



GERMANTOWN
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March 20, 2022

8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

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Please silence electronic devices.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Gabriel's Oboe
Michelle Vigneau, oboe

Ennio Morricone
arr. McGurty

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Mike Lyle

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: March 25 Sandy Franks Memorial Concert

Dr. Jerold Teachey

CHIME INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 105)

Elaine Cates (8:30)
David Jeter (11:00)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name, make known His deeds among the peoples

People: Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wonderful works

Leader: Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice

People: Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His presence continually

Leader: Remember the wonderful works He has done

People: He is the Lord our God

*HYMN 339

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Good and Gracious God, we draw near to you with a deep desire for your cleansing grace. We confess that we have used and abused the blessings you have given us, and set our hope, joy, and satisfaction in them rather than in You. We try so hard to be self-sufficient that we have blinded ourselves and others to our daily need for your provision. Lord Jesus, have mercy on us. And please do not withhold your faithfulness from us when we test your love.

(Time of personal prayer)

Leader: We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,

People: Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

**My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,
love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.
O who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?**

*SHARING OF GRACE

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

People: And also with you.

THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

Blair Hayes

ANTHEM (11:00)

When We are Tempted to Deny Your Son
Chancel Choir Michelle Vigneau, oboe

Zebulon M. Highben

When we are tempted to deny your Son, because we fear the anger of the world, and we are few who bear the insults hurled, your will, O God, be done. When we are tempted to betray your Son, because He leads us in a harder way, and makes demands we do not want to pay, your will, O God, be done. (Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin.) When we forget the cross that held your Son, and would avoid the burden of this life, the cry for justice and an end to strife, your will, O God, be done. When doubt obscures the vict'ry of your Son, and faith is weak and all resolve has fled, help us to know Him risen from the dead; your will, O God, be done.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Lyle

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 (pew Bible 931-932)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Character and Calling: Holiness

Rev. Lyle

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles Creed

Dr. Will Jones

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.

MOMENT FOR MISSION Mexico Mission Trip Eddie Batey

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 TTITHES, OFFERINGS, AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY *Fac ut Portem* (from *Stabat Mater*) Gioachino Rossini
Brianna Reilly, mezzo soprano Michelle Vigneau, oboe arr. Benford

*Make me bear the death of Christ, make me share His Passion, and remember His wounds.
Make me be afflicted with those wounds and intoxicated with this Cross out of love for your Son.*

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE, HYMN 85 WONDROUS LOVE
**To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I Am;
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing!**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Dr. Jones

SENDING

*HYMN 281 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

*CHARGE and BLESSING Rev. Lyle

*POSTLUDE *Rondeau in D* Elisabeth Jacquet de la Guerre

Worship Arts Notes

We welcome Dr. Michelle Vigneau this morning. Dr. Vigneau is Associate Professor of oboe at the University of Memphis.

Music at GPC during the month of March celebrates Women's History Month. Elisabeth Jacquet de la Guerre (1665-1729) was a prolific French composer and harpsichordist. She had the honor, highly unusual for the time, of being a musician in the court of Louis XIV!

On the cover: Landowski, Paul Maximilien, 1875-1961, Leonida, Gheorghe. *Christ the Redeemer* (Rio de Janeiro), from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

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WORSHIP TODAY

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 into 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 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.

Name Tags: Do you know where yours is located? Let's start wearing them and if you can't find yours make a note on the Friendship Pad on Sunday and we'll make a new one for you that will be available in the narthex the next time you attend.

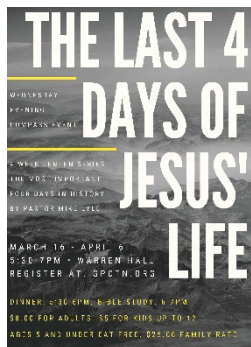
Special Announcement – Special Offering for Ukraine: GPC’s Session met on Thursday, March 17 and voted to collect a special offering for the next 2 Sundays, March 20 and March 27, for assistance for Ukraine. 100% of this offering will be sent to assist Ukrainian refugees. Please write Ukraine in the memo line of your check or designate *For Ukraine* if making an online donation which you can do by going to the [Donate](#) tab on the website or scanning this code. The missions committee will report back on the amount collected and the agencies assisted. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Hormberg (thehormbergs@gmail.com), Chair of the Missions Committee, or Pastor Will (willj@gpctn.org). And please continue to lift up Ukraine daily in your prayers.



Church Family Prayer Program: Members of the congregation are randomly selected each week to be lifted up. This week please pray for Carol/George Barnes; Michelle/Reed Brasfield, Lily; Polly/Rob Cotten, Bo, McKenzie; Dianne/Thomas King; Cheryl/Gary Riedel; Mary Lee Toler; Elizabeth/Jerry Wilson, Madison.

Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of March 20, 2022

Compass Returns for Lent



Compass is back by popular demand! Pastor Mike is leading a 4-week Compass Lenten series in Warren Fellowship Hall titled *The Last 4 Days of Jesus' Life* from March 16 – April 6. The meal will begin at 5:30 (\$8 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 6-12, kids under 5 eat free, \$25 family rate), and the study will begin at 6. Pastor Mike will be using Mark's Gospel as his text, so there's nothing to buy. Just bring your Bible! In order to get a good food count, reservations are requested but not required, and you can do that here: <https://germantownpres.org/compass-reservation-lent-2022/> or you can scan the QR code.



Download your weekly prayer guide here
(<https://germantownpres.org/lenten-offerings-2022/>) or scan the code.



Gala Concert Celebrating the Life & Legacy of Dr. Sandra Franks. On Friday, March 25 at 7:30pm in the sanctuary, GPC will host this concert in memory of Sandy Franks in order to establish the Sandra Franks Award for an Outstanding High School Singer, which will be given annually at the Mid South Region Audition finals of the National Teachers of Singing (NATS). No admission will be charged, but donations will be encouraged in order to establish and support this award. A number of talented singers will perform including some of Sandy's former colleagues and students. This is a night not to be missed.

It's baaaaaack! The GPC Children's spring musical! Our presentation will take place on Mother's Day, May 8, during 11:00 worship.

GPC children, pre-school through 5th grade, are invited to learn and sing about the love of Jesus, our Good Shepherd. Based on the parable of the 99 sheep, "We Like Sheep" follows the antics of Grimey, who leaves the flock only to realize that the Good Shepherd will leave the 99 just to find him. As the remaining ewes and rams reflect on the love Jesus has for them, everyone learns that "No matter how baaad we are, the Shepherd loves us" and celebrates when Grimey is brought back into the flock.

Rehearsals begin with hearings for speaking roles (2nd-5th graders only, please) next Sunday, March 27, and continue on select Sunday afternoons (4:30-5:30) and Wednesday evenings (5:30-6:30). Contact Dr. Alex (alexb@gpctn.org) for more information. Register your child(ren) to participate here: <https://germantownpres.org/childrens-music-registration/> or scan this code.



NaCoMe churchwide retreat is coming up! – April 29 – May 1 – and registration is now open. Yay! Scan the QR code or click here (<https://germantownpres.org/nacome-registration-2022/>) in the electronic version of the bulletin to register or go to the home page and find the link there. **Sign-up deadline is Thursday, March 31.** Questions? Need more info? Please contact Sherrie Horner at sherriehorner@gmail.com.

The 2022 theme comes from Psalm 150:

Alleluia!

We praise you, Holy God, in your sanctuary; we praise you in your mighty skies!

We praise you for your powerful deeds; we praise you for your overwhelming glory!

We praise you with the blast of the trumpet; we praise you with lyre and harp!

We praise you with timbrel and dance; we praise you with strings and flute!

We praise you with clashing cymbals; we praise you with resounding cymbals!

Let everything that has breath praise Almighty God!

Alleluia!

GPConnect

We are so excited to share that registration for GPConnect in March is open now and closes March 22. The March 27 gathering will be for Sunday brunch, 9:30am-12pm. Drop your child(ren) off at the preschool entrance under the overhang.



You can register your child(ren) here in your digital bulletin:

<https://germantownpres.org/gpconnect-pno-reservation/>



or by scanning this QR code.

For parents, this is an opportunity to intentionally connect with one another in deep and meaningful relationships. With all the demands on parents today, it can be so hard to find the time and energy to build lasting friendships. So, we offer these opportunities for parents to connect and enjoy a great faith-filled time together with the comfort and confidence of knowing your child is well cared for.

Sign up to receive the GPCKids weekly e-blast by sending your email to Blair Hayes at blairh@gpctn.org.

Ushers Needed. When people come to GPC, they all leave with the impression of what a friendly church we are. Ushers are the first people that most will meet when they enter our house of worship. Please consider being part of this welcoming ministry. If you are fairly new to GPC, this is a great way to become involved and meet people. If you are interested, you may contact Dick Goughnour at regoughnour@att.net or Bob Johnson at rhjohnson9@gmail.com.

Binghampton Christian Academy (BCA) has an urgent need for meal volunteers to help feed our Residential Students during the week (Monday – Thursday nights). We've had several last-minute date changes/cancellations, so we are reaching out to those who have generously helped us in the past. Meals can be dropped off any night, but groups are welcome to stay on Monday or Thursday nights to interact with the students.

We have many dates open! It is a great way for Sunday School classes, small groups, coworkers, and/or families to volunteer together. Volunteer here: <https://takethemameal.com/meals.php?t=LWCO6060>.



Or scan this code to sign up.

On the meal calendar, we list detailed information on how many meals are needed, what can be accepted and drop off times, etc. Please help us spread the word and share this need with others at your church, work or with friends that you think may be interested in this volunteer opportunity.

Please feel free to contact Shelley Alley at salley@bcamemphis.org if you have any questions.

GPC's Special Needs Ministry Offers Volunteer Opportunities. Registration for the Memphis Joy Prom is OPEN & 400-500 more volunteers are needed! Follow the link (or scan QR code) to locate the registration page.



<https://forms.fellowshipone.com/?formId=f78bfl6e-b870-4790-b876-d553dc7a955e>. The registration page includes many ways to offer monetary donations. You can also see other ways to support Memphis Joy Prom.

Can't volunteer on April 29? Other ways to support MJP/get involved: volunteers are also needed for Dress Fest on April 1 and 2 at 2PC.

Important Notes for Donations:

- > The tuxedo rental cost has risen to \$75 each this year; the page will soon be updated to reflect this change.
- > Various individually wrapped candies for Grove Park goody bags. Perhaps you can offer your time assembling or distributing goody bags or both. Donation deadline = Tuesday, April 5.
- > Snacks and bottled water for volunteers. Donation deadline = Friday, April 22.
- > Flower arrangements.

For more information, please contact Jackie Williams in the office: jackiew@gpctn.org or 901-754-5195.

GPC's Easter Egg Hunt is on – scheduled for Palm Sunday, April 10! We need the congregation's help to gather enough candy and plastic eggs. Please bring individually wrapped candy (no chocolate please) and plastic egg donations to the Activity Center lobby by Sunday, April 3. Remember, the candy has to be small enough to fit in a plastic egg. If you are interested in volunteering with this event, please contact Sherrie Horner at sherriehorner@gmail.com.

At Eastertide, it is a tradition to decorate the church with Easter lilies given in memory or honor of loved ones. If you would like to take part in this tradition, please fill out an envelope located on tables in the AC lobby, the AC itself, and/or the Welcome Center and put it in the offering plate or return it to the church office by Monday, April 11. Donations in any amount are welcome. Please write *Easter Flowers* in the check memo line. Or you can make your dedication and donation online by clicking [here](#). Or scan this QR code:



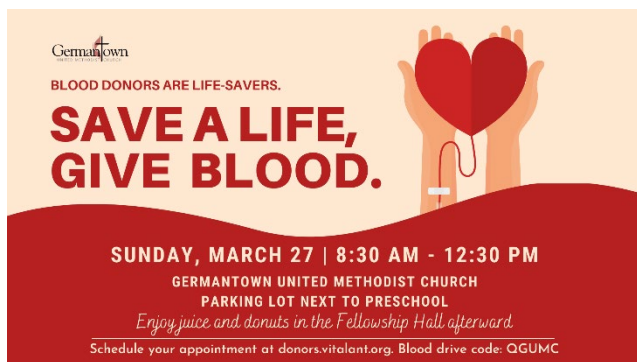
The flowering cross is found in Christian art as early as the sixth century and is based on a legend that says that the cross itself burst into bloom at the moment that Jesus died. The legend of the True Cross describes how the wood of the cross came from a tree that sprang from a seed taken from the Tree of Life in the Garden of Eden.

In spite of its function as a brutal form of execution, the cross stands at the center of our faith as a symbol of life. There can be no Easter without Good Friday, no Resurrection without the Crucifixion. Indeed, the cross, rather than the empty tomb, has held the place of honor as the primary symbol of the Christian faith.

A modern expression of this idea may be found in the custom of flowering the cross. On Easter morning, flowers are used to decorate a cross. So, on Easter Sunday, please bring flowers of any kind and place them on the cross in the church yard near the Arthur Road entry. Since it will be conveniently placed for access, this is a great opportunity for everyone - old, young, and in between - to participate and take photos of their families. Let our flowering cross celebrate the beauty of God's creation, glorify Him, give thanks for His many blessings, and honor the new life Christ's sacrifice upon the cross has given us.

Mission Opportunity!

Our neighbors at Germantown United Methodist Church are hosting a blood drive next Sunday, March 27, and have invited anyone from GPC who wants to do so to participate. See the instructions in the graphics below for sign-up information. Come donate a pint and receive a pint!



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United Methodist Church

BLOOD DONORS ARE LIFE-SAVERS.

**SAVE A LIFE,
GIVE BLOOD.**

SUNDAY, MARCH 27 | 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
GERMANTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
PARKING LOT NEXT TO PRESCHOOL
Enjoy juice and donuts in the Fellowship Hall afterward.
Schedule your appointment at donors.vitalant.org. Blood drive code: QGUMC



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