



*April 18, 2021*

*6:00pm*

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## Gathering & Approaching God in Worship

Welcome, Announcements, & Opening Prayer

Rev. Susan Carter Wiggins

Song

### *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

Verse 1:

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!/ Let angels prostrate fall;/ Bring forth the royal diadem,/ And crown Him Lord of all!/ Bring forth the royal diadem,/ And crown Him Lord of all!

Verse 2:

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,/ Ye ransomed from the fall,/ Hail Him Who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!/ Hail Him Who saves you by His grace,/ And crown Him Lord of all!

Chorus:

Lord of all/ You are Lord of all/ Lord of all/ You are Lord of all

Verse 3:

Let every kindred, every tribe,/ On this terrestrial ball,/ To Him all majesty ascribe,/ And crown Him Lord of all!/ To Him all majesty ascribe,/ And crown Him Lord of all!/ 'Cause He's worthy of our praise. Crown Him Lord of all.

Verse 4:

Oh, that with all the sacred throng/ We at His feet may fall!/ We'll join the everlasting song/ and crown Him Lord of all./ We'll join the everlasting song/ and crown Him Lord of all.

Song

### *Trust and Obey*

Verse 1:

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word/ What a glory He sheds on our way/ While we do His good will, He abides with us still/ And with all who will trust and obey

Chorus:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way/ To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey

Verse 2:

But we never can prove the delights of His love/ Until all on the altar we lay/ For the favor He shows, for the joy He bestows/ Are for them who will trust and obey

Verse 3:

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet/ Or we'll walk by His side in the way/ What He says we will do, where He sends we will go/ Never fear, only trust and obey

**Tag Ending:**

"Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,/ Just to take Him at His Word/ Just to rest upon His promise,/ Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord!"

### Listening to God's Word

Scripture Lesson:

1 John 2:28-3:3

<sup>28</sup> And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he is revealed we may have confidence and not be put to shame before him at his coming. <sup>29</sup> If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who does right has been born of him. **3** <sup>1</sup> See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Sermon

**Belong, Believe, Bless: Take Heart! Believe! Go!**

Rev. Wiggins



## *Dedicating Ourselves in Response to God*

**Song** *All Heaven Declares*

Verse 1:

All Heaven declares/ The glory of the risen Lord/ Who can compare/ With the beauty of the Lord

Chorus:

Forever He will be/ The lamb upon the throne/ I gladly bow to Thee/ And worship Him alone

Verse 2:

I will proclaim/ The glory of the risen Lord/ Who once was slain/ To reconcile man to God

**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** *Majesty*

Verse 1:

Majesty/ Worship His majesty/ Unto Jesus/ Be all glory, honor and praise

Verse 2:

Majesty/ Kingdom authority/ Flow from His throne/ Unto His own/ His anthem raise

Chorus:

So exalt, lift up on high/ The name of Jesus/ Magnify, come glorify/ Christ Jesus the King

Verse 3:

Majesty/ Worship His majesty/ Jesus who died, now glorified/ King of all kings

**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 Opper

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

*On the cover:* Roy De Maistre, *The Supper at Emmaus*. 1958, Methodist Modern Art Collection, DeM/1963

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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.

**VBS is the week** of June 7 – 11, 9:00 – 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 at [annaw@germantownpres.org](mailto:annaw@germantownpres.org). Thank you for supporting our children in their faith development through Vacation Bible School!

## Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of April 18, 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: Sarah Cannon & Adam Pflugrath, Evan Pflugrath; Jane & Culver Craddock; Susanne Crain; Jane & Jim Kinney; Helen & Fred Norman; Meredith & Greg Wagner, Angela & Cooper; William Warren, Kyle, Tyler, Will Jr.

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 ([lbrown88@gmail.com](mailto:lbrown88@gmail.com)).

### ADULTS

#### **Sunday morning adult classes offered limited onsite and online:**

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. This class was designed especially for parents with children in Sunday School onsite. Pastor Mike is leading this class using the new Engage 2021 study with a focus on evangelism. To participate, contact Anna White at [annaw@germantownpres.org](mailto:annaw@germantownpres.org).

Hits of the Ages Class, coordinators Liz ([lizcallicott@bellsouth.net](mailto:lizcallicott@bellsouth.net)) and Alan Callicott ([alan@callicottinsurance.com](mailto:alan@callicottinsurance.com)) - This class begins at 11am following worship and is studying the book of Genesis with the "Genesis to Revelation" study series. Currently this class meets primarily on Zoom. Beginning May 16, Pastor Mike Lyle will facilitate the ENGAGE series for 7 weeks. For information and how to join/participate with this class, contact the class coordinators.

Psalm 78 Class, coordinators Stacy Weiss ([stacy.weiss@comcast.net](mailto:stacy.weiss@comcast.net)) and Kevin Floyd ([kevinfloyd@comcast.net](mailto:kevinfloyd@comcast.net)) - This class, which is made up of parents of school-age children, is currently looking at a book *Depending on Jesus: Discovering the Sufficiency of Christ*. They meet on Zoom each Sunday at 11am and would like to invite other young parents to jump onboard! The class will continue to be held over Zoom. If we decide to meet in person, we will still offer a Zoom option. For information and how to join/participate with this class, contact the class coordinators.

Seekers Class, coordinators Randy Harris ([randyfarris2@yahoo.com](mailto:randyfarris2@yahoo.com)) and Lanny Oakes ([lannyoakes@bellsouth.net](mailto:lannyoakes@bellsouth.net)) - Having recently completed the new Engage 2021 study with a focus on mission led by Pastor Susie, the group has returned to their study of the OT book of Isaiah. Beginning May 16, 2021 they will begin either "Old Testament Characters" or "New Testament Characters." Then on July 11, 2021, Pastor Mike Lyle will facilitate the Engage series for 7 weeks. This class continues to meet exclusively via Zoom. For information and how to join/participate with this class, contact the class coordinators.

The dedicated group of women known as Paula's Hearts and Hands enjoy meeting together to knit prayer shawls, baby blankets, booties, hats, and other things for those in need of prayer and support. They pray over each item produced and often watch a Bible Study series together. They have resumed meeting in person at church in Warren Hall. To find out more about this class, contact Mary Rogers at [mlrogers44@bellsouth.net](mailto:mlrogers44@bellsouth.net).

**GPC members are invited to join a 6 week Zoom Bible Study on the Book of Revelation** led by Idlewild Presbyterian member (and former GPC member) Mary Edith Walker. The study began Thursday, April 15 at 10:00am. Your Bible will be your guide. Last fall 7 members from GPC participated in her Bible Study and really enjoyed it! Please contact Barbara Armstrong ([b2armst@gmail.com](mailto:b2armst@gmail.com)) to sign up or with any questions.

**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 & 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!

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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

**Thank you so much to everyone who participated in the Youth Auction.** This year presented some unusual and first-time challenges, but the event planning team (Brooke Duke, Rebecca Floyd, Lauren Utterback), Anna and Christopher, and all the numerous volunteers made this event very special. When a final total is determined, the church will share the results with you.

**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. Doors will open at 4:00pm, and we start to meet in fellowship at 4:30pm. We eat some dinner at 6:00pm, and pickup is 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:

1. Hospitality Hub - 901-522-1808 [info@hospitalityhub.org](mailto:info@hospitalityhub.org)
2. Room in the Inn (RITI) - 901-395-3329 [innkeeper@roomintheinn-memphis.org](mailto:innkeeper@roomintheinn-memphis.org)
3. MIFA - 901-527-0208 [jseacat@mifa.org](mailto:jseacat@mifa.org)

**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 wavered, 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).

Follow us on social media! On Instagram and Twitter @ UKirkMemphis, and Facebook @ UKirkatMemphis

## 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!**



**Visit [germantownpres.org/giving](http://germantownpres.org/giving) or scan the QR code on the left to set up and manage your recurring or one-time gifts.**



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