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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Caballero Johnathan Whited, bass

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 118)

Leader: This the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it

People: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord.

Leader: The Lord is God, who has given us light.

People: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God and I will extol you. Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

HYMN 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY



John Merle

Anna Eoff

CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Almighty God, We are not always people who live *by faith*. We know that we were created in your image, but we treat ourselves and each other in ways that do not honor your presence within us. We know your laws and your commandments, but we choose to disobey you and to act in ways that harm our neighbors. We hear your call to reach out to those most in need, but instead we turn our backs on them and on you. Forgive us, O God, and help us day by day to become more faithful followers and the people you created us to be.

(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.**

THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

SOLO

Remember McKenzie Cotten, vocalist Daigle, Tomlin, Ingram, and Mabury

Katherine Harding

In the darkest hour, when I cannot breathe; Fear is on my chest, the weight of the world on me Everything is crashing down, everything I had known; When I wonder if I'm all alone I remember, You have always been faithful to me I remember, Even when my own eyes could not see, You were there, always there

I will lift my eyes even in the pain; Above all the lies, I know You can make a way I have seen giants fall, I have seen mountains move, I have seen waters part because of You I remember ...

I can't stop thinking about Your goodness.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SENIOR REFLECTIONS

Dina CiabattiniDrew HormbergLauren HurleyMary JonesEllye SandersKatherine HardingLydia WaldropJohn Rice

Dina Ciabattini

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison) (Written by the 2020 Confirmation Class) Mary Jones We believe God is our creator and protector, who never stops loving us We, in response to God, will love, follow, and obey Him We believe Jesus is our savior and shepherd We, in response to Jesus Christ, will be thankful and follow His Word We believe the Holy Spirit is powerful, mighty, and lives within us We, in response to the Holy Spirit, will follow where the Spirit leads us We believe the Church is our family, a safe and holy place We, as the people of God, will support each other and show God's love through our actions. 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

Blessings Lydia Waldrop, vocalist

We pray for blessings, We pray for peace; Comfort for family, protection while we sleep We pray for healing, for prosperity; We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering All the while, You hear each spoken need; Yet love is way too much to give us lesser things

'Cause what if Your blessings come through raindrops; What if Your healing comes through tears What if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know You're near; What if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise

We pray for wisdom, Your voice to hear; We cry in anger when we cannot feel You near We doubt Your goodness, we doubt Your love, As if every promise from Your Word is not enough All the while, You hear each desperate plea and long that we'd have faith to believe

When friends betray us, when darkness seems to win, We know that pain reminds this heart that this is not our home

What if my greatest disappointments or the aching of this life is the revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy? What if trials of this life: the rain, the storms, the hardest nights, are Your mercies in disguise?

DOXOLOGY

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

Ellye Sanders

OLD HUNDREDTH

Laura Story

Katherine Harding

John Rice

SENDING

HYMN 339

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE



CHARGE AND BLESSING to the class of 2020

Rev. Amanda Mackey

POSTLUDE

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Marianne Kim

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 more information on how to join, please contact Anne Tansil at 901-754-7957, 901-826-5437(cell) or <u>Ltansil@bellsouth.net</u>.

APNC Announcement: The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee 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)

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.

The baby rose on the chancel today is given to the glory of God in honor of Catherine Louise "Cate" Coursey born on March 31 to parents Emily and Chad Coursey and big brothers Sam and Thomas.

Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of April 26, 2020

Note: Any text that is blue is an active link. You can click on that to go to a webpage or send an email.

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: Honour & Eddie Batey; Pat & Dick Bevier; Scott Hall; Mary Ann & Randy Harris; Margaret & Tom Oldham, Caroline, Josh; Mary Rogers; Libba Schatz; Mary Jane Thompson, Viktor.

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

GPC News

<u>Did you know GPC has 2 video channels? We do</u>! **And make sure you subscribe!** The more subscribers we have, the more we can post! If you missed any of the videos for any reason, you can catch them at either one of these channels.

> Check out the Vimeo channel here

> and the YouTube channel <u>here</u>.

Hey, everyone, how are you spending your time while being safer at home?? What are you doing? How are you worshipping? Send us your pictures! Email Director of Children's Ministry Anna White at <u>annaw@germantownpres.org</u> or the Communications Department at <u>communications@germantownpres.org</u>.

IN THE COMMUNITY

LOCAL FOCUS - A New Feature

GPC has started highlighting local businesses that may be struggling & need some support. We're putting info in the weekly eblast and posting on social media. If you know of any, please email the communications department at the church <u>here</u>.

West Street Diner has been a Germantown fixture for years. Just down the street from GPC (2076 West Street), West Street serves some of the best comfort food you've ever put in your mouth. They're still cooking! You can call 901-757-2191 to order from their menu <u>here</u> for take-out or delivery. They are currently combining their profits and gratuities at the end of each day and giving a percent to all their unemployed staff members, and, during this time, they're allowing multiple uses of the same coupons.

Their modified hours are: M-F 9am-7pm, Saturday & Sunday 9am-3pm.

You can also catch up with them on their Facebook page <u>here</u>. Help support this great place and these great people.

Friday Night Bites

Every Friday night you can support GPC church members Beth and Ben Brock's restaurants by ordering dinner from the Amerigo's or Char menus which include a selection of family meal packages to-go! These meals will be delivered at a drive-through pick-up point in the GPC parking lot Friday evenings from 5-6pm. Limited menus and meal packages may be viewed on their websites at:

https://bit.ly/AmerigoMealsToGo http://bit.ly/CharToGoMeals

To take advantage of this, please call in your orders to either 901-848-4009 (Amerigo) or 901-249-3533 (Char) by **1pm** each Friday. Orders are limited and available on a first come, first served basis. Each order will be individually packaged for quick pick-up. They look forward to serving you soon!

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 <u>special needs@germantownpres.org</u>.

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).

GPC PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

The new GPC pictorial directory is available. You can contact the church office at <u>office@germantownpres.org</u> 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 <u>Stephanie Wall</u>, Certified Grief Counselor, American Academy of Grief Counseling and Certified Grief Recovery Specialist, Grief Recovery Institute (901-494-7786) or <u>Beth Brock</u> (901-355-0262) or <u>Linda Oakes</u> (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.

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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!



Mail checks to: 2363 S Germantown Rd Germantown TN 38138.



Visit <u>germantownpres.org/giving</u> or scan the QR code on the left to set up and manage your recurring or one-time gifts.