



GERMANTOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
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October 10, 2021
8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

**Please stand.*

Please silence electronic devices.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Adagio

Kevin Norris

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Will Jones

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

“Engaging Our Potential”

Mr. Alex Ivy

CHIME INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 90)

Mrs. Jean Carroll (8:30)
Dr. Noel Florendo (11:00)

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

**People: Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

Leader: A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,
or like a watch in the night.

People: Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

*HYMN 478

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Holy God, we confess our sin before you. We have sinned against you by following other gods, listening to other loves, and hoping in others above you. We know our sins, and yet we feel powerfulness to defeat them. We turn to you as the only source of redemption. In your goodness, have mercy on us, we pray. Also in your goodness, show us the way of faith, so that you will be our God, our primary love, and our highest hope.

(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.

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS (11:00)

Rev. Mike Lyle

ORDINATION SERVICE Mr. Graham Askew to the Office of Deacon

THE WORD

ANTHEM (11:00)

A Prayer of Compassion
Chancel Choir

Gwyneth Walker

Lead me, Lord, in the paths of peace. Make Your way plain before my eyes. For it is You, Lord, and You alone, who can make me to dwell in safety. Lead me always to listen, teach me to live with compassion, that when I come to a place of rest only by Your grace, not by my merit, no praise be mine, but let me keep a heart that still can feel, and eyes that still can weep.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Mark 10:17-31

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Upside-Down Kingdom: Value and Worth

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

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

Simple Gifts (from *Old American Songs*)
Michael Anderson, baritone

Aaron Copland

*'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free; 'tis the gift to come down where you ought to be
And when we find ourselves in the place just right 'twill be in the valley of love and delight.
When true simplicity is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed
To turn, turn will be our delight 'till by turning, turning we come round right.*

*DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

**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.**

SENDING

*HYMN

The Summons

KELVINGROVE



1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call your name?
3. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and ne - ver be the same?
Will you care for cruel and kind and ne - ver be the same?
Let me turn and fol - low you and ne - ver be the same.



Will you let my love be shown? Will you let my name be known?
Will you risk the hos-tile stare_ should your life at - tract or scare?
In your com - pa - ny I'll go_ where your love and foot - steps show.



Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

*CHARGE and BLESSING

Dr. Jones

*POSTLUDE

Intonation, Verset, and Finale

Giacomo Carissimi

Welcome to worship online and 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 Amy Phillips at (901) 647-6433 or by email is amybirdwellphillips@gmail.com.

The flowers in the service today are given to the glory of God to celebrate the marriage of GPC staff member Jackie Classen to Bayne Williams in historic Evans Chapel yesterday, October 9, 2021.

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.

WORSHIP ARTS TODAY

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Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of October 10, 2021

Church Family Prayer Program: Members of the congregation are randomly selected each week to be lifted up. This week please pray for: Laura Brown; Judy and Don Chandler; Susan and Bo Hormberg; Deranda and Caleb Lester, Darcy; Luke McClellan; Gaye and Bob Pitts; Alta and Jim Simpson.

GPC is searching for a new Director of Ministry to Children. This is a full-time job, and a position description may be found on the church website. There are also copies available on tables outside the entrances to the sanctuary. For more information, please contact September Eason at children@gpctn.org.

GPC's 4th Annual Women's Retreat is Back! This year the retreat will be a one-day event held at GPC on Saturday, November 6 from 9am – 4pm. Mouth-watering cinnamon rolls will be provided by Pinecrest, and lunch and snacks will be provided by the Women's Retreat Planning Team. This year's theme is: *Generation after Generation: Learning From, Becoming, and Handing Down Women's Wisdom*. And for those of you with kids, Pastor Will is working with the Retreat team to come up with a dad/kid event for that day. Women's retreat tee shirts are available for purchase as well. Registration is now open on the GPC website. For more information, contact Pastor Susie at susiew@germantownpres.org.

Children's Music Wants You! GPCKids is ramping up the music program, but there are some differences. Children from preschool through 5th grade are invited to stay after the 11:00am worship, enjoy a light snack lunch and learn music – vocal and instrumental. They will also play games and take part in fun activities. Pick-up time is 1:30pm. Please email Alex Benford if you have questions and/or would like to be involved: alex@germantownpres.org.

Nursery Open Sunday Nights: The nursery is now open Sunday evenings from 5:00pm – 7:30pm. If you haven't come on Sunday nights because you need childcare, now is your time! Come join us.

Audio Visual 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. 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.

Special Needs Program: There are many volunteer opportunities each week in our special needs program, including our Wednesday lunch and Friendship Circle, our Thursday morning *Amplify* music program, and our Friday morning JoyLife901 Breakfast Club meetings. For more information about participation and/or volunteering, please contact Jackie Classen at specialneeds@germantownpres.org.

Youth Group will not meet tonight (10/10) because of Fall Break. Have a fun and safe vacation, and we will see you next week (10/17)!

Memphis Food Bank Mobile Pantry has set up a mobile food donation site at Idlewild Presbyterian Church, and more volunteers are needed to sign up and help Idlewild volunteers distribute food. The volunteers staff this site two (2) times a month on Wednesday mornings from 8:00am-10:30am; at least 25 volunteers are needed. Go to this website [here](#)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084eaaac22aafa7-idlewild>) to sign up to help give out food to our hungry neighbors.

Mentors for Memphis Athletic Ministries: MAM is searching for men and women who will commit to mentor a high school student for this upcoming school year. Mentors will be matched with students accepted into our Mentoring Program. Students are hand selected and hired by MAM to work in our sites and gain college and career training. Mentors will help these students set goals and take the steps to reach those goals and prepare them for life after MAM. For more information or to sign up, go to: www.mamsports.org/volunteer.

Grief Support Ministry: The Grief Support Group has begun meeting regularly again on the second Thursday of every month from 6:00-7:30pm in Warren Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact the church office (901-754-5195) or office@germantownpres.org.

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

First Presbyterian Church, Savannah, TN Bethesda Presbyterian Church, Selmer, TN
First Presbyterian Church, Selmer, TN First Presbyterian Church, Somerville, TN
Tiptonville Presbyterian Church, Tiptonville, TN

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Director of Children's Ministry
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Director of Germantown Presbyterian Preschool
Director of Youth Ministry
Director of Communications
Worship Leader/Musician
Pastor
Associate Pastor for Evangelism & Discipleship
Financial Secretary
Associate Pastor to Senior Adults
Maintenance Technician
Director of Music Ministry
Business & Facilities Administrator
Director of Family Ministry
Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Nurture
Maintenance Assistant



Engage 2021

*I am doing something brand new, something unheard of.
Even now it sprouts and grows and matures.
Don't you perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and open up flowing streams in the desert.*

Isaiah 43:19 (TPT)



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Germantown Presbyterian Church

Nomination for Officers

Please prayerfully consider nominations for the next class of church officers. These are very important roles of service and responsibility. You can submit your nomination form directly to the church office, in the offering plate, to a Nominating Committee member or via email to nominations@germantownpres.org. The Nomination Forms will be available through the month of October.

Consider the following qualifications before completing the back of this form:

Church Involvement

- regular attendance at Sunday worship and participation in church activities
- areas of service in church ministries
- demonstration of commitment to the church and its mission

Christian Living

- love of Jesus Christ and dedication to Christ as Lord and Savior
- strong faith
- demonstration of grace and compassion in common life (family, work, community)
- spiritual maturity
- acceptance of the Bible as the unique and authoritative witness to God's work in the world and guide for Christian living

Personal Characteristics and Skills

- cooperativeness: willingness to learn and listen
- ability to follow through on assignments
- openness to new ideas

Particular Qualifications for Offices

Deacon

- gifts of sympathy, compassion, and sound judgment in ministry to others

Elder

- gifts of good judgment, fair-mindedness
- spiritual leader with a vision to provide oversight and direction for the congregation
- willingness to teach and preach

Nominating Committee Member

- gifts of spiritual discernment and wide knowledge of the members of the congregation to seek God's will for the leadership of the congregation

Officer Nomination Form

I suggest _____ for

nomination to the office of:

____ Elder

____ Youth Elder (*current high school 10th or 11th gr*)

____ Deacon

____ Youth Deacon (*current high school 10th or 11th gr*)

____ Nominating Committee

____ Nominating Committee, Youth Member (*current high school 10th / 11th gr*)

What spiritual gifts does this person possess?

What church activities/programs does this person participate in?

Submitted by _____

(Please print your name here.)