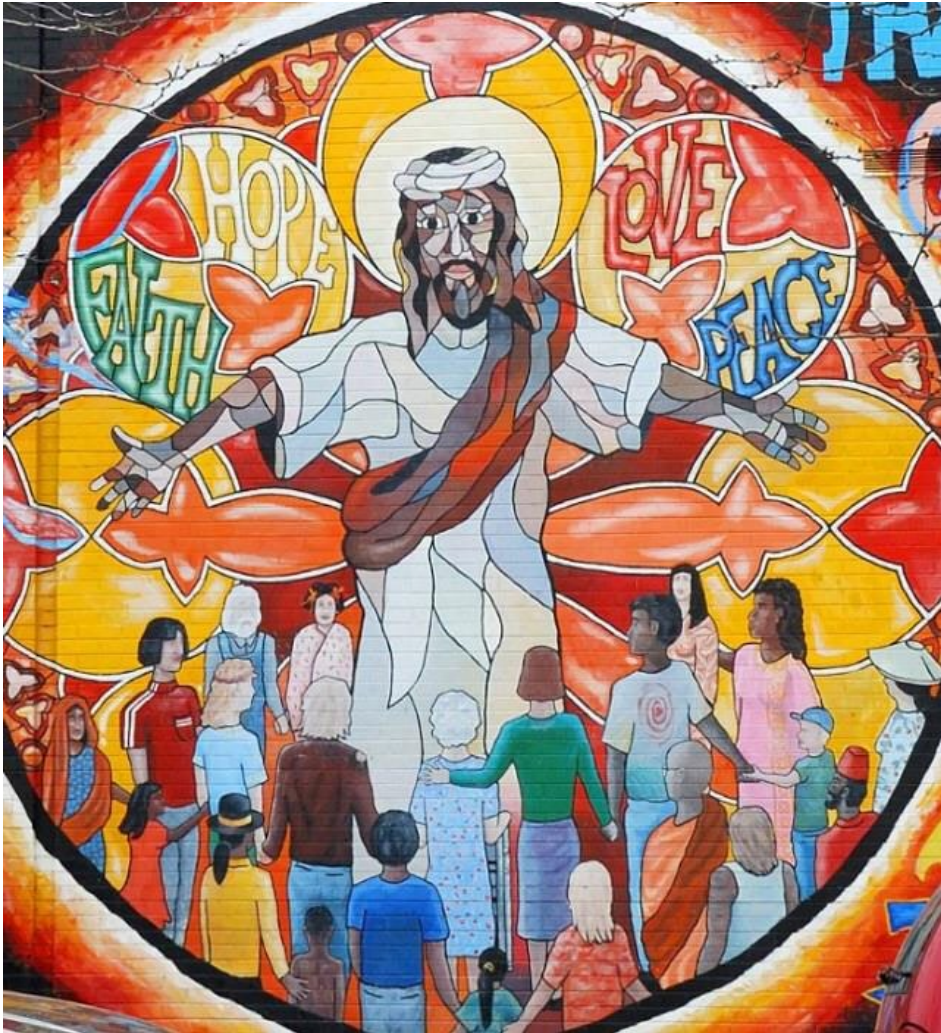




GERMANTOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
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February 12, 2023

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

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**Please stand.*

Please silence electronic devices.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Deep River, Op. 59, No. 7

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Will Jones

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: Youth Auction Fundraiser (March 5)

Susan Jones

CHIME INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 66)

Barbara Beauford (8:30)

Barb Poier (11:00)

Leader: I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

People: The Lord drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog.

Leader: God set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

People: The Lord put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

Leader: Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.

People: Happy are those who make the Lord their trust.

*HYMN 442

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Holy God, hear us as we collectively confess our sin. We have not loved you with pure a heart, and we have not treated all of our neighbors with sincerity. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and actions, and we have fallen short of your expectations of us. Forgive us, we pray, for the many times this past week we have sinned. Have mercy on us, we pray, in the name of Jesus and for his sake.

(Time of silent personal confession)

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 DISCIPLES

Rev. Mike Lyle

SOLO (11:00)

Give Me Jesus
Rosalyn Lake, soprano

African America spiritual
arr. Mark Hayes

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Jones

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (pew Bible pg. 163)

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Matthew 5:21-24 (pew Bible pg. 786)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dr. Ivy R. Taylor

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles Creed)

Rev. Susan Carter Wiggins

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

Dr. Jones

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 (8:30)

Give Me Jesus
Rosalyn Lake, soprano

African America spiritual
arr. Mark Hayes

(11:00)

Make a Joyful Noise
Chancel Choir

Robert Hobby

*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

Rev. Wiggins

SENDING

*HYMN 440

In Christ There is No East or West

MCKEE

*CHARGE and BLESSING

Dr. Jones

*POSTLUDE

Oloba, Op. 59, No. 7

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

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!

Welcome to Dr. Ivy R. Taylor, our guest speaker today. Dr. Taylor is the President of Rust College in Holly Springs, MS. A native of Queens, New York, Ivy R. Taylor spent twenty years in San Antonio, Texas, as an affordable housing advocate, educator, and elected official before beginning her current role as president of Rust College. Ivy served as mayor of San Antonio, Texas for three years and as a member of the San Antonio City Council for five years. Taylor obtained a bachelor's degree in American Studies in 1992 from Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut, a master's degree in City and Regional Planning in 1998 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a doctorate in education from the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia in 2020

Worship Arts Notes

In celebration of Black History Month, music during the month of February will feature contributions to the sacred music repertoire by black composers. Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912) was an English composer and conductor. Of mixed-race birth, Coleridge-Taylor achieved such success that he was referred to by white New York musicians as the "African Mahler" when he had three tours of the United States in the early 1900s.

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Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of February 12, 2023

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.

Church Family Prayer Program: Members of the congregation are randomly selected each week to be lifted up. This week please pray for Ollie Ciabattini, Karen & Mark Cooper, Dixie & Bob Johnson, Kathy, Addi, & Kiki Kalagias, Debbie & George Moseley, Betty Reschenberg, Dot Wieters, Sandy & Gerald Wilson, Ellen Randall

Interested in joining GPC?

The next opportunity to join is scheduled for **Sunday, April 16, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor.** For more information on how to join, please contact Lea Buring at 901-355-4940, leaciabattini@gmail.com, or Beth Willingham at 901-494-8480, bethwillingham@comcast.net.

Youth Souper Bowl Fundraiser

Youth will be outside after the 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m. worship services today to raise money for the Mid-South Food Bank. Support them by making change and cash donations.

At 5:00 p.m., GPC Youth is hosting a Super Bowl Party for youth 6th-12th grade.

Come enjoy the big game, food, and games in Warren Hall. Students will celebrate the success that night at a **Super Bowl Party from 5:00 p.m. to Halftime.** Main course will be provided. Appetizers and desserts are welcome.

Presbyterian Women Gathering, Tuesday, February 21, Warren Hall

The speaker will be Bonnie Blair. A member of Farmington PC, she is one of the original founders of the Johnson Auxiliary in April 1973. (*Lunch will follow*)

Germantown Career Support and Networking

Next meeting is Monday, February 13, 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.



Memphis Spring 2023 Emmaus Walks

Men: February 16-19 (Thu-Sun)

Women: March 2-5 (Thu-Sun)

The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The Walk to Emmaus experience begins with a 72-hour short course in Christianity, comprised of fifteen talks by lay and clergy on the themes of God's grace, disciplines of Christian discipleship, and what it means to be the church.

The course is wrapped in prayer and meditation, special times of worship and daily celebration of Holy Communion. The "Emmaus Community," made up of those who have attended an Emmaus weekend, supports the 72-hour experience with a prayer vigil, by preparing and serving meals, and other acts of love and self-giving. The Emmaus Walk usually begins Thursday evening and concludes Sunday evening. Men and women attend separate weekends.

Several GPC members have attended the Emmaus Walk, and for more information contact Will Jones, Drayton Mayers, or Beth Brock, or visit the Emmaus website: www.memphisemmaus.org.



A new Women's Bible Study Group is forming!

Join us as we grow together through studying and sharing of the Word.

First meeting: Sunday, Feb 19 • 3:30-4:30 p.m • GPC Library

The 12-week study will be led by Suzanne Ray and Liz Callicott.

We will be using Disciple Fast Track, Into the Word: Luke-Acts.

Study Guide is \$17⁰⁰ and can be purchased during registration.



GPC STUDENT MINISTRY RETREAT REGISTRATION

PYC(Pinecrest) • Feb 24-26
(registration ends Feb 17)

Montreat(High School) • June 10-17
(registration ends Feb 20)

CIY(Middle School) • June 29-July 2
(registration ends Feb 20)

Scan for more details on each
retreat and how to sign up.
germantownpres.org/ministries/student-ministry



EVENING WORSHIP

FEB 12, 5:00 PM
EVANS CHAPEL

SERMON SERIES
NEW BEGINNINGS
RUTH 2: 9-13

CHILDCARE PROVIDED

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25
AT 5:30 PM

How it works: Hosts decide the number of guests they would like to invite and prepare a dinner party. Guests find out who their host is the day of the event, and hosts find out who their guests are as they arrive.

Questions? Email Mary Ann Harris at mah174@yahoo.com

We need hosts and guests.

Sign up in person before and after church or at www.GPCsignup.com or scan here:



Youth Auction TICKETS

Sunday, March 5, 6:00 p.m.

Adults	\$20
6th-12th Grade	\$10
1st-5th Grade	\$5
Age 3-K	\$5
Under 3	FREE
Max /family	\$50



**Happy Valentine's Day to YOU
from the Germantown
Presbyterian Library!**

We love because God first loved us
1 John 4
♥ Love,
The GPC Library Committee

VALENTINE'S CONTEST

Closest guess to the # of chocolate Valentine's wins the prize! For kids K-5th. Stop by the library and make your guess! Contest ends Feb. 12 after church.



SAVE THE DATE

Memphis Joy Prom 2023
FRI, APR 21, from 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Volunteer registration opens on Feb, 14.
We'll send the link out next week.



**MEMPHIS
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PROM**
1994-2024



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

Practice on Sundays

February 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



**FRIENDSHIP
CIRCLE**



Bible Lesson & Craft

Wednesdays • 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. • AC

Topic: Like His plans for Abraham,
God's plans for us never end.

Bring a lunch and come enjoy.



Friday, FEB 17, 6-9 p.m.
Infants - 5th grade

Bring your kids for a night of fun
& enjoy a night out on your own!

Registration closes February 14



AMPLify

**2 Thursday
rehearsals
per week!**

Activity Center

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

Come share in the joy!