

\*All who are able are invited to stand.

*Please silence electronic devices.*

**GATHERING**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: Youth Auction (8:30) Rev. Amanda Mackey (11:00) Katherine Harding

PRELUDE Beautiful Savior Linda Margetts

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 27) (8:30) Richard Fast (11:00) Gary Veazey

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

**People: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

Leader: I desire to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

**People: I desire to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in God’s temple.**

Leader: God will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble;

**People: The Lord will conceal me under the cover of His tent and will set me high on a rock.**

Leader: I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

**People: Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!**

\*OPENING HYMN 210 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past ST. ANNE

\*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Lord, have mercy on us. We confess that our actions and our devotions are mixed. We want to be strong in our faith and obedient in our discipleship. We desire to love completely and to commit ourselves to justice. The truth about us and our sin, however, tells another story. We are often weak in moments of temptation. We often defy you in our behavior. Our love is diluted by contrary desires. Our “justice” is sometimes just a front for our politics and pride. Have mercy on us, we pray, and forgive us through Christ our Lord. Without Christ, we have no hope. With Christ, we have all the hope in the world.

*(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.**

\*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.)*

**THE WORD**

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS (11:00)

ANTHEM (11:00) Sing to the Lord a New Song Haydn/Hopson  
Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 3:1-6  
Pew Bible page 44 Adventure Bible page 66

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 4:12-23  
Pew Bible page 785 Adventure Bible page 1055

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON God’s Unbreakable Promises: Vocation Dr. Will Jones

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison) The Apostles’ Creed

**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

**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 “The that people that walked in darkness” (from *Messiah*) Georg Frideric Handel  
Kyle Ferrill, baritone

\*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

## SENDING

\*CLOSING HYMN 391

*Take My Life and Let it Be* (vs. 1, 4, and 6)

HENDON

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

*Fugue in G*

John Stanley

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### MUSIC AND WORSHIP ARTS NOTES

*Sing to the Lord a New Song* (paraphrase of Psalm 96; adapted from Haydn's Mass No. 3 in D minor)  
Sing to the Lord, sing a new song. All the earth in joyful chorus, sing, O sing a new song. Lift up your voice, let all rejoice, give praise to the Lord. With harp and trumpet, sing forth your joyful praise. Let hills rejoice, let rivers clap their hands; let fields with gladness ring, unite in joyful praise. Sing Hallelujah, Amen.

"The people that walked in darkness" (Isaiah 9:2; from Handel's *Messiah*)  
The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light,  
and they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

On the cover: *Jesus and Peter fishing*. Olga Bakhtina, 2017, oil on canvas.

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**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 Luncheon will be held in Warren Hall at 12:15 on Sunday, February 2. For more information on this event, or for how to join our church, please contact Anne Tansil at 901-754-7957, 901-826-5437(cell) or [Ltansil@bellsouth.net](mailto: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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