

GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



■ The Worship of God

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PALM SUNDAY

The bulletin cover is *Entry Into the City* by John August Swanson.

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

*The flowers in the Narthex are in loving memory of Anne Dent by Leslie Dent Riley and family.
The altarscape is arranged with a rustic expression to represent the arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem.*



■ Welcoming All to the Table

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Valet will ich dir Geben (“I want to bid you farewell”)

Max Reger (1873-1916)

This setting of the familiar Palm Sunday chorale (to the tune called St. Theodulph at UMH #280) was written around 1903. It is a chorale prelude, meaning that the hymn is heard once in its entirety. However, Reger uses the different registers of the organ to repeat the ends of the phrases, almost like distant echoes one might hear in a cavernous church. The melody was first published in 1614 by Melchior Teschner.

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

All children are invited to come up to the chancel area to lead the Call to Worship and join our palms processional!

***CALL TO WORSHIP UMH #657**

This Is the Day

Children of Glenn Memorial UMC

This is the day (this is the day)
that the Lord hath made (that the Lord hath made)
Let us rejoice, (let us rejoice)
and be glad in it, (and be glad in it.)
This is the day that the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, (this is the day that the Lord hath made.)

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH #280**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

CHILDREN'S TIME

The Rev. Susan Pinson

■ We Hear God's Word

*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:1-11

The Rev. Mark Westmoreland

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴ This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, ⁵ "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." ⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷ they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" ¹⁰ When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹ The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Lift Up Your Heads

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of Glory shall come in.
Who is this king of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

-Psalm 24:7-10

SERMON

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

■ We Respond

*HYMN

Ride On! Ride On In Majesty!

WINCHESTER NEW



1. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! Hark! all the tribes ho - san - na cry; thy
2. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die; O
3. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! The an - gel ar - mies of the sky look
4. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! Thy last and fierc - est strife is nigh; the
5. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die; bow



hum - ble beast pur - sues his road with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
Christ, thy tri - umphs now be - gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
down with sad and won - dering eyes to see the ap - proach ing sac - ri - fice.
Fa - ther on his sap - phire throne ex - pects his own a - noin - ted Son.
thy meek head to mor - tal pain, then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Rev. Hansen & ALL

One: Lord Jesus Christ, we praise you with heart and life and voice, not only with outward signs such as palm branches or the occasional “Hosanna,” but with lives truly turned towards you. It seems such a distance from this present day, Palm Sunday, to that day when you entered Jerusalem with the shouts of the crowd ringing in your ears. Welcomed as a king, yet riding on a lowly donkey. Greeted with cheers and acclamations which were so soon to turn to jeers and condemnation. From this side of the resurrection, we confidently believe that we could never have been part of the jeering crowd—but would we, if we had been there?

(Silent Reflection)

One: Lord Jesus Christ, when our words and actions reflect a reluctance to confess you publicly as Lord of our lives:

ALL: Forgive us.

One: When we fear that humility will be seen as weakness or a defect in our character:

ALL: Forgive us.

One: When we have betrayed your love for us through our lack of love for you, for others, and for ourselves:

ALL: Forgive us.

One: When we find ourselves glossing over the events of your passion and death because we look forward to Easter as a time to enjoy holidays.

ALL: Forgive us.

One: Lord Jesus, fix your mind in us; remake us in your image; empty us of all that keeps us from following you to places of pain, suffering, exploitation, and injustice.

ALL: Gracious and loving God, empower us with the Holy Spirit so that our lives continually glorify you and we proclaim Jesus as Lord. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

One: Hear the good news: “Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave ... and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.” Through his obedience we are therefore freed from whatever sin enslaves us.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

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

Ride On, King Jesus

Traditional spiritual,
arr. Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

Ride on, King Jesus, ride on, the conquerin' king. Oh, ride on, King Jesus, ride on, No man can hinder thee. I was but young when I begun. But now my race is almost done. King Jesus rides a milk white horse. The river of Jordan he did cross. He's the King and the Lord. He's the first and the last. He's the Lord of Lords, Jesus is the Prince of peace. Oh, ride on, King Jesus, just ride on, Jesus!

*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Westmoreland

ALL: We give you all thanks and praise, O God, for you alone are good and your steadfast love is forever. With our hearts lifted high, we offer you thanks and praise at all times through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

■ We Go Forth

*CLOSING HYMN UMH #278

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Huckaby

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Valet will ich dir geben, BWV 736

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The lyricist of the original hymn text, Valerius Herberger, was a clergyman in Poland, where there was an outbreak of the plague in 1613. A large proportion of the population fell victim to the illness, but Herberger remained and was often the only person, along with the gravedigger, who interred the corpses. This grief-stricken but hopeful text is perfect for Palm Sunday, when we celebrate the pomp of Christ entering Jerusalem, while being mindful of the dark events set to transpire at the end of the week. Bach's music seems cheerful, perhaps as a sign of positive thinking and the power of conviction in one's faith, rather than desperation in the face of adversity. The pedal plays the theme in strong tones underneath figuration and counterpoint in the hands.



■ Announcements & Special Events

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, April 6, 7pm service Amphitheater *(Rain plan: Ward Fellowship Hall)*

Join us as we commemorate Jesus' last supper with the sharing of Holy Communion. *Childcare available in Room 206.*

Good Friday, April 7, Sanctuary

- **6:30pm Organ Prelude** *(Livestream available at glennumc.org/worship)*

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 in Room 206.*

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. 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, & Brass) in the Sanctuary**

Childcare available.

Help decorate our Easter cross! 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 at either worship service.

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).



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 26, 2023

Pledge Budget: \$1,389,626

Pledge Collection Through March, 26: \$375,402

Needed: \$1,014,224

Needed %: 72%

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



Sunday 4.2 | Easter Sunday

- 7:15am Sunrise Service (Lawn outside Sanctuary,
bring your own chair)
- 9:30am Resurrection Brunch (Ward Fellowship Hall)
- 11am Worship (Sanctuary) *with Choir, Organ,
Strings, & Brass*

No 5pm Gathering Service

■ 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.