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*April 4, 2021*  
*6:00pm*

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## **Gathering & Approaching God in Worship**

### **Welcome, Announcements, & Opening Prayer**

Dr. Will Jones

#### **Song**

#### ***Forever***

##### *Verse 1:*

The moon and stars they wept/ The morning sun was dead/ The savior of the world was fallen  
His body on the cross/ His blood poured out for us/ The weight of every curse upon him

##### *Verse 2:*

One final breath he gave/ As heaven looked away/ The son of God was laid in darkness  
A battle in the grave/ The war on death was waged/ The power of hell forever broken

##### *Pre-Chorus:*

The ground began to shake/ The stone was rolled away/ His perfect love could not be overcome  
Now death where is your sting/ Our resurrected king has rendered you defeated

##### *Chorus:*

Forever, he is glorified/ Forever, he is lifted high/ Forever, He is risen/ He is alive/ He is alive

##### *Bridge:*

We sing hallelujah/ We sing hallelujah/ We sing hallelujah/ The lamb has overcome

#### **Song**

#### ***What A Beautiful Name***

##### *Verse 1:*

You were the Word at the beginning/ One with God the Lord Most High/ Your hidden glory in creation  
Now revealed in You our Christ

##### *Chorus 1:*

What a beautiful Name it is/ What a beautiful Name it is/ The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a beautiful Name it is/ Nothing compares to this/ What a beautiful Name it is/ The Name of Jesus

##### *Verse 2:*

You didn't want heaven without us/ So Jesus, You brought heaven down/ My sin was great, Your love was  
greater/ What could separate us now?

##### *Chorus 2:*

What a wonderful Name it is/ What a wonderful Name it is/ The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a wonderful Name it is/ Nothing compares to this/ What a wonderful Name it is/ The Name of Jesus

##### *Bridge:*

Death could not hold You/ The veil tore before You/ You silenced the boast of sin and grave/ The heavens are  
roaring/ The praise of Your glory/ For You are raised to life again/ You have no rival/ You have no equal  
Now and forever, God You reign / Yours is the kingdom/ Yours is the glory/ Yours is the Name above all  
names

##### *Chorus 3:*

What a powerful Name it is/ What a powerful Name it is/ The Name of Jesus Christ my King/ What a powerful  
Name it is/ Nothing can stand against/ What a powerful Name it is/ The Name of Jesus

## **Listening to God's Word**

### **Scripture Lesson: John 20:1-18**

**20** Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup>Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings laying there, <sup>7</sup>and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by

itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

## Sermon

Dr. Jones

### Offering and Prayer Before Communion (& Lord's Prayer, contemporary version)

**Our Father, who is in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## Sacrament of Communion

### *Dedicating Ourselves in Response to God*

## Song

### *Great Are You Lord*

#### Verse 1:

You give life, You are love/ You bring light to the darkness/ You give hope, You restore  
Every heart that is broken/ And great are You, Lord

#### Chorus:

It's Your breath in our lungs/ So we pour out our praise/ We pour out our praise/ It's Your breath in our  
lungs/ So we pour out our praise to You only

#### Bridge:

And all the earth will shout Your praise/ Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing/ Great are You, Lord

### Offering & Prayers for the World (& Lord's Prayer, contemporary version)

**Our Father, who is in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## Song

### *Glorious Day*

#### Verse 1:

I was buried beneath my shame/ Who could carry that kind of weight?/ It was my tomb/ 'Til I met You

#### Verse 2:

I was breathing, but not alive/ All my failures I tried to hide/ It was my tomb/ 'Til I met You

#### Chorus:

You called my name/ Then I ran out of that grave/ Out of the darkness/ Into Your glorious day  
You called my name/ And I ran out of that grave/ Out of the darkness/ Into Your glorious day

#### Verse 3:

Now Your mercy has saved my soul/ Now Your freedom is all that I know/ The old made new  
Jesus, when I met You



Bridge:

I needed rescue/ My sin was heavy/ But chains break at the weight of Your glory/ I needed shelter  
I was an orphan/ But You call me a citizen of Heaven/ When I was broken/ You were my healing  
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing/ I have a future/ My eyes are open/ Cause when You called  
my name

**Benediction and Blessing**

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**WORSHIP ARTS TODAY**

Special thanks to the following for their participation in this service:

*Vocalists:* Julia Goff   Karissa Walhof   Britni McCullough   John Johnson

*Keyboardist:* De'Merteiro Lee   *Acoustic Guitar:* David Oppel

*Bass player:* Nathan Spohn   *Cajon:* Jeff Williams   *Sound:* Ted Partin

*On the cover:* Ilyas Basim Khuri Bazzi Rahib, manuscript illumination, 1684. *Holy Women at the Tomb*, from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

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**Welcome to worship** online and limited onsite with Germantown Presbyterian Church. Our sincere prayer is that you will find a place here among those who already call GPC home. We know these are difficult days, and we are so glad you can join our service in the way you feel most comfortable. We are truly glad God brought you here!

**Interested in joining GPC?** *You are welcome here!* For more information on how to join, please contact Kathleen Boyd at 901-833-3413 or [kkboyd@comcast.net](mailto:kkboyd@comcast.net).

**GPC's pastors** can always be reached in an emergency or crisis. Please call the church, 901-754-5195, and then press 1 to reach the on-call pastor.

**Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements**  
**Week of April 4, 2021**

***Sign in to the online Friendship Pad [here](#) to indicate you attended the service,  
whether onsite or online, (and/or to ask the ministers any questions)  
and thank you for worshipping with us this Sunday.***

As part of the Church Family Prayer Program, members of the congregation are randomly selected each week to be lifted up. This week please pray for: Becky & Vern Barton; Abby Chandler, Anna, Will; Steffie & Rob Draughon, Abigail, Amelia; Ernie Goad; Jean & Robert Hicks; Jo Ann Owens; Susan & Ken Pasley, Kendall; Janet Roll.

In April, please pray for these churches in the Presbytery:

Grace Presbyterian Church, Dyersburg TN

Farmington Presbyterian Church, Germantown TN

Germantown Presbyterian Church, Germantown TN

***Note: Any text that is [blue](#) is an active link in the electronic version.  
You can click on that to go to a webpage or send an email.***

## GPC NEWS

**Church members and friends beware:** churches and members are often targeted for scams, especially during the holidays. Please be aware that ***no staff member will ever email or text you asking for help or money.***

**Did you know GPC has 2 video channels? We do! And make sure you subscribe!** The more subscribers we have, the more we can post! If you missed any of the videos for any reason, you can catch them on either one of these channels.

- > Check out the Vimeo channel [here](#)
- > and the YouTube channel [here](#).

**Help Needed with Worship Services:** GPC is looking for volunteers who want to join an ongoing team that will form the core group who works with the audio-visual process of the livestream during Sunday morning and evening worship services. The people already participating will be happy to train you, and all you have to do is learn the user-friendly system. In addition, the volunteer will switch camera views during certain parts of the service for our livestreaming. It's all very easy, and yet vitally important to our expanding Internet presence. Please consider volunteering, and if you are interested you can contact the church office at [communications@germantownpres.org](mailto:communications@germantownpres.org).

### ADULTS & FAMILIES

**NaCoMe is Germantown Presbyterian's annual family camp** located in the tranquil valley of Pleasantville, TN. The Congregational Life Committee has received positive feedback that a number of families of the church are interested in attending this year. The weekend dates are April 30 - May 2. Please also know that COVID-19 policies have been implemented by the NaCoMe Retreat Center. So, registration is now open. In the electronic version of this bulletin, you can click <https://germantownpres.org/nacome-registration-2021/> to register your family. Otherwise, go online to the same link and register that way. If you have any questions or want more information or would like to speak to someone in person, please contact Susan Lipscomb ([slipscomb6@gmail.com](mailto:slipscomb6@gmail.com)) or Laura Brown ([llbrown88@gmail.com](mailto:llbrown88@gmail.com)).

### ADULTS

**Sunday morning adult class limited onsite and online for parents with children in Sunday School:** Coffee and Conversations is a hybrid online/limited onsite class that meets from 10:45-11:45am in UL-218 in the new adult education wing (temporarily moved from downstairs). This class resumes this week led by Pastor Mike as they begin their new Engage session on the Gospel.

**Women:** Membership in Presbyterian Women (PW) is open to all women and strives to help develop the gifts and talents of all women in our church. It's a great way to meet the other women of the church and grow in your faith. Please consider joining in as we unite with other women of the church and commit to helping every woman develop into the person God intends her to be and grow spiritually through prayer, Bible study, and mission work, keeping our hearts open to God's call to action and involvement. Individual Bible Study Circles meet the first Tuesday of every month on Zoom for now with both morning and evening options. For more information please call Nancy Halter, Moderator, 901-454-3268 or Bonnie Algee, Vice Moderator, 901-674-2613.

**Men:** The men of GPC have resumed Zoom meetings for their Sunrise Men's Breakfast Friday mornings at 6:30am. If you'd like to be involved in that fellowship and Bible study, contact Drayton Mayers at [draytonmayers@gmail.com](mailto:draytonmayers@gmail.com). In addition, the men's lunch devotion group has resumed meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 1pm via Zoom, so if you'd like to be plugged into that group, please contact Anthony Duke at [anthony.duke@ipaper.com](mailto:anthony.duke@ipaper.com).

## SPECIAL NEEDS



April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021; begins at 6:30 PM

### 1) GPC Volunteers needed\*!!!

Staff/volunteers: [MJP 2021 PROMADE VOLUNTEERS! \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)\*

### EXTRA: GPC was asked to decorate "Sweets Tables"

#### \* Volunteer at specific locations along the route.

6:30 p.m. – the end of the event, at various stations

As of 3/31/21:

- We need **LOTS of paparazzi**; [bring your phones & take pics!](#)
- Openings at **Tents 2, 10, 11, and 12**, along the route.

**Remember:** If you volunteered to serve at the event, Volunteers' Packet pick-up is Fri., April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 – 5:30 p.m. (You'll get pom poms/ pinwheels & nametags w/ lanyards; at Christ Church East Ministry Center, 9056 Poplar Pike, G'town 38138). Thank you for your service!

### 2) Donate money toward GPC's \$2,500 goal!!!

Easy donation via [GPC website](#) to "Joy Promade," or by cash or checks labeled for "Memphis Joy Prom." As of 3/31/21: We have raised \$1,370!!

**THANK YOU** to our donors!

### 3) THANK YOU, Helen Warren, Cathy Borden, & Brooke

Duke for delivering goody bags on Palm Sunday!!!

**You are APPRECIATED!!!**



### 4) By 4/7/21 - Donate snacks to feed volunteers!

Please label donations with your name & "Memphis Joy Prom/ MJP" and drop them by the Office. Thank you very much!!!

As of 3/31/21:

**We have received 7 boxes toward our goal of 20!**

- 5) **THANK YOU, Kirsten King, Susan Jones, Lea Buring, and Helen Warren; and to those who have emailed that you'll be bringing them by soon: Cathy Borden & Brooke Duke!**

If you have questions, please email [jackiec@germantownpres.org](mailto:jackiec@germantownpres.org).

**PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION ENDS APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>**

# MEMPHIS JOY PROMADE 2021

APRIL 16, 2021 | CCM | 6:30 PM

Participant Packet Pick up will be Mon., April 12<sup>th</sup>  
from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
at Christ Church Memphis, 4488 Poplar Ave.

MEMPHIS  
JOY  
PROM  
LUKE 14:12-14

How to volunteer: Email [specialneeds@germantownpres.org](mailto:specialneeds@germantownpres.org) or call 901-754-5195 and ask for Jackie.

## **SPECIAL NEEDS & CHILDREN**

GPC's Breathe/ Parent's Night Out (PNO): Do not despair! We are having talks about the Breathe/Parent's Night Out program and wish to bring it back as much as you'd love to see it restored! It is also our desire to have this program in full swing, and we sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding!

## **CHILDREN**

**Sunday morning adult class limited onsite and online for parents with children in Sunday School:** Coffee and Conversations is a hybrid online/limited onsite class that meets from 10:45-11:45am in UL-218 in the new adult education wing (temporarily moved from downstairs). This class is led by Pastor Mike continuing the Engage series on evangelism.

**VBS is the week of June 7 – 11, 9:00am – noon,** for 3-year-olds (potty trained) through rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders as of the coming August school year. Registration is now open for participants, and it will stay open through April 30. Also, adult and youth volunteers are needed! You may read the adult and youth volunteer job descriptions by clicking on the volunteer registration forms located at [www.germantownpres.org/vbs](http://www.germantownpres.org/vbs). Please sign up to volunteer on these



online sign-up forms! Supply donations are needed, and you may grab an item that you would like to donate on the supply boards located in the AC Lobby. VBS Decorating Day is Sunday, June 6 from 10:30am (following worship) – 3:00pm and will include a pizza lunch. Please mark your calendar for all of these important dates. Please go online to register or volunteer at [www.germantownpres.org/vbs](http://www.germantownpres.org/vbs). You may email Anna White with questions [annaw@germantownpres.org](mailto:annaw@germantownpres.org). Thank you for supporting our children in their faith development through Vacation Bible School!

Keep watching this space, the website, and social media for upcoming children's events. If you would like to be on the Children's Ministry email list, please contact Family Ministry Director Anna White at [children@germantownpres.org](mailto:children@germantownpres.org).

## YOUTH

### ANNUAL GPC YOUTH AUCTION \* IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT! GOING ONCE, GOING TWICE....

**WHAT?** *Annual GPC Youth Ministry Auction*

**WHEN?** *Sunday, April 11, 2021*

**WHERE?** *Warren Hall and surrounding hallways*

**WHO?** Y-O-U!

**HOW?** 1. This year, you will have an opportunity to register and/or donate to the youth online.

(Register here [website image below]: <https://germantownpres.org/youth-auction-2021/>)



2. When you register, you will choose from one of these options:

- Browse & Bid ONLY (attend in person to bid on items; doesn't include to-go meal) *or*
- Browse & Bid & Bites to Go (attend in person to bid on items; does include to-go meal[s]) *or*
- Make a monetary donation only

3. Choose a time slot to attend in person.

4. Come to Warren Hall on April 11 and bid, bid, bid!

**WHY?** *To support our incredible youth and help offset the cost of summer trips!*

\* Please note: Due to COVID restrictions, there will be **no live auction** and **no on-site community meal**. All meals ordered are to-go – pork tenderloin, sides, and dessert – catered by Ernie Mellor's *Hog Wild/A Moveable Feast*. All bids are blind, single bids. **Make your best offer!** Forty people will be allowed per Browse & Bid time slot to accommodate physical distancing. Masks are required. Thank you for your support and for understanding that though this year's event will be quite different due the pandemic and recent water damage, it will still be lots of fun and a great chance to support GPC youth.

#### Changes in Donating Items to the Auction this year:

*Due to COVID restrictions, we can only accept NEW and UNUSED items this year. We cannot accept baked goods and we cannot accept any used items. If you have questions about this, or about an item you would like to donate, please contact Christopher Greco in the church office ([christopherg@germantownpres.org](mailto:christopherg@germantownpres.org) or 901-754-5195). Thank you so much for your understanding!*



**Calling all Larry Birds and Magic Johnsons!** We are searching for adults to come and play games or spend time with students from 4:00pm to 4:45pm on Sundays. Games would include basketball, 9-Square, gaga, and more. (You can also just chat.) If you're ready to rise to the Majors, email [Christopher Greco](mailto:Christopher.Greco).

Youth Sunday School and Sunday afternoon fellowships are in full swing with Christopher. This Sunday youth will explore a Special-One-Time-Only topic called "Rebellious." Youth will discover how Jesus sets us free to rebel against the rules of the world and live in a way that reflects His Kingdom on Earth. Doors will open at 4:00pm, and we start to meet in fellowship at 4:30pm. We will eat some dinner at 6:00pm, and pickup will be at 6:30pm.

If you would like to be on the Youth Ministry email list, please email [youth@germantownpres.org](mailto:youth@germantownpres.org).

### MISSIONS

*In case you missed it. (ICYMI)*

**Resources to help the homeless:** There are some terrific ways to help the homeless in the Germantown/Memphis area. If you want to help, please donate and/or give out the numbers listed here:

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| 1. Hospitality Hub -        | 901-522-1808 | <a href="mailto:info@hospitalityhub.org">info@hospitalityhub.org</a>                       |
| 2. Room in the Inn (RITI) - | 901-395-3329 | <a href="mailto:innkeeper@roomintheinn-memphis.org">innkeeper@roomintheinn-memphis.org</a> |
| 3. MIFA -                   | 901-527-0208 | <a href="mailto:jseacat@mifa.org">jseacat@mifa.org</a>                                     |

**Remember – don't give out anyone's personal number!**

Room in the Inn (RITI) Memphis is always looking for volunteers, and donations are always welcome. You can drop off various toiletries in the bin in the Activity Center labelled RITI.

**UKirk Memphis** is a ministry serving the campuses of Rhodes College, the University of Memphis, and beyond. UKirk is a nationwide campus ministry affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA) and in partnership with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. We seek to reach, love, and teach college students to be lifelong followers of Jesus Christ. In the season of COVID-19, we have pivoted from our normal in-person events to holding our weekly gatherings online for a time of fellowship, conversation, and prayer. We are holding some small socially distant gatherings outdoors, along with providing opportunities for one-on-one conversation with the campus minister. We have also sent care packages to our students as tangible reminders that they are loved! Although we are doing ministry differently this year, its importance in the spiritual lives of our students has not waived, nor has our need for support from congregations and individuals.

We ask for your prayers for our students as they navigate life in this time. And if you feel called to donate financially, you can do so online at [www.ukirkmemphis.com](http://www.ukirkmemphis.com) under the "Support Us" tab. There you can also sign up for our quarterly newsletter. If you would rather write a check, you can make it out to the Presbytery of the Mid-South with UKirk in the memo line and send to the Presbytery office at 449 Patterson St. Memphis, TN 38111. UKirk Memphis sends a big thank you to Germantown Presbyterian Church for their continued support of our ministry!

Questions? Contact Rev. Elizabeth Doolin, the UKirk Campus Minister, at [ukirk-memphis@gmail.com](mailto:ukirk-memphis@gmail.com).

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE

**GPC Prayer Ministry** - These times are filled with anxiety and unrest. We as a church want to pray for all our members. There are several ways to request prayer. The website has a prayer request link toward the bottom of the homepage page with praying hands graphic. We also have replenished the pew prayer cards. Just fill them out and put them in the offering plate. Another way is the email that church member Margaret Owens oversees. The address is [margaretowens1@aol.com](mailto:margaretowens1@aol.com). Or you can also send a prayer request to the pastors at [prayers@germantownpres.org](mailto:prayers@germantownpres.org).

The pastors also pray over all confidential prayer requests. This is a great way for us to get renewed strength during these uncertain times.

**GPC offers a Grief Support Ministry.** The Grief Support Group isn't meeting together currently, but if you or someone you know needs to talk to someone, note your options below. Contact the church office (901-754-5195) or Stephanie Wall, Certified Grief Counselor, American Academy of Grief Counseling and Certified Grief Recovery Specialist, Grief Recovery Institute (901-494-7786) or Beth Brock (901-355-0262) or Linda Oakes (901-237-6566).

**GPC family: please be assured that GPCKids, PEACE the Special Needs Ministry, and GPC Youth all follow the CDC/WHO COVID-19 guidelines to ensure the safety of our participants and our leaders as we resume meeting onsite.**

If you're reading this digitally, you can click [here](#) to read the updated policies.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Director of Family Ministry Anna White at [family@germantownpres.org](mailto:family@germantownpres.org).

**THANKS TO ST. GEORGE'S, OUR NEIGHBORS ACROSS THE STREET, FOR THIS COVID SHOT INFORMATION**

### **Kroger**

We have also received information that the vaccine is available to eligible persons at area Kroger pharmacies. For more information, please visit <https://www.kroger.com/rx/covid-eligibility>.

### **Walmart**

We've also been told that area Walmart stores are administering the vaccine to persons who meet current eligibility requirements. For more information, visit <https://www.walmart.com/cp/1228302>.

### **GIVING**

Even if you're not here physically, you can give to support the ministries of GPC during this time. For more information please call Fred Turverey in the church office at 901-754-5195.



**Set up a recurring or one-time donation by texting the amount you wish to give to 901-295-0202.**



**Download the "GivePlus Church" app to set up recurring or one-time donations. You can also manage and view your giving from the convenience of your smartphone!**