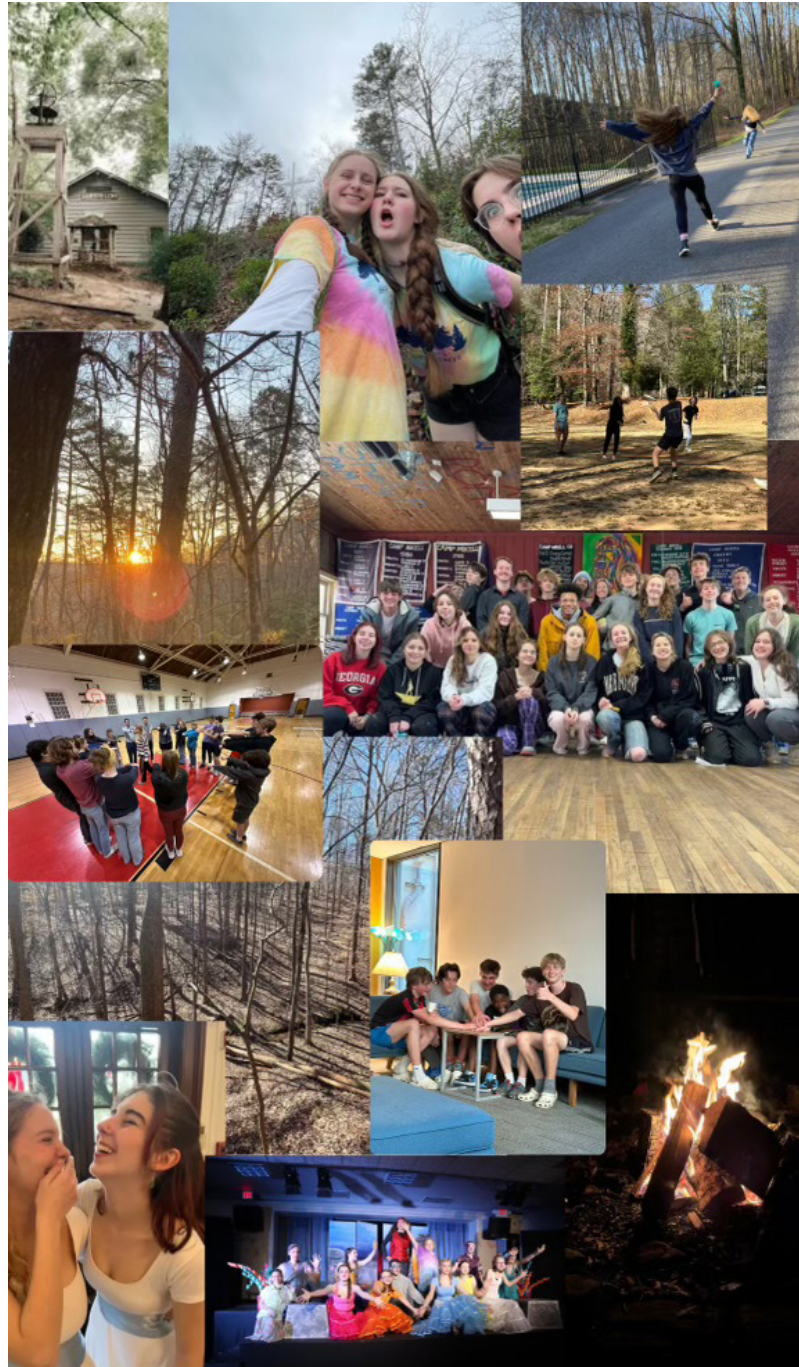
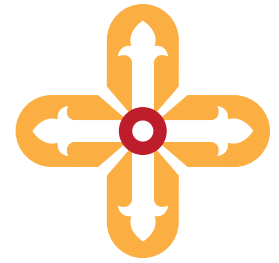


# GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## ■ The Worship of God

APRIL 28, 2024 | 11:00 A.M.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | YOUTH SUNDAY

We are pleased to announce that all four of Glenn's clergy (Rev. Mark Westmoreland, Rev. Susan, Pinson, Rev. Brent Huckaby, and Rev. Jennifer Hansen) will return to Glenn Memorial for the upcoming year. We give thanks for their leadership and continued dedication to Glenn's ministries and to our congregational community. We also offer prayers for the 2024 General Conference of The United Methodist Church.

– Sarah Cantrell Perkins  
Chair, Staff Parish Relations Committee



### 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.

**At the time of printing this bulletin, we have begun training our A/V staff on our new sound system. Thank you for your patience during this transition. You will hopefully find improved sound quality throughout the Sanctuary, even under the balcony!**

Hearing devices, pew cushions, and Children's Worship Kits are available from an usher.

### CHILDCARE

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 310).

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

A Comfort Room & restroom are available downstairs at the back of the Sanctuary.  
Additional restrooms are available downstairs at the front of the Sanctuary.

### 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.



### 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](http://www.glennumc.org/give) to donate securely online.

The bulletin cover artwork is by MJ Walker.



## ■ Welcoming All

*\*You are invited to rise in either body or spirit.*

WORDS OF WELCOME

Maggie Lawley

OPENING VOLUNTARY

**Little Girl Blue**

Richard Rogers (1902-1979)  
Joseph Burke, Alto Saxophone

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Maggie Lawley & ALL

One: In the name of the Creator who made us,

**ALL: We come as we are to celebrate the goodness of our lives.**

One: In the name of the Redeemer who set us free,

**ALL: We rejoice in our diversity of love and life.**

One: In the name of the Spirit who sustains us,

**ALL: We challenge ourselves to grow to learn, and to dream.**

One: God, in your presence we gather,

**ALL: Be among us now!**

\*OPENING HYMN

**Sing a New Church**

NETTLETON

Summoned by the God who made us rich in our diversity. Gathered in the name of Jesus, richer still in unity.

**Refrain:** Let us bring the gifts that differ and, in splendid, varied ways, sing a new Church into being, one in faith and love and praise.

Trust the goodness of creation; trust the Spirit strong within.

Dare to dream the vision promised, sprung from seed of what has been. **[Refrain]**

Bring the hopes of every nation; bring the art of every race.

Weave a song of peace and justice; let it sound through time and space. **[Refrain]**

Draw together at one table, all the human family; shape a circle ever wider and a people ever free. **[Refrain]**

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Mia Floyd

\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

## ■ We Hear God's Word

THE FIRST LESSON

Ell Harrison

**1 Kings 19:11-13**

"He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup> and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup> When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## ANTHEM

### Speak, Lord

Words and Music by Tom Trenney (b. 1977)

Alaric Watkins & Marian Waller, Soloists

You are the way, the truth, and the life. You are our hope, our victory o'er the strife. You are our peace, our calm upon the sea. Bringing good news to the oppressed, you call us to set the captive free!

*Refrain:* Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening. Speak, Lord, how we need to hear from you. Give us courage to speak, Lord, till injustice is silent. Speak your words of love in all we say and do.

You come to heal our broken heart, to comfort as we mourn, just mercy to impart. You call us to preach the Gospel, dream the dream till justice rolls down like water, righteousness like a mighty stream. *[Refrain]*

Give us sight to see the world through the eyes of a stranger. Help us hear the beauty of a language not our own. Set our hearts to beat with compassion for our neighbor. When we love each other, you are seen and known. *[Refrain]*

## REFLECTION

Crow Golden

## \*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Julia Tone

### Mark 9:2-9

<sup>2</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup> and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup> And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup> He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" <sup>8</sup> Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. <sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## REFLECTION

Lucy Sharp

## MUSICAL REFLECTION

### **Sunshine on My Shoulders**

Sunshine on my shoulders makes me happy, sunshine in my eyes can make me cry.  
Sunshine on the water looks so lovely, sunshine almost always gets me by.  
If I had a day that I could give you, I'd give to you a day just like today.  
If I had a song that I could sing for you, I'd sing a song to make you feel this way.  
If I had a tale that I could tell you, I'd tell a tale sure to make you smile.  
If I had a wish that I could wish for you, I'd make a wish for sunshine all the while.

## REFLECTION

McKinley Hales

## MUSICAL REFLECTION

### **Reflection on *Nettleton***

arr. Johnnie Vinson (b. 1944)  
McKinley Hales, Flute  
Marian & Joseph Waller, Violin  
Ben Winget & Lucas Barelc, Trumpet  
Alaric Watkins, French Horn  
Joseph Burke, Alto Saxophone

## We Respond

## MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hank Harris

**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

**Sisi Ni Moja**

Words and Music by Jacob Narverud (b. 1986)

We all laugh, we all cry, we all feel hunger, we all feel pain. We all love, we all hate, we all hope, and we all dream. We are one world, one people, and we all breathe the same. A tribe of many languages, a group of many heartaches, fighting for peace among the land.

*Refrain:* Heja, heja, sisi ni moja. we are one.

We all want, we all need, we all seek passion, we all seek joy. We all bruise, we all scar, we all fail, but learn to thrive. We are one world, one people, and we all breathe the same. In the darkness of the night and in the glory of the morning, we walk along the path and find our way. *[Refrain]*

Now we stand here together and lift our hearts in song to the rhythm of this moment in our lives. *[Refrain]*

\*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

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

OLD 100TH

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the doxology, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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

Bea Quinn

**ALL:** Gracious God who strengthens and unites us, we give thanks for the many ways in which you reveal yourself to and through your people. We rejoice in the uniqueness of every person and the connections we find with one another. Continue to draw us all around your table and into your steadfast love, and grant that the gifts of this congregation may be used to do your work in the world. Amen.

# ■ We Go Forth

## \*CLOSING HYMN

### **O Love That Will Not Let Me Go**

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee.  
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow, may richer, fuller be.

O Light that follows all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee.  
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day, may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee.  
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee.  
I lay in dust, life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red, life that shall endless be.

## \*BENEDICTION

**ALL: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.**

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY



# ■ Announcements & Special Events

## GLENN'S GOT TALENT SHOW

**Next Sunday, May 5, 10am, Ward Fellowship Hall**

Music, dance, gymnastics - just about anything is worth sharing with joy with our supportive Glenn Church family! Sign up your 2-4 minute act here: [tinyurl.com/GlennTalent24](https://tinyurl.com/GlennTalent24)



## A SUNDAY OF MUSIC

**Next Sunday, May 5, 11:00am, Sanctuary**

The Chancel Choir invites you to worship on May 5 for a celebration of sacred music! The choir will offer some of the great pieces of English composers Herbert Howells (A Hymn for St. Cecilia) and Benjamin Britten (Festival Te Deum, Rejoice in the Lamb, and Jubilate Deo in C). Some of these works aren't often heard in a typical Sunday worship service, so come to sing, listen, and worship through music on this special day.

## THE CANDLER FOUNDRY CLASS AT GLENN

*SCIENCE AND FAITH: WHAT DOES ATHENS HAVE TO DO WITH JERUSALEM?*

**Tuesdays until May 7, 7pm-8:30pm, Church School Building Room 208, Zoom Available**

This course will explore that question by looking at areas where the conclusions of science and faith intersect, whether they conflict, and how the scientific discoveries bear on the content of Christian faith. Use the code GlennUMC for a discounted \$20 price. Register at: [bit.ly/foundry-glenn-2024](https://bit.ly/foundry-glenn-2024).

## WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT

**Saturday, May 11, 7pm, Sanctuary**

The Wake Forest University Chamber Choir will be touring the Southeast May 10-18. Their concert entitled, "We Sing Prophetic Joys," will include accompanied and a cappella repertoire by composers including Haydn, Rheinberger, Duruflé, Dello Joio, Orbán, Powell, Dilworth, Locklair, and more. The concert is free of charge. If you are a WFU alum or supporter and you would be interested in supporting the Chamber Choir while they're in your area, please contact Dr. Chris Gilliam, director of the choir, at [gilliac@wfu.edu](mailto:gilliac@wfu.edu). For more information on their Spring Tour, visit [bit.ly/wake-tour-2024](https://bit.ly/wake-tour-2024).

## ■ Justice at Glenn

### IMPLICIT BIAS TRAINING

**Next Sunday, May 5**

Join the Justice Team for Implicit Bias Training next Sunday. For more info and to sign up, visit [bit.ly/bias-2024](https://bit.ly/bias-2024).

### SNACK IN A BACKPACK - THURSDAYS THROUGH MAY 16

Looking to support local missions? Volunteer with Snack In a Backpack on 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 400 children, including 66 refugee families. Sign up to help: [bit.ly/snack-backpack2024](https://bit.ly/snack-backpack2024).



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

## Finding God in Thin Spaces

### What are “thin spaces”?

Thin spaces are places and moments where the separation between the earthly and the divine feels thin. These thin spaces may appear in church, in nature, during quiet moments, or among friends, just to name a few. They often make us feel closer to God and allow us to strengthen our relationship with God.

As a youth group we’ve explored some of these thin spaces over the last year and discussed the different ways in which we encounter God. **Today’s bulletin cover shows the youth in some of our favorite thin spaces, and this page includes reflection prompts and activities that may help you find the thin spaces in your own lives.**

### Breath Prayer

Breath prayers are prayers made up of broken-up lines (typically from scripture, though they don't have to be). The first half of the prayer is prayed as you inhale, the second half as you exhale.

Here are some examples of breath prayers to try:

1. “Help me rest; give me peace.”
2. “Out of darkness, into light.”
3. “Fill me, Spirit, with your love.”

### A Moment to Reflect

We invite you to wake up early one morning this week and take a moment to reflect. You may choose to enjoy this activity with a loved one, or take time to reflect personally and check in.

- Reflect on a specific moment you felt close to God. Where were you? How did you feel?
- In youth we have talked about songs with which we have a deep connection — are there any songs with which you feel a strong connection? What are they? Why do you feel connected to them?
- Think about some ways you could appreciate and become more connected to your thin spaces: places you could go, people with whom you could surround yourself, etc.



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## ■ Giving

### Financial Report

2024 Budgeted Expenses: 2,060,107

Year-to-Date March Contributions & Other Income:  
\$501,462

**To give a gift, visit [www.glennumc.org/give](http://www.glennumc.org/give) or scan the QR code below.**



## ■ Next Sunday

### Sunday 5.5 | Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:30am      Worship - Little Chapel

11am        Worship - Sanctuary

## ■ Stay Updated

### 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.