



# Glenshaw

## Presbyterian Church

MARCH 9, 2025, 10:30 AM  
1ST 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**      *Reflection on KINGSFOLD*      arr. Maureen Howell

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**      Cristi Gillean

The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

**The journey begins in the wilderness.**

We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

**Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us.**

**God's Word is on our lips.**

Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

**For God leads us not only into the wilderness, but also through the wilderness.**

† **HYMN OF PRAISE**      *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*      **Hymn 182**

† **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**

**God our refuge and fortress, forgive us when we fail to trust in you. We fall to temptation; we are swayed by false words; we speak false words of our own. We choose our ease and comfort over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world. In turning from you, we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend. Forgive us, we pray. Do not let us be put to shame, God. Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

† **SILENT CONFESSION**

† **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Scripture declares, the Lord is generous to all who call on God's name. Friends, believe the good news: God does not turn away from us, but desires to bring us into the glorious freedom offered in Jesus Christ. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.  
**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**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**     Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**     Luke 4:1-13

**SERMON**

God Moves in the Desert

Rev. Emily Cooper

† **HYMN***Come to Me, O Weary Traveler***Hymn 183**† **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](http://www.glenshawchurch.org).*

**OFFERTORY**

*Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* arr. John Leavitt  
Chancel Choir

† **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***The Glory of These Forty Days***Hymn 165**† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**† **POSTLUDE***Here's One*

arr. Evelyn Larter

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](http://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

## **LITURGISTS NEEDED**

We need to expand our list of liturgist volunteers. Each Sunday we are grateful to everyone who aids in leading worship. One important role is that of liturgist. This person helps to lead the liturgy along with Pastor Emily. Any member is able to participate, as you don't need to be an Elder or Deacon to assist, and the liturgy text will be provided for you. **Please sign up today on the sheet in the narthex!**

## REQUESTING ARTICLES FOR THE SPRING SPIRIT OF THE GLEN

Dear Ministry and Event Leaders,

With hopeful thoughts of warm weather coming, the Communication Committee is planning for the SPRING 2025 issue of the Spirit of the Glen. Therefore, we are requesting that you send us an article about your recent or upcoming events for the spring newsletter. Your input is what makes our newsletter informative and creative! The guidelines are as follows:

- The articles should be about recent events and activities or those that are coming up in the months of March, April, and May
- Try to keep the length of your articles to about 300 words.
- Submit your articles to Jennifer Zanke at [jennifer@glenshawchurch.org](mailto:jennifer@glenshawchurch.org) by **Wednesday March 12, 2025**
- Submit any pictures that you would like to accompany your articles.

Please ask the Communication Committee if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you!

The Communication Committee  
Betty Miller, Doug Orr, and Carla Berg

**PER CAPITA** for 2025 is \$38.11.

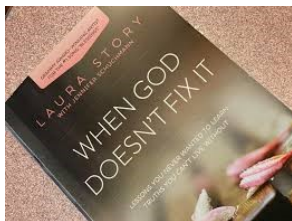
## LENTEN PASSPORTS



This year, we will be looking at how God moves throughout Lent. Scripture is clear that Jesus didn't stay in one place for a long time. His brief earthly ministry was full of moving from place to place and experiencing every part of what it means to be human. When we journey with Jesus, we are changed. To help mark our journey we will have Lenten Passports to signify our stops along the way.

Starting today, the Lenten Passports will be available in the narthex. Each week, there will be a stamp (or sticker) to mark our stop that particular week. If you join us remotely for worship, just send us an email and we'll be happy to mail your stickers to you.

## LENTEN STUDY



Join Pastor Emily this Lenten season to explore Laura Story's study titled *When God Doesn't Fix It: Learning to Walk in God's Plans Instead of Our Own*. This 5-week study will meet on Wednesdays at 7pm starting **March 12th through April 16th** (we will not meet on April 2nd). Study guides will be provided to everyone who participates. Please let Pastor Emily know if you would like to join the study so that we can make sure we have enough supplies.

## THE EARLY LEARNING CENTER IS LOOKING FOR SUMMER PROGRAM HELP

The Glenshaw Presbyterian Church Early Learning Center is looking for help for this year's upcoming Summer Program. The program starts June 9th and ends August 22nd. 4 days a week 7-5. Experience in childcare is a must. For more information please contact our director, **Fawn Pignoli** at [fawn@glenshawchurch.org](mailto:fawn@glenshawchurch.org) or Pastor Emily.



## FILL-A-TRUCK

Join Glenshaw Presbyterian Church to

**“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!

## CHANCEL FLOWERS

We are now accepting orders for chancel flowers to brighten our sanctuary during our Sunday services. The cost to sponsor both arrangements dedicated to a loved one, to the Glory of God, or any dedication so desired each week is \$55. **To order flowers, please contact Jennifer in the church office** by calling 412-486-8400 ext. 110 or emailing [jennifer@glenshawchurch.org](mailto:jennifer@glenshawchurch.org) by 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before your desired Sunday.

# **THIS WEEK AT GLENSHAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

## **TODAY**

**March 9, 2025**

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

## **MONDAY**

**March 10, 2025**

5:00 PM Early Learning Center Board Meeting

## **TUESDAY**

**March 11, 2025**

1:00 PM Properties Committee Meeting  
6:30 PM Deacons Meeting

## **WEDNESDAY**

**March 12, 2025**

7:00 PM GPC Book Club in the Conference Room  
7:00 PM Lenten Study

## **THURSDAY**

**March 13, 2025**

5:30 PM The Neighborhood Table  
6:30 PM Carillon Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## **SUNDAY**

**March 16, 2025**

9:30 AM Adult Sunday School  
9:45 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 -----**

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