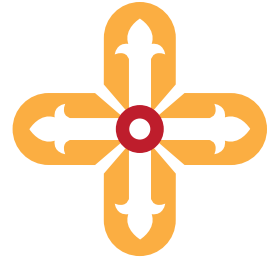


# GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## ■ The Worship of God

MAY 14, 2023 | 11:00 A.M.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | FESTIVAL OF THE CHRISTIAN HOME

The bulletin cover is *Christ in Limbo* by Fra Angelico, c 1441, San Marco in Florence.

*The altar flowers are given by Patricia Turner in honor of Mother's Day.  
"We honor and remember those who nurtured us, prayed for us, and loved us.  
Thanks be to God for all mothers, everywhere."*

## 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

**Aria** Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

This beautiful miniature was (re-)constructed from fragments of music left behind after Howells' death by editor and scholar Robin Wells. During World War II, Howells filled in as organist at St. John's College, Cambridge, where he quickly gained a reputation for being a fantastic improviser. This piece could offer an insight to the composer's improvisatory style, and it certainly exemplifies his somewhat jazzy and morose harmonic language.

### WORDS OF WELCOME

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come to praise God, source of our life and love.

**All: We sing to God, who loves us and all the world.**

One: Today, we celebrate homes and families that seek God's will, share God's grace, and serve God's justice..

**All: We give thanks for this family of God where we find love and care together.**

One: We mourn and pray for those who struggle without a community to support them.

**All: May all who enter this household of God find home in Christ's transforming love.. Praise be to God!**

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH #160

**Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart**

MARION

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

### CHILDREN'S TIME & CELEBRATION OF THE FESTIVAL OF THE CHRISTIAN HOME

The Rev. Susan Pinson

### \*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

# ■ We Hear God's Word

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Deb McFarland

## 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good?<sup>14</sup> But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated,<sup>15</sup> but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you;<sup>16</sup> yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame.<sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.<sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit,<sup>19</sup> in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison,<sup>20</sup> who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.<sup>21</sup> And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,<sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

## Most Glorious Lord of Life

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day, didst make thy triumph over death and sin: and having harrow'd hell, didst bring away captivity thence captive, us to win: This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, and grant that we for whom thou diddest die, being with thy dear blood clean washed from sin, may live for ever in felicity: And that thy love we weighing worthily, may likewise love thee for the same again: And for thy sake, that all like dear didst buy, with love may one another entertain. So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought, Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught. -Text by Edmund Spenser (1552-99)

SERMON

The Rev. Mark Westmoreland

**What is forgotten? What is lost?**

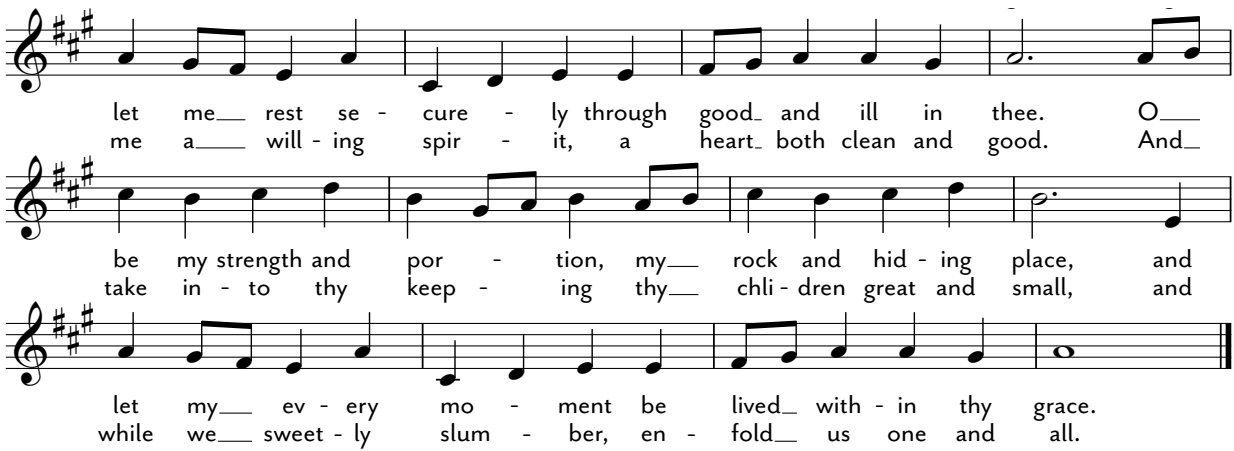
# ■ We Respond

\*HYMN

## Thy Holy Wings, O Savior

ELLACOMBE

1. Thy ho - ly wings, O Sav - ior, spread gent - ly o - ver - me, and  
2. O wash me in the wa - ters of No - ah's cleans - ing flood; give



let me rest se - cure - ly through good and ill in thee. O  
me a will - ing spir - it, a heart both clean and good. And  
be my strength and por - tion, my rock and hid - ing place, and  
take in - to thy keep - ing thy chli - dren great and small, and  
let my ev - ery mo - ment be lived with - in thy grace.  
while we sweet - ly slum - ber, en - fold us one and all.

## LITANY FOR MOTHER'S DAY

Rev. Brent Huckaby

One: Mothering God, we honor the image of you as one who nurtures, who gathers, who protects.

**ALL: Mothers come in many different forms, and today we celebrate them all!**

One: We pray for all those who have nurtured us – near and far from us today and those no longer with us.

**ALL: We pray for all those around the world who are working long days and nights to nurture and care for children right now.**

One: We pray for mothers and caregivers around the world.

**ALL: We pray for mothers who have fled violence and difficult situations and those who have been separated from their children.**

One: We pray for all those living in uncertainty and facing the unknown.

**ALL: We pray for those who grieve – for hopes unfulfilled, for the pain of infertility, pregnancy loss, and the death of a child.**

One: We pray for mothers or mother figures who have lost children to acts of violence, and those who have lost their mothers or mother figures to acts of violence.

**ALL: We commit to advocating for just systems and laws that protect our loved ones and bring peace to our world.**

One: We pray for comfort and for peace that surpasses understanding.

**ALL: We rejoice with the hope and promise that new babies bring while acknowledging the heartache, fear, and exhaustion mothering brings.**

One: Mothering God, we honor the image of you as one who nurtures, who gathers, who protects.

**ALL: Mothers come in many different forms, and today we celebrate them all!**

## 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

**Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth**

H. Percy Smith (1825-98),  
arr. Tom Trenney (b. 1977)

Mothering God, you gave me birth in the bright morning of this world. Creator, source of every breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun. Mothering Christ, you took my form, offering me your food of light, grain of life and grape of love, your very body for my peace. Mothering Spirit, nurturing one, in arms of patience hold me close, so that in faith I root and grow, until I flower, until I know. -Text by Jean Janzen (b. 1933)

\*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

**Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow**

OLD 100TH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Westmoreland

**ALL: Gracious God, we rejoice in Jesus Christ, whose death conquered death and whose Resurrection is the promise of new creation and life everlasting. Let us live even now in the light of life eternal; let us love with the love that never ends; let us be, in all we do, your Church, your Easter People. Amen.**

**■ We Go Forth**

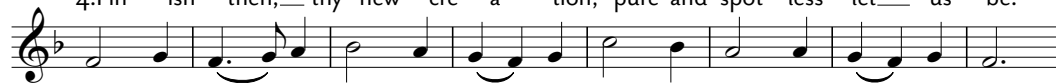
\*CLOSING HYMN

**Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

HYFRYDOL



1. Love di- vine, all loves ex- cel- ling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov- ing Spi- rit in- to ev- ery trou- bled breast!  
3. Come, Al- migh- ty to de- liv- er, let us all thy life re- ceive;  
4. Fin- ish then, thy new cre- a- tion; pure and spot- less let us be.



fix in us thy hum- ble dwell- ing; all thy faith- ful mer- cies crown!  
Let us all in thee in- her- it; let us find that sec- ond rest.  
sud- den- ly re- turn and ne- ver, nev- er- more thy tem- ples leave.  
Let us see thy great sal- va- tion per- fec- tly re- stored in thee;



Je- sus, thou art all com- pas- sion, pure, un- bound- ed love thou art;  
Take a- way our bent to sin- ning; Al- pha and O- me- ga be;  
Thee we would be al- ways bless- ing, serve thee as thy hosts a- bove,  
changed from glo- ry in- to glo- ry, till in heaven we take our place,



vis- it us with thy sal- va- tion; en- ter ev- ery trem- bling heart.  
end of faith, as its be- gin- ning, set our hearts at li- ber- ty.  
pray and praise thee with- out ceas- ing, glo- ry in thy per- fect love.  
till we cast our crowns be- fore thee, lost in won- der, love, and praise.

\*BENEDICTION

Rev. Westmoreland

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

### Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne, BuxWV 137

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

This rollicking piece is in three parts: it begins with an extended pedal solo that is freely expanded upon in the manuals and then leads into a fugue with imitation between both hands and feet. The final section is in the form of a lively chaconne, which repeats a pattern, or ground bass, over and over, underneath figuration in the hands.

## ■ Honoring Our Older Adults Age 90 & Above

Ellen Bracewell	George Quillian
Robert Butler	Anne Robinson
Melvin Cauthen	Doris Robinson
Allen Garrison	Betty Robinson*
Louette Hardegree	Roberta Shoup
Evelyn Hull	Ray Stainback
Stuart Kingma	Wesley Stephens
Berta Laney	Burton Trimble*
Jim Laney	Julia Wynne
John Patton	*Centenarians

View the video here:



## ■ Honoring Babies Entering Our Church Family

Vivienne Callahan Hargrave  
Camille Jean LaGree  
Cecilia Lynn McCracken  
Mae Lynn McNally  
Xiomara Rebecca Smith-Vargas

## ■ Announcements & Special Events

### UPCOMING SUNDAYS

#### Sunday, May 21

11am Worship – Confirmation Sunday (Sanctuary)

5pm Gathering – Our last Gathering Worship Service before breaking for the summer (Olivia Starks preaching)

### SUMMER LECTURE SERIES

#### Sundays in June & July, 9:45am-10:45am, Ward Fellowship Hall

June 4 – The Rev. Dr. Joel LeMon – TBA (Old Testament)

June 11 – Dr. Ryan Bonfiglio – Rediscovering the 10 Commandments (part 1)

June 18 – Dr. Ryan Bonfiglio – Rediscovering the 10 Commandments (part 2)

June 25 – Dr. Joel Kemp – Lecture: Prophetic Imagination and Divine Hope

For the full schedule, check out [glennumc.org/upcoming-events](http://glennumc.org/upcoming-events).



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## ■ Next Sunday

### Sunday 5.21 | Ascension Sunday

8:30am Worship (Little Chapel)

11am Worship (Sanctuary)

5pm The Gathering (Ward Fellowship Hall)

(Olivia Starks preaching)

## ■ Stay Updated

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