



March 12, 2023

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

**Please stand.*

Please silence electronic devices.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Laurel Hunt Pedersen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Will Jones

CHIME INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Marianne Simmons (8:30)

Rodney Strop (11:00)

Leader: With Lenten devotion, we come before God with contrite hearts and willing spirits.

People: We worship the God who gives us life and who provides hope.

Leader: With humility and reverence, we bow before God, our Maker.

People: We worship the Lord our God, in whom we put our trust.

Leader: With gratitude and love, we worship our saving God.

People: We worship our Savior who brings us new life, now and forever.

*HYMN 155

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

DARWALL'S 148TH

*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison – adapted from John Baillie's *A Diary of Private Prayer*)

Lord, my God, please accept my confession for:

my self-deception in the face of temptation;

my choosing of the worse when I know the better;

my blindness to the suffering of others;

my slowness to be taught by my own;

my complacency toward wrongs that do not touch my life;

my over-sensitivity to those that do;

my slowness to see the good in others;

my slowness to see the evil in myself;

my hardness of heart towards my neighbors' faults;

my readiness to make allowance for my own;

O Lord, forgive me I pray....

(time of silent confession)

Leader: We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,

People: Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Change my heart, O God, _____ make it ev-er true; _____

The image shows a musical score for a hymn in 4/4 time. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

Change my heart, O God, _____ may I be like You. _____

The image shows a musical score for the second part of the hymn in 4/4 time, continuing from the first part. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

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

ANTHEM (11:00)

Ah, Holy Jesus
Chancel Choir

Michael Larkin

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Jones

NEW TESTAMENT READING: John 4:5-30 (pew Bible pg. 864-5)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Heart to Heart at the Well

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

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 TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

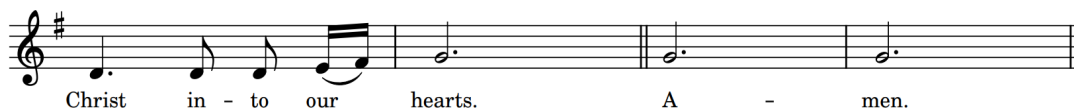
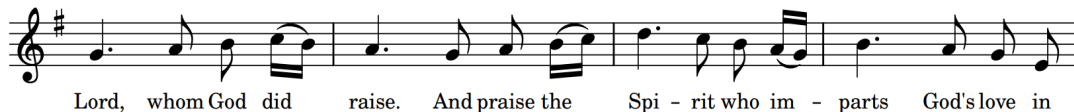
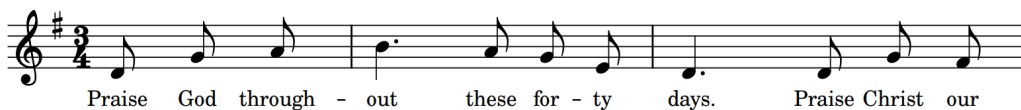
O Divine Redeemer

Charles Gounod

Karen Schowalter Cooper, mezzo soprano

*LENTEN DOXOLOGY

O WALY WALY



PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Lyle

182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;

lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad; I
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream; my
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and

found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
in that light of life I'll walk till trav - eling days are done.

Each stanza here pairs an invitation from Jesus with a response from the narrator. These three invitations recall how Jesus welcomed those who were heavy laden (Matthew 11:28), offered living water (John 4:10-14), and identified himself as the light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5).

TEXT: Horatius Bonar, 1846, alt.
MUSIC: *English County Songs*, 1893; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

KINGSFOLD
CMD

*CHARGE and BLESSING

Dr. Jones

*POSTLUDE

Benedictus

Carlotta Ferrari

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!

The rose on the baptismal font today is given to the glory of God to celebrate the birth of Maxwell Caver Alston, born March 2, 2023 to parents Derrick and Jesse Nabers Alston. His grandparents are Steve and Mickie Nabers.

Throughout the month of March, GPC is celebrating Women's History Month in music!

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Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of March 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 Jill Cox, Missy & Paul Gwin, Cole Gwin, Sue Kelley, Melissa & Alex Ivy, Diane & Edward Newton, Jan Thomson, Merrill & Reut Wise

Interested in joining GPC?

Learn how at the next Inquirer's lunch scheduled for next Sunday, March 26, 2023, at 12:00 p.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.

On Easter Sunday, 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 in the pews and put it in the offering plate or return it to the church office by Monday, April 3. 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 scanning the QR code.



Peace Ministries (Friendship Circle & Amplify) will not meet next week.

Friendship Circle will not meet on Wednesday, March 15 and resumes on March 22.
Amplify will not have rehearsals on Thursday, March 16 and resumes on March 23.



NaCoMe

May 5-7, 2023

Every year the GPC church family heads to the peaceful stillness of the Western Highland Rim of Tennessee to spend a weekend together.

For more information, please email Mary Ann Harris (mah174@yahoo.com) or visit GPCsignup.com or scan here.



Register by March 30, 2023

Easter Egg Hunt

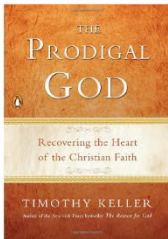
April 2, 2:30-4:30 p.m. South Lawn
(meet in the Activity Center)

We have two decorated bins for candy (no chocolate) and Easter Eggs for donations in the AC lobby and outside of Warren Hall.

Plastic eggs and candy will be received thru March 26th.



SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY



7-WEEK SERIES
4:00 p.m.
2nd floor
Chapel classroom

Pastor Mike Lyle will lead the series that explores Tim Kellor's recasting of the familiar parable that Jesus told.

MEMPHIS JOY PROM

LUKE 14:12-14



Christ Church, 4488 Poplar Ave, Seabrook Hall

Community-Wide Dressfest
March 25, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

10th Annual Memphis Joy Prom
April 21, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Visit linktr.ee/JoyLife901 for links to volunteer registration and donations.



A new Women's Bible Study Group is meeting
Sundays, 3:30 p.m, Session Room

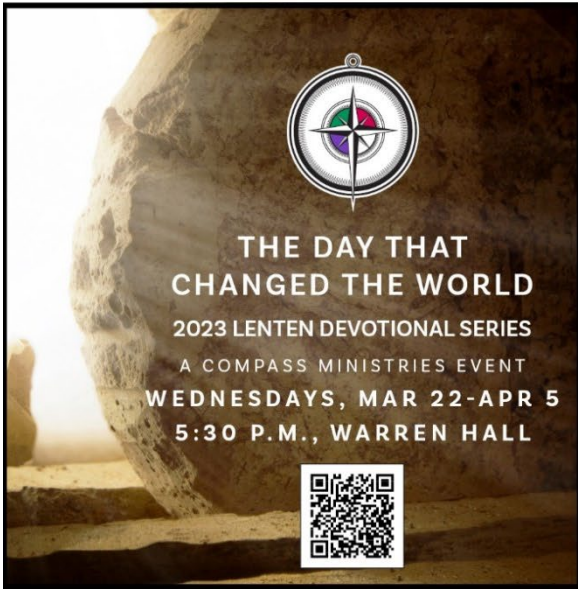


Join us as we grow together through studying and sharing of the Word.




GPC NCAA TOURNAMENT
BRACKETS COMPETITION

No entry fee • \$100 Prize • Hosted by Faith Formation



**THE DAY THAT
CHANGED THE WORLD**
2023 LENTEN DEVOTIONAL SERIES
A COMPASS MINISTRIES EVENT
WEDNESDAYS, MAR 22-APR 5
5:30 P.M., WARREN HALL



**EVENING
WORSHIP**
GPC-EVANS CHAPEL

Sunday, March 12, 5:00 p.m.
FAITHFUL FOLLOWING, LUKE 20:27-40
Childcare provided in the Chapel Community Room

Giving

Even if you're not here physically, you can give to support the ministries of GPC.

Questions? 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

Use the app to set up recurring or one-time donations.

WEB SITE

Manage your giving at www.germantownpres.org/giving.