, if you have any items that you wish to add to the list (things that you need to know about in the church) please add them to the list on my office door, and I will address them on Rally Day.

Jean Toepfer Celebration of Life – Our oldest member, Jean Toepfer (100) died peacefully on August 16. Her Celebration of Life Service will be held on September 5, at 10:30 a.m., with a luncheon to follow. I am seeking people to help with set-up for the luncheon (to be done on September 4 in the morning), Serving the luncheon (from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. September 5) and to Clean Up after the Luncheon (1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. September 5). I am also looking for people to bake dessert for the dessert table. All of the sign up sheets for this are to the left of my office door.

Host Family Needed The German Church is sending a delegation in October to celebrate Pastor Dave’s retirement. A host family is needed for one couple – Renata and Ulrich Schubert. They will arrive on October 9 (Friday, late) and depart on October 15 (time, uncertain). If you are able to host, please contact Pastor Dave – dgaeth@greendalecommunitychurch.org.

Fall Adult Ed Classes and more are now live on our website to register for. Please take a peek to check out all we have to offer: www.greendalecommunitychurch.org/events

Peace, Pastor Dave

Please see newsletter below for all other volunteer opportunities, activities, events, and classes.

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LET FOOD BE THY MEDICINE

Wednesday Wellness with Jackie

Let Food Be Thy Medicine explores how everyday dietary choices can reduce cancer risk and promote long-term health. Rooted in nutritional science, this class empowers people to use food as a tool for prevention.

(Classes held at Greendale Community Church • 6015 Clover Lane)



**Wednesday September 16
at 6:30pm**

**Register at:
[www.greendalecommunity
church.org/events](http://www.greendalecommunitychurch.org/events)**

THE VOTE SERIES

**VALUES&
VISIONS**

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS MKE COUNTY

**HELD AT GREENDALE COMMUNITY CHURCH • 6015 CLOVER
LANE, GREENDALE • 6:30PM-8:00PM • [REGISTER BELOW](#)**

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9/24/26: ALL ABOUT VOTING

**THIS PRESENTATION DISCUSSES WHY VOTING IS IMPORTANT, WHO CAN
VOTE, HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE, HOW TO VOTE (INCLUDING WAYS TO
VOTE, VOTER RIGHTS, AND ACCOMMODATIONS), WHAT'S ON THE
BALLOT, AND HOW TO GET CANDIDATE AND ISSUE INFORMATION.**

11/12/26: THE VOTE SERIES: THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE

**THIS PRESENTATION EXPLAINS WHAT THE ELECTORAL
COLLEGE IS, THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS'S
POSITION, WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE ELECTORAL
COLLEGE, DISCUSSES CHALLENGING ARGUMENTS IN
FAVOR OF THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE, AND EXPLORES
WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.**





GCC Adult Education

Breathe with Jillian

Join breathwork practitioner Jillian Holy-Skaja to learn how to harness the powerful tool of your own breath to calm your nervous system

Breathing for Relaxation and Better Sleep

Tuesday, September 29 • 1:00pm • Greendale Community Church

Experience evidence based breathing practices to shut off the "fight or flight" stress response and settle into the "rest and digest" relaxation response. We will also explore helpful practices for when you find yourself restless and awake in the middle of the night. All practices can be done from the comfort of a chair.

Breathing for Vitality and Joy

Tuesday, April 6 • 1:00pm • Greendale Community Church

When you change how you breathe, you instantly change how you feel. Learn some practical breathing science and explore breathing practices that help release tension, tap into inner joy and bring lightness of being. All practices can be done from the comfort of a chair.

To Register:

greendalecommunitychurch.org/events



SEPT / OCT

SEPT 13

SUNDAY / 10:45AM

RALLY DAY

Join us for our GCC Rally Day celebration to kick off our new Sunday school and event year

SEPT 16

WEDNESDAY / 6:30PM

LET FOOD BE THY MEDICINE

Wednesday Wellness with Jackie



SEPT 23

WEDNESDAY / 6:30PM

YOGA NIDRA WITH SOUND HEALING

Come for this yoga nidra experience with Jamie Mullen and Kathryn Rambo

SEPT 28

MONDAY / 6:30PM

HUMANITY TOWN HALL: REVISITED

Values and Visions will be hosting this townhall with Nat Godley as moderator

SEPT 29

TUESDAY / 1:00PM

BREATHING FOR RELAXATION AND BETTER SLEEP

Join breathwork practitioner Jillian Holy-Skaja to learn how to harness the powerful tool of your own breath to calm your nervous system and improve sleep.

OCT 14

WEDNESDAY / 6:30PM

DONE AND DELICIOUS SERIES: HEALTHY MEALS FOR BUSY PEOPLE

Wednesday Wellness with Jackie

OCT 26

MONDAY / 6:30PM

NAVIGATING HOT BUTTON TOPICS WORKSHOP

Join Values and Visions to learn how to best navigate discussing divisive topics with others

OCT 28

WEDNESDAY / 7:00PM

RABBI MOISHE, THE MINDFUL RABBI

Come to our first event in GCC's new Many Paths Series

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Sound Bath Year of Calm

RELAX • RESET • RECONNECT



The peaceful sounds of Tibetan singing bowls, resonating steel tongue drum, energy flow chimes and Freenotes wings guide you to a peace filled atmosphere where the waves of the world cannot come.

Sound baths are held the third Friday of the month from 7:00pm-8:00pm

Sound Bath Practitioner: Kathryn Rambo, OSB Holy Wisdom Monastery

Reiki Practitioners: Jillian Holy, and Wendy Lehman

9/18: Mind Body Connection, Kathryn: \$10

10/16: Sound Bath w/Reiki: Honoring Ancestors, Kathryn, Jillian, and Wendy: \$25

11/20: Gratitude, Kathryn: \$10

12/18: Sound Bath w/Reiki: Return of Light, Kathryn, Jillian, and Wendy: \$25

1/15: Hibernation, Kathryn: \$10

2/19: Sound Bath w/Reiki: Heart Center, Kathryn, Jillian, and Wendy: \$25

3/19: Internal Spring Cleaning, Kathryn: \$10

4/16: Sound Bath w/Reiki: Decluttering the Mind, Kathryn, Jillian, and Wendy: \$25

5/21: Sea of Peace Sound Voyage, Kathryn: \$10

6/18: Sound Bath w/Reiki: Grace Notes in Our Life, Kathryn, Jillian, and Wendy: \$25

7/16: Earth Connection, Kathryn: \$10

8/20: Sound Bath w/Reiki: Inner Peace, Kathryn, Jillian, and Wendy: \$25

All sound baths held at Greendale Community Church • 6015 Clover Lane

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