# GLENN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH





## The Worship of God

September 17, 2023 | 11:00 a.m. Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost The bulletin artwork is "Hebrews 12" by Anneli Anderson.

#### The altar flowers dedication:

"Thank you to the Glenn Memorial Church community for hosting our 2023 Welcoming Interfaith and Spiritual Exploration (WISE) pre-orientation group in August."

- Emory University Office of Spiritual and Religious Life



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.

> A Comfort Room & restroom is available downstairs at the back of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms available downstairs at the front of the Sanctuary.

## 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

\*You are invited to rise in either body or spirit.

Words of Welcome

OPENING VOLUNTARY
Adoration

The Rev. Jennifer Hansen

Florence Price (1887-1953)

Florence Price was a prolific American composer whose race and gender made it difficult for her contributions to join the widely accepted musical canon in the decades following her life. Price is considered the first Black woman recognized as a symphonic composer and was the first to have her music performed by a major American orchestra when the Chicago Symphony Orchestra gave the world premiere of her Symphony No. 1 in 1933. Adoration was one of the last works Price wrote (in 1951), but it hearkens back to Price's early work as an organist accompanying silent films.

\*Call to Worship

- One: Friends, we know what God desires of us:
- ALL: That we do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with God.
- One: We gather this morning to remind each other about that,
- ALL: To remember that now is always the right time to do these things.
- One: So with thanks in our hearts, let us worship God.

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

Children's Time

The Rev. Susan Pinson

\*The Passing of the Peace

## We Hear God's Word

# THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Hebrews 12:1-12 (CEB)

So then, with endurance, let's also run the race that is laid out in front of us, since we have such a great cloud of witnesses surrounding us. Let's throw off any extra baggage, get rid of the sin that trips us up, <sup>2</sup> and fix our eyes on Jesus, faith's pioneer and perfecter. He endured the cross, ignoring the shame, for the sake of the joy that was laid out in front of him, and sat down at the right side of God's throne.

<sup>3</sup> Think about the one who endured such opposition from sinners so that you won't be discouraged and you won't give up. <sup>4</sup> In your struggle against sin, you haven't resisted yet to the point of shedding blood, <sup>5</sup> and you have forgotten the encouragement that addresses you as sons and daughters:

Sarah Perkins

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My child, don't make light of the Lord's discipline or give up when you are corrected by him,<sup>6</sup> because the Lord disciplines whomever he loves, and he punishes every son or daughter whom he accepts. <sup>7</sup> Bear hardship for the sake of discipline. God is treating you like sons and daughters! What child isn't disciplined by his or her father? <sup>8</sup> But if you don't experience discipline, which happens to all children, then you are illegitimate and not real sons and daughters. <sup>9</sup> What's more, we had human parents who disciplined us, and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live?<sup>10</sup> Our human parents disciplined us for a little while, as it seemed best to them, but God does it for our benefit so that we can share his holiness. <sup>11</sup> No discipline is fun while it lasts, but it seems painful at the time. Later, however, it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness for those who have been trained by it.

<sup>12</sup> So strengthen your drooping hands and weak knees!

One: May God bless the reading of the Word.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL Fight the Good Fight With All Thy Might

Fight the good fight with all thy might, Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right; Lay hold on life, and it shall be Thy joy and crown eternally. Run the straight race through God's good grace, Lift up thine eyes and seek his face; Life with its way before us lies, Christ is the path, and Christ the prize. Cast care aside, lean on thy guide: His boundless mercy will provide; Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love. Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near; He changeth not, and thou art dear; Only believe, and thou shalt see That Christ is all in all to thee. Amen.

-J. S. B. Monsell (1811-75)

SERMON **To Run Life's Race**  Rev. Pinson

|ohn Gardner (1917-2011)

# We Respond

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE UMH #430 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

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## \*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

The Apostles' Creed

ALL: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And 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, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. 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. Amen.

#### Morning Prayer & 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 Pilgrim Song

Traditional American, arr. Ryan Murphy (b. 1971)

My brethren, I have found a land that doth abound with fruit as sweet as honey; The more I eat, I find, the more I am inclined to shout and sing hosanna.

*Refrain:* My soul doth long to go where I may fully know the glory of my Savior; And as I pass along I'll sing the Christian song, I'm going to live forever.

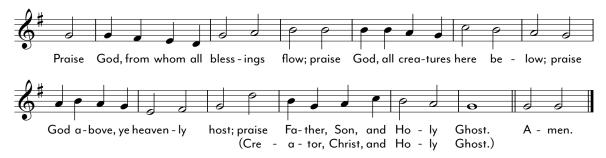
Perhaps you think me wild, or simple as a child; I am a child of glory; I am born from above, my soul is filled with love; I love to tell the story. *(Refrain)* 

My soul now sits and sings and practices its wings, and contemplates the hour when the messenger shall say, 'Come quit this house of clay, and with bright angels tower.' (*Refrain*)

Rev. Hansen

\*Doxology UMH #95

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



#### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

ALL: Almighty God, we praise you for your countless mercies. Your goodness has created us; your bounty has sustained us; your love has redeemed us. Give us a heart to love and serve you, that our thanksgiving might become acts of goodness and mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

## We Go Forth

\*CLOSING HYMN UMH #133 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

\*Benediction

#### CLOSING VOLUNTARY Alla marcia

John Ireland studied composition at the Royal College of Music with C. V. Stanford, who exposed him to the music of German classical composers such as Beethoven and Brahms. Ireland was also influenced by the music of Debussy, Ravel, and Bartok; his style combined these different genres into a new "English Impressionism." Composed in 1911, this spirited piece is instantly recognizable as an English march, written in a similar style to works by William Walton and Edward Elgar.

Showalter

Rev. Pinson

Old 100th

John Ireland (1879-1962)



# Announcements & Special Events

## Glenn-Emory Day

#### Sunday, September 24 | Full schedule:

(No 8:30am Service)
9:45am Sunday School
11am Worship in the Sanctuary – Rev. Dr. Teresa Fry Brown preaching, featuring music from the Glenn Chancel
Choir and the Emory University Vega String Quartet
12pm Lunch on the lawn. Sign up here (bit.ly/glenn-emory-lunch)
5pm The Gathering Worship in the Ward Fellowship Hall
6:30pm Justice Team Equitable Dinner

#### Adult Sunday School Classes

#### Sundays, 9:45am, Church School Building | Learn more at www.glennumc.org/adults

- Ventures in Faith Room 211
- Coffee & Conversation Parlor
- The New Class Room 208
- #ParentingIsHard Room 401
- Youth Sunday School Youth & Activities Building
- Children's Sunday School & Choir multiple locations, full details at: www.glennumc.org/children

### Caregiver's Support Group

#### Third Wednesdays of each month, September 20, 4:30-5:30pm, Youth and Activities Building

Are you a family caregiver of a loved one with memory loss, dementia, or Alzheimer's disease? Join us for a monthly support group of confidential encouragement and care. To RSVP, contact our Support Group facilitators: Aubrey and Carol Bush.

### FriendShip Group: Tour & Lunch at Villa International

#### Thursday, September 21 , 11am

Join with our older adult ministry's monthly "FriendShip Group" for a tour and lunch with our neighbors at Villa International on Clifton Rd – a 33-room residence founded in the late 1960's as a "home away from home" for international guests in Atlanta – primarily professional fellows and researchers at the CDC and Emory University—as a short-term affordable option for housing and community. Come learn more about this ministry and share a meal together (suggested donation \$10/person). RSVP with Rev. Susan Pinson 404-634-3936, ext. 103 to arrange carpools due to limited parking.

#### College Financial Aid Workshop

#### Wednesday, September 27, 7pm | Youth & Activities Building (1669 N. Decatur Rd)

For parents/guardians and high school/college students! To register, please complete this form (bit.ly/financial-aid-seminarglenn). This seminar is free (sponsored by Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church) and open to any and all who would like to attend! Lauren Rutledge with Financial Aid Consulting will share helpful information about navigating FAFSA and other scholarship and financial aid tips for both public and private colleges and universities.

## Chuck Horton Men's Bible Study

#### Wednesdays, 8-9am at Panera-Emory Village

In loving memory of a faithful friend and Bible study participant, Chuck Horton, join with men of all ages & stages as we read through the Scriptures and share thoughts on our faith journey. Fall 2023 finds us in the book of Jeremiah. For more info, contact the church office or Glenn members Dan MacFarlane or Bill Phillips.

#### Glenn Fall Camping

#### October 6-8, F.D. Roosevelt State Park

Join us for the annual Glenn camping trip for fall weather, fellowship, and fun! New or experienced campers! \$15 suggested donation per family. More info and RSVP: Rev. Susan Pinson.

#### Glenn Men's Retreat

#### October 13-15, Lake Lanier

Calling all Glenn Men! Our Glenn Men's Retreat will be October 13 – 15 at the Decatur Presbyterian Church Retreat Center at Lake Lanier. Learn more and view the schedule at: www.glennumc.org/glenn-mens-group

#### Fall Save-the-Dates

More details at glennumc.org/upcoming-events

Oct 15 - Atlanta Pride Parade Oct 19 - FriendShip Group: Tour of Creekwater Farm Oct 21 - Emory Village Open Streets with Trunk or Treat Oct 22 - Commitment Sunday Nov 14 - DeKalb Symphony Orchestra and Glenn Chancel Choir Concert (7pm) Nov 15 - FriendShip Group Lunch & Learn: What We Learn in Times of Loss Nov 17-19 - Middle School Retreat



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.

# Growing Together at Glenn

#### **Glenn Kids**

Contact Rev. Susan Pinson spinson@glennumc.org Visit: www.glennumc.org/children

**Glenn Youth** Contact Ben Ladner bladner@glennumc.org

Young Adults Contact Rev. Brent Huckaby bhuckaby@glennumc.org

**Older Adult Ministry** Contact Rev. Susan Pinson spinsoneglennumc.org

#### **Music Ministry**

To join our chancel choir or for more information about youth choir, contact Michael Dauterman at mdauterman@glennumc.org

#### **Glenn E-newsletter**

We send out a weekly Friday email with everything you need to know! Subscribe on the homepage of our website: glennumc.org (or email ebitting@glennumc.org for help!)

#### We're Social!

Instagram: @glennumc Facebook: Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church Website: glennumc.org

# Save-the-dates!

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Sunday Schedule:

8:30am Worship Little Chapel
9:30am Children's Choirs CSB\*
9:45am Youth Sunday school YAAB\*
9:45am Adult Sunday School
10:00am Children's Sunday School CSB\*
10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
11:00am Worship Sanctuary
5pm The Gathering Worship Ward Fellowship Hall
5:45pm Youth Choir Rehearsal CSB\*
6:30pm Youth Dinner YAAB\*
7:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship YAAB\*

Weekly Events:

**Snack in a Backpack** Food Security Ministry Thursdays, 3:30-5:30pm, YAAB\* Contact Deborah Marlowe (dmarlowe@emory.edu) for questions. Sign up here: bit.ly/snack-backpack-2023

#### Young Adult Fellowship

*Tuesdays*. For more info contact Brent Huckaby (bhuckaby@glennumc.org).

#### **Chancel Choir Rehearsals**

Wednesdays, 7-9pm & Sundays, 10am, Sanctuary. For more info contact Michael Dauterman (mdauterman@glennumc.org).

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Support Groups:

- Single Moms' Support Group
- Grief Support Group
- Caregivers' Support Group
- **Club 1012:** No Parents Allowed! For 10, 11, & 12-year-olds to come share thoughts, worries, goals, or frustrations away from parents & teachers. RSVP here: bit.ly/kidsclub-glenn

Learn more about our support groups at

www.glennumc.org/care

Service Opportunities:

Interested in advocacy, social justice, and opportunities to get involved? Contact justice@glennumc.org Visit www.glennumc.org/justice-at-glenn

Study Opportunities:

Dive deeper. Explore your faith in supportive small groups.

#### **Adult Sunday School**

Sundays, 9:45am, Church School Building Adult Sunday School classes:



- Ventures in Faith (Room 211) We will begin our season with a series on the unlikely call of the first disciples. Contact Gordon Boice for questions (g.boice@emory.edu).
- Coffee & Conversation (Parlor) Join with Pastor Mark, Glenn intern Britt Dush, and David O'Brien as we gather each week for fellowship and faith in our daily lives.
- **The New Class** (Room 208) Join us for a World Religions Series featuring Emory University Chaplains from the Office of Religious & Spiritual Life. *For the zoom link and the full class schedule, visit: www.glennumc.org/adults*

Upcoming Topics: Sept 24 – The Venerable Priya Sraman, Buddhist Chaplain Oct 1 – Rabbi Jordon Braunig, Jewish Chaplain Oct 8 – Isam Vaid, Muslim Religious Life Scholar

#### **#ParentingIsHard Meetups**

Parents of all ages meet to share the joys and challenges of parenting & share in our faith journeys. We will study Bunmi Laditan's *Help Me God, I'm a Parent* book of 'honest prayers for hectic days and endless nights.' **Two options – join us for one or both:** 

- Wednesdays, 11am, Amphitheater. Meet in amphitheater for a walk & talk around the Emory quad. Contact Alison LaGree for more info (alisonlagree@gmail.com).
- Sundays, beginning September 17, 9:45am, CSB\* Room 401. While children attend Sunday School or nursery care, bring a cup of coffee and join us in Room 401. Contact Joanna Boyles (joannarhull@gmail.com) for more info.

#### Book Study with Pastor Mark Tuesdays, 7pm, YAAB.\*

Join Pastor Mark and Jimmy Moor for a six-week study of *Revival: Faith as Wesley Lived It* by Adam Hamilton. Study the turbulent period of history, rather like our own, and follow the amazing Methodist movement that changed lives – taking on the social struggles and injustices of the day.



\*YAAB = Youth & Activities Building \*CSB = Church School Building THE REV. MARK WESTMORELAND Senior Pastor mwestmoreland@glennumc.org

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# Giving

#### Financial Report as of August 31, 2023:

2023 Budget: \$1,814,532

Total Income through Aug 31: \$1,198,713

Needed: \$615,819

Needed % : 33%

To give a gift, visit www.glennumc.org/give

or scan the QR code below.



## Next Sunday

### Sunday 9.24 | Glenn-Emory Sunday

11am	Worship - Sanctuary
	Rev. Dr. Teresa Fry Brown preaching and
	music by the Emory University Vega Quartet
12pm	Lunch on the lawn
	Sign up at: bit.ly/glenn-emory-lunch
5pm	The Gathering - Fellowship Hall

# 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.