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Dr. Will Jones

PRELUDE Loving Shepherd

Alexandra Colaizzi, mezzo-soprano Laura Brown, flute

J. S. Bach

Loving shepherd, comfort and guide us, keep us in thy tender care. And in thy mercy stay beside us, safely thy lambs now gather, Bring us in faith together, and thy pastures now prepare.

And when I walk with darkness around me, thou art near and I will fear no ill. So with thy love and kindness surround me, goodness and mercy bringing, From living water springing, Lord of love grant me thy comfort still.

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

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 23)

Rev. Susan Carter Wiggins

LOBE DEN HERREN

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters;

People: He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for His name's sake.

Leader: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.

People: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, **People: And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.**

HYMN 482



CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Loving Lord, we confess our sin. We choose to walk our own paths instead of being led by you. You promise to provide for us, but we lack trust in your generosity. In the darkest valleys, we shrink in fear and confusion, straying from your promise of comfort and peace. Help us to trust in your goodness and mercy. Give us courage in the face of hostility and trouble. With your grace, we will dwell in your house forever.

(Silence for personal prayer)

Leader: We pray in the name of 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 remember those who usually sit near you, and pray for them and contact them later today to share your love for them.)

THE WORD

SPECIAL RECOGNITION for Monica Kirby, on her retirement as Director of Special Needs Ministry

NEW TESTAMENT READING: <u>John 10:1-10</u> Pew Bible pg. 872 Adventure Bible pg. 1179

NEW TESTAMENT READING: <u>Acts 2:42-47</u> Pew Bible pg. 886 Adventure Bible pg. 1200 Dr. Jones

Mr. Tom Sauer

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

People: Thanks be to God.

OFFERTORY

SERMON Closer and Closer: True Koinonia Dr. Jones

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND OURSELVES

Rev. Amanda Mackey

Alleluia: a Joyous Easter Hymn Alexandra Colaizzi, mezzo-soprano O'Connor-Morris

Let joyful praise to Heav'n ascend; for sighs and tears have now an end. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The darksome night is past and gone, and glorious shines the rising sun. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Now to our God let voices raise one grand united hymn of praise. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let us all joy and praise now bring, to Christ our risen Lord we sing: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Rev. Mackey

SHARING OF THE SACRAMENT

If you are able, please hold each element until all have been served, and the minister will signal when to partake.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING



CHARGE and BLESSING Dr. Jones

POSTLUDE Prelude in C, BWV 553 att. J. S. Bach

WORSHIP ARTS NOTES

On the cover: Jesus the Good Shepherd, 1508-1519, Cathédrale d'Amiens. From Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

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 Ltansil@bellsouth.net.

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!

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 celebration of the birth of Gabby Wilkes Guynes, daughter of Alexa Patterson Guynes and Garrett Guynes, sister of Garner Guynes, granddaughter to Lisa and Kevin Patterson, and great-granddaughter to Mary Lee Toler.

Thanks to the GPC senior high school students who facilitated our service last week. Congratulations to the seniors listed below:

- -Dina Paola Ciabattini, daughter of Lea and Eric Buring, granddaughter of Nancy and Bud Webb, Collierville High School, University of Memphis
- -Anna Virginia Eoff, daughter of Amy and Edward Eoff, Houston High School, Undecided
- -Katherine Lorraine Harding, daughter of Lori and Chris Harding, Hutchison School, University of Alabama
- -Andrew Ryan Hormberg, son of Susan and Bo Hormberg, Houston High School, University of Southern Mississippi
- -Lauren Alexa Hurley, daughter of Sherry and Bud Hurley, St. George's Independent School, University of Tennessee Knoxville
- -Mary Gayden Jones, daughter of Susan and Will Jones, St. Mary's Episcopal School, Texas Christian University
- -John Sebastian Rice, son of April and Patrick Rice, Houston High School, University of Memphis
- -Ellye Kimbrell Sanders, daughter of Tavia and Cole Sanders, Houston High School, University of Arkansas
- -Lydia Anne Waldrop, daughter of Jody and David Waldrop, Houston High School, University of Memphis

Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of May 3, 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: Jeff Bowlin; Emily & Chad Coursey, Cate, Sam, Thomas; Sharon & Jim Goldsworthy; Kimm & Andrew Harris, Emma Grace, Colton, Beau; Rebecca Laine; Margaret Owens; Susan & Mike Threlkeld; Pastor Susie Wiggins.

For May, please pray for these churches in the Presbytery: Anderson Presbyterian Church, Jackson TN First Presbyterian Church, Jackson TN

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

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 here.

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 the Communications Department at communications@germantownpres.org.

IN THE COMMUNITY

LOCAL FOCUS - Simple Shirts

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 here.

Simple Shirts (http://www.simpleshirts.org/), founded in 2008, is a company that specializes in screen-printed and embroidered apparel. Church member Luke McClellan is the owner and operator, and the company offers a variety of products like: T-shirts, polos/knits, sweatshirts/fleece, caps, activewear, outerwear, woven shirts, workwear, bags, and accessories, in sizes ladies, youth, infant/toddler, and tall. Located in the heart of Germantown, all production is completed in the Memphis area.

To contact Simple Shirts for product and quote information, check their website, email Luke (<u>mailto:luke@simpleshirts.org</u>) or call 901-361-4572.

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 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).

GPC PICTORIAL 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 <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).

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!



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.