

GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



■ The Worship of God

APRIL 23, 2023 | 11:00 A.M.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The bulletin cover is “Sun” by Edvard Munch (1916).

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 flowers on the altar given to the glory of God in celebration of the 93rd birthday of Martha Marlowe,
by Deborah Marlowe and Clint Lawrence.



■ Welcoming All to the Table

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Andante

Joséphine Boulay (1869-1925)

Born in Paris and blind from the age of three, Boulay studied organ under César Franck at the prestigious Conservatoire de Paris, becoming the first woman to win a first prize in organ in 1888. While continuing to study music at the Conservatoire (composition, harmony, and counterpoint) with the likes of Gabriel Fauré and Jules Massenet, she began her thirty-seven year teaching career at the National Institute for the Blind, mentoring young students in composition, piano, and organ.

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is in our midst, forming us to be God's own people.

ALL: Though the way may be difficult, God will be with us.

One: We need not fear.

ALL: In the Lord we will take our refuge, for God is our strength.

One: Come to the Lord who will surround you with God's own righteousness.

ALL: Lord, open our hearts and our spirits so that we may faithfully follow you. Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH #62, vv. 1-4, 7

All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All children are invited to come up to the chancel area during the last verse.

CHILDREN'S TIME

The Rev. Susan Pinson

■ We Hear God's Word

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Peter 2:2-10

John Wiley

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." ⁷To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," ⁸and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

I Sat Down Under His Shadow

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

I sat down under His shadow with great delight, and His fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house, and His banner over me was love.

-Song of Solomon 2:3b-4

SERMON

Priests in Every Pew and Living Stones Everywhere

The Rev. Mark Westmoreland

■ We Respond

*HYMN UMH #545

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH #888

An Affirmation of Faith based on 1 Corinthians and Colossians

One: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

ALL: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

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

Come to Him

Mark Kilstofte (b. 1958)

Come to Him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house.

-1 Peter: 2:4-5a

*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be - low; praise
God a-bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.
(Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Westmoreland & All

ALL: Almighty God, the sun rises a call to worship and sets a doxology. Your gifts are ever before us, your glory proclaimed in the raptures of spring. For moments of awe that surprise us, for familiar voices that comfort us, for friends and church that share our joy and pain, we give you thanks. Now translate these our gifts into your love for your world. Amen.

■ We Go Forth

*CLOSING HYMN UMH #559

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Westmoreland

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Christ ist erstanden (Christ is risen) BWV 627

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The chorale on which this setting is based is likely one of the oldest Christian liturgical German songs, dating from around 1100. The German chorale is derived from the Latin chant, *Victimae paxali laudes*. Both of these tunes have strong associations with Easter and Christ's triumph over death. Bach's setting of the chorale is split into three verses, possibly meant to be played in alternation with a congregation's singing of the hymn.



■ Announcements & Special Events

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD

Saturdays 4/29 & 5/6

Members of Glenn are invited to participate in Glenn's 29th Habitat Build. Remaining build dates are 4/29 and 5/6. Glenn will 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! For more info, contact Jennifer Scott-Ward (jscottward@churchs.com).

Sign up at: bit.ly/glenn-habitat-2023

GLENN'S GOT TALENT SHOW

Next Sunday, April 30, 10:00am, Ward Fellowship Hall

Sign up your child or family's 2-3 minute act with Rev. Susan Pinson. All kinds of acts welcome: music, dance, comedy, gymnastics, and more. Come and share with our supportive Glenn Church family!

YOUTH SUNDAY

Sunday, May 7, 11:00am, Sanctuary

Join us for this annual tradition! Glenn Youth will lead us in worship at 11am. All 6th-12th graders can connect with Youth Director, Ben Ladner, to be a part of this special worship service!

BABIES & OLDER ADULTS CELEBRATION SUNDAY

Sunday, May 14, 11:00am, Sanctuary

Join us for this annual tradition where we celebrate our oldest and youngest members of the Glenn church family! RSVP with Rev. Susan Pinson for babies born after April 2022 or older adults ages 90 & older.

SNACK IN A BACKPACK

Looking to support local missions? Our Snack In a Backpack team meets every Thursday from 3:30-5:30pm in the Youth & Activities Building. Snack in a Backpack provides food to children who are at risk of hunger on the weekends. The program currently serves over 200 children, including 38 refugee families. You can sign up to help at: bit.ly/snack-backpack-glenn-2023. Learn more about our service opportunities at: www.glennumc.org/justice-at-glenn.

GIVE ALTAR FLOWERS IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

Have a special birthday, anniversary, or a memorable date coming up? You can sign-up to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship in honor or memory of your loved ones, or a special cause. Sign up at: bit.ly/flowers-glenn-2023



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

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■ Giving

Pledge Report as of March 31, 2023

Pledge Budget: \$1,389,626

Pledge Collection Through March, 31: \$407,768

Needed: \$981,858

Needed %: 70%

To give a gift, visit www.glennumc.org/give
or scan the QR code below.



■ Next Sunday

Sunday 4.30 | Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30am Worship (Little Chapel)

11am Worship (Sanctuary)

5pm The Gathering (Ward Fellowship Hall)

■ Stay Updated

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.