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GATHERING

PRELUDE

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Marianne Kim

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Will Jones

BELL INTROIT

**CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 92)*

Ms. Brenda Jeter, Liturgist

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

People: It is good to declare your steadfast love in the morning and your faithfulness by night.

Leader: For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

People: How great are your works, O Lord! Your thoughts are very deep!

Leader: The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

People: They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God. Let us worship God.

** HYMN*

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

MARION



1. Re - joice, ye pure in heart; re - joice give thanks, and sing;
2. Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go;
3. At last the march shall end; the wea - ried ones shall rest;
4. Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we a - dore,



your glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
from youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.
the pil - grims find their heaven - ly home, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.
the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, one God for - ev - er - more.



Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks and sing.

**CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)*

Lord, have mercy on us, for we are sinners. We cannot explain our sin, because it is irrational. We choose what is expedient rather than what is good. We choose to hurt those whom we love. We choose what is damaging against our own health and best interest. We lack the self-control not to sin. Have mercy upon us, we humbly ask you, as we confess that without you, we are lost in our poor choices.

(Time of personal prayer)

Leader: We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,

People: Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

*SHARING OF GRACE

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please remember those who usually sit near you, and pray for them and contact them later today to share your love for them.)

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

Ms. Anna White

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS, CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

Statement on the Offices of Deacon and Elder

Rev. Susan Carter Wiggins

Questions to the New Officers

Rev. Mike Lyle

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge Him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through Him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? **I do.**

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? **I do.**

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? **I do and I will.**

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions? **I will.**

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? **I will.**

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? **I will.**

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? **I do.**

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? **I will.**

To deacons:

Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need? In your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

To elders:

Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

Questions for the Congregation:

Do we, the members of the church, accept Bob Johnson, Elizabeth Powell, Terry Pickett, David Aslin, Chancellor Reynolds, Sue Perrin, Debbie Ragain, Alan Callicott, and Ann Harbor, as elders; and Sue Kelley, Mary Ann Harris, Graham Askew, Annaleigh Eason, Alice Kiser, Garrett Guynes, Greg Morgan, and David Paris as deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Jones

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

16 The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." 2 Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.'" 3 Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." 4 Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" 5 He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. 6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD." 7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." 8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." 9 Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." 10 Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." 11 Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." 12 He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 1:16-21

16 I wanted to visit you on my way to Macedonia, and to come back to you from Macedonia and have you send me on to Judea. 17 Was I vacillating when I wanted to do this? Do I make my plans according to ordinary human standards, ready to say "Yes, yes" and "No, no" at the same time? 18 As surely as God is faithful, our word to you has not been "Yes and No." 19 For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, whom we proclaimed among you, Silvanus and Timothy and I, was not "Yes and No"; but in him it is always "Yes." 20 For in him every one of God's promises is a "Yes." For this reason it is through him that we say the "Amen," to the glory of God. 21 But it is God who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

God at Work: Through the Runt of the Litter

Dr. Jones

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Mike Lyle

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Susan Carter Wiggins

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

He's Got the Whole World in His Hand
Stephanie Doche, mezzo-soprano

Margaret Bonds

*He's got the whole world in His hand. He's got the wood and the waters in His hand,
He's got the sun and the moon right in His hand, He's got the birds and the bees right in His hand,
He's got the beasts of the field right in His hand, He's got you and me right in His hand,
He's got everybody in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand.*

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Lyle

SENDING

*HYMN

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS



1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2. We share each oth - er's woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear;
3. From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;



the fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*CHARGE and BLESSING

Dr. Jones

*POSTLUDE

Our God, How Great!

Gregg Sewell

WORSHIP ARTS TODAY

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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!



Scan the QR code to sign in to the online Friendship Pad.

Interested in joining GPC? *You are welcome here!* For more information on how to join, please Amy Phillips at (901) 647-6433 and my email is amybirdwellphillips@gmail.com.

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.

The rose on the baptismal font is given to the glory of God in celebration of the birth on May 5, 2021 of Lila Marie Goodin, daughter of GPC members Jennifer and Michael Goodin, and sister to Evelyn, Grey and Rosalie.

We are so grateful to those Elders and Deacons who are stepping down today: as Elders: Lalla Colmer, Lauren Utterback, David Jeter, Rush Smith, Kathleen Boyd, Beth Brock, Robert Shaw, Katherine Willingham; as Deacons: Laura Brown, Susan Lipscomb, Bonnie Algee, Shirley Billups, Bill Carmichael, Richard Fast, and Audrey Holmes. We also remember with fondness our friend Andrew Arthur, who was part of this Elder class until his death last November.

We will always be grateful to this group of officers who have given so much of their time, talents, and resources to this body of Christ. We praise God for their work and faith during this particularly challenging season in the life of this great church over the last year.

Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of June 13, 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: Linda Sue & Bob Bobo; Danielle Danforth Miller; Fred & Judy Daniel Frick; Linda & Donnie Harris; Julie & Matthew Lindow, Jason, Victoria; Abby Powell; Kim & Tom Sauer; Lauren & Chuck Utterback, Miller.

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

Trinity Presbyterian Church, Martin TN
First Presbyterian Church, McKenzie, TN
Balmoral Presbyterian Church, Memphis TN
Bethel Presbyterian Church, Memphis, 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 will offer a joining ceremony June 27 at 10:45 after worship. If you are interested in joining, please contact Amy Phillips at 647-6433, Diane Callahan Edens at 262-1478 or any GPC minister at 754-5195.

You are invited to find a family of faith here.

GPC NEWS

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.

ADULTS

There are a number of Sunday morning adult classes offered limited onsite and online. You can find information about all the Sunday morning classes on the website here: <https://germantownpres.org/ministries/adult-education/> - Coffee and Conversations; Hits of the Ages; Psalm 78; Seekers; Paula's Hearts and Hands.

Women: Presbyterian Women's last Bible study ended May 4. There are no gatherings planned for the summer, but our Bible Study will begin again in September. If additional information is needed contact Nancy Halter jhalter2097@comcast.net or 731 267-0497 or Bonnie Algee email bbalgee@bellsouth.net or 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. In addition, the men's lunch devotion group has resumed meeting on the 2nd and 4th 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.

SPECIAL NEEDS



PEACE, calls out for more volunteers!

[Sunday School Substitute Teachers](#) for some summertime Sundays, 10:40 a.m. – 11:40 a.m., to allow travel and respite opportunities to our veteran Sunday School program teachers.

[Wacky Wednesday needs volunteers!](#) 10:00 a.m. – 12:00/12:30_p.m. Wednesdays, beginning June 16th!

PEACE Program summertime changes:

Wacky Wednesday in the Word Registration is Open!

Wacky Wednesday will begin meeting on June 16, in Warren Hall. If you prefer to attend virtually, a Zoom link will be provided to the email you provide when you register. Activities will run from 10am – 12pm, followed by lunchtime fellowship from 12 – 12:30pm.

YOU CAN REGISTER [HERE](#).



Coming Next Week: 6/18/21, 5-9pm

A Special Night for Special Kids A private and FREE event, offered to children AND adults with special needs, and their families.

The evening event includes tethered balloon rides and glow, as well as festival and kids' zone activities. For more **information**:
<https://thebluffcityballoonjamboree.com>.

To register to attend: [Special Night for Special Kids Application \(wufoo.com\)](https://www.wufoo.com)

We love and thank God for our fathers!

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

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.

YOUTH

Christopher is leading Youth Sunday School and some terrific summer activities. If you would like to be on the Youth Ministry email list, please email youth@germantownpres.org.

MISSIONS

In case you missed it. (ICYMI)

May 2021: **Memphis Athletic Ministries** is gearing up for the summer months and would love to get GPC members involved with our Summer Academy. Summer Academy is focused on slowing "summer slide" for rising 3rd - 8th grade students across the city. Historically, Memphis students decline in their reading and math due to learning inactivity in the summer months and MAM is working hard to combat that decline. We provide all-day activities to keep students engaged in learning in a fun and safe environment. MAM families pay \$50 for the entire 5-week summer program. To offset costs, we are asking for support from friends across the city to cover our expenses to provide excellent programs to our families. To get involved, visit www.mamsports.org/summer to DONATE NOW!

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
2. Room in the Inn (RITI) - 901-395-3329 innkeeper@roomintheinn-memphis.org
3. MIFA - 901-527-0208 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 waived, nor has our need for support from congregations and individuals.

Questions? Contact Rev. Elizabeth Doolin, the UKirk Campus Minister, at 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. Or you can also send a prayer request to the pastors at 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 will resume meeting together on Thursday, June 24 from 6:00-7:30pm in Warren Fellowship Hall. For more information, 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).

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 or scan the QR code on the left to set up and manage your recurring or one-time gifts.



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