



June 27, 2021

Gathering & Approaching God in Worship

Welcome, Announcements, & Opening Prayer

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Song

I Will Wait For You

Verse 1:

Out of the depths I cry to You/ In darkest places I will call/ Incline Your ear to me anew/ And hear my cry for mercy Lord

Verse 2:

Were You to count my sinful ways/ How could I come before Your throne/ Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze/ I stand redeemed by grace alone

Chorus 1:

I will wait for You, I will wait for You/ On Your word I will rely/ I will wait for You, surely wait for You Till my soul is satisfied

Verse 3:

So put Your hope in God alone/ Take courage in His power to save/ Completely and forever won/ By Christ emerging from the grave

Verse 4:

Now He has come to make a way/ And God Himself has paid the price/ That all who trust in Him today Find healing in His sacrifice

Chorus 2:

I will wait for You, I will wait for You/ Through the storm and through the night/ I will wait for You, surely wait for You/ For Your love is my delight

Song

Everlasting God

Verse 1:

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord/ We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord/ We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord

Pre-Chorus:

Our God, You reign forever/ Our hope, our Strong Deliverer

Chorus:

You are the everlasting God/ The everlasting God/ You do not faint/ You won't grow weary/ You're the defender of the weak/ You comfort those in need/ You lift us up on the wings/ Like eagles

Listening to God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag. David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said: Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places! How the mighty have fallen! Tell it not in Gath, proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon; or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice, the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult.

You mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew or rain upon you, nor bounteous fields! For there the shield of the mighty was defiled, the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more.

From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan did not turn back, nor the sword of Saul return empty.

Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely! In life and in death they were not divided; they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.

O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you with crimson, in luxury, who put ornaments of gold on your apparel.

How the mighty have fallen in the midst of the battle! Jonathan lies slain upon your high places. I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan; greatly beloved were you to me; your love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.

How the mighty have fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: Galatians 5:13-26

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

God At Work: Saving Us From Ourselves

Mr. Tom Sauer

Dedicating Ourselves in Response to God

Song

Turn Your Eyes

Verse 1:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus/ Look full in His wonderful face/ And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

Verse 2:

Turn your eyes to the hillside/ Where justice and mercy embraced/ There the Son of God gave His life for us
And our measureless debt was erased

Chorus:

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes/ Jesus, our glory and our prize/ We adore You, behold You, our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You

Verse 3:

Turn your eyes to the morning/ And see Christ the lion awake/ What a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins

Verse 4:

Turn your eyes to the heavens/ Our King will return for His own/ Every knee will bow, every tongue will
shout/ All glory to Jesus alone

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

Do It Again

Verse 1:

Walking around these walls/ I thought by now they'd fall/ But You have never failed me yet

Verse 2:

Waiting for change to come/ Knowing the battle's won/ For You have never failed me yet

Chorus:

Your promise still stands/ Great is Your faithfulness, faithfulness/ I'm still in Your hands/ This is my confidence/ You've never failed me yet

Verse 3:

I know the night won't last/ Your word will come to pass/ My heart will sing Your praise again/ Jesus You're still enough/ Keep me within Your love, oh/ My heart will sing Your praise again

Bridge:

I've seen You move, You move the mountains/ And I believe I'll see You do it again/ You made a way, where there was no way/ And I believe I'll see You do it again

Benediction and Blessing

Dr. Jones

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: *God's Hands and the Holy Spirit*, stained glass, 20th century, from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

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 contact Kathleen Boyd at 901-833-3413 or 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.

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Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements
Week of June 27, 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: Liz & Alan Callicott, Ruth; Janie Day; Karen & Bill Lawhorn; Laura & Bob Schriener; Betsy & Dominique Vacheron.

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 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 in May. 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!](#) 10:00am – 12:00pm activities, 12:00pm – 12:30pm lunch.

PEACE Program summertime changes:

Wacky Wednesday in the Word Registration is Open!

Wacky Wednesdays have begun in person in Warren Fellowship 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. For more information, email jackiec@germantownpres.org.

Or, you can register [here](#).

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 waivered, 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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