GLENN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH





The Worship of God

November 12, 2023 | 11:00 a.m. Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost The bulletin artwork is The Ten Virgins by Jorge Cocco Santángelo.



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.

Hearing devices, pew cushions, and Children's Worship Kits are available from an usher. **A new sound system for the Sanctuary is currently in the works!** In the meantime, for optimal sound, sit a few rows back (rather than the first rows of pews) and not under the balcony.

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

> A Comfort Room & restroom is available downstairs at the back of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms 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.



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Welcoming All

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

Words of Welcome

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

OPENING VOLUNTARY Zion Hears the Watchmen's Voices from Cantata 140

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Today's prelude sets the stage for a tune we will hear and sing throughout today's service. Found in the United Methodist Hymnal on page 720, the chorale tune *Wachet auf* was composed by Philipp Nicolai in 1599 and later used by J.S. Bach in his cantata of the same name. Bach's cantata presents musical commentary on today's Gospel text. In today's prelude, you will hear the voices sing the tune, while the organ plays a pastoral melody above and below it. This was originally the 4th movement of Bach's cantata and was later arranged by the composer to be a standalone organ piece.

*Call to Worship

- One: Are you awake? Are you alert?
- ALL: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.
- One: Are you watching the signs? Are you interpreting what is happening today?
- ALL: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.
- One: Do you see opportunities for ministry? Do you see the poor, the homeless, the hungry, the needy?
- ALL: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.
- One: Come, let us worship and let us work in the reign of God.
- ALL: Christ has extended the invitation: let us work together in the reign of God on earth.

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

Children's Time

The Rev. Susan Pinson

*The Passing of the Peace

GRADUAL **Ave Maria**

J. S. Bach, arr. Charles Gounod (1818-93), Marian Waller, violin

We Hear God's Word

*THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:1-13

[Jesus said,] "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom.² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.³ When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps.⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept.⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.'

Sarah Perkins

⁷ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹ But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' ¹⁰ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. "Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' ¹² But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' ¹³ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON When Everything Is Urgent

Rev. Westmoreland



*HYMN UMH #720 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

WACHET AUF

*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881 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

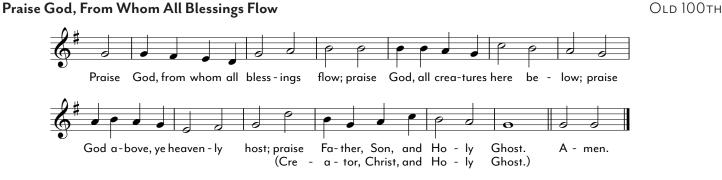
ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine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

OFFERTORY Wachet auf from Cantata 140

Wake, arise, the voices call us of watchmen from the lofty tower; Wake up, O town Jerusalem! "Midnight" is named this hour; They call to us with ringing voices; Where are ye prudent virgins now? Make haste, the bridegroom comes; Rise up and take your lamps! Alleluia! Prepare to join The wedding feast, Go forth to meet him as he comes!

-Philipp Nicolai

*Doxology UMH #95



*Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

All: Almighty God, we praise you for your countless mercies. Your goodness has created us; your bounty has sustained us; your love has redeemed us. Give us a heart to love and serve you, that our thanksgiving might become acts of goodness and mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

J.S. Bach

We Go Forth

*CLOSING HYMN

Awake, O Sleeper

0 wake, O 1.A sleep - er, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light, so 2.To and fear earth he came to bring from sin lease. us on re to 3.There Bo - dy hope, one Spi - rit and is one and one one call, one 4.Then walk in love as Christ has loved. who died that he might with save: 5.For us Christ lived, for us he died and con-quered in the strife. A -9 0. full - ness, depth, learn his love, length and breadth, and height. its its____ give the Spi rit's ve - ry bond of u - ni - ty, the___ peace. Lord, one Faith, and one Bap - tism, Ma - ker of all. one__ us kind and gen gave. tle hearts for -God in Christ for give as____ wake, a - rise, forth in Christ shall give life. faith, and_ you go

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Westmoreland

A.D. Miller (b.1972)

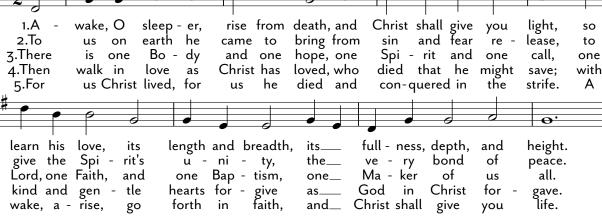
CLOSING VOLUNTARY Proclamation on Wachet auf



We've Come This Far By Faith: Conversation with Praise House Artist, Charmaine Minniefield, Dr. Nicole Phillips, and DuWanna Thomas

Today, November 12, 5pm, Ward Fellowship Hall

Join us for a talkback event with Praise House Artist, Charmaine Minniefield, Dr. Nicole Phillips, and DuWanna Thomas. Come early to walk through the praise house (open until 5pm). The Praise House outside of Glenn is open to the public on Saturdays & Sundays from 12-5pm, now until Dec 15.





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Club 1012- No Parents Allowed

Today, 5:45pm-6:45pm, Room 211, Church School Building

For 10, 11, & 12-year-olds to come share thoughts, worries, goals, or frustrations away from parents & teachers. Led by Taylor Anderson of CHRIS180 Counseling, Britton Stacey and Britt Dush, Candler School of Theology interns. \$10 Target giftcard drawing for 'tweens who attend! RSVP with Rev. Susan Pinson spinson@glennumc.org.

DeKalb Symphony Orchestra & Glenn Chancel Choir Concert

Tuesday, November 14, 8pm, Glenn Memorial UMC Sanctuary

Glenn begins a new and exciting collaboration with the DSO as they combine to present John Rutter's exhilarating *Gloria*. The evening includes Camille Saint-Saëns' Symphony No. 3 in C minor, better known as the "Organ Symphony," featuring Käthe Wright Kaufman on the Casavant Frères organ. The DSO's Young Artist's Concerto Competition Winner, Jiayi Lu, will also play Antonin Dvorak's Cello Concerto in B minor to round out the evening. Tickets are available at **www. dekalbsymphony.org/tickets.** Invite a friend and come enjoy an exciting evening of music!

Give Poinsettias in Honor or Memory of a Loved One

\$13 each | Order Now | Limited Quantity

A Glenn Memorial tradition, the beautiful, red-leafed plants adorn our Sanctuary during the weeks leading up to Christmas Day. The plants are \$13 each (purchased from a local, independent nursery). Order now, quantities are limited.

Two steps:

1. Fill out this form (we need to know what dedication to put in the bulletin): **bit.ly/poinsettias-glenn-2023**

2. Pay online here: **bit.ly/order-poinsettias-2023**

If you need assistance, you may call the church office or email Kat Griffith to place your order. If you would like to volunteer to deliver a poinsettia to our congregation's homebound members, please contact Rev. Susan Pinson.

Friendship Group Lunch & Learn: What We Learn in Times of Loss

Wednesday, November 15, 11am, Youth and Activities Building

Join with the Rev. Dr. Ron Greer, Director of Pastoral Counseling Service at Peachtree Road United Methodist Church, sharing about his recently published book The Quiet House: Reflections on the Loss of a Spouse. He'll share with compassion and humor "lessons from the valley of grief" and how to support ourselves, family, and friends through grief and healing. RSVP with Rev. Susan Pinson 404.634.3936, ext. 103. \$5/person suggested donation for lunch.

Monthly Caregivers' Support Group

Wednesday, November 15, 4:30-5:30pm, Youth and Activities Building

For all family caregivers of aging loved ones, including those with memory loss, dementia, or Alzheimer's disease. We meet the third Wednesdays of each month. To RSVP, contact our Support Group facilitators: Aubrey and Carol Bush (aubrey. bush@mindspring.com). Learn more about our support groups at **www.glennumc.org/care**

NATIVITIES SHOW & TELL AND BLESSING OF THE NATIVITY SETS

Sunday, November 26, 9:30am-12:30pm, Ward Fellowship Hall

Are you unpacking your Advent and Christmas decorations over Thanksgiving week? Bring your favorite Nativity Sets to "show & tell" with the Glenn Church family during the Sunday School hour and for a few minutes after 11am Worship! We'll have an "eyes only" section for fragile sets and a "hands-on" section for children of all ages to bring the story to life as we prepare for the wonder of the Advent and Christmas seasons once again. You're welcome to stand by your Nativities to show & tell, or leave written information about your special Nativity scene. We will offer a special blessing of the Nativity Sets at 10:45am. To help us with planning, RSVP here: **bit.ly/nativity-event-glenn-2023**

Women's Night In: Advent Edition

Monday, November 27, 7pm – at the home of Mary Lindsey Lewis (Medlock Park)

Join with Glenn women of all ages & stages for conversations around Kate Bowler's *Bless the Advent We Actually Have* (though reading the devotional is not required). Come as you are - straight from work, the gym, or the carpool shuffle! Light refreshments served. For more info, directions, and to RSVP, contact Rev. Susan Pinson.

Advent Book Study with Pastor Mark

Tuesdays, November 28 - December 19 \mid 7pm \mid Room 208, Church School Building or Zoom option

In *Heaven and Earth: Advent and the Incarnation*, Will Willimon introduces you to the God who does just that, bringing heaven to earth and changing everything. In Advent we celebrate and anticipate the earth-shaking, life-transforming good news that God is coming to us. Get ready. God is on the way! RSVP now and let us know if you'd like to buy the book yourself or be a part of the church order: **bit.ly/advent-study-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.

Upcoming Advent Season

Glenn Kids

Contact Rev. Susan Pinson spinson@glennumc.org Visit: www.glennumc.org/children

Glenn Youth Contact Ben Ladner bladnereglennumc.org

Young Adults Contact Rev. Brent Huckaby bhuckaby@glennumc.org

Older Adult Ministry Contact Rev. Susan Pinson spinson@glennumc.org

Music Ministry

To join our chancel choir or for more information about youth choir, contact Michael Grassi Dauterman at mdauterman@glennumc.org

Glenn E-newsletter

We send out a weekly Friday email with everything you need to know! Subscribe on the homepage of our website: glennumc.org (or email ebitting@glennumc.org for help!)

We're Social!

Instagram: eglennumc Facebook: Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church Website: glennumc.org

Visit: glennumc.org/upcoming-events

Save-the-dates!

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Nov 15 FriendShip Group Lunch & Learn: What We Learn in Times of Loss with author

Nov 17-19 Middle School Retreat

Sets

Nov 26 Nativities Show & Tell and Blessing of the Nativity

Nov 27 Women's Night In: Advent Edition - 7pm, at the home of Mary Lindsey Lewis (Medlock Park)

Nov 28 Advent Book Study with Pastor Mark begins

Dec 2 Emory Lessons & Carols

Dec 3 The Gathering at 5pm is a special Youth Advent Service, A is for Advent Food Drive begins, Little Chapel Advent and Christmas Music & Sing with Wes Griffin



Dec 6 FriendShip Group: Volunteer with Wellroot Family Services

Dec 10 Lessons & Carols for 11am worship, The Gathering at 5pm is at Waller's Coffee House, Little Chapel Advent and Christmas Music & Sing with Wes Griffin



Dec 11 Women's Night In: Advent Edition - 7pm, at the home of Cheryl Griffin (Druid Hills)

Dec 12 Glenn Young Adult Ministry Party

Now until Dec 15 Praise House outside of Glenn is open to the public on Saturdays & Sundays from 12-5pm



Dec 17 Christmas Caroling for all ages, Children's Nativity Pageant, Nativity Petting Zoo, Glenn Youth Party, The Gathering with have special music service with Wes Griffin



Dec 20 In the Bleak Midwinter: A Service of Grief and Hope

Dec 23 Kinnara Concert at Glenn

Dec 24 11am Worship, 4pm Christmas Pageant, Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 11pm



Jan 26-28 Glenn Women's Retreat

Growing Together at Glenn

Sunday Schedule:

8:30am Worship Little Chapel
9:30am Children's Choirs CSB*
9:45am Youth Sunday school YAAB*
9:45am Adult Sunday School
10:00am Children's Sunday School CSB*
10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
11:00am Worship Sanctuary
5pm The Gathering Worship Ward Fellowship Hall
5:45pm Youth Choir Rehearsal CSB*
6:30pm Youth Dinner YAAB*
7:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship YAAB*

Weekly Events:

Snack in a Backpack Food Security Ministry Thursdays, 3:30–5:30pm, YAAB* Contact Deborah Marlowe (dmarlowe@emory.edu) for questions. Sign up here: bit.ly/snack-backpack-2023

Young Adult Fellowship Tuesdays. For more info contact Brent Huckaby (bhuckabyeglennumc.org).

Chancel Choir Rehearsals

Wednesdays, 7-9pm & Sundays, 10am, Sanctuary. For more info contact Michael Dauterman (mdauterman@glennumc.org).

Support Groups:

- Single Moms' Support Group 1st Tuesdays of the month, 8pm, Zoom
- Caregivers' Support Group 3rd Wednesdays of the month, 4:30pm, YAAB*
- Club 1012: No Parents Allowed! For 10, 11, & 12-yearolds to come share thoughts, worries, goals, or frustrations away from parents & teachers. RSVP here: bit.ly/kids-club-glenn
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*YAAB = Youth & Activities Building *CSB = Church School Building

Study Opportunities:

Dive deeper. Explore your faith in supportive small groups.



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Adult Sunday School

Sundays, 9:45am, Church School Building Learn more at glennumc.org/adults Adult Sunday School classes:



- Ventures in Faith (Room 211) We will begin our season with a series on the unlikely call of the first disciples. Contact Gordon Boice for questions (g.boice@emory.edu). Upcoming Topic: Nov. 19, An Early Start to Advent Series
- Coffee & Conversation (Parlor) Join with Pastor Mark, Glenn intern Britt Dush, and David O'Brien as we gather each week for fellowship and faith in our daily lives.
- **The New Class** (Room 208) For the zoom link and the full class schedule, visit: www.glennumc.org/adults. **Upcoming Topic:** Nov. 19, "Doing Good" with Susan Bishop & Rep. Becky Evans

#ParentingIsHard Meetups

Parents of all ages meet to share the joys and challenges of parenting & share in our faith journeys. We will study Bunmi Laditan's *Help Me God, I'm a Parent* book of 'honest prayers for hectic days and endless nights.' **Two options – join us for one or both:**

- Wednesdays, 11am, Amphitheater. Meet in amphitheater for a walk & talk around the Emory quad. Contact Alison LaGree for more info (alisonlagree@gmail.com).
- Sundays, 9:45am, CSB* Room 401. While children attend Sunday School or nursery care, bring a cup of coffee and join us in Room 401. Contact Joanna Boyles (joannarhull@gmail.com) for more info.

Service Opportunities:

Interested in advocacy, social justice, and opportunities to get involved? Contact justice@glennumc.org Visit www.glennumc.org/justice-at-glenn THE REV. MARK WESTMORELAND Senior Pastor mwestmoreland@glennumc.org

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Giving

Generosity Pledge Campaign Update

We have received 154 pledges as a result of our ongoing Pledge Campaign! We are so grateful for all those who have submitted their pledge for 2024. We still have a way to go to be able to fund the ministries Glenn offers. If you have yet to make your pledge, please prayerfully consider your contribution and pledge online at **www.glennumc.org/pledge** or reach out to the church office for a pledge card.

Financial Report as of October 27, 2023:

2023 Budget: \$1,814,532 Total Income through Oct 27: \$1,442,457 Needed: \$372,075 Needed % : 20%

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



Next Sunday

Sunday 11.19 | Thanksgiving Sunday

8:30am	Worship - Little Chapel
11am	Worship - Sanctuary
5pm	The Gathering - Fellowship Hall

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