



Glenshaw

Presbyterian Church

JUNE 1, 2025, 10:30 AM
7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

Steal Away

arr. Marianne Kim

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Debbie Vita

What must we do to be saved?

**Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved,
you and your household.**

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous!

Give thanks to God's holy name.

† **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Make a Joyful Noise to God!*

Hymn 54

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

- † UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION
- Gracious God, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors, to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the whole world. Amen.
- † SILENT CONFESSION
- † ASSURANCE OF PARDON
- In the compassion of God, who prays for us, with us, and in us, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God!**
- † THE PEACE OF CHRIST
- The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
- † CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
- Gloria Patri*
- Hymn 581

THE WORD

- TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES
- PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
- FIRST READING
- Acts 16:16-24
- SECOND READING
- Acts 16:25-34
- SERMON
- An Ironie Escape
- Rev. Emily Cooper
- † HYMN
- We Shall Overcome*
- Hymn 379
- † 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

Wayfarin' Stranger

arr. Calvin Taylor

† DOXOLOGY

Hymn 606

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

SHARING THE JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

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 Lord's Supper is also known as Communion. This sacrament invites those who love Jesus Christ to gather at his table and share in a meal of bread and wine, remembering his last meal with his disciples before his death. Communion unites us with all Christians throughout the world who worship Jesus as Lord and Savior.

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

GO IN GOD'S NAME

† **SENDING HYMN**

I Come with Joy

Hymn 515

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

† **POSTLUDE**

I Go with Joy

arr. David Cherwien

WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY'S MUSIC is all based on the theme of our scripture reading from Acts and the African American experience. Although most of us haven't been literally imprisoned, we often find ourselves bound by circumstances or illness. God is who we must turn to when we are troubled. God is our compass when we are wandering around and lost. God is our salvation and ultimately joy.

The Prelude words and commentary can be found in Hymn #358 and the Offertory words are below.

Traditional

I am a poor wayfaring stranger
A-trav'ling through this land of woe.
And there's no sickness, toil or danger
In that bright world to which I go.

I'm going home to see my father
I'm going there no more to roam;
I'm just a-going over Jordan
I'm just a-going over home.

I know dark clouds will gather 'round me
I know my way is steep and rough;
But beauteous fields lie just beyond me
Where souls redeemed their vigil keep.

I'm going there to meet my mother
She said she'd meet me when I come
I'm just a-going over Jordan
I'm just a-going over home.

I want to wear a crown of glory
When I get home to that bright land
I want to shout Salvation's story
In concert with that bloodwashed band.

I'm going there to meet my Saviour
To sing His praises forevermore
I'm only going over Jordan
I'm only going over home.

EASTER PARAMENTS

The Easter paraments depict a rising sun - one of many symbols for resurrection. The deep darkness of death is overcome by the new life promised on Easter day. The rising sun also evokes the story of that first Easter when, early in the morning, on the first day of the week (Sunday), disciples came to the empty tomb and a new day dawned!

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PER CAPITA for 2025 is \$38.11.

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!**

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 by 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before your desired Sunday.

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	June 1, 2025	
	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship Service
	11:30 AM	Fellowship in the Parlor
TUESDAY	June 3, 2025	
	7:00 PM	Communications Committee Meeting
WEDNESDAY	June 4, 2025	
	7:00 PM	GPC Book Club in the Parlor
SUNDAY	June 8, 2025	
	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship Service
	11:30 AM	Fellowship in the Parlor
	3:00 PM	Shaler 125th Anniversary Ice Cream Social

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
Monday, June 2 though Friday, June 7
and will reopen on Monday, June 9 with the summer hours of
Monday through Wednesday 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

April Klein, Clerk pro tem

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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