The Worship of God

Glendale Baptist Church: a caring community of equality and grace Sunday, October 27, 2024 10:30 AM

Zoom link: https://tinyurl.com/SundayMorningWorship

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost Showers of Blessing: blessing one another and the world

Blessing the Ordination of Kelly Maria Moreland Jones

The Life of the Community

Amy Mears

May Peace be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up to God.**

Prelude

"Meditation on McGRANAHAN"

arr. Schaub

Chiming the hour



*Call to Worship

Frenchie Fortenberry

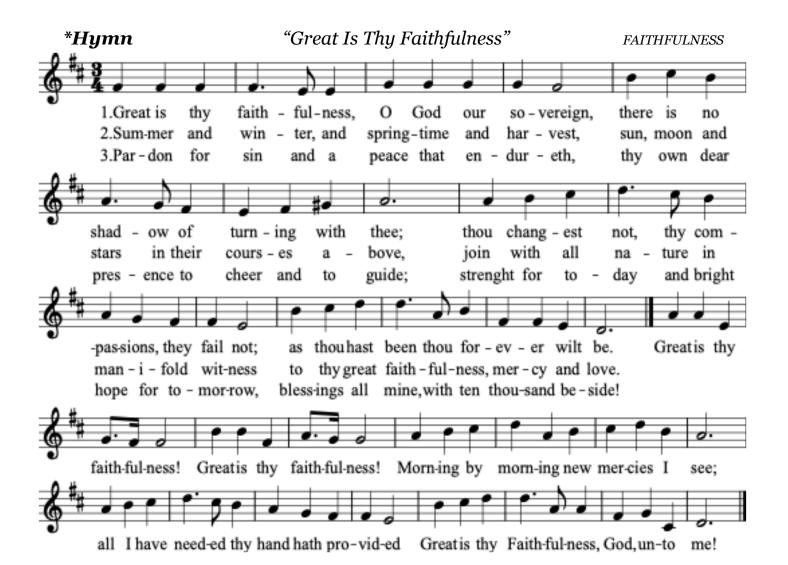
There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit that gives them.

There are different ways of serving creation and all the world's people, but it is the same Spirit that is being served.

The Spirit of Love works uniquely through each person, but it is sacred work that is being accomplished in each case.

To each individual is given gifts, all to be used for the common good.

Together we are the Body of the Christ, individually members of that body. **Therefore we join our voices, hands, hearts, and imaginations as we worship together today.**

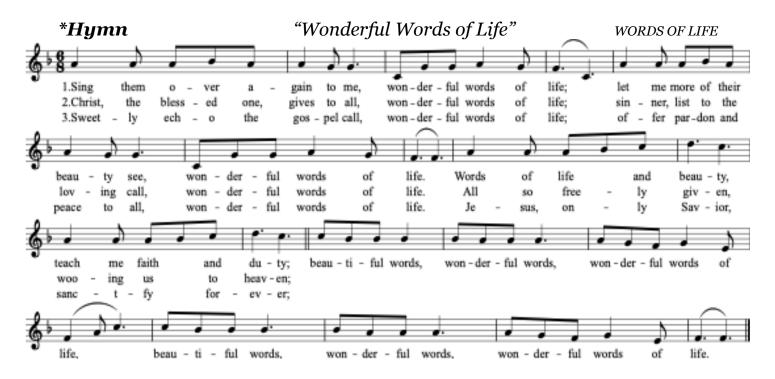


Morning Prayer of Blessing

Eileen Campbell-Reed

Prayer Response





Call to the Ordinand

Jimmy Davis

Homily

On Not Growing Weary in Well-Doing April Baker, Kelley Doyle, Amy Mears

The Laying on of Hands

Anthem

"Here I Am, God"

Schutte

I, the God of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? Here I am God. Is it I, God? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, God, if you need me. I will hold your people in my heart. I, the God of snow and rain, I have born my people's pain. I have wept for love of them they turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? I, the God of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame; I will set a feast for them; my hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Solo

"Imagine" Beau Jones, tenor

Lennon

Time with Glendale Kids

Kelley Doyle

Kids will meet in the sanctuary play area

Ordination Prayer

Rosemary Cathcart

Paying our Tithes and Giving Our Offerings

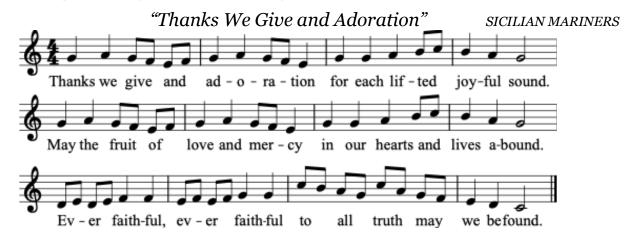
You may bring offerings to the plates at the front of the sanctuary or give electronically through Breeze at https://glendalebaptistchurch.breezechms.com/give/online or through Venmo at venmo@GlendaleBaptist or https://venmo.com/glendalebaptist or through checks mailed to: Glendale Baptist Church, 1021 Glendale Ln, Nashville, TN 37204.

Offertory Music

Jake Schaub

"II.", from Gargoyles, op. 29, by Lowell Liebermann

*Dedicating Our Gifts in Service of the World



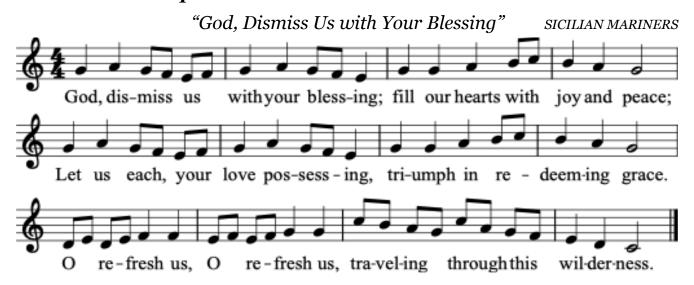
*Unison Response

Janet Morely, 20th-century British churchwoman

May the God who dances in creation, who embraces us with human love, who shakes our lives like thunder, bless us and drive us out with power to fill the world with her justice. Amen.



*Benediction Response



Concerning Worship

In our worship, Glendale recognizes the theological importance of ways language is used. We do not attempt to change every historical reading, anthem, and hymn in each service; we do try, over time, to balance cultural and gender references to include all persons in the worship of God. Please feel free to use language that enhances your experience of the Holy during worship.

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Glendale Happy Hour

If you are worshipping online today, we invite you to stay connected in the zoom room right now for a 15-minute conversation about things that are comforting, sustaining, pleasing, or exciting you during this season. You can participate in the chat thread (click on the little conversation bubble icon at the bottom of the screen) or unmute yourself and speak. Bring your happies and give other Glendalers more reasons to smile as they connect with the faith community.

TODAY - Kelly M. Moreland Jones Ordination Luncheon

Please plan to join Kelly and her family for lunch in the Fellowship Hall after worship. The Moreland Jones family is providing a meal from <u>Big Al's Deli and Catering</u>, a business located in North Nashville. We will invite Al to tell us about his work with <u>Dismas House of Nashville</u> as he helps formerly incarcerated men transition back into society.

TODAY - Invite your friends, family and bring your little ones to **Glendale UMC's Annual Trunk or Treat** this afternoon from 4:00-6:00 PM! We will have ghoulish fun with lots of candy, a bounce house, games, free food, and face painting! It's bound to be a very SPOOKY evening of fun! *Glendale United Methodist Church*, 900 *Glendale Lane*, 37204

An update from the Property Stewardship Task Group – The congregation met last Sunday, October 20 after worship to continue consensus building concerning the proposal from the Property Stewardship Task Group. You can see that proposal <u>HERE</u> along with the corresponding rationale <u>HERE</u>. Each person was asked to spend a few minutes responding to two questions: What does it look like if we sell the entire property and become renters? And What does it look like if we make the needed repairs and upgrades to the building and continue to gather and minister here? You can access a summary of that conversation <u>HERE</u>.

The meeting concluded with some conversation about where we are in our consensus building process: have we listened carefully to the concerns raised and considered them? Have we gathered the information people indicated they needed to make a decision? Have we received the work of the Task Group with gratitude and trust? Have we examined it with care? Are we ready to vote on the proposal?

The conclusion was that the Property Stewardship Task Group has done what we asked and followed the wisdom gleaned from the congregational meetings we have had over the past 2 years. The Task Group has spent hours working on this. We can trust them and the work they have done. The question was raised: Is another conversation necessary? Consensus was that we are ready to vote on the proposal. We noted that the recommendation concerning staffing for 2025 from the Discernment and Search Committee is tabled until we have a Financial Plan for Ministry for 2025.

The Leadership Council will call Special Called Business Meeting(s) in the near future to vote on these items.

Book of Thanks for Amy Mears – We're making a "Book of Thanks" for Pastor Amy for her decades with Glendale! Please give or send your personal reflections, thanks, and photos to Catherine Jones at pearsoncm@gmail.com by Sunday, November 3. You may contact Catherine with any questions.

Prayer Flags | Saturday, November 2 at 10:00 AM

Come join Kelley to make your own prayer flags - banners we hang to remind us of our dreams & intentions. No art skills needed, just a willingness to play & gather in community! Please let her know if you plan to attend so she can get materials (kelleyhdoyle@glendalebaptist.org.) We'll work with fabric, papers, pens, ribbons, and a variety of other media from Turnip Green Creative Reuse and the GBC craft closet!

Hurricane Relief Efforts – We will continue to collect relief funds for <u>Circle of Mercy</u>, one of our BYC and Alliance of Baptists congregations, as they provide ongoing assistance to people in the Asheville area who are affected by the hurricane. Gifts can be made to Glendale with "hurricane relief" noted in the memo line.

Godly Play for Children – Godly Play is a method of contemplative storytelling that emphasizes wonder and imagination as we engage the stories of the Bible. We worked with it during the pandemic when we were only on Zoom, as well as during children's moment in the church house, and are excited to share this opportunity after worship!

Rather than returning to their adults after the children's time, kids are welcome to stay up at the front with Kelley & friends for the closing song and benediction. Then, we'll go the library for 25 to 30 minutes of Godly Play. Meanwhile, grownups are invited to have coffee, snacks, and time in community together after worship.

During Godly Play, we'll visit some of the Parables of Jesus and other sacred stories. If you'd like to help provide snacks for after worship, or be part of the Godly Play circle, do let Kelley know: kelleyhdoyle@glendalebaptist.org.

CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER

CONCERNS IN THE CHURCH FAMILY

Connie Crowell Elaine Dickson Annemarie Koho-Huggins Joy and Richard Smith Carolyn and Charles Warford

CONCERNS IN THE EXTENDED FAMILY

Elizabeth Ellen Adams, Brigid McMahon's sister Ken Alger, Connie Crowell's nephew Walter Baker, April Baker's father Juanita and Ron Campbell, Eileen Campbell-Reed's parents Janice Filion, Maggie Thomas's sister Edwina Flood, Billy Flood's mother Beth Freeman, former Glendaler

Any Garner, Isaac Wright's friend

Tom Hulette, Joy Smith's brother

Sue Kinzer, former Glendaler

Michelle LaRowe, Holly Miller's cousin

Frank Maczka, Beth Maczka's father

Carmen Ada Perez, Bobbi Negrón's mother

Ginger Russell, Sharon Hiett's friend

Susan Stevens, Cecelia Caldwell's sister

Sarah Wilbanks, Lynn & Eileen Campbell-Reed's niece

Drew Willis, Scott Willis' mother

CARE FOR OUR PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

Nohemi, aunt of Elier Hernandez Our friends in Cuba

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 27

9:30 AM – Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM – Multi-Access Worship; Zoom room opens at 10:15

Worship Care – Joy Gooch, Darlene Panvini

Worship Tech – Elizabeth Manning Lockup – VOLUNTEER NEEDED 11:30 AM – Godly Play for

Children (*Library*)

Ordination Luncheon with the Moreland Jones family (F.H.)
4:00-6:00 PM – Trunk or Treat Event at Glendale UMC

Tuesday, October 29

9:30 AM-2:30 PM – Common Ground Homeschool

Wednesday, October 30

5:15 PM – Choir Practice 6:30 PM – Sharing and concerns via Zoom

Saturday, November 2

10:00 AM – Making Prayer Flags with Kelley Doyle

Sunday, November 3

9:30 AM – Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM – Multi-Access Worship; Zoom room opens at 10:15

Worship Care – TWO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Worship Tech – Elizabeth Manning Lockup – VOLUNTEER NEEDED 11:30 AM – Godly Play for Children (Library)

Tuesday, November 5

9:30 AM-2:30 PM – Common Ground Homeschool

Wednesday, November 6

5:15 PM – Choir Practice

6:30 PM – Sharing and concerns via Zoom

BIRTHDAYS

October 27 – Connie Brookshire

October 28 – Carole Farmer

October 28 – Staci O'Neal

October 29 – Jim Berry

October 30 – Paul Rockey

October 31 – Walter Ellis Clifton

October 31 – Kelly M. Moreland Jones

GLENDALE BAPTIST CHURCH A Caring Community of Equality and Grace

We strive

to partner with God and follow Jesus on the Way of Love to create sanctuary for one another with special concern for those who are marginalized to work intentionally for mercy and justice to sustain a creative and compassionate theological voice to gather resources joyfully and share them generously to love our neighbors and care for all of creation.

As part of the Body of Christ in the world, Glendale Baptist Church values diversity and inclusivity in our relationships. We maintain close relationships with our ecumenical partners locally. Our distinctly Baptist affiliations include the Alliance of Baptists and the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. Being a Partner Congregation of the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America provides us with a network of fellow peacemakers with whom to work for justice and peace in God's world. Because we value the place of all people in the church without regard to their sexual orientation or gender identity, we are a member congregation of the Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists.

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