**GLENN MEN NEWSLETTER, SEPTEMBER - 2022**

Hello, Glenn Men!

This fall season finds us with lots of exciting events and activities in the life of Glenn. Something for everyone!

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**GUYS AND GUITARS THIS SATURDAY!**

Our next *“Guys and Guitars”* sessions will be **THIS SATURDAY,** October 1, 4 pm in the Glenn Youth and Activities Building.  Mark your calendars!

**Saturday’s theme will be folk songs!** If you have some favorite songs/riffs that you would be willing to bring copies and share with the others, that would be great!

Otherwise, just show up with your guitar (or any other instrument you like).

**PUMPKINS ARRIVE THIS SATURDAY. HELP UNLOAD AND VOLUNTEER!**

This from our good friend, Susan Anne McKenna, chair of our Welcoming Team:

***Glenn's Pumpkin Patch will begin with a church-wide unloading on Sunday, October 2, at 6 pm****. Show up ready to work to move a full truckload of pumpkins from bins into the patch for the annual sale that benefits our Youth. We will serve a pizza dinner to all volunteers. Plan to get a little wet due to the anticipated rain earlier in the weekend. It will be a great opportunity for fellowship and connection!*

*You may also support our youth by signing up as an adult volunteer supervising the Pumpkin Patch. We will be open Thursdays to Sundays beginning October 6 and running through October 30. With 56 shifts to fill, we need as much help as we can get! It's an easy way to support this fundraiser and spend some time in the fall sunshine.*

Signup here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f48adac2aaa8-glenn5>

**GET READY FOR PICKLEBALL!**

Some Glenn members (men and women) have expressed an interest to play pickleball. We are planning several introduction sessions that would include 3 to 4 new players per session. We'll go over basic rules of the game, but most of the time will be spent practicing hitting the ball back and forth, and getting a feel of the paddle and ball. The total time should take around two hours. After the first hour, you should be ready to play some practice games. Four paddles will be available for use, or bring your own if you happen to have a pickleball paddle. Our plan is to do this in the YAAB gym.

**Times and dates coming soon! Watch for details on the Glenn website, or contact Mike Bryant for additional information:**

**bryant.mike@gmail.com**

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

**SIGN UP TO PROVIDE MEALS FOR HOMELESS MEN!**

Mike Bryant is organizing a group to provide a meal or meals for homeless men in our community, via the **Clifton Sanctuary Ministry**.

*Clifton Sanctuary Ministry provides a transformational experience for homeless men through comprehensive life skills training, purposeful and assertive case management, collaborative community partnerships, and dedicated volunteers.*

*Sharing the love of God, we are a sanctuary to men seeking to overcome homelessness. Clifton Sanctuary Ministries is the oldest house-of-worship shelter operating in Atlanta and is open 365 days a year.*

More information about this ministry can be found at:

[Home | Clifton Sanctuary Ministries](https://www.cliftonsanctuary.com/)

**If you are interested in providing/delivering a meal, please contact Mike Bryant at:**

**bryant.mike@gmail.com**

**JUSTICE**

These 2 reminders from Carol Allums, chair of our Transformation of the World Team:

*A reminder that the third session of The Most Segregated Hour conversation will happen this Sunday after the 11:00 service in the Fellowship Hall. We will once again offer lunch (donations welcome). There have been some challenges with the sign-up genius, so if you are planning to attend and would like lunch, I would be grateful if you would let me know:* *theallums5@gmail.com*

*If you want a refresher on the prior conversations, you can find summaries of them here:* [*https://www.glennumc.org/blog*](https://www.glennumc.org/blog) *(just scroll down the page). Hope to see you there!!*

*A reminder that on* ***October 2*** *at 6:00pm we will be discussing the book* ***Speaking of Race: Why Everybody Needs To Talk About Racism - And How To Do It,*** *by Celeste Headlee. As I asked in the blurb about this book discussion that I posted on FB, "Are you already dreading uncomfortable conversations over the holiday dinner table? Never sure what to say when one of your relatives makes one of “those” jokes? Instead of either pretending you didn’t hear, or ending up in a heated argument, what if you could actually have a meaningful conversation – and still be speaking to each other afterwards?" Join us in the Parlor, and let's find out how to speak of race together.*

**SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT**

**NEW BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MARK AND REV. SUSAN!**

Read and discuss the book of Philippians via Zoom, Thursdays, 11:30 – 12:30 pm.

Interested? Here’s the Zoom link:

Glenn Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Bible Study

Time: Thursdays 11:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

        Every week

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZYlcOGqqTsvGtYpmTeOHsXNzXlPVEBuD9tk/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGqpjwiGNOVtRmFRpwQGo_CWerwtmJYjbdkjBLRBg97cTvYLNpOAoRaMs30>

**Join Zoom Meeting**

[**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82878270502?pwd=dWdKUjE2STVIN2pTcDhtN3krQmF2QT09**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82878270502?pwd=dWdKUjE2STVIN2pTcDhtN3krQmF2QT09)

**Meeting ID: 828 7827 0502**

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**FINAL THOUGHTS**

As we emerge from our Covid malaise, it continues to be easy to remain in our shells and difficult to re-engage with others. Join with me to push away our “Glenn”ertia, and find ways to be “The Church of Christ” to our families, friends, and Glenn community, serving with our “prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness”.

Blessings,

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