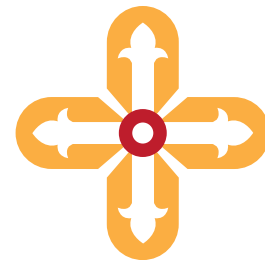


# GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## ■ The Worship of God

JANUARY 21, 2024 | 11:00 A.M.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The bulletin cover is *Psalm 62* by illustrator Jedi Noordegraaf, based in The Netherlands.



### 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 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 amaryllis blooms are presented to the glory of God and grown by Mark Musick.



## ■ Welcoming All

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

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

OPENING VOLUNTARY

**Meditation on *Finlandia***

Brenda Portman (b. 1980)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Hansen

One: Our souls wait in silence;

**ALL: Our hope rests in God**

One: Our rock, our salvation, our refuge.

**ALL: We will not be shaken.**

One: In this time of worship,

**ALL: We pour out our hearts because we trust in God's steadfast love.**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH #110

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

EIN' FESTE BURG

*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

Sara McKlin

### Psalm 62:5-12

<sup>5</sup> For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him. <sup>6</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. <sup>7</sup> On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God. <sup>8</sup> Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us. <sup>9</sup> Those of low estate are but a breath, those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath. <sup>10</sup> Put no confidence in extortion, and set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, do not set your heart on them. <sup>11</sup> Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God, <sup>12</sup> and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord. For you repay to all according to their work.

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

### The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee

Jean Berger (1909-2002)

The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

*-Psalm 145:15-16*

SERMON

The Rev. Mark Westmoreland

### Hope is a Rock

## ■ We Respond

\*HYMN

### For God Alone My Soul in Silence Waits

FINLANDIA



1. For God a-lone my soul in si-lence waits; my help comes from the  
2. In si-lence wait, my soul, for God a-lone, from whom comes hope through  
3. Like fleet-ing breath our world-ly hon-ors wane, and mor-tal fame dis-

Lord, my for - tress tower, my rock of strength that keeps my foot - ing firm -  
all life's change and chance. No oth - er rock, no power of height or depth,  
solves like pass - ing dreams: light - er than air up - on an emp - ty scale.

de - spite all those who would my life de - vour. Be not de - ceived: though  
can keep you safe or bring de - liv - er - ance. O peo - ple, put your  
is pride in wealth ac - quired by cun - ning schemes. With God, en - dur - ing

with their lips they bless, their hearts are filled with curs - ing wick - ed - ness.  
trust in God al - ways; pour out your hearts and give our Ref - uge praise.  
power and love are one; - then wait, my soul, for help from God a - lone.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH  
**The Nicene Creed**

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

**ALL:** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Pinson

**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

**My God is a Rock**

African-American spiritual, arr. Ken Berg (b. 1955)

My God is a rock in a weary land! and He's a shelter in a time of storm! Oh, won't you stop and let me tell you 'bout the Chapter One when the Lord God's work was just begun, and won't you stop and let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Two, when the Lord God's written His Bible thru! And won't you stop and let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Three, when the Lord God died on Calvary, and won't you stop and let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Four, He preached the Good News unto the sick and the poor! Oh, stop and let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Five when the Lord God raised the dead alive. Stop and let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Six when He went to Jerusalem and healed the sick! Oh, won't you stop and let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Seven when He died and rose again and went to heaven! Oh! won't you stop and let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Eight, when John seen Him standin' at the Golden Gate! Oh, children, stop, let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Nine when the Lord God changed the water into wine and wont you stop! Let me tell you 'bout the Chapter Ten! Saint John saw Him comin' to this world again!

\*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

**ALL: Almighty God, you are our rock, our salvation, our fortress, our refuge. In a lifetime of change, your love is our certainty. Accept these gifts as signs of thanksgiving and an affirmation of our faith in you. Through us and all we have, let your mercy be known in your world; let your will be done. Amen.**

**■ We Go Forth**

\*CLOSING HYMN UMH #529

**How Firm A Foundation**

FOUNDATION

\*BENEDICTION

Rev. Westmoreland

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

**Toccata on Ein' Feste Burg**

Page C. Long (b. 1933)

# ■ Announcements & Special Events

## FRIENDSHIP GROUP OLDER ADULT MINISTRY: TOUR OF CENTRAL DEKALB CENTER

**Thursday, January 25, 10:30am**

Curious about the Central DeKalb Senior Center in Toco Hills? Join us for a tour! Meet at the Senior Center by Mason Mill Park (1346 McConnell Dr). Optional: After our tour, head over for a dutch treat lunch at Athen's Pizza (1341 Clairmont Rd). RSVP and transportation requests with Rev. Susan Pinson.

## LIFE AFTER CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

**First Thursdays of the month from 12noon-1:00pm | Next meeting: Thursday, February 1st, 12pm**

**Youth and Activities Building (1669 N. Decatur Rd)**

For adult cancer patients who are at least one year out of treatment. We'll support our journeys to wellness, decrease loneliness and anxiety about "what next", and reflect and process first-hand experiences as oncology patients. Group facilitated by Hilary Cohen, LCSW, Clinical Social Worker with Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University. Feel free to bring your own lunch! Contact Hilary (hilary.cohen@emoryhealthcare.org) for more info and to RSVP.

## GEORGIA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

**Sunday, February 4, 6:00pm dinner, 6:30pm program | Ward Fellowship Hall**

Join us for this annual update from Senator Elena Parent and Representatives Mary Margaret Oliver and Becky Evans. Learn what legislation is currently being discussed and discover ways to help make positive changes in our community and state in 2024 and beyond. Come early for The Gathering worship at 5pm and dinner of Moe's Southwest Grill burritos at 6pm! RSVP for dinner (suggested donation \$10/person) at: [bit.ly/legislative-update-2024](https://bit.ly/legislative-update-2024)

## JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL IN THE NEW YEAR!

**Sundays, 9:45am, Church School Building**

Ventures in Faith, Room 211 | The New Class, Room 208 | #ParentingIsHard, Room 401 | Coffee & Conversation, Parlor

For more information on Adult Sunday School class schedules, visit [www.glennumc.org/adults](http://www.glennumc.org/adults)

Children's Sunday School meets at 10:00am, following Children's Choirs at 9:30am. Youth Sunday School meets at 9:45am in the Youth & Activities Building. Plus, the Chancel Choir welcomes singers to join us at 10am in the Sanctuary.

## SNACK IN A BACKPACK

**Thursdays with shifts ranging from 3:30-5:30pm, Youth and Activities Building**

Snack in a Backpack provides food to children who are at risk of hunger on the weekends. The program currently serves approximately 400 children, including 40 children in refugee families. All ages welcomed. Contact Deborah Marlowe for more information (dmarlowe@emory.edu) or sign up at [www.bit.ly/snack-backpack2024](https://www.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](http://glennumc.org/upcoming-events) or contact any of our staff.**



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## ■ Giving

### Generosity Pledge Campaign Update

We are so grateful for all those who have submitted their pledge for 2024. To date, we have received 201 pledges totaling \$1,432,295. 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 January 17, 2023:

2023 Budget: \$1,814,532

Total Income through January 17: \$1,886,452

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



## ■ Next Sunday

### Sunday 1.28 | Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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.