

*All who are able are invited to stand.

Please silence electronic devices.

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMPASS MEALS AND STUDY

PRELUDE *Meditation on "Ubi Caritas"* Carlotta Ferrari
(*"Where charity and love are, God is there"*)

(Please use this time to pray and prepare your heart for worship.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 139) David Martin (8:30) Noah Bowden (11:00)

Leader: O Lord, you have searched us and known us.

People: You know when we sit down and when we rise up; you discern our thoughts from far away.

Leader: You search out our path and our lying down, and are acquainted with all our ways.

People: We praise you, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

Leader: Wonderful are your works; that we know very well.

People: O Lord, we are still with you. Let us worship God.

*HYMN 473 *For the Beauty of the Earth* DIX

*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

(Time of silent examination, petition and reflection)

Leader: We pray in the name Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 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.

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

*SHARING OF GRACE

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet those near you with an expression of grace as we worship together.)

BIBLE PRESENTATION TO FIRST GRADERS (11:00) Joseph Edmond Gyura, Johnathan Mayson Fenlon, Colton Arch Harris, Katie Mei-Lee Koo, Jean Fay Paris, Charlotte Joyce Robinson, Sara Cole Sanders, Noah Andrew Schepman, Alyssa Lane White, Mary Frances Woodell, Thomas Lloyd Woodell

SPECIAL MUSIC (11:00) *Amazing Grace* Sandi Patti Helvering
Shannon Redburn, soprano

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 1:1-6
Pew Bible page 424 Adventure Bible page 605

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 14:25-33
Pew Bible page 850 Adventure Bible page 1147

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Disciples... Take Faith Seriously Rev. Amanda Mackey

DISCIPLES RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison) from A Brief Statement of Faith

In a broken and fearful world the 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. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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) *Amazing Grace* Sandi Patti Helvering
Shannon Redburn, soprano

(11:00) *How Great Thou Art* Rouse & 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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*HYMN 393

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

BOURBON

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00)

*POSTLUDE

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Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

Welcome to worship at Germantown Presbyterian Church. Our sincere prayer is that you will find a place here among those who already call GPC home. If you have any needs or questions, please consult one of the ushers. We are truly glad God brought you here!

Interested in joining GPC? *You are welcome here!* The next Inquirer's/New Member luncheon will be held after the 11:00 service on September 15 in Warren Hall. For more information on this event, or to become a member, please contact Anne Tansil at 901-754-7957, 901-826-5437(cell) or Ltansil@bellsouth.net.

Child care for infants and children through age four is provided during Sunday morning services. The nursery is located on the lower level under the Activity Center in the preschool hallway.

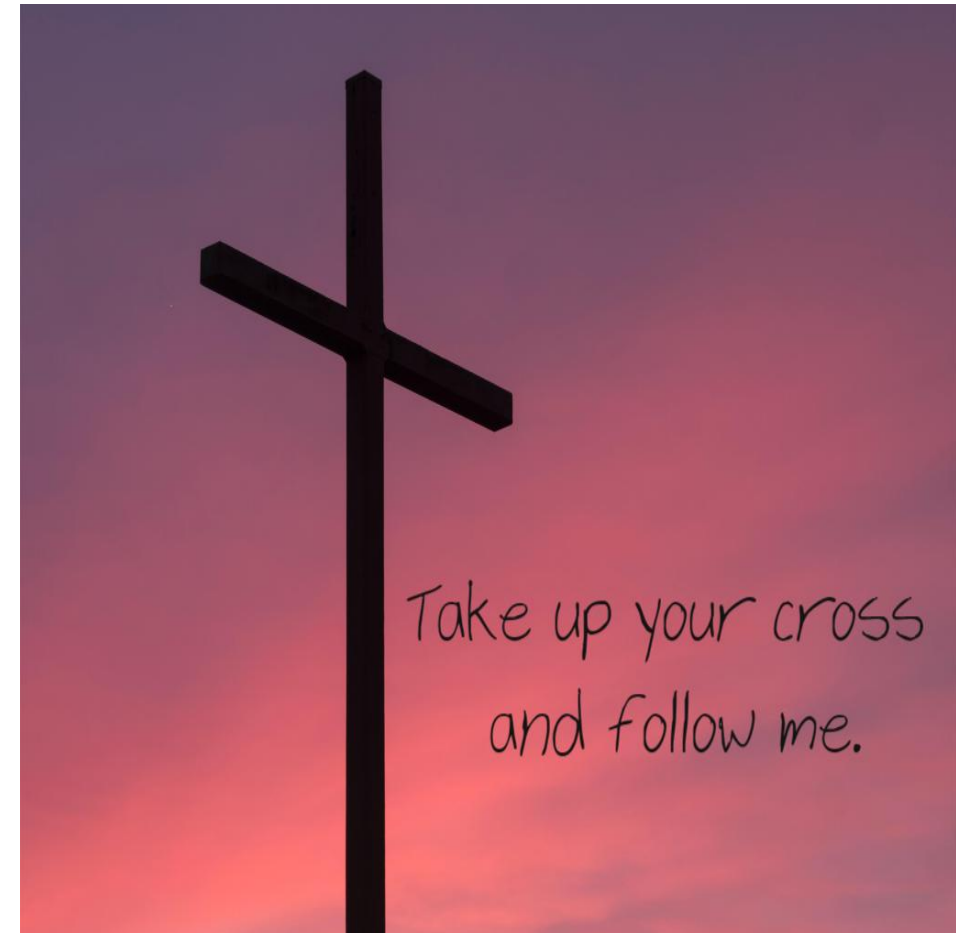
Extended care for individuals of all ages with exceptional needs is available during the worship hour as an extension of our special needs ministry. The room downstairs is LL112. Text "ETC" to 901-299-1216 to have a caregiver meet you there.

If you are having difficulty hearing, please notify an usher. Headsets for additional volume are available from an usher in the narthex.

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.



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