

# GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## ■ The Worship of God

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THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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## GLENN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU

Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church is committed to loving God and loving neighbor with our whole selves – heart, mind, soul, and strength. As Jesus loved those around him, we believe that all persons are of sacred worth and dignity as part of God’s creation. We welcome all persons into the full life and ministry of our congregation, regardless of race, culture, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, family or socioeconomic status, education, politics, physical or mental ability, or faith history.



## LET US KNOW YOU’RE HERE

Register your attendance online, using the QR code, or in the attendance pad at the end of the pew.

Childcare is available throughout the service in the Nursery (room 200 , Church School Building), Two’s & Three’s Room (room 206), and on the Playground (entrance next to room 206), or Pre-K/Kinder Room (room 304).

Parents/guardians, please escort your children & sign in with our Childcare Staff.

Hearing devices, pew cushions, and Children’s Worship Kits are available from an usher. We hope to make improvements to the sound system in the Sanctuary. In the meantime, for optimal sound, sit a few rows back (rather than the first rows of pews) and not under the balcony.



## GLENN CHURCH & RECONCILING MINISTRIES

Glenn Memorial UMC has been a proud affiliate of Reconciling Ministries Network since 2014, and welcomes and affirms all LGBTQ+ persons.



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## ■ Welcoming All to the Table

*\*You are invited to stand as you are able in body and spirit.*

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

#### Three Meditations

Theodore W. Ripper (1925-2009)

Ripper's Three Meditations take the form of a Chorale, an Aria, and a Meditation. Each movement adopts a traditional genre while featuring more modern harmonies. Ripper studied at Carnegie-Mellon University, where he went on to teach, as well as at the University of South Dakota and Millikin University. From 1955-1965 he was Minister of Music for Peachtree Christian Church, here in Atlanta.

### WORDS OF WELCOME

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the times of trouble, when all seemed hopeless, I cried out to God.

**ALL: And the Lord heard my pleas and answered me.**

One: When I felt lost and alone, I looked for God.

**ALL: And God found me and brought me home.**

One: When my life was filled with joy and blessing, I danced and praised God.

**ALL: And God danced and rejoiced with me. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH #173

**Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies**

RATISBON

### CHILDREN'S TIME & SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Rev. Susan Pinson & The Rev. Mark Westmoreland

*Samuel Alan Reed, child of Amanda Albrecht and Christopher Reed*

**ALL: With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Sam, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**

### \*BAPTISMAL HYMN UMH #611

**Child of Blessing, Child of Promise**

STUTTART

## ■ We Hear God's Word

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

#### 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Rev. Hansen

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— <sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— <sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

### GRADUAL

#### The Love of God

Benjamin Kornelis (b.1963)

The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen can ever tell; it goes beyond the highest star, and reaches to the lowest hell; The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave his Son to win; His erring child he reconciled, and pardoned from his sin. When years of time shall pass away, and earthly thrones and kingdoms fall, when those who here refuse to pray, on rocks and hills and mountains call, God's love so sure shall still endure, all measureless and strong; redeeming grace to Adam's race the saints' and angels' song. Could we with ink the ocean fill, and were the skies of parchment made, were every stalk on earth a quill, and everyone a scribe by trade, to write the love of God above would drain the ocean dry. Nor could the scroll contain the whole, though stretched from sky to sky.

*-Frederick M. Lehman*

### SERMON

#### Living Our Name

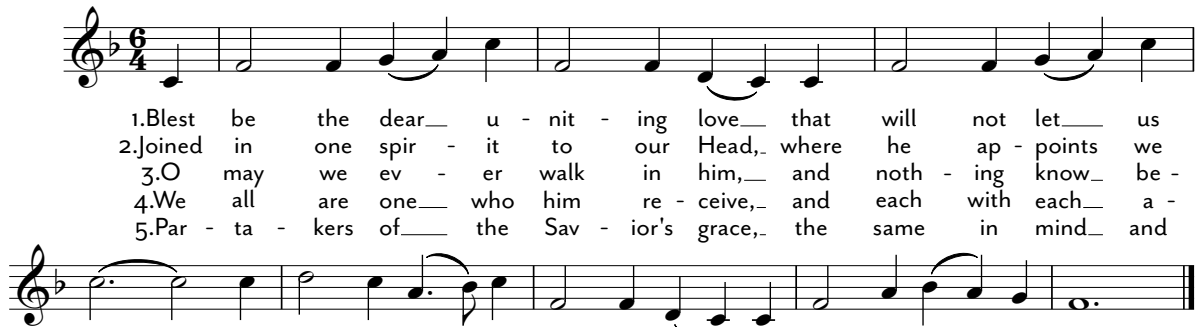
Rev. Westmoreland

# ■ We Respond

\*HYMN

Blest Be the Dear Uniting Love

LAND OF REST



1. Blest be the dear\_\_ u - nit - ing love\_\_ that will not let\_\_ us  
2. Joined in one spir - it to our Head, where he ap - points we  
3. O may we ev - er walk in him, and noth - ing know be -  
4. We all are one\_\_ who him re - ceive, and each with each\_\_ a -  
5. Par - ta - kers of\_\_ the Sav - ior's grace, the same in mind\_\_ and

part;\_\_ our bod - ies may\_\_ far off re - move, we still are one\_\_ in heart.  
go,\_\_ and still in Je - sus' foot - steps tread, and do his work be - low.  
side,\_\_ noth - ing de - sire,\_\_ noth - ing es - teem, but Je - sus cru - ci - fied!  
gree,\_\_ in him the One,\_\_ the Truth, we live;\_\_ blest point of u - ni - ty!  
heart,\_\_ nor joy, nor grief,\_\_ nor time, nor place, nor life, nor death can part.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Pinson

The Apostles' Creed

**ALL:** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Pinson

**ALL:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## OFFERTORY

### **Draw us in the Spirit's tether**

Harold Friedell (1905-58)

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in Thy name, two or three are met together Thou are in the midst of them; Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now Thy garment's hem. As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, Then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia! Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up. All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of Thee, that by caring, helping, giving we may true disciples be. Alleluia! Alleluia! we will serve Thee faithfully.

*-Percy Dearmer*

## \*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

### **Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow**

OLD 100TH

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Westmoreland

**ALL: God of grace and God of glory, with these offerings we give thanks; we rejoice in your love; we commune with your will for your world. We are yours, O Lord. By your grace we are your people, and we dwell in your love that never ends. By your Spirit, make real that love through us. Amen.**

## ■ We Go Forth

## \*CLOSING HYMN UMH #140

### **Great is Thy Faithfulness**

FAITHFULNESS

## \*BENEDICTION

Rev. Westmoreland

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

### **A Meditation on 'Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether'**

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

This Meditation is based on today's Offertory Anthem, written by Harold Friedell. Both Friedell and Gerre Hancock were hugely respected as organists, composers, and improvisers, and both in the NYC scene. Hancock treats Friedell's lush tune with even richer harmonies and sweeping lines, finally bringing the piece to a gentle close after its climax.

# ■ Announcements & Special Events

## MLK DAY BLOOD DRIVE

**TOMORROW, Monday, January 16, 1:00-5:00pm. Feb 6 & Mar 6, too!**

Make a difference in a meaningful way with a donation to the American Red Cross blood drive. Sign up at [tinyurl.com/GlennBloodDrive](https://tinyurl.com/GlennBloodDrive)

## MLK DAY: SHARE THE DREAM!

**TOMORROW, Monday, January 16, 2pm, Branan Towers**

All ages join with the senior adults of Branan Towers (many of whom were active in the Civil Rights Movement!) in East Atlanta for sharing songs, snacks, and reciting Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech together for this special annual tradition. For more info, contact Ben Ladner.

## CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

**Wednesday, January 18, 4:30m, Youth and Activities Building**

Confidential care & support for family caregivers of loved ones with memory loss, dementia, or Alzheimer's disease. Support Group facilitators: Carol & Aubrey Bush and Rev. Susan Pinson.

## FRIENDSHIP GROUP OLDER ADULT MINISTRY:

*URBAN SHEPHERDING WITH EWE CAN DO IT NATURALLY*

**Thursday, January 26, 11:00am, Youth and Activities Building**

Join with us for lunch and hearing from John Wierwille about his flock of sheep (and now famous herding dog, Caspar) that travel through urban Atlanta to clear invasive plant growth. \$5/per person lunch. RSVP with Rev. Susan Pinson.

## GEORGIA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

**Sunday, February 5, 6:00pm dinner, 6:30pm program, Ward Fellowship Hall**

All are welcome to join us for this annual update from Senator Elena Parent and Representatives Mary Margaret Oliver and Becky Evans. Learn what legislation is currently being discussed and discover ways to help make positive changes in our community and state in 2023 and beyond. To help with hosting dinner with our Transforming Community Welcoming Table team, contact Susan-Anne MacKenna at [sasmack@gmail.com](mailto:sasmack@gmail.com).

## NEW YEAR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Learn about the four areas of ministry at Glenn** (*Sunday Worship, Personal Transformation, The Welcoming Table, Transformation of the World*) and how to get involved at [www.glennumc.org/community-at-glenn](http://www.glennumc.org/community-at-glenn)



**To register for upcoming events or to learn how you can become more involved at Glenn, please visit [glennumc.org/upcoming-events](http://glennumc.org/upcoming-events) or contact any of our staff.**

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## ■ Giving

### **Pledge Report as of December 31, 2022:**

Pledge Budget: \$1,348,222

Pledge Collection Thru Dec 31, 2022: \$1,308,483

Needed: \$39,739

Need % : 2%

### **To give to Glenn visit:**

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### **Sunday 1.22 | Third Sunday after Epiphany**

8:30am    Worship (Little Chapel)

11am      Worship (Sanctuary)

5pm        The Gathering (Fellowship Hall)

## ■ You are Invited

### **Want to stay updated on the Glenn Community?**

Visit **[www.glennumc.org](http://www.glennumc.org)** and subscribe to the newsletter on the homepage. We send one newsletter every Friday, and occasional updates from Rev. Mark.