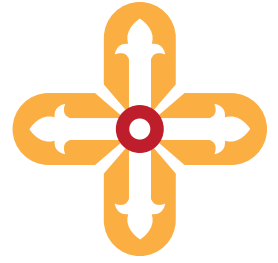


GLENN MEMORIAL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



■ The Worship of God

JULY 2, 2023 | 11:00 A.M.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The bulletin artwork is "Tower of Babel," Roland Ayers, 1969.



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 304).

Parents/guardians, please escort your children & sign in with our Childcare Staff.

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.



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■ Welcoming All to the Table

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

PRELUDE

Le jardin suspendu (The hanging garden)

Jehan Alain (1911-40)

Had he not been killed in battle during World War II at the age of only 29, Jehan Alain would have likely become one of the most prominent composers of the 20th century, on par with the likes of Olivier Messiaen. Alain composed this piece when he was just 23 years old. It bears this inscription: “The hanging garden, it’s the perpetually pursued, elusive ideal of the artist, the inaccessible and inviolable refuge.” Alain employs characterful harmonies and unique registration choices to evoke an impressionistic, dreamy atmosphere.

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Rev. Brent Huckaby

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: By sending down a confusion of languages, the Most High scattered the nations. By distributing the tongues of fire, God calls all peoples into a new unity.

All: We are one body called by God, gathered in the name of Jesus, and filled with the Spirit.

One: In the sound of a mighty wind rushing from the heavens, the Most High trumpets good news over the earth: in Jesus Christ, the dividing walls have fallen!

All: We are one body, called by God, gathered in the name of Jesus, and filled with the Spirit. Amen!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH #132

All My Hope is Firmly Grounded

MICHAEL

■ We Hear God's Word

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Huckaby

The Tower of Babel

■ We Respond

INVITATION

Rev. Hansen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Rev. Hansen

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

One: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

ALL: Amen.

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

MORNING PRAYER

The Rev. Susan Pinson

OFFERTORY

Your Peace Will Make Us One

Audrey Assad

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord. You are speaking truth to power, you are laying down our swords. Replanting every vineyard til a brand new wine is poured. Your peace will make us one. I've seen you in our home fires burning with a quiet light. You are mothering and feeding in the wee hours of the night. Your gentle love is patient, you will never fade or tire. Your peace will make us one. Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Your peace will make us one. In the beauty of the lilies you were born across the sea. With a glory in your bosom that is still transfiguring. Dismantling our empires til each one of us is free. Your peace will make us one. Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Your peace will make us one.

*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures 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.)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Rev. Dr. Don Saliers

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 AFTER COMMUNION

ALL: Eternal 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 in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

■ We Go Forth

*CLOSING HYMN UMH #437

This is My Song

FINLANDIA

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Huckaby

POSTLUDE

Fugue in F major

Johann Ernst Eberlin (1702-62)

Eberlin was the organist at the Cathedral in Salzburg and also Kapellmeister to the Prince-Archbishop of Salzburg. His works bridge the baroque and classical eras. Leopold Mozart was a huge fan of Eberlin's music and sent much of it to his genius son, Wolfgang, but the young Mozart tired of them, writing in a letter in 1782 that Eberlin's works were "far too trivial to deserve a place beside Handel and Bach." Its triviality aside, this fugue is joyous and lively, replete with scalar passages.



■ Announcements & Special Events

SUMMER LECTURE SERIES: “FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO”: EXPLORING CLASSIC (OR OBSCURE) BIBLE STORIES & HOW THE SCRIPTURES STILL SPEAK TO US TODAY

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

During the summer, our adult Sunday School classes take a break and combine for the Summer Lecture Series. The series features inspiring conversations from Emory University’s Candler School of Theology faculty and other guest speakers.

Coffee provided. **Sign up to bring treats at <https://bit.ly/2023-glenn-summer-series-treats>**

Upcoming topics:

July 9 – Dr. Susan Hysten – New Testament

July 16 – The Rev. April McGlothin-Eller – When Jesus Was “Wrong”

July 23 – The Rev. Kevin Lazarus – Gospel Healing Texts and Disability Justice

July 30 – The Rev. Dr. Thomas Elliott – Matthew 28 & The United Methodist Church’s Mission

FAMILY MINISTRIES: PLAYGROUP @ THE POOL

Thursday, July 6, 3-6pm | At the home of Carole Adams & Sherry Aden

For details & RSVP, visit: bit.ly/playgroup-pool-glenn-2023

FRIENDSHIP GROUP: VOLUNTEER AT INTOWN CARES FOOD PANTRY

Tuesday, July 25, 9:00am, Intown Cares (1026 Ponce de Leon Ave NE, Atlanta)

We will need a minimum of seven and a max of twelve volunteers that day. All volunteers must wear closed toed shoes, and we recommend wearing clothing you don’t mind getting dirty. Please arrive at 9:15am and you will be finished around 12:30pm. RSVP with Rev. Susan Pinson.

CONVERSATIONS WITH GLENN MEMBERS | VIDEO SERIES

Get to know other Glenn members! Watch our Glenn member spotlight videos at:

bit.ly/glenn-member-videos-2023



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■ Giving

Financial Report as of May 31, 2023:

2023 Budget: \$1,814,532

Total Income Through May 31: \$864,262

Needed: \$950,270

Needed % : 52%

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■ Next Sunday

Sunday 7.9 | Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am Worship (Little Chapel)

11am Worship (Sanctuary)

The Gathering will resume after the summer.

■ Stay Updated

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Visit www.glennumc.org and subscribe to the newsletter on the homepage. We send one newsletter every Friday, and occasional updates.