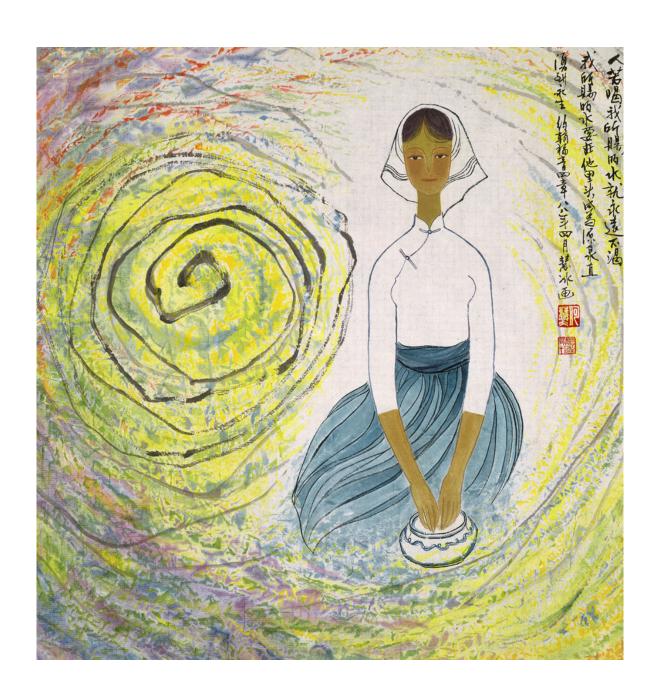
GLENN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH





■ The Worship of God

March 12, 2023 | 11:00 a.m. The Third Sunday in Lent The bulletin cover is "Woman at the Well," by Huibling He.

Throughout Lent, with a focus on hunger and homelessness, some of our scriptures will be read by representatives of Glenn's Justice Ministry partnerships. Today, Laura Deisley is joining us from HOPE Atlanta. Founded in the early 1900s, HOPE Atlanta is the Metro's most established agency dedicated to fighting homelessness. While times have changed, their approach has remained steadfast: to end homelessness, one individual at a time. Recognizing an increased need for hunger relief and bold action amid COVID-19 and its economic fallout, Action Ministries joined HOPE Atlanta in 2021. Together, they're building a comprehensive program to address growing homelessness and hunger needs. Visit hopeatlanta.org for more information or contact Laura Deisly (laura.deisley@claoa.com).

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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■ Welcoming All to the Table

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Aus der Tiefe ("Out of the Depths I call, Lord, to you"), BWV 745

C. P. E. Bach (1714-88)

Of all of J. S. Bach's sons, Carl Philipp Emanuel was the most renowned during his lifetime. The godson of Telemann, he studied law at the University of Leipzig, while at the same time assisting his father musically. In 1738, the Prussian crown prince Frederick offered Emanuel a post as harpsichordist to the royal chamber. This piece bears the J. S. Bach catalog number of BWV 745 because it was historically attributed to Johann Sebastian, but it is now believed to have been written by Emanuel.

Words of Welcome

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather in the name of the living Christ to worship God.

ALL: Surely, God is in this place and calls us to worship in spirit and in truth.

One: God's love is for you and for all people everywhere.

ALL: May we be renewed in the refreshing Spirit of the living Christ, that we may share God's love and life.

One: The living Christ is with us.

ALL: Praise the Lord!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH #731

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Austria

CHILDREN'S TIME

Chase McKoon, Candler School of Theology Intern

^{*}THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

■ We Hear God's Word

*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Laura Deisley, Hope Atlanta

John 4:5-42

Full scripture available on the insert in today's bulletin.

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. ⁷Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" ¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." ¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." ¹⁷ The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" ¹⁹ The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." ²¹ Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the lews. ²³ But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵ The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." ²⁶ Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

GRADUAL

Like as the Hart

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God: when shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night: while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

-Psalm 42:1-3

SERMON

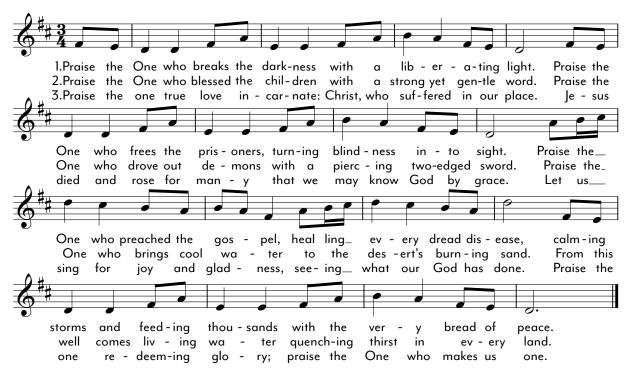
The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

■ We Respond

*HYMN

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

NETTLETON



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Huckaby

One: God of mercy, hear the prayers of your thirsting people. For every time we have attributed your miracles in our lives to our own hands alone,

ALL: Forgive us, we pray.

One: For every time we promised to trust you but turned to our own way when your response did not come soon enough or in the way we expected,

ALL: Grant us mercy, O God.

One: For the many opportunities to extend forgiveness that we have refused,

ALL: Show us what it means to love, again, dear Lord.

One: For each way we put our own understandings above your wisdom, for each time we resist your command to be reconciled with those who believe differently from us,

ALL: Direct us in the way of peace, we pray.

One: For our silent sins, our quiet acts of violence, and our indifference to the suffering round us, forgive us, Loving One, and quench our thirst with your grace; remake us into vessels of tenderness and compassion.

ALL: For Christ's sake we pray. Amen.

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

You Shall Go Out With Joy

Music and text by David Edmonds

Come, all who thirst; come to the waters. Incline your ear, and your soul shall live. Seek the Lord while he is near you, and call upon him while he may be found. I shall make a covenant with you--restore your soul in mercy and in truth. I have promised glory unto you; you shall go out, you shall go out with joy! For as the rain comes down from heaven, so shall my word go forth to you. Seek the Lord while he is near you, and call upon him while he may be found. Come, all who thirst; come to the waters. Restore your soul, for the Lord has called you. I shall make a covenant with you—restore your soul in mercy and in truth. I have promised glory unto you; you shall go out with joy!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Westmoreland

ALL: Our Lord and our God, you who are the wellspring of eternal life came to us as Savior and friend. You have shown us what it is to love all people, to welcome the stranger, and to serve with humility and joy. Let your life-giving love flow now through Glenn Church. Accept these gifts as signs of our thanksgiving and bless them to be signs of your love in the world. Amen.

*Doxology UMH #95

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH



*Closing Hymn UMH #479

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

ABERYSTWYTH

*BENEDICTION Rev. Hansen

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fugue in C Minor Op. 37, No. 2/2

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-47)

The accompanying fugue to last week's fiery Prelude in C minor, this piece lilts in a dancing 12/8 meter, with nearly perpetual motion fueling the almost manic music. As in many fugues, Mendelssohn visits the relative major key (E-flat), and then after several harmonic transformations returns to the darker minor keys. The final cadence and its striking slowdown of harmonic motion allows the listener (and player) to catch their breath after the whirlwind of music preceding it.



Announcements & Special Events

THE GLENN YOUTH PRESENT: GODSPELL JR. - LAST SHOWING AT 2PM TODAY!

Youth Musical, Today, 2:00pm, Ward Fellowship Hall

Reserve Lilies in Honor or Memory of Loved Ones

Lilies are symbols of the resurrection; we use them to decorate our sacred spaces during Easter. The lily donations will be listed in the Easter bulletin. If you would like to reserve a lily in memory of or in honor of someone, please contact Kat Griffith (kgriffith@glennumc.org or 404.634.3936).

Monthly Caregivers' Support Group

Wednesday, March 15, 4:30-5:30pm, Youth and Activities Building, third Wednesdays of each month

The location is the Glenn Youth and Activities Building –1669 N. Decatur Rd with its own parking. Enter the front glass doors facing N. Decatur Rd on the west side of the building. For all family caregivers of aging loved ones, including those with memory loss, dementia, or Alzheimer's disease. Our monthly support group (third Wednesday of each month) offers confidential encouragement and care. For 24/7 support, visit alz.org/georgia or call 1-800-272-3900.

LENT-EN ACTION CHALLENGE

Meet new people, try new activities, and engage in life at Glenn during Lent by playing "Lent-en Action"! See how many boxes you can check off to win a prize for yourself and donuts for the congregation. Download the handout at www.glennumc.org/justice-at-glenn or scan the QR code.



St. John Passion | Johann Sebastian Bach

Friday, March 24, 7pm, Sanctuary

Join the Glenn Memorial Chancel Choir, soloists, and orchestra in a presentation of one of J.S. Bach's most well known and loved masterworks. This gripping setting tells the story of Christ's trial, condemnation, and death as found in the Gospel of John, and comments on these events from a poetic perspective through beautiful solos, choruses, and chorales. We hope you can join us to hear this historically important and deeply meaningful piece of music!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR EGG-CELLENT SATURDAY!

Eggcellent Saturday, April 1, 3 – 5pm

Join us for our annual Easter egg hunt, Easter Bunny, & more! Treat-filled eggs & volunteers needed! Contact Rev. Susan at spinson@glennumc.org to help.



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 Feb 26, 2023

Pledge Budget: \$1,389,626

Pledge Collection Thru Feb 26: \$276,697

Needed: \$1,112,929

Needed %: 80%

To make an immediate gift, visit: bit.ly/immediate-gift-glenn-2023 or scan the QR code below.



Sunday 3.19 | Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:30am Worship (Little Chapel)

11am Worship (Sanctuary)

5pm The Gathering (Fellowship Hall)

■ You are Invited

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.