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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Easter (from Five Mystical Songs)
Kyle Ferrill, baritone

Ralph Vaughan Williams
text: George Herbert

Rise heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing His praise without delays,
Who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise with Him may'st rise;
That, as His death calcined thee to dust, His life may make thee gold, and much more, Just.
Awake, my lute, and struggle for thy part with all thy art.
The cross taught all wood to resound His name who bore the same.
His stretched sinews taught all strings, what key is best to celebrate this most high day.
Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song pleasant and long:
Or since all music is but three parts vied, and multiplied;
O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part, and make up our defects with His sweet art.

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 16)

Rev. Amanda Mackey

Leader: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

**People: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places.**

Leader: I keep the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

People: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

Leader: You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy.

People: In your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Let us worship the Lord our God.

HYMN 106

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

ALLELUIA NO. 1

REFRAIN

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give thanks to the ris - en Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give praise to his name.

Fine VERSES

1. Je - sus is Lord of
2. Spread the good news o'er
3. We have been cru - ci -
4. Come let us praise the

to Refrain

1. all the earth, He is the king of cre - a - tion.
2. all the earth, Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
3. fied with Christ. Now we shall live for ev - er.
4. liv - ing God. Joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - ior.

CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Dear Holy God, we confess our need for your grace. We have sinned in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole being, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We pray for your forgiveness as we ask for your mercy. Help us to recognize our sin and to live more and more like Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

(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 *(Please think of those who usually sit near you, and as you remember them, say a prayer for their health and well-being. Please call them later today to check in and see how they are doing.)*

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

People: And also with you.

THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

Ms. Anna White

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mr. Tom Sauer

EPISTLE READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Pew Bible page 983 Adventure Bible page 1359

GOSPEL READING: John 20:19-31

Pew Bible page 883 Adventure Bible page 1194

Dr. Will Jones

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Closer and Closer: Discipleship through Doubt

Dr. 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

How Beautiful are the Feet (from Messiah)

G. F. Handel

Althea Crouse, soprano

Isaiah 52:7 How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things.

DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

HYMN 111

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

GELOBT SEI GOTT

1. Good Chris-tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 2. The Lord of life is risen to - day! Bring flowers of song, be -
 3. Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
 4. Thy name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with

of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 deck the way; Let ev - ery tongue re - joice and say:
 can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bonds, BWV 625

J. S. Bach

WORSHIP ARTS TODAY

On the cover: Rowan and Irene LeCompte, *Christ shows himself to Thomas*. Mosaic from Resurrection Chapel, Washington, D.C. Image from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-image/act-image-link.pl?RC=54879> [retrieved April 16, 2020]. Original source: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/maryannsolar/5119341372/>.

Welcome to worship online with Germantown Presbyterian Church. Our sincere prayer is that you will find a place here among those who already call GPC home. We know these are difficult days as we “shelter at home,” and we are so glad you can join our virtual service on the Internet. We are truly glad God brought you here!

Interested in joining GPC? You are welcome here! For information on how to join, please contact Anne Tansil at 901-754-7957, 901-826-5437(cell) or Ltansil@bellsouth.net.

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.

APNC Announcement The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC) is undertaking a thorough search process to call an Associate Pastor of Evangelism and Discipleship. As a member of GPC, you may be an excellent resource for the search process. We invite you to pray for us, and we invite you to think about any exceptionally gifted pastor you may know who might be a candidate for this position. If you have connections at other churches around the country or know of other pastors who can assist us in our search, please let us know. The APNC welcomes your recommendations and will consider all suggestions. If you have a recommendation, please contact APNC chairperson Alex Ivy (alex.ivy@fidcpa.com), any member of the APNC, or any of GPC's pastoral staff. Thank you very much!

(APNC Team: Ben Brock, Anthony Duke, September Eason, Rebecca Floyd, Sherrie Horner, Meredith Mattila)



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Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of April 19, 2020

As part of the Church Family Prayer Program, members of the congregation are randomly selected each week to be lifted up. This week please pray for: Sarah Cannon & Adam Pflugrath, Evan Pflugrath; Jane & Culver Craddock; Susanne Crain; Betty Green; Jane & Jim Kinney; Helen & Fred Norman; Meredith & Greg Wagner, Angela & Cooper; William Warren, Kyle, Tyler, Will Jr.

For April, please pray for these churches in the Presbytery:

Grace Presbyterian Church, Dyersburg, TN
Farmington Presbyterian Church, Germantown, TN
Germantown Presbyterian Church, Germantown, TN
First Presbyterian Church, Huntingdon, TN

SPECIAL NEEDS

Keep watching this space, the website, and social media for upcoming special needs events. If you would like to be on the Special Needs Ministry email list, please contact Director Monica Kirby at special_needs@germantownpres.org.

CHILDREN

Keep watching this space, the website, and social media for upcoming children's events. If you would like to be on the Children's Ministry email list, please contact Director Anna White at children@germantownpres.org.

YOUTH

All youth Sunday school classes will meet on GoToMeeting at 9:30am. Fellowships will meet at their usual times on GoToMeeting. If you need more info or access codes, email Pastor Amanda at amandam@germantownpres.org.

MISSIONS

Our Ghana missions team asks that you pray for good health and safety for our friends in the Upper Presbytery as well as the country of Ghana. Our committee remains in contact with the Upper Presbytery, as they too are being impacted by Covid19. They are behind us in numbers of confirmed cases; however, as we have all witnessed, these numbers will climb.

The Upper Presbytery sends their prayers and well wishes to all members of our GPC church family. Our Ghana missions committee will share their needs as we come to know them. If you feel called to support them, we will share more details soon of how you can. If you have questions, please contact team members Erin Bowden (901-371-7884) or Beth Brock (901-355-0262).

DIRECTORY

The new GPC pictorial directory is available. You can contact the church office at office@germantownpres.org to have one mailed to you.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

GPC offers a Grief Support Ministry. The Grief Support Group isn't meeting together currently, but if you or someone you know needs to talk to someone, note your options below. Contact the church office (901-754-5195) or [Stephanie Wall](#), Certified Grief Counselor, American Academy of Grief Counseling and Certified Grief Recovery Specialist, Grief Recovery Institute (901-494-7786) or [Beth Brock](#) (901-355-0262) or [Linda Oakes](#) (901-237-6566).

GIVING

Even if you're not here physically, you can give to support the ministries of GPC during this time. For more information please call Fred Turverey in the church office at 901-754-5195.



Set up a recurring or one-time donation by texting the amount you wish to give to 901-295-0202.



Download the "GivePlus Church" app to set up recurring or one-time donations. You can also manage and view your giving from the convenience of your smartphone!



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