



March 3, 2024
8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

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**Please stand.*

Please silence electronic devices.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Prelude on 'Rockingham'

C. H. H. Parry

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Jones

CHIME INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 19)

Elaine Cates (8:30)

Drayton Mayers (11:00)

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

People: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

Leader: Their voice goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world.

People: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.

Leader: The decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.

**People: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

*HYMN 467

How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD

*CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

God of grace and God of glory, have mercy upon us. We sin more times than we can count.

We are quick to condemn others, while we hasten to justify our own wrong. We are

judgmental toward those around us, yet we are often blind to our own sin. For the sake of

Jesus, our beloved Friend and powerful Redeemer, forgive us we pray. Do not hold our sin

against us, and give us a fresh start through Christ our Lord. *(Time of silent personal confession)*

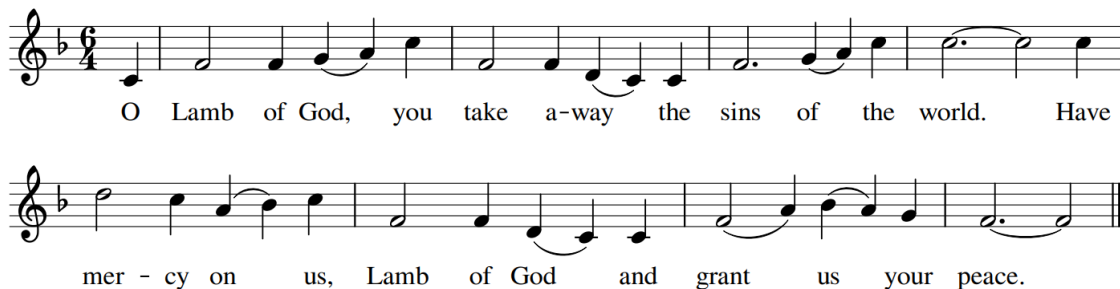
Leader: We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,

People: Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

LAND OF REST



*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

Dr. Jones

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Jones

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 69:9-18 (pew Bible pg. 462)

NEW TESTAMENT READING: John 2:13-22 (pew Bible pg. 863)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Power of Sacrifice: Cleaning House

Dr. Jones

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (*A Brief Statement of Faith*)

Rev. Lyle

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: healing the sick binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. 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. In a broken and fearful world, Holy Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

OFFERTORY

O Divine Redeemer (Repentir)
Isabella Wallace, soprano

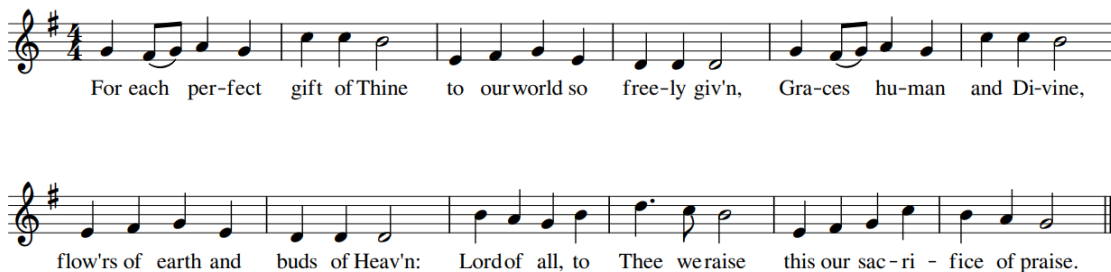
Charles Gounod

*Ah! Turn me not away, Receive me tho' unworthy; Hear Thou my cry, Behold, Lord, my distress!
Answer me from thy throne Haste Thee, Lord to mine aid, Thy pity shew in my deep anguish! Let
not the sword of vengeance smite me, Though righteous thine anger, O Lord! Shield me in danger, O
regard me! On Thee, Lord, alone will I call. O Divine Redeemer! I pray Thee, grant me pardon, and
remember not, remember not my sins!*

*Forgive me, O Divine Redeemer! Night gathers round my soul; Fearful, I cry to Thee; Come to mine
aid, O Lord! Haste Thee, Lord, haste to help me! Hear my cry! Save me Lord in Thy mercy; Come
and save me O Lord Save, in the day of retribution, From Death shield Thou me, O my God! O
Divine Redeemer, have mercy! Help me, my Saviour!*

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

DIX



CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Mr. Sauer & Dr. Jones

*Invitation to the Lord's Table**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer**Words of Institution**Sharing of the Elements**Communion Music (11:00)**When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Gilbert M. Martin

*When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them through His blood.
See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.*

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

*HYMN

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

THE ASH GROVE

1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, Our true faith con - fess - ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing,
The peo - ple of God from His dwell - ing take leave.
The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face.
The Sup - per is end - ed. O now be ex - tend - ed
Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,
The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
Em - brac - ing His chil - dren of each tribe and race.
The seed of His teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
U - nite us as one in this life that we share.
His grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing
To work for God's king - dom and an - swer His call.
Give hon - or to Christ and His name that we bear.

Worship ArtsToday

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!

Flowers: The flowers on the chancel today are given to the glory of God by Ann Harbor in memory of her late husband, Jim.

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

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Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements *Week of March 3, 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.

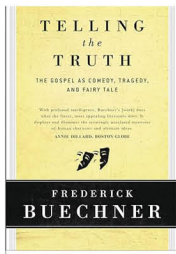
Church Family Prayer Program: Members of the congregation are randomly selected each week to be lifted up.

This week please pray for Vicki & Drew Arthur, Teresa & Nathan Boswell (Nick), Alice & Jimmy Kiser, Dot Ledlow, Evelyn & Phil Mosley, April & Patrick Rice (Cat, John), Amy & Trey Thomas (Robby, Linc)

<u>Sunday</u> <u>3/3</u>	<u>Monday</u> <u>3/4</u>	<u>Tuesday</u> <u>3/5</u>	<u>Wednesday</u> <u>3/6</u>	<u>Thursday</u> <u>3/7</u>	<u>Friday</u> <u>3/8</u>	<u>Saturday</u> <u>3/9</u>
8:30a Early Service - Sanctuary	12:00p AA Mtg - Community Room	7:00a-7:00p Election - Activity Center	11:00a Friendship Circle - AC	11:00a Imagine That! - Warren Hall	6:30a Men's Breakfast - Warren Hall	9:00a-8:00p Pickleball - AC
9:40a Sunday Schools	6:30p Cub Scouts - WHall	10:00a PW Circle Mtgs - Upstairs	12:00p AA Mtg - Comm. Room	11:30a Kiwanis Lunch Mtg - WH	11:30a AMPLify - Sanctuary	10:00a AA Mtg - Comm. Rm
11:00a Late Service - Sanctuary	7:00p Boy Scouts - Warren Hall	6:00p Westminster Academy Dinner - Warren Hall	2:00p-8:00p Pickleball - Activity Center	12:00p AA Mtg - Chapel Community Room	12:00p AA Mtg - Chapel Community Room	11:00a Grimes/Gwin Wedding Shower - WH
12:00- 5:00p Pickleball - AC		5:30p GPP Board Mtg - Library	7:00p Choir Rehearsal	2:00p-5:00p Pickleball - AC	2:00p-8:00p Pickleball - AC	12:00p AA Mtg
12:00p AA Mtg - Community Rm		5:30p Worship Team Mtg- UL217		5:00p Special Needs Team Mtg		
3:30p Worship Works - Blue Room		5:30p Missions Team Mtg - Session Room		6:00p Zumba - Activity Center		
4:00p Bible Study - Chapel Classroom		6:30p PW Night Circle - Parlor				
5:00p Evening Service - Chapel		7:00p Jeff Day Event - The Well				
6:00p Youth Fellowship						



SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY



A NEW 4-WEEK SERIES

Beginning
Sunday, March 3
4:00-4:45 p.m.

2nd floor, Chapel classroom

Come join us as we deepen our faith through study and fellowship. We are beginning a 4-week study to explore the writing of preeminent Bible scholar and author Frederick Buechner. Buechner has written over 30 works of both fiction and non-fiction. He is often quoted in sermons and Bible studies. Each week you are also invited to stay for Sunday Evening Worship at 5:00 in the chapel.

Books are available now in the Chapel Classroom. We will pre-read and discuss a chapter each week.

PW BIBLE STUDY CIRCLES MEETING Tue, March 5, 10:00 a.m.

Circle #1 - UL215
Circle #2 - UL216
Circle #3 - UL217
Night Circle - Parlor
6:30 p.m.



Our book is *Horizons Bible Study Sacred Encounters—The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke - Acts*. We will discuss Lesson 7 - *An Ethiopian Eunuch Encounters the Good News of Jesus*. Scripture: Acts 8:26-40

GPC will host RITI guests,
Thursday, Mar. 14
overnight at the church.



**ROOM
IN THE INN
MEMPHIS**



VOLUNTEER

GPC is one of 22 churches that
open their doors to people and
families in need during the coldest
and hottest months of the year.



Stop by the Library today, March 3 between
9:30-11:00 a.m., if you are interested in
purchasing a GPC coffee mug. Each mug is
\$20. Check, cash or credit card accepted.

Grief Ministry Support



2nd Thursday
March 14
5:00 p.m.
GPC Parlor

WORSHIPWORKS

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

Spring Practice Schedule:

3:30 p.m., Noah's Ark Room



Creation
Celebration!

Sundays: Mar 3, 17 & Sat, Apr 6, Concert: Sun. Apr. 7



FAST FORWARD



4th-6th graders
Friday, April 5, 6:00 p.m.
Theme: Fave TV Character



Puzzling Phenomena of our Faith

Then and Now

A 3-Week Compass Dinner & Devotion Series

April 3

Miracles – Tom Sauer
Enchilada Casserole

April 10

Angelic Visitations – John Johnson
Italian Meatballs with Vodka ala Penne

April 17

Demonic Visitations – John Colmer
Grilled Chicken Parmesan



Scan the QR Code to
register or visit gpctn.org.



EGGSTRAVAGANZA

SAT, MARCH 23
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
7599 Poplar Pike
 (next to Germantown Presbyterian Church)



GAMES • CRAFTS • EGG HUNT
PETTING ZOO • KONA ICE & MUCH MORE!



Volunteers & candy are needed!
 Scan the QR above or visit gpcn.org to find out more about helping out. Individually wrapped candy can be dropped off at the church in the baskets in the Welcome Center and the AC Lobby & office.

On Easter, March 31, bring flowers of any kind to adorn our Flowering Crosses.



Morning Worship

Place your flowers on the cross in the church yard near the Arthur Road entry.

Evening Worship

The cross will be inside the chapel in front of the pulpit.



“BEE” IS FOR BINGHAMPTON BOOK DRIVE!

Now - April 15, 2024
FOR BCA STUDENTS (4K-8th grade)
 Drop new or used books (in excellent condition)
 off at Ernest Mellor Library
 (located next to the GPC Welcome Center)



Holy⁺Week Worship

SCHEDULE

March 26 (Tuesday)	GERMANTOWN PRESBYTERIAN
March 27 (Wednesday)	GERMANTOWN UMC
March 28 (Thursday)	NEW BETHEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST
March 29 (Friday)	ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL

12pm worship followed by a light lunch
 (no lunch on Friday)

Stations of the Cross will follow Good Friday's Worship



MEMPHIS JOY PROM
 LUKE 14:12-14

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VOLUNTEER & PARTICIPANT SIGNUPS ARE NOW OPEN.

GPC is a sponsor for the upcoming Memphis Joy Prom. We are thrilled to help and have been asked to donate drinks to the event. We need to deliver 4 cases (24-packs) of each: bottled water, Coca Cola, Diet Coke, Dr. Pepper, and Sprite. Thank you for your continued support of the Special Needs Program!

Youth Group Meals

Sign up to provide a
Sunday evening meal!



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April 26-28
Registration
is now open
until April 3.



We're excited to
announce that
**Christian songwriter,
Sandra McCracken**
will be performing
at the retreat on
Saturday Night!

We have linked
to her bio on the
registration page.

Germantown Police will present a SAFETY & SITUATIONAL AWARENESS SEMINAR

APRIL 8, 6:30 P.M., SANCTUARY



PICKLEBALL 101

Saturday, March 16, 10:00 a.m.

PICKLEBALL 101

For those who have never played Pickleball before, we are offering a 2-hour learning session in the AC. To attend, simply text Wendy Holmes (9012-277-7136) no later than Friday, March 15. Invite a friend!



LOST & FOUND

If you think you may have left something at the church, it may be in our LOST & FOUND box. Stop by during office hours (weekdays, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) and take a look.



Save the dates for 2024 GPC Kids' VBS!

Mon, June 3 - Thu, June 6
4:00-7:00 p.m. each night

Kids & Volunteer registration open Sun, April 7



VBS

SAVE THE DATES

July 8-12 • Mon-Fri
9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. • AC

Registration coming soon.



STUDENT MINISTRY MISSION TRIPS



Registration for the Student Ministry Mission trips has been extended through Thursday, March 15. Scan the QR for more info.

We have two Puerto Rico Mission Trip planning sessions, that you and your High Schooler are invited to. A representative and Christopher will be available to answer your questions regarding this amazing opportunity!

March 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor at GPC
March 13 at 5:30 p.m. in the Parlor at GPC



SAVE THE DATES

July 8-26 • Mon-Fri
8 a.m. - 5 p.m. • GPC

1-3 week camp options.
Registration coming soon.



**RISING
TOGETHER
FOUNDATION**



**GERMANTOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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>
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Amber Miller	<i>Business & Facilities Administrator</i>
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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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