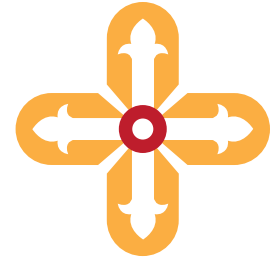


GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



■ The Worship of God

JUNE 4, 2023 | 11:00 A.M.

TRINITY SUNDAY, PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY AND A SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

The bulletin artwork is *Noah's Ark Triptych* (1974) by John August Swanson.

Wear Orange to Church to Support Gun Violence Prevention

The Justice Team of Glenn Memorial invited members to wear orange to church today in support of the work of gun violence prevention. Join us as we all share what we want to see done to end gun violence.

To get involved, reach out to justice@glennumc.org.

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.



YOUR GIFTS SUPPORT GLENN

Your gifts directly support the ministries of Glenn. Scan the QR code or visit www.glennumc.org/give to donate securely online.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in recognition of the 51st wedding anniversary of Julie and Jimmy Moor.



■ Welcoming All to the Table

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Gloria Tibi Trinitas

John Bull (c. 1562-1628)

John Bull, or Doctor Bull, as he was known, was one of the most famous composers of keyboard music of the early 17th century, exceeded in popularity only by Sweelinck, Frescobaldi, and Byrd. Doctor Bull held posts at Hereford Cathedral and Gresham College and was admired by Queen Elizabeth I. However, he also got himself in trouble frequently, incurring the wrath of the Archbishop of Canterbury at that time, who commented “the man hath more music than honesty and is as famous for marring of [honour] as he is for [playing] of organs...” Bull ended up fleeing to Flanders in 1613 and worked at Antwerp Cathedral, where he worked until his death. The plainsong chant on which this piece is based was quite popular in the 16th century, and translates to “Glory to you, O Trinity, All equal, one God. From before all ages now, and for evermore.”

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Rev. Susan Pinson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, all you people, come and worship.

ALL: God has made a covenant with us.

One: Come, all creatures of the earth, come and worship.

ALL: God has made a covenant with all creatures.

One: Remember the covenant and be thankful.

ALL: God remembers the covenant and God will save us.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Gracious God, You Call Your People

ABBOT'S LEIGH

1. Gracious God, you call your people to your Table through your Word:
2. Word Incarnate, dwelling with us, sharing human joy and pain,
3. Holy Spirit, life bestower, potent wind and urgent flame,
4. Triune God, diverse, united, source of true community,
sum us through all our senses, let our hearts and minds be stirred.
healing, blessing, dying, rising, making all things new a gain:
may your gifts and fruits bring blessing to all those who bear Christ's name.
from whose shared imagination comes all human dignity:
Root us in the apostles teaching, joined in fellowship and prayers,
still proclaim your Good News through us in life's daily give and take;
Guard us from the snares of evil, but when on sin's path we stray,
help us guide the plow of justice well and rightly, deep and true,
yet, like bread that breaks to feed us, give us faith that risks and dares.
help us love and serve our neighbor with your grace and for your sake.
give us grace to turn, repentant, back to God's life-giving way.
carving room for peace to flourish, opening hearts to grace anew.

■ We Hear God's Word

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 8:13-17

Sarah Perkins

In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. ¹⁴ In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. ¹⁵ Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶ 'Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁷ Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.'

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

For the Beauty of the Earth

John Rutter (b. 1945)

For the beauty of the earth, For the beauty of the skies, For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

Refrain: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light: [*Refrain*]

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above,

For all gentle thoughts and mild: [*Refrain*]

-Text by F. S. Pierpoint (1835-1917)

THE SECOND LESSON

Genesis 9:8-15

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹ “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹² God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.”

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Noah's Ark and the Rainbow

The Rev. Mark Westmoreland

■ We Respond

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

One: The Lord has called each of us by name even before our beginnings; Our Creator God has listened to our hearts and inspired within our minds a life renewed for the sake of his son, Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit who is at work within us. Come now, let us confess before God and with one another the sins that are before us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ALL: Holy and triune God, You alone live in perfect relationship, one God in three persons, mutual and loving, ever seeking reconciliation and unity. You have called us to live in your completion, yet we confess that our relationships are imperfect and we are incomplete without you. We are selfish and greedy. We are anxious and resenting. We feel the shame of our foolish behavior and brokenness. We have allowed sin to drive us apart from one another and from you. Forgive us and restore us, draw us close and bind us together in your mercy. May we long for wholeness and peace, may we strive toward gratitude and grace in the saving name of your son, Jesus Christ, by the working power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

One: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that is proof of God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

ALL: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

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, our service, and our witness. 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.

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

MORNING PRAYER

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

OFFERTORY

Hymn to the Trinity

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-93)

Blessed angel spirits offer praise undying, ever crying Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth. Saints and Martyrs praise thy Name, Trinity lifegiving, earthborne sorrow leaving before Thy throne, ever crying Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Sabaoth. Father omnipotent, mighty in glory, Christ, Thy Son, our Saviour who died that we might live, Holy Spirit, mystic dove, dwelling with us evermore, We praise Thee, Blessed Trinity. With the angels' sacred hymn, all thy might proclaiming, with the mystic cherubim in songs of praise we join, Holy, Holy, Holy, join we all in songs of praise forever, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Lord God of Sabaoth.

-Paraphrase of the Te Deum (hymn)

*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Westmoreland

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

One: And so, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

ALL: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER & SENDING FORTH OF HOMEBOUND COMMUNION SERVERS

ALL: God, we give you thanks for this Holy Mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world bearing holy gifts, including these gifts of the bread and the cup, to our brothers and sisters, so that all may share in your communion. We who are many are one body, because we are one in Jesus Christ. Amen.

■ We Go Forth

*CLOSING HYMN UMH #64

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Westmoreland

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fugue in E flat, BWV 552/ii

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The companion to an equally majestic Prelude in E-flat, this Fugue is a study in (implied) numerology and the number three. The piece is in E-flat major, which is denoted by three flats in the key signature; it contains three different fugue subjects, that are eventually layered on top of each other; and it is in three sections, perhaps each of which correspond to one of the three facets of the Holy Trinity. Some have postulated that the first section with its slow and firm notes represents the Father, while the middle section that moves a bit quicker represents the Son, and the whirlwind movement of the final section represents the Spirit. The first fugue subject also bears a striking resemblance to the hymn tune "O God, our Help in Ages Past," but there is no concrete evidence that Bach would have known that tune.

■ Announcements & Special Events

UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS!

For details, visit glennumc.org/upcoming-events:

Family Vacation Bible School – June 11-15, 5:00pm

Youth Intown Mission Week – June 12-16

Dine Out for a Cause: VBS Mission, City Barbeque Decatur – Monday, all day, June 12

Wednesday Night Supper & Bible Study – June 14, 6:45pm

(Sign up: bit.ly/wednesday-night-supper-glenn-2023)

Summer Lecture Series – Sundays, 9:45am

Serve Food at Trinity UMC – June 25 (Sign up: bit.ly/trinity-glenn-partners-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.

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■ Giving

Pledge Report as of May 28, 2023:

Pledge Budget: \$1,389,626

Pledge Collection Thru May 28: \$637,539

Needed: \$752,087

Needed % : 54%

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



■ Next Sunday

Sunday 6.11 | Second Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am Worship (Little Chapel)

11am Worship (Sanctuary)

5pm Family Vacation Bible School

The Gathering will resume after the summer.

■ 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.