



Glenshaw

Presbyterian Church

MARCH 23, 2025, 10:30 AM
3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Bibles and our **Glory to God Hymnals** are located in the rack under the pew.

Bold text is read by the congregation.

† **This symbol** designates when to rise in body or in spirit.

The **Call to Worship** is the beginning of our worship service. It encourages the congregation to set aside worldly distractions and focus on entering God's presence.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

Theme from Symphony No. 1
Carillon Choir

Johannes Brahms
arr. Sandra Eithun

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Kip Fowler

Everyone who thirsts:

**Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return
so that you may live.**

All who are hungry for righteousness:

**Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return
so that you may live.**

All who need the help of God:

**Come to the waters, seek the Lord, repent and return
so that you may live.**

† HYMN OF PRAISE *You Walk along Our Shoreline*

Hymn 170

† CALL TO CONFESSION

Confession is a hallmark of the Reformed tradition. We believe that it is important to begin worship by confessing the ways we've fallen short of God's intention for us.

Each confession is concluded by the **Assurance of Pardon**. A liturgical reminder that no sin is so powerful as to keep us from the love of God.

During the **Passing of the Peace** you're invited to greet one another by saying "The peace of Christ be with you."

The **Prayer of Illumination** is a prayer asking God to shed light on the meaning of scripture, essentially requesting the Holy Spirit to open one's mind and heart to understand the deeper truths within the Bible.

† **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, we confess that we have grown complacent in our response to you. You set before us a rich feast of blessing, but we are drawn to lesser things that cannot satisfy. You call us to attend to urgent needs in the world, but we indulge our own desires. Our ways are not your ways; our thoughts do not ascend to your thoughts. Forgive us when we fall short of your claim upon our lives. Disturb our complacency and quicken our desire for a more fruitful life. Be patient, we pray, as we amend who we are, in the hope of becoming who you intend us to be. We ask this in the name of our Savior, your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

† **SILENT CONFESSION**

† **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God's love is sure and steadfast, always providing a way out, a way through, a way back to God. Through the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ and are raised with him. **Thanks be to God!**

† **THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

† **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *Spirit of the Living God* **Hymn 288**

THE WORD

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

† **SPECIAL MUSIC** *Kum Ba Yah* arr. John F. Wilson
Carillon Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 55:1-9

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 13:1-9

SERMON

God Moves Over the Fence

Rev. Emily Cooper

† HYMN

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Hymn 438

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

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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

When the Storms of Life Are Raging (Stand By Me)

Chancel Choir

Victor C. Johnson

† 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

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GO IN GOD'S NAME

† SENDING HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Hymn 65

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

Blessed Ye Who Live in Faith Unswerving, Op. 122 No. 6 Johannes Brahms

The **Sermon** is a reflection of the day's scriptures, suggesting implications for your faith and life.

During the time of **Offering**, we invite you to continue your support of the church and her mission. Online giving is available on the GPC website at www.glenshawchurch.org. Those in the sanctuary may place their offering in the plate in the back of the sanctuary.

Please write your **Joys and Concerns** to be shared with the congregation on the prayer cards found in the narthex outside of the sanctuary.

The **Charge and Benediction** is a short prayer or blessing that expresses good wishes and asks for divine guidance.

WORSHIP NOTES

LENTEN PARAMENTS

The Lenten paraments are crafted in a batik fabric, in various hues of purple - the color used during our two seasons of preparation (Advent and Lent). Emphasizing this season of simplicity, the Table paraments include no additional decoration or symbols. The lectern parament and the pastor's stole are emblazoned with the "passion cross." The pointed ends of the cross evoke the spear that pierces Jesus side at his crucifixion. These paraments provide a stark contrast to the splendor of the paraments for the Season of Easter.

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!

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.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPRING HORS D'OUVRES HOP

The Adult Fellowship Committee is planning a Spring Hors d'oeuvre Hop on **Saturday, May 31st** and is looking for folks to host a dozen or so guests. Hopefully, the end of May weather will be the perfect time to show off your outdoor entertaining space. If interested in being a host home, please contact **Alain Richardson** by the end of March via email richardsonaj@comcast.net or phone 412.492.9876.

PER CAPITA for 2025 is \$38.11.

EASTER FLOWERS

We are offering a wide assortment of spring flowers to adorn our sanctuary on Easter morning this year! The cost of each flower is designated below and the deadline for ordering is **Sunday, April 6.**

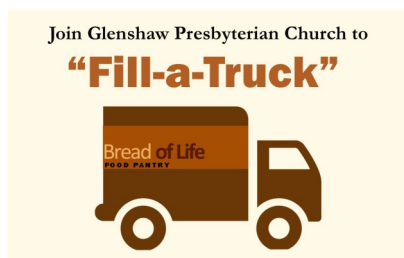
Hydrangea 6" pot - \$13.00 each

Gerbera Daisy, Cyclamen, Hyacinth, Tulip 6" pot - \$7.00 each

Tête-à-tête Daffodil 4" pot - \$3.00 each

To place an order, please fill out an envelope in the narthex and return it to the church office including payment for the flowers. Please pick up your Easter flower(s) immediately after the service on Easter morning.

FILL-A-TRUCK



It's almost time for the Deacons sponsored Fill a truck event! On **Sunday, April 13th**, the community as well as GPC will be invited to donate non Perishable items for the Bread of Life Food Pantry. Monetary donations will also be accepted through the church as well as on this day. Thank you for helping in doing HIS work for the greater community!

GPC BLOOD DRIVE NEXT SUNDAY!

Don't forget to schedule your appointment for next Sunday's blood drive at GPC! Lifesaving blood offers second chances and many tomorrows to those who depend on it. Please join us at our next blood drive on **03/30/2025 at 08:00 AM**. You'll feel incredible knowing you could be saving up to three people's lives. The link to sign up can be found this in week's Tuesday Tidings email.

EASTER MORNING FELLOWSHIP

Come join us on Easter morning prior to the service for a time of fellowship to celebrate the resurrection of our lord. There will be coffee, tea, and light refreshments. We will be in the parlor from 9:30 to just before the services. Should you have any questions, you can reach out to Debbie.vita56@gmail.com. Hope to see you there.

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

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)

Ann Nicklas

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

Grace Rihn

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

Margaret Wiegand

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

THIS WEEK AT GLENSHAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TODAY

March 23, 2025

9:30 AM Adult Sunday School
9:30 AM Carillon Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
9:50 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
10:30 AM Sunday Worship Service
11:00 AM Fellowship in the Parlor

TUESDAY

March 25, 2025

7:00 PM Glenshaw Century Club

WEDNESDAY

March 26, 2025

7:00 PM Lenten Study

THURSDAY

March 27, 2025

6:30 PM Carillon Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY

March 30, 2025

8:00 AM Vitalant Blood Drive
9:30 AM Adult Sunday School
9:30 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
10:30 AM Sunday Worship Service
11:00 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

Alan Cridge
Mark Held
Sherry Martin
Donna Walker

Class of 2026

Carla Berg
Ray Hack
Betty Miller
Tom Tabor

Class of 2027

Larry Bock
April Klein
Chick Pfeiffer
Alain Richardson

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

Rev. Emily Cooper, *Pastor*

Cell phone: 412-334-2730

Corinne Adkins, *Director of Music & Organist*

Lois Cridge, *Business Manager*

Jennifer Zanke, *Office Manager*

Fawn Pignoli, *Director of the GPC Early Learning Center*

Frank Maksin, *Property Manager*

Lia Knight, *A/V Tech*

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