



February 4, 2024

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

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**Please stand.*

Please silence electronic devices.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Retrospection

Florence B. Price*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIME INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 25)

Billie Work (8:30)

Marianne Simmons (11:00)

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust.

People: Make me to know your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths.

Leader: Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation.

**People: According to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!**

Leader: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

People: He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

Leader: The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him,
and he makes his covenant known to them.

People: Let us worship the God who makes his love known each day.

*HYMN 458

Earth and All Stars

DEXTER

*CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Loving God, you invite us to take refuge in you, and you promise to preserve us in adversity. In our sin, we hide from you, not wanting to rely on you for life. We confess that we often let sin prey upon our insecurities. We desire things other than what you graciously bestow. We wander from your ways and disregard your love. Forgive us, we pray, as offer us mercy. Surround us with the abundance of your grace. Show us the free gift of your love in Christ so that we may be redeemed. *(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.

THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

Rev. Susan Carter Wiggins

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Jones

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 40:21-31 (pew Bible pg. 582)

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Romans 12:1-2 (pew Bible pg. 922)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Created Anew: the Knowing Mind

Dr. Jones

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES CREED

Mr. Sauer

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS & OURSELVES

Mr. Sauer

OFFERTORY

Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree

arr. Mark Mitchell

Karen Schowalter Cooper, mezzo soprano

*The tree of life my soul hath seen, Laden with fruit, and always green:
The trees of nature fruitless be Compared with Christ the apple tree.
This beauty doth all things excel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell
The glory which I now can see In Jesus Christ the apple tree.
I'm weary with my former toil, Here I will sit and rest awhile:
Under the shadow I will be Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.
For happiness I long have sought, And pleasure dearly I have bought:*

*I missed of all: but now I see 'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.
This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be With Jesus Christ the apple tree.*

***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

Mr. Sauer & Rev. Wiggins

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Elements

Communion Music

(11:00) *I Need Thee Every Hour*
Chancel Choir

Mark Shepperd

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

***HYMN 262**

God of the Ages

NATIONAL HYMN

***CHARGE and BLESSING**

Dr. Jones

***POSTLUDE**

King of Kings

Ralph Simpson*

Worship Art 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!

Bulletin Cover Image: “When My Wings Touch the Rainbow”, Jai Johnson, photography, 2015.

Communion Bread: Thank you to Marty Wheeler, who graciously makes and faithfully provides our homemade bread for Communion each month.

Music Notes: In celebration of Black History Month, we proudly feature contributions to the sacred music repertoire by Black composers. Florence Beatrice Price (1887-1953), born in Little Rock, Arkansas, was the first African American woman to have her music performed by a major symphony orchestra. Today's postlude was written by organist and composer Ralph Simpson. Simpson is retired from the chairmanship of the music school at Tennessee State University.

Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements *Week of January 28, 2024*

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. *Grief counseling is also available to those in need. Call the church office for more information.*



Interested in joining GPC? For more information, contact Debbie Ragain at 847-406-8846 or email her at ragaindeb@msn.com. You can also scan the QR code to leave us your information and we will contact you.

Church Family Prayer Program:

Members of the congregation are randomly selected each week to be lifted up. This week please pray for Brenda & David Jeter, Janet Anderson, Anne & Wayne Tansil, Ruth Woodworth, Lea Buring, Jan Petri & Jerold Teachey (Jenna, Sarah, Quin), Lindsey & Joseph Butler (Adelaide, Chandler), Emily & Larry Hak.



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Following all three services
GPC Student Ministry will be
collecting cash & change donations
for the Mid-South Food Bank.



6TH-12TH GRADERS, JOIN US FOR THE STUDENT MINISTRY SUPER BOWL PARTY!

Sunday, February 11, 5:00 p.m.
High School & Middle School Rooms
Scan the QR Code to sign up
to bring appetizers/drinks.

Sunday 2/4	Monday 2/5	Tuesday 2/6	Wednesday 2/7	Thursday 2/8	Friday 2/9	Saturday 2/10
8:30a Early Worship Service	12:00p AA Mtg - Community Rm	10:00a PW Circles - Upstairs	11:00a Friend- ship Circle - AC	8:00a Chamber of Commerce Mtg - Session Room	6:30a Men's Breakfast - WH	9:00a-8:00p Pickleball - AC
9:40a Sunday School Classes	6:30p Cub Scouts - Warren Hall	10:00a Staff Mtg - UL218	12:00p AA Mtg - Community Room	10:00a Bible Study - UL216	10:00a AMPlify - Sanctuary	9:30a-3:30p Men's Retreat - House
11:00a Late Worship Service	7:00p Boy Scouts - AC	12:00p AA Mtg - Community Rm	2:00-8:00p Pickleball - AC	11:00a Imagine That! - WH	12:00p AA Mtg	10:00a AA Mtg - Comm. Room
12:00-5:00p Pickleball - AC		2:00-8:00p Pickleball - AC	7:00p Choir Practice	12:00p AA Mtg - Community Rm	2:00-8:00p Pickleball - AC	12:00p AA Mtg - Comm. Room
12:00p AA Mtg - Comm. Room		5:30p Worship Mtg - UL217		2:00-5:00p Pickleball - AC		
3:30p Worship Works - Blue Rm		5:30p Missions Team - Session Rm		5:00p Room in the Inn - WHall		
4:00p Bible Study - Chapel Classroom		6:00p NaCoMe Mtg - UL218		6:00p Zumba - AC		
5:00p Evening Service - Chapel		6:30p PW PM Circle - Parlor				
6:00p Youth Auction - AC		7:00p Jeff Day Event - The Well				



FAST FORWARD RETREAT

4TH >> 6TH GRADERS
FEB 16 > 18

GPCONNECT

Friday, Feb 16, 6-9 p.m.
Infants - 5th grade

GPC STUDENT MINISTRY RETREATS AND MISSION TRIPS

Pinecrest
PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH
CONNECTION
Feb 23-25
(current 6th-12th graders)

Puerto Rico
STUDENT MISSION
June 15-21
(current 9th-12th graders)

**GULF COAST
STUDENT
MISSION**
July 7-13
(current in 6th-8th graders)

NaCoMe

Camp & Retreat Center

SAVE THE DATE: APRIL 26-28
Registration Coming Soon!

PW BIBLE STUDY CIRCLES MEETING

Tue, Feb 6, 10 a.m.

Circle #1 - UL215

Circle #2 - UL216

Circle #3 - UL217

Night Circle - Parlor - 6:30



*Our book is Horizons Bible Study
Sacred Encounters—The Power and
Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke - Acts
We will discuss Lesson 6 - A Person with a
Physical Disability Encounters Jesus.*

Scripture: Acts 3: 1-10



Round Robin Group Play

February 6, 13, & 20
Join us at 5:30 or 7:00 p.m.

Round Robin Group Play will offer a chance to play with many within our church family. No charge but limited court space.



Registration:

Text Wendy Holmes
at 901-277-7136

GPC will host RITI guests,
Thursday, Feb. 8
overnight at the church.



**ROOM
IN THE INN
MEMPHIS**



Grief Ministry Support



2nd Thursday
February 8
5:00 p.m.
GPC Parlor

WORSHIPWORKS



**Creation
Celebration!**

Children's Choir (age 4-5th grade)

Join us as we begin preparing for our spring musical!
"Creation Celebration" is a mini-musical, singing praise to our
Creator and reminding us that we are ALL keepers of
"The Garden of the Lord."

Spring Practice Schedule:

3:30 p.m., Noah's Ark Room
(in the Kids Area downstairs)

Sundays: Jan 28, Feb 4, 11, 1, 25, Mar 3, 17 & Sat, Apr 6

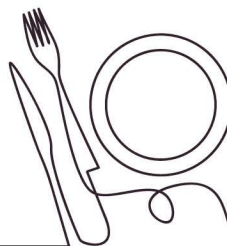
Performance

Sunday, April 7 at the 11:00 a.m. service

FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Join us as we gather for a meal after
the 5:00 p.m. service on Sunday,
February 18 at 6:00 p.m. in Warren Hall

Menu will be Bourbon Dijon glazed pork
tenderloin, garlic mashed potatoes,
garden salad, pecan cobbler



\$10 per person
no reservations needed



Germantown Presbyterian Church

**EVENING
WORSHIP**

Giving

We transferred our stockbroker from Edward Jones to Morgan Stanley. For stock gifts, please contact Amber Miller at 901-754-5195 or amberm@gpctn.org for account information.

MAIL CHECKS TO WEB SITE

2363 S Germantown Rd, Germantown, TN 38138
www.gpctn.org/giving

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 GPC Kids</i>
John Johnson	<i>Worship Leader, Musician</i>
Will Jones	<i>Pastor</i>
Mike Lyle	<i>Associate Pastor for Evangelism & Discipleship</i>
Tara Mear	<i>Financial Secretary</i>
Amber Miller	<i>Business & Facilities Administrator</i>
Craig Patterson	<i>Communications Director</i>
Angie Richardson	<i>Associate GPC Kids Director</i>
Tom Sauer	<i>Lay-Pastor to Senior Adults</i>
Randy Smith	<i>Maintenance Technician</i>
Jerold Teachey	<i>Director of Music Ministry</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. www.gpctn.org

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