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January 8, 2023
8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

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Please silence electronic devices.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Baptism

Laurel Hunt Pedersen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Jones

CHIME INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 29)

Phillip Russell (8:30)

Helen Norman (11:00)

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders,

People: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

Leader: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

**People: May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people
with peace!**

*HYMN 139

Come Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Holy and Everlasting God: our vision is so limited. We see through a glass darkly, and we often see what we want to see. We watch small screens and do not open our eyes to the boundless wonders of creation. We see the best in ourselves, not wanting to face our sins and shortcomings. We see the worst in others, not wanting to see their value or goodness. Forgive us, O God, and open our eyes to a world of beauty and truth. Forgive us, and look at us through the eyes of Christ, and teach us how to do the same with others.

(Time of silent personal confession)

Leader: We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,

People: Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

Glorify 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 DISCIPLES

Dr. Jones

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Jones

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 42:1-10 (pew Bible pg. 584)

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Matthew 3:13-17 (pew Bible pg. 784)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Gifts that Keep on Giving: Baptism

Dr. Jones

RESPONSE TO THE WORD: THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND OURSELVES

Rev. Wiggins

OFFERTORY (8:30)

Chorale prelude on 'Italian Hymn'

Healey Willan

Alex Benford, organ

(11:00)

How Great Thou Art

arr. Rouse and Kirkland

Chancel Choir

*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.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rev. Lyle & Rev. Wiggins

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Elements

Communion Music

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song
Ethan Baskin, tenor

Michael Burkhardt

*Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight, like the vigor of the wind's rush,
like the new flame's eager might: come, Holy Spirit, come.*

*To the members of Christ's body, to the branches of the Vine, to the church in faith assembled,
to her midst as gift and sign: come, Holy Spirit, come.*

*With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer, with the pow'r to love and witness,
with the peace beyond compare: come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

*HYMN 554

Let All Things Now Living

THE ASH GROVE

*CHARGE and BLESSING

Dr. Jones

*POSTLUDE

Christ Our Lord to the Jordan Came

Johann Pachelbel

Worship Arts Notes

On the cover: *The Baptism of Christ, II*, Daniel Bonnell, oil on canvas, 2005.

WORSHIP TODAY

Welcome to worship today at Germantown Presbyterian Church. Our sincere prayer is that you will find a place here among those who already call GPC home. We are so glad you can join our service today; we are truly glad God brought you here!

Interested in joining GPC?

You are welcome here! The next opportunity to join is scheduled for **January 22, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor**. For more information on how to join, please contact Lea Buring (at 901-355-4940 or leciabattini@gmail.com) or Beth Willingham (at 901-494-8480 or bethwillingham@comcast.net).

The flowers on the chancel are given to the glory of God and in memory of GPC church member Mary Agnes Bayless Barth, whose memorial service was held yesterday in our sanctuary. Please keep her family, especially her daughter and son-in-law, Melissa and Alex Ivy, 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 Bonnie Algee, Johnathan Whited, Jerry Huff, Chuck, Susan & Charlie Hurt, Beth Seaton, Bill, Jennifer & Walton Prest, Bill & Elaine Skoog, Anna & Bubba Ellis

Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements ***Week of January 8, 2023***



Grief Support Group

Regular monthly meetings on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the church parlor. Although this ministry is not professional counseling or therapy, it is an opportunity for those who are going through the grief and bereavement journey, to gain comfort, encouragement, and support. Grieving is the normal expression of sorrow associated with the loss of a loved one, and no one has to walk through this journey alone.

Contact Stephanie Wall at 901-494-7786 or stephaniewall@hotmail.com for more information.

Germantown Career Support and Networking

Next meeting is Monday, January 9, 6:30- 8:00 p.m.

Community Room (in basement of the Chapel Building)

We regularly meet on the 2nd & 4th Monday each month to assist people pro bono in career networking, interviewing skills, and general support during times of job/career transition or loss. *If you enter the building from the parking lot on the west side, the Community Room is straight ahead.*

The doors will unlock at 6:00 p.m. and will automatically secure at 6:50 p.m.

For more information email Carlin Stuart at CarlinStuart@gmail.com.

Save the dates:

Pickleball Court Dedication

Sunday, January 22, after 11:00 a.m. worship, in the Activity Center

GPC's Chili Cook-Off & Kids' Dessert Competition

Saturday, January 28, 5:30 p.m., Warren Hall

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

**AT A NEW TIME & PLACE
JAN 8, 5:00 P.M. EVANS CHAPEL**

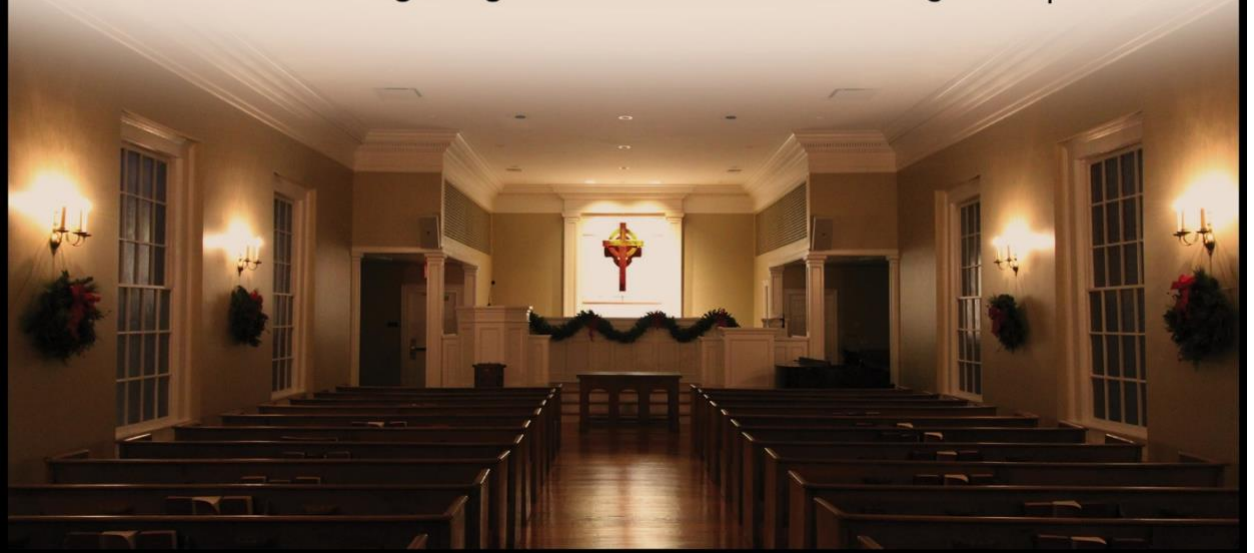
Come enjoy this intimate worship experience at a new time and place, set within a modern music style that harmonizes with our timeless faith. Full Childcare and Kids Sunday School will be provided with fun crafts, fascinating lessons, and enjoyable playtime in the Community Room, just below the worship space.

Pastor Mike Lyle will kickoff a new sermon series, ***New Beginnings***, that


explores the fascinating story of Ruth. Reminding us how to hear and receive God's blessing in the coming year.

On Sunday, January 22, join us for a special evening you will not want to miss with worship and dinner.

We will be dedicating this service to the glory of God in its new home, and celebrating this significant moment together with a fantastic meal in Warren Hall following worship.



Key Stories In Genesis



A 6-WEEK SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE SERIES
LED BY PASTOR WILL JONES

Week 1: Creation (Genesis 1-2)
Sunday, January 8, 4:00-4:45 p.m.
 Upstairs classroom, Evans Chapel

INTERPRETATION
BIBLE STUDIES

Genesis



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AT GPC

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Up Today




GPC is hosting Thursday, January 12
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

(Signups available for other GPC Host Nights: Feb 9 & March 9)

Hosting on Thursdays overnight to Friday. We expect twelve guests each time with many volunteer opportunities.

Reach out to SallyFienup@gmail.com with any questions.



GPC Children's Music and Arts Program for kids ages 4-5th grade

Practice on Sundays
 Jan 29, Feb 5, 12, 19
 3:30-4:30 p.m., Noah's Ark Room

Children's Sunday Performance
 Feb 26, 11:00 a.m. service

For more info, contact Alex Benford, alexb@gpctn.org

GPC STUDENT MINISTRY
NEW TIME ON SUNDAYS

STARTING JANUARY 8th
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

We will convene after the 5:00 Sunday Evening Service in the Middle & High School rooms for the same amazing experience with dinner, games, and message.






AMPLify

**Kicking off
2023 with
2 sessions
per week!**

Thursday Rehearsals
10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Come share in the joy
of our weekly meetings!



**FRIENDSHIP
CIRCLE**

Bible Lesson & Craft

Wednesday, Jan 11, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Warren Hall



Topic: God wants everyone to
hear and understand his message

Bring a lunch and come enjoy time
with our loving community.

Giving

Even if you're not here physically, you can give to support the ministries of GPC. If you have questions or need more information, contact Amber Miller in the church office, **901-754-5195** or **amberm@gpctn.org**

MAIL CHECKS TO

2363 S Germantown Rd, Germantown, TN 38138

GIVE PLUS CHURCH APP

Download the app to set up recurring or one-time donations. You can manage and view your giving from the convenience of your smartphone.

WEB SITE:

Germantownpres.org/giving or scan the QR code to set up and manage your recurring or one-time gifts



Church Staff

Alex Benford	<i>Organist & Music Associate</i>
Karen Schowalter Cooper	<i>Coordinator of Children's Choirs</i>
Ann DeVere	<i>Church Secretary/Receptionist</i>
Jennifer Gentry	<i>Director of Weekday Preschool</i>
Christopher Greco	<i>Director of Youth Ministry</i>
Blair Hayes	<i>Director of Children's Ministry</i>
John Johnson	<i>Worship Leader, Musician</i>
Will Jones	<i>Pastor</i>
Mike Lyle	<i>Associate Pastor for Evangelism & Discipleship</i>
Amber Miller	<i>Business & Facilities Administrator</i>
Craig Patterson	<i>Communications Director</i>
Angie Richardson	<i>Curriculum Coordinator to Children's Ministry</i>
Tom Sauer	<i>Lay-Pastor to Senior Adults</i>
Randy Smith	<i>Maintenance Technician</i>
Jerold Teachey	<i>Director of Music Ministry</i>
Moirra Tescher	<i>Financial Secretary</i>
Stephanie Wall	<i>Bereavement Specialist</i>
Susan Carter Wiggins	<i>Associate Pastor for Care & Nurture</i>
Jackie Williams	<i>Director of Special Needs Ministry</i>
Carl Woods	<i>Maintenance Assistant</i>

Church office hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30a.m.-4:30p.m.

