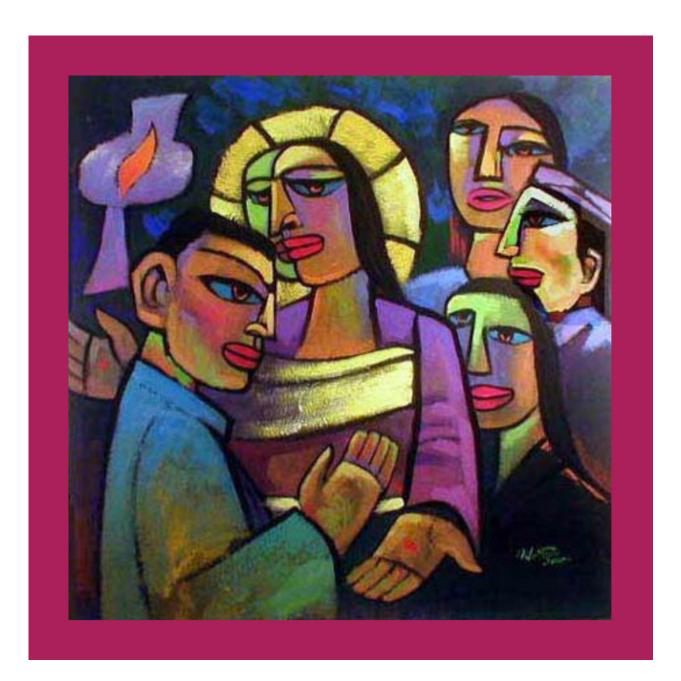
GLENN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH





The Worship of God

April 24, 2022 | 11:00 a.m. Second Sunday in Easter, Confirmation Sunday The artwork on the cover is "The Doubt of St. Thomas" by He Qi.



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 Memorial UMC has been a proud affiliate of Reconciling Ministries Network since 2014, and welcomes and affirms all LGBTQ+ persons.



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. We will use contact information in case of the need for contact tracing for COVID-19. Thank you for continuing to support public health protocols.

Childcare is available in the Nursery (room 200, Church School Building), Toddler Room (room 206), and on the Playground throughout the service. Masks required indoors for age 2 & older. Parent/guardians, please escort your children and sign in with our Childcare Staff.

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



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We Gather

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

Opening Voluntary

Fantasia super: Christ lag in Todesbanden BWV 695

This piece is based off of the chorale "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands," found in the UMC Hymnal at #319. The tune may sound minor, but given its triumphant Easter associations, one can think of this setting as subdued joy. Texturally, the piece is a two-part invention between the soprano and bass voices, and the chorale melody eventually appears in between the various imitations.

Words of Welcome

*Call to Worship

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

J. S. Bach (1686-1750)

Rev. Huckaby

- One: Through every age and in every place, the Christ, in whose name we gather, offers a simple, challenging invitation, "Come follow me."
- All: And where is it that we go with Christ?
- One: Christ leads us among enemies and strangers and reveals all persons as potential friends.
- All: Christ leads us into life's uncharted places where the Word and will of God are our only true guides.
- One: Christ leads us to love ourselves, that grace might become real.
- All: And Christ leads us to the dead-end of the cross, only to reveal a way to new life. We come to worship the Christ who leads. May we find wisdom and courage to follow.

Audrey Lynn Perkins is the daughter of Sarah & Ross Perkins.

With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Audrey, surrounded by steadfast love may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

BAPTISMAL HYMN UMH #611 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Stuttgart

*The Passing Of The Peace

We Hear God's Word

THE FIRST LESSON
Psalm 150

REFRAIN:



[']O praise God in his holiness, praise him in the firmament of his power.² Praise him in his noble acts, praise him according to his excellent greatness. ³ Praise him in the sound of the trumpet, praise him upon the lute and harp. ⁴ Praise him in the cymbals and dances, praise him upon the strings and pipe. ⁵ Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals, praise him upon the loud cymbals. ⁶ Let every thing that hath breath, praise the Lord.

REFRAIN

GRADUAL **Evergreen**

Audrey Assad Jordan Grassi, Soloist

God on a cross; who would have thought it? This place looks nothing like Eden. But there is no death here in the ruins; this is the land of the breathing. Out past the fear, doubt becomes wonder, rivers appear and I'm going under, I'm going under! Here in the wild, my hands are empty and yet I've had all I needed. There is no drought here in the desert I've found a water that's living. Evergreen, evergreen. The tree of life is evergreen.

*THE GOSPEL LESSON John 20:19-31

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." ³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Rev. Connor Bell



*HYMN UMH #593 Here I Am, Lord

Here I Am, Lord

CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Peter James Phillips Miller Julia Rose Rollins James Henry McGarrah Sharp Jesse Townsend Washburn

One: Do you believe in God the Father?

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

One: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

All: I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.]

One: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

All: 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.]

Renewal of Vows

Rev. Westmoreland

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- One: Brothers and Sisters, I commend to your love and care these persons whom we this day receive into the membership of this congregation. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.
- All: We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's holy church, and bid you welcome to this congregation of the United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service. With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, you may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Morning Prayer and 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 Sing Out This Day

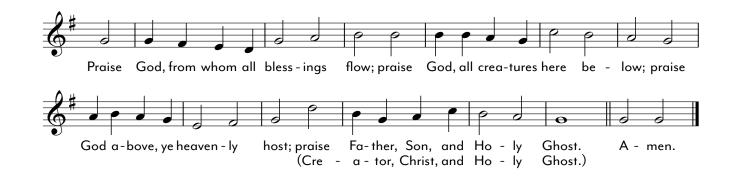
Sing out this day in great celebration, let instrument and voice employ; Lift up a song in loud jubilation, O hear the music sound the joy! Forever join with us in singing, in all the land now hear the song; Together come with voices all ringing. We celebrate with joy all day long!

-Text by Patrick M. Liebergen

*Doxology UMH #95

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Old 100th



Prayer of Thanksgiving

ALL: God of new life, we give you thanks for the many gifts that you have given to us - material gifts, nurturing relationships, holy love experienced through your ever-moving Spirit. Take and multiply our gifts so that we may convey the good news of your New Life to a world in need. Amen.

We Go Forth

*CLOSING HYMN UMH #303 The Day of Resurrection

Benediction

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Prelude on 'Nun danket alle Gott'

German composer Karl Piutti studied and taught at the Leipzig Conservatory, and from 1880 to 1902 he was organist at the Thomaskirche, where J. S. Bach famously held the post of music director from 1723 until his death. This setting of "Now Thank We All Our God" is triumphant and joyful.

LANCASHIRE

Rev. Bell

Karl Piutti (1846-1902)



Announcements & Special Events

FRIENDSHIP GROUP LUNCH & LEARN: WHAT DO I DO WITH ALL THIS STUFF? A DOWNSIZING SEMINAR FOR OLDER ADULTS & THEIR FAMILIES Thursday, April 28 | 11am | RSVP for \$5 lunch with Rev. Susan

You kept all of those antiques and heirlooms and now your children and grandchildren don't want any of it! What now? Join us as we talk about organizing, decluttering, and downsizing. Learn strategies to make this process more manageable and how to address years of accumulated items. Kaye Ginsberg, owner of Peace of Mind Transitions, will provide tips based on personal experience as well as lessons learned from her years of helping older adults and their families through this process. RSVP for \$5 for boxed lunch with Rev. Susan Pinson.

MAY DAYS: WALK & TALK SMALL GROUP WITH REV. SUSAN

Tuesdays in May, 12noon - 1pm

Using Cole Arthur Riley's *This Here Flesh: Spirituality, Liberation, & the Stories that Make Us*, together we will walk & talk around the Emory campus, sharing the faith stories of generations that shape our lives. No athletic talent required! RSVP with Susan for more info on where to meet and rain plans.

The Most Segregated Hour

May 1 | 12:30pm | Fellowship Hall

The 11:00 hour on Sunday morning has been called "the most segregated hour in America". Join in a conversation about how we got there and what we are called to do about it (it may not be what we think). For questions or further information, contact Rev. Brent Huckaby (bhuckaby@glennumc.org) or Carol Allums (theallums5@gmail.com)

Older Adults & Babies Celebration Sunday

Sunday, May 8 | 11am

We will be honoring our congregants age 90 and older and all babies born/adopted into our church family this year. RSVP for your family with Rev. Susan Pinson.

Spring Concert

Sunday, May 22, 2022 | 2pm | Sanctuary | Glenn Chancel Choir & Chamber Orchestra

Live music at Glenn is back! Celebrate spring and end of the Chancel Choir's 2021-2022 season with highlights of this year's choral anthems and a special performance of Part 2 & 3 of Handel's Messiah and other works. For more information, visit www.glennumc.org/music

Ventures of Faith Sunday School

Resumes on Sundays at 9:45am | Room 211 in-person

All are welcome to join this welcoming, caring, honest, and curious group discussion of issues of our faith and discipleship. Topics are based on the Lenten series, "No Wonder They Crucified Him," from a sermon series by Daniel Meyer.



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Special Offerings

This Spring, special gifts can be made through Glenn by designating your check, offering envelope, or online giving for:

Humanitarian aid in Ukraine through the United Methodist Committee on Relief

Wesley Woods Mother's Day Offering for charitable care for aging older adults

To give, visit: **glennumc.org/give**

Upcoming Services

Sunday 5.1 | Third Sunday in Easter

8:30am	Worship (Little Chapel)
9:30/9:45am Sunday School classes for all ages	
	(Church School Building & Zoom)
11am	Worship (Sanctuary) - Youth Sunday
	Service
5pm	The Gathering (Fellowship Hall)

You Are Invited

Have you heard about the three new areas of Invitation for Glenn's ministries in 2022? **Personal Transformation, The Welcoming Table, and Transformation of the World.**

To learn more about these areas & how to get involved, visit: https://www.glennumc.org/community-at-glenn

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