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*June 19, 2022*  
8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

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## ***GATHERING***

PRELUDE

*Meditation on Psalm 43:4-5*

Pietro Cattaneo

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Susan Carter Wiggins

INTROIT

*Rise Up, O Men of God*  
Men of the Church

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 42 and 43)

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

Leader: Come, all you whose souls thirst for the living God.

People: **We come in search of help and hope.**

Leader: Come, all you who are acquainted with grief or oppression.

People: **We come bearing our doubts, our wounds, and our fears.**

Leader: Come, all you who are in need of good news.

People: **We come in search of joy, truth, and light.**

Leader: Come, one and all, and find refuge here in this place.

People: **Come, let us praise the One who is our help and our hope.  
Let us worship Almighty God!**

\*HYMN 151

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA

\*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

**Creator of the rolling spheres, in this moment we praise your Holy name. But we are busy people and we do not always make time for you in our lives. We want to trust in you, yet we often feel adrift by the winds of change blowing us to and fro. Forgetting that you are always present, we ask, "Why have you forgotten me?"**

**Help us trust again in your providential presence, protection, and provisions. With the promise of Christ as our hope, lead us from our own wilderness wanderings into the well-tended garden of your love.**

*(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.**

## ***THE WORD***

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

Blair Hayes

ANTHEM (11:00)

*Blessed Assurance*  
Men of the Church

Phoebe Palmer Knapp  
Fanny Crosby

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Wiggins

GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:22-26 (pew Bible pg. 847)

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Kings 19:1-8 (pew Bible pg. 284)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Called to ... God's Providential, Protective, Providing Care

Rev. Wiggins

## ***RESPONSE TO THE WORD***

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *A Brief Statement of Faith: We Trust*)

Rev. Mike Lyle

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

**People: In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.**

Leader: We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

**Men:** preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

**Women:** Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving His life for the sins of the world.

**Leader:** Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

**Men:** Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,

**Women:** like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, **God is faithful still.**

**Leader:** We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

**Men:** In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,

**Women:** even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

**All:** With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Rising Together Foundation

Judd Peters

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Lyle

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Marcus King, baritone  
Men of the Church

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

*Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal*  
Men's Ensemble, Chancel Choir

arr. Alice Parker

\*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

### ***SENDING***

\*HYMN 276

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

\*CHARGE and BLESSING

Rev. Wiggins

\*POSTLUDE

*Voluntary XII*

Starling Goodwin

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### ***Worship Arts Notes***

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***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.



***The Prayer Ministry*** of the Congregational Care Committee invites the congregation to “Pray on the Nines” this week for the safe return on Tuesday for those on the Mexico Mission trip: *Eddie Batey, Anthony Duke, Bryce Duke, Brooke Meyers, Susan Jones, Will Jones, Grace Jones, Patrick Rice, John Rice, Cat Rice*, and for the Middle School Mission Team as they depart this afternoon for East Tennessee: *Elizabeth Cleveland, Gracie Ray, Ginger Stuart, CeCe Duke, Addison Owens, Madison Wilson, and Anna Chandler, Susan Shirley Hurt, Katherine Burnett, and Christopher Greco* as well as those they will serve in East Tennessee.

***Interested in joining GPC?*** *You are welcome here!* The next opportunity to join is scheduled for July 17 at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor. For more information on how to join, please contact Lea Buring at

901-355-4940 or [leaciabattini@gmail.com](mailto:leaciabattini@gmail.com), or Beth Willingham at 901-494-8480 or [bethwillingham@comcast.net](mailto:bethwillingham@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.

**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.

## ***Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements*** ***Week of June 19, 2022***

**GPC glowed** with excitement, as our PEACE program brought back Wacky Wednesdays, on June 15<sup>th</sup>! Thank you, participant-volunteers, for acting as greeters, and thank you to our member-volunteers for setting up and serving yummy treats and invigorating activities! Your help allowed our special friends to experience the love of Jesus, and that means so much to so many!!!

This week, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Wacky Wednesday sports a true-blue theme as we connect with God's good creation of sky and sea. It's a GREAT day to wear your Memphis blues-wear!

We have the need for some volunteers at next week's meeting:

- Snack Servers    1 - 2 people                    10:15 – 10:45 AM
- Game Set-up       2 – 3 people                    Between 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
- Buddies            2 – 3 people                    10:00 – 12:30 PM (to hang out the whole time)

You're welcome to fill more than one role, and you'll leave feeling renewed in love and faith! Come check it out!

***Guess what GPC is doing this summer? Co-sponsoring Summer Movie Nights at GPAC (Germantown Performing Arts Center) in The Grove, that's what.*** Come with your family and see your friends! The gates open at 6:00pm and features live music, cocktails, and food truck fare. The movie starts at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. These events are subject to weather. The June date is on a Saturday. The July and August dates are Friday nights. See the dates and movies listed below.

June 18 – Trolls

July 8 – Grease 2

July 15 – La Bamba

July 22 – Center Stage

August 5 – Mr. Holland's Opus

August 12 – Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella

August 19 – Dirty Dancing

***Local mission opportunity for First Presbyterian Church:*** Did you realize that First Presbyterian Church gives out over 500 sandwiches per week to our hungry neighbors? Their stock in the freezers is suddenly low, and they need help with more. Please consider making a loaf or two of sandwiches and bringing them to the church either on Sunday morning or between 9am & noon during the week. Their address is: 166 Poplar Avenue. This specific recipe must be followed in order to ensure that all the guests receive the same sandwich: 2 slices of white bread, 1 slice bologna, 1 slice cheese. Each sandwich goes in a baggie.

***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@gpctn.org](mailto:communications@gpctn.org).

***GPC offers a great support ministry!*** We are glad to host the Germantown Career Support and Networking Group. The group has been active for 15 years and has relaunched after the Covid shutdowns. Its purpose is to assist people in career networking, interviewing skills, and general support during times of job/career transition or loss. There are no fees: NONE -- all is pro bono support. These meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday evenings every month from 6:30pm-8:30pm in the community room on the lower-level in the chapel building. The hosts for the meetings are Mark McKee, Rob Mann, and Carlin Stuart. If you have questions, please email [CarlinStuart@gmail.com](mailto:CarlinStuart@gmail.com).

***Grief Support Group not meeting during the summer:*** during the months of June and July, the Grief Support Group will not meet. Regular monthly meetings will resume on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month on August 11 at 6pm in the church parlor.

***Fun ZUMBA® CLASS at GPC!*** ZUMBA (Zoom-bah) classes are being held on Thursdays in our AC at 6pm. No dance experience needed! Zumba is intended as a total-body cardio and aerobic workout. Bring your workout shoes and prepare to have fun dancing and sweating to Latin rhythms. Taught by Rachael Hetherington, this class is about an hour and the cost is \$5 per class. Any questions about Zumba or this class, please contact Donna Morley, [dmorley62@gmail.com](mailto:dmorley62@gmail.com) or 901-826-7122.

***Greeters Needed.*** When people come to GPC, they all leave with the impression of what a friendly church we are. Greeters 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 Bob Johnson at [rhjohnson9@gmail.com](mailto:rhjohnson9@gmail.com).

## GIVING

Even if you're not here physically, you can give to support the ministries of GPC during this time. For more information, please contact Amber Miller in the church office at 901-754-5195 or [amberm@gpctn.org](mailto:amberm@gpctn.org).



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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Set up a recurring or one-time donation by texting the amount you wish to give to 901-295-0202.