



THE CHRISTIAN ECHO

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**Easter at Glen Echo is always a time of celebration.
This year, our youth enjoyed an Easter egg hunt (*below*).**



Minister's Moment

Glen Echo Family,

Happy Easter! Hopefully your Easter was a time of reflection, love, and rest. I am overjoyed to be your minister during another season of growth. As we close out our Lent and Easter season, it has been part of my reflection to observe the beauty of God's creation around us. Over the next month, before we start gearing up for General Assembly, we are going to spend some time talking about creation and emotions—how our fear and doubt can influence our faith. How our world can be influenced by us, and what we can do to utilize creation to grow in our ministry.

In the month of July, there will be a lot going on: We will have kids at camp, we will again be prepping for Vacation Bible School, I will be attending our General Assembly, and more. We are going to try to do some community events, and serve the community in other areas. There are many ways to get involved in the church and the community. Please pray on it, and if you feel called, find ways to plug in and get involved.

God is good always! We are blessed to be together, and in this late spring/early summer, reflection on God's calling always helps. I encourage you to heed God's calling. The church continues to grow and help the community.

We are still in need of a few things and contributions. The property committee is going to be working outside to maintain our grounds. We are also going to be collecting cans to help fund camp for our youth. Please consider contributing in whatever way you can.

Summer gets busy and the season is changing. If you are ever feeling the lows of change or the season, please reach out to me or one of the elders. We are working with the elders to make more frequent visits to the homebound and others, so if you would like a visit, please reach out.

Blessings and peace,

Pastor Aaron Brunner



Good Fellowship: April's Good Fellowship was a small pot-luck dinner on April 25th in the fellowship hall. May's dinner will be at Pizza Ranch on May 30th at 6:00 p.m. The address is 4954 86th Street, behind Ruby Tuesday. Please sign up on the bulletin board or tell Dorothy Perry if you can go.

Easter lilies were donated by the following people:

Julie & Jeff Bonner, in memory of Mike Mallas and Lowell Perry

The Brunner families, in memory of Liz Dace

Kathy Hooper, in memory of Jim and Abby Hooper, and in support of Bev Katzmann

Deb Martin, in memory of Mike Martin, John Martin, and Estel & Carol Jean Betts

John Martin, in memory of Harold & Betty Martin, Mike Martin, Charles Martin, and Bill Martin

Lori Martin, in memory of Shirley Schulze, Jerry Todden, and Dale & Joan Martin

Jackie Murphy, in memory of Bobby Parrish, and Mr. & Mrs. Orie Murphy

Agatha Norton, in memory of Denny Grill

Bobbie Sease, in memory of family members

Tana Sprague, in memory of Bill & Monie Foster, and Kenny Sprague Sr.

Ron Smith, in memory of his son, Ryan, and his parents

Alicia Tottser, in memory of her grandmother, Dilly

MAY READINGS SCHEDULE

DATE	FIRST READINGS	SECOND READINGS
MAY 4	Acts 9:1-6 Psalm 30	Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19
MAY 11	Acts 9:36-43 Psalm 23	Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:22-30
MAY 18	Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 148	Revelation 21:1-6 John 13:31-35
MAY 25	Acts 16:9-15 Psalm 67	Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 John 14:23-29

Directory Update:

Roberta (Bobbi) Cease has a new address. She moved in with her daughter's family at 3953 - 92nd Drive, Urbandale, IA 50322.

In Memory of Peggy:

A Celebration of Life for Peggy Nelson will be held on Saturday, May 24th at Ramsey Village, between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. A program of remembrance will begin at 2:30 pm. The address is 1611 - 27th Street, Des Moines, IA 50310 (north of the Drake Stadium).

An Invitation:

If you're lonely or looking for a listening ear, Pastor Aaron Brunner would love to talk to you. His phone number is (515) 954-5280. You can also send him a letter at 1325 NE 50th Place, Des Moines, IA 50313.

Livestreamed Services: You can see our services from home in real time. Visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/p/Glen-Echo-Christian-Church-100064675272457/ to watch!

PRAYER REQUESTS

RuthAnne Free: Furnace
Sandy Freel's daughter, Tammy
Bev Katzmman: Jordan; Michael
Rosemarie Kelling
Carol Miller: health, Virginia
Johnson
Jackie Murphy
Dorothy Perry
Carol Smith
Roy Stuart
Bill Suiter
Bev Van Blaricome
Joan Weiser

Please contact Pastor Aaron if you have any prayer concerns to add.

ATTENDANCE

	In-Person	Online
April 6	34	366
April 13	33	237
April 20	51	192
April 27	tba	tba

MAY 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1	2 Office Closed	3
4 10:15 Worship After Church: Coffee Fellowship, Deacon Callers	5 Office Closed John Tottser	6	7	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day 9:00 Edencrest Service 10:15 Worship After Church: Coffee Fellowship	12	13 7:00/7:30 Committee/ Board Meetings	14 Everleigh Brunner Bobbie Sease	15	16	17
18 10:15 Worship After Church: Coffee Fellowship	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 10:15 Worship After Church: Coffee Fellowship Elders Meeting	26 Memorial Day	27	28	29	30 6:00 Good Fellowship @ Pizza Ranch	31 Juanita Leggett

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MAY 2025 SERVING SCHEDULE

<u>May 4</u>		<u>May 11</u>	
Worship Leader:	Agatha Norton	Worship Leader:	Alex Brunner
Elder:	Myssie Brunner	Elder:	Julie Bonner
Deacon:	Alex Brunner	Deacon	Julie Bonner
<u>May 18</u>		<u>May 25</u>	
Worship Leader:	Julie Bonner	Worship Leader:	Alicia Tottser
Elder:	Myssie Bruner	Elder:	Kathleen Smith
Deacon:	Dorothy Perry	Deacon:	Kayla Brunner