

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024, 10:30 AM 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE Sweet Hour of Prayer

arr. Dale Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Alain Richardson

If it has not been for God, who was on our side, we would have fallen prey to those who want to harm us; we would have been swept away by sadness and fear.

Blessed be the Lord, our protector!

God has broken the snare that took away our freedom. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Blessed be God's holy name!

† HYMN OF PRAISE

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Hymn 39

† CALL TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of unity, we live in a world where our lives move between inclusivity and exclusivity. We often move toward the latter, trying to oust from our circles those who do not think like us, act like up, or look like us. Forgive our need to reject and to always be on the lookout for those things that make us different. Give us the eyes of Jesus, who knows unconditional love and compassion and sees us all as one, for it is in his name that we pray. Amen.

- † SILENT CONFESSION
- † ASSURANCE OF PARDON
- † THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

† CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

Hymn 581

THE WORD

TIME OF WONDER

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 19:7-14

NEW TESTAMENT READING James 5:13-20

SERMON Powerful Prayer Rev. Emily Cooper

† HYMN There Is a Place of Quiet Rest Hymn 824

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed Hymnal Page 35

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the sanctuary as you exit after worship or consider giving online at www.glenshawchurch.org.

OFFERTORY

The Garden of Prayer

arr. Joseph Martin

Chancel Choir

Sue Phillips, soloist

† Doxology

Hymn 606

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

SHARING THE JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal Page 35

GO IN GOD'S NAME

† SENDING HYMN What a Friend We Have in Jesus Hymn 465

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE Love the Lord Your God Hymn 62

† **POSTLUDE** Allegro from <u>Sinfonia No. 12</u> Vivaldi / arr. Kevin Norris

WORSHIP NOTES

VISITORS, please **complete a visitor card found** in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We are glad to have you worship with us!

WE RECORD OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE. We invite each member of your family in attendance to sign the friendship pad at the end of each pew. We are glad to have you worship with us!

PERSONAL PRIVACY DURING LIVESTREAM OF SUNDAY WORSHIP

It is important for our members, guests, and visitors to be aware that we livestream our worship service. If you are joining us for in person worship but prefer not to appear on the livestream video, we have 2 specific areas in the sanctuary where you can sit comfortably and not appear on the video. The first area is the left transept on the main floor and the second is the center balcony area. An usher will be happy to help you find these areas.

ORDINARY TIME PARAMENTS

This set of paraments is comprised of many shades of green which symbolize new life and growth. Running through the field of many shades and textures of green, is a vine - a symbol of Christian growth that recalls John 15:5, "I am the vine, you are branches."

CHILDREN'S CHRIST CANDLES

Parents and grandparents, please have your children look for the Christ candle near the activity table. They can light their own tea candle and place it with the larger one.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR 2ND ANNUAL "TRUNK OR TREAT" AND HAVE SOME FUN?

GPC will be holding our second TRUNK OR TREAT event in the parking lot on OCTO-BER 26 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. We are looking for members who would like to participate in passing out goodies to children from their trunk. Last year we have over 60 children participate! Please email Jennifer in the church office at Jennifer@glenshawchurch.org to let us know if you would like to join us for this fun event. Thank you!

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

On November 6, The First Sunday of the Month, We Will Celebrate All Saints' Sunday. It will be a full service with communion and a time of remembrance for the members of our congregation who have passed away in the last year. This meaningful Sunday is one where we remember with gratitude the people who have gone before us. It is a wonderful way to start off this month focused on thankfulness.

In addition to memorializing those members, we are asking the congregation to send us the names of their dearly departed friends and family who have also been lost this past year so that they may be included in our service. Please send these names to Emily by Sunday, October 27.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Every year on the first October, on **October 6** this year, Christians around the globe celebrate World Communion Sunday. It is a day to remember that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and that every Christian Church and any denomination that promotes Christian unity are one. On this day, we draw faith and inspiration from seeing that we are part of a community that includes millions of viewers and worshippers.

Several of our GPC members will visit our homebound members and share communion with them after Sunday's worship service, however if you would like to take communion at home because you will be joining us virtually that day, Pastor Emily will be happy to provide you with an element kit to join in the service with us that Sunday. Please reach out to her by Sunday, September 29th to reserve your elements.

If you know someone who isn't able to join us virtually, we can arrange for them to receive communion after the service.

DEACON'S DIAPER DRIVE

Starting September 22nd through October 5th, the Deacons will be sponsoring a Diaper Drive in conjunction with the Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank. Many in Western Pa struggle with the affordability of diapers, incontinence, and period supplies without the assistance of any supplemental funds. This leads to tough decisions in deciding financial and health priorities for people of all ages. The Deacons will be accepting all products of all sizes to help stock the diaper bank for community distribution. Diaper/incontinence wipes are also very much appreciated. Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted. Just think how much the greater community can benefit from the generosity of our church family. Any questions you may have for this drive can be directed to Darlene Hills. 412 486 8076. Thank you for allowing us to do HIS service through you!

THE EARLY LEARNING CENTER IS LOOKING FOR BEFORE & AFTER CARE HELP

The Glenshaw Presbyterian Church Early Learning Center is looking for Before & After Care help from 7a.m. - 9a.m. and 3p.m. -5:30 p.m. This would be a paid, part-time position and would require all clearances to work with children. For more information please contact our director, **Fawn Pignoli** at fawn@glenshawchurch.org or Pastor Emily.

JOINT YOUTH BOWLING EVENT

We will be holding a joint youth bowling event with Heritage Presbyterian Church in the GPC bowling alley on October 20 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Open to all kids, k-12. Please email Jennifer in the church office at Jennifer@glenshawchurch.org to RSVP!

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS OF GLENSHAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our members enjoy the cards and/or visits from each one of you. Please place them in your heart and let them know they are being thought of by reaching out to them. Below is an updated homebound member list with current addresses and telephone numbers. Please contact the church office if you know someone to include on the list of people that might like to hear from us.

Sandy Crynack

304 S. Magnolia Drive Glenshaw, PA 15116 (412) 487-6204 Birthday: September 5

Ann Nicklas

1490 Highland Ave Glenshaw, PA 15116 (724) 321-4530 (cell) Birthday: February 19

Margaret Wiegand

Atria at Cranberry Woods 3020 Fairport Lane Apt. 241 Cranberry Township, PA 16066 (724)776-2675 Birthday: May 21

Dr. Robert and Karen Ford

High Pointe at Rebecca Residence 1871 High Pointe Lane, Apt. 1306 Allison Park, PA 15101 724-939-3773 412-310-1655 (Bob cell) 412-480-1913 (Karen cell)

Grace Rihn

1330 Lindbergh Ave Pittsburgh, PA 15223 412-486-5788 Birthdate: June 1st

THIS WEEK AT GLENSHAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TODAY September 29, 2024

9:30 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

9:30 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Sunday Worship Service 11:30 AM Fellowship in the Parlor

TUESDAY October 1, 2024

7:00 PM Communications Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY October 2, 2024

7:00 PM GPC Book Club

THURSDAY October 3, 2024

6:30 PM Carillon Choir Rehearsal7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY October 6, 2024

9:30 AM Carillon Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary9:50 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

9:30 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Sunday Worship Service 11:30 AM Fellowship in the Parlor

The Church Office is open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Welcoming all who seek to know God, Glenshaw Presbyterian Church invites individuals and families to join in our journey of faith as we share the love of Jesus Christ with one another, the community, and the world.



The GPC Session

Sherry Martin, Clerk of Session

| Class of 2025 | Class of 2026 | Class of 2027 |
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| Alan Cridge | Carla Berg | Larry Bock |
| Mark Held | Ray Hack | April Klein |
| Sherry Martin | Betty Miller | Chick Pfeiffer |
| Donna Walker | Tom Tabor | Alain Richardson |

----- CHURCH STAFF ------

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