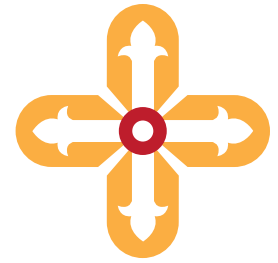


GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



■ The Worship of God

MARCH 26, 2023 | 11:00 A.M.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

The bulletin cover is *Take Away the Stone* by John August Swanson.

Throughout Lent, with Glenn's emphasis on hunger and homelessness, some of our scriptures will be read by representatives of Glenn's Justice Ministry partnerships. Today our guest is Daliah Boney, Parent Liaison at S.L. Lewis Elementary School in Fulton County which is one of four schools participating in our Snack in a Backpack program. Donations of 1 lb bags of rice and dried beans collected during Lent will be included in Snack in a Backpack bags for children attending the Global Village Project which is a school in Decatur for refugee girls.
For more information, contact Deborah Marlowe, dmarlowe@emory.edu.

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.



YOUR GIFTS SUPPORT GLENN

Your gifts directly support the ministries of Glenn. Scan the QR code or visit www.glennumc.org/give to donate securely online.

The altar flowers are given in honor of the members of the Glenn Memorial UMC Chancel Choir. For their humble spirit, immense talent, and dedication to offering beautiful and uplifting music on behalf of this congregation every week.



■ Welcoming All to the Table

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Aus der Tiefe (“Out of the Depths”)

Kenneth Leighton (1929-88)

In English composer Kenneth Leighton’s setting of the Lenten hymn, “Forty days and forty nights,” the minor tune is set in the pedals, underneath angst-ridden harmonies in the manuals. The original German chorale is a musical paraphrase of Psalm 130: “Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! Lord, hear my voice!”

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lazarus, though dead, was called to life by Jesus.

ALL: May we be called to the light of righteousness.

One: As others witnessed this resurrection, they believed in Jesus.

ALL: May we, who have heard, believe in the power of Jesus to conquer our fears and doubts.

One: Praise be to God who has given us Jesus.

ALL: Praise be to Jesus who has given us life. Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH #57 vs. 1-5, 7

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

During the final verse, all children are invited to come up to the chancel area.

CHILDREN’S TIME

The Rev. Susan Pinson

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

■ We Hear God's Word

*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Daliah Boney,
Parent Liaison, S.L. Lewis Elementary School

John 11: 14-35

Full scripture available on the insert in today's bulletin.

¹⁴ Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵ For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶ Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

¹⁷ When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸ Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, ¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. ²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. ²¹ Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." ²³ Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴ Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷ She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

²⁸ When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." ²⁹ And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹ The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵ Jesus began to weep.

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Covenant Choir
Dr. Katie Woolf, Director

SERMON

Rev. Pinson

■ We Respond

*HYMN UMH #521

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

SOJOURNER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen & ALL

ALL: Forgive us, O God, when we see the world through rose-colored glasses rather than as it really is, much less the way you seek it to be. Forgive us, Holy One, when we forsake lively and risky faith, calling us to be agents of change in our world, for the bland conviction that all will be well. Renew us with your grace and ground us with your Spirit, that we might be empowered to live, in word and deed, as testimonies to the power of your love over the grave. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

One: The God we serve is the God of life, the God of hope, the God of new beginnings. This we trust, and by this we live.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Mark Westmoreland

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

Out of the deep from *Requiem*

John Rutter (b.1945)
Harrison Cook, Cello

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice. O let thine ears consider well the voice of my complaint. If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it? For there is mercy with thee: therefore shalt thou be feared. I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him; and in his word is my trust. My soul fleeth unto the Lord before the morning watch; I say, before the morning watch. O Israel, trust in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption. And he shall redeem Israel from all his sins.

-*Psalm 130*

*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 #340

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

RESTORATION

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Pinson

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in A Minor, WoO 9

Johannes Brahms (1833-97)

Ostensibly the young composer's first foray into organ composition, Brahms sent his Prelude and Fugue in A minor to Clara Schumann as a gift in 1856. You can hear the youthful energy in the many instances of fast figuration within a broader scheme of counterpoint. The fugue subject is foreshadowed in the pedal line of the prelude and then transformed upside down (inversion) and into lengthened note values (augmentation) in the fugue. Toward the end of the piece, Brahms's counterpoint dissolves a bit into a final, furious flurry of notes, under which the subject is stated one more time in the pedal.

■ Announcements & Special Events

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR EGG-CELLENT SATURDAY!

Eggcellent Saturday, April 1, 3 – 5pm, Drop Off Filled Plastic Eggs Before March 30th!

Join us for our annual Easter egg hunt, Easter Bunny, snacks, bounce houses, & more! This is a free event! We will be collecting non-perishable food donations for the food pantry of Intown Collaborative Ministries. Egg hunts for age groups -toddlers through fifth grade- will begin at 4:00PM.

Adult & tween/teen volunteers needed! Sign up at tinyurl.com/GlennEggHunt2023

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD

Saturdays, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, & 5/6

Members of Glenn are invited to participate in Glenn's 29th Habitat Build. Build dates are 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, and 5/6.

Glenn will need to provide 15 volunteers for each of those Saturdays. Volunteers at all skill and age levels 16 years old and above are welcome – no building experience required! Sign up at: <https://bit.ly/glenn-habitat-2023>

For more info, contact Jennifer Scott-Ward (jscottward@churchs.com).

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, April 6, 7pm service Amphitheater

Good Friday, April 7

6:30pm Organ Prelude, Sanctuary *(will be live-streamed)*

As an extended prelude to the Good Friday service, Associate Director of Music and Worship Arts Käthe Wright Kaufman will offer a short liturgical recital at 6:30pm, featuring meditative music based on the themes of the Passion.

7pm Service, Sanctuary

Join us for a service of Scripture, prayer, song, & meditation. *Childcare available.*

EASTER SUNDAY

April 9

Sunrise Service, 7:15am on front lawn of Sanctuary *(Bring your own chair!)*

Resurrection Brunch, 9:30am in Ward Fellowship Hall. All ages are invited to an Easter morning brunch 9:30 to 10:45 AM in the Ward Fellowship Hall. Feel free to bring nut-free sweet treats or brunch food to share. Arts and crafts will be available for children and Nursery childcare available.

Worship 11am (with Choir, Organ, Strings, & Brass) in the Sanctuary. *Childcare available.*

Help decorate our Easter cross! If you attend our Easter services in-person, we invite you to bring a few buds of fresh flowers - whether from a blooming tree at home or a special Easter gift - to decorate the Easter Cross! We also invite you to bring your own chair to the Easter Sunrise service.



To register for upcoming events or to learn how you can become more involved at Glenn, please visit glennmc.org/upcoming-events or contact any of our staff.

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■ Giving

Pledge Report as of Feb 28, 2023

Pledge Budget: \$1,389,626

Pledge Collection Thru Feb 28: \$298,910.98

Needed: \$1,090,715

Needed % : 78%

To make an immediate gift, visit: [bit.ly/immediate-gift-](https://bit.ly/immediate-gift-glenn-2023)

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Sunday 4.2 | Palm Sunday

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 and subscribe to the newsletter on the homepage. We send one newsletter every Friday, and occasional updates from Rev. Mark.