



October 18, 2020

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Germantown, TN 38138

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**Please stand.*

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

Pastorale, from Sonate in D minor, Op. 42

Alexandre Guilmant

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Will Jones

CHIME INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 99)

Mr. Jeff Cook, liturgist

Leader: The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! God sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

People: The Lord is great in Zion; God is exalted over all the peoples.

Leader: Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is the Lord!

People: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity.

Leader: You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

People: Extol the Lord our God; worship at His footstool. Holy is the Lord!

*CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

God of grace and God of glory, we kneel before you today in worship. As we begin this act of worship, we pray for you to purge us of our sin. Remove from us all sinister desire, greed, and envy. We confess that our ways often deviate from yours, and we pray for forgiveness. We long to be free from the sin that entangles us and chokes out abundant life. In the name of Christ, have mercy on us, we pray.

(Time of personal prayer)

Leader: We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,

People: Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

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

ANTHEM

E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come
Chancel Choir

Paul Manz

*Peace be to you and grace from Him who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed His blood that we might saved be.
Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God who was, and is, and is to come;
Sing Holy, Holy Lord! Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell within,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below, for Christ is coming soon!
E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun, for Christ will be their All!*

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 33:17-23

⁷The LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." ¹⁸Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." ¹⁹And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The LORD'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. ²⁰But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." ²¹And the LORD continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; ²²and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; ²³then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 22:12-22

¹²and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen." ¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Enemies of Gratitude: Greed

Dr. Jones

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed

Ms. Kirsten King

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.

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Room In The Inn

Ms. Susan Shirley Hurt

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ms. King

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

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation
Chancel Choir

David M. Cherwien

*Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.*

*To this temple, where we call you, come, O Lord of hosts, today:
with your wonted loving-kindness hear your people as they pray;
and your fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.*

*Here bestow on all your servants what they ask of you to gain,
what they gain from you forever with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in your glory evermore with you to reign.*

*Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.*

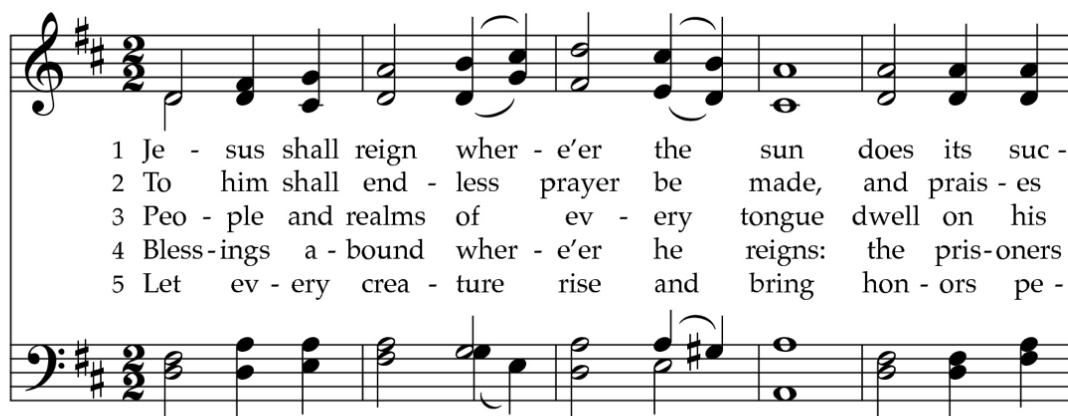
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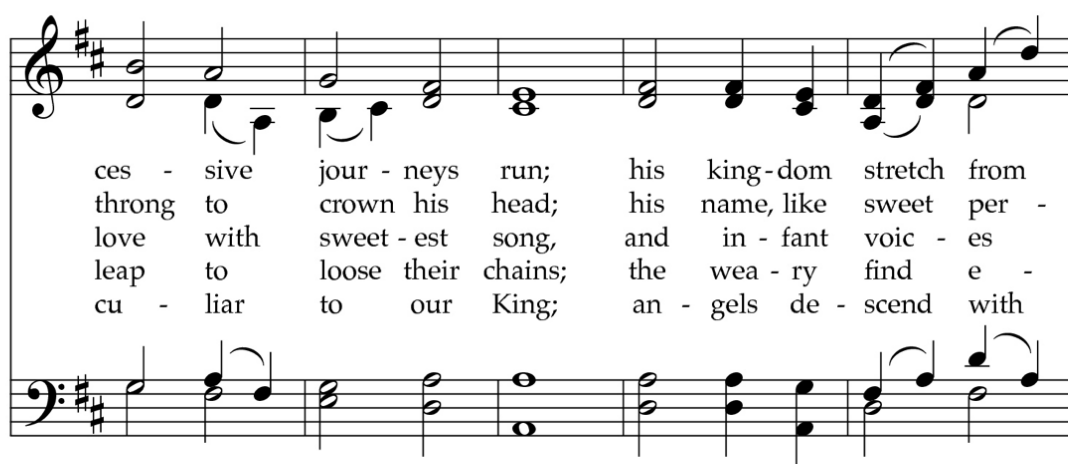
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring hon - ors pe -



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
 throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song, and in - fant voic - es
 leap to loose their chains; the wea - ry find e -
 cu - liar to our King; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume, shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud A - men!

WORSHIP ARTS TODAY

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Welcome to worship online and limited onsite 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, and we are so glad you can join our service in the way you feel most comfortable. 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 Kathleen Boyd at 901-833-3413 or kkboyd@comcast.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.

Germantown Presbyterian Church Announcements Week of October 18, 2020

Sign in to the online Friendship Pad [here](#) to indicate you attended the service, whether onsite or online, (and/or to ask the ministers any questions) and thank you for worshipping with us this Sunday.

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: Laura Brown; Judy & Don Chandler; Susan & Bo Hormberg, Drew, Rachel; Deranda & Caleb Lester, Darcy; Luke McClellan; Gaye & Bob Pitts; Alta & Jim Simpson; Cynthia Shaw.

In October, please pray for these churches in the Presbytery:

First Presbyterian Church, Savannah, TN
Bethesda Presbyterian Church, Selmer, TN
First Presbyterian Church, Selmer, TN
First Presbyterian Church, Somerville, TN
Tiptonville Presbyterian Church, Tiptonville, TN

***Note: Any text that is [blue](#) is an active link in the electronic version.
You can click on that to go to a webpage or send an email.***

GPC NEWS

October Outdoor Concert Fellowship Event! Saturday, October 24, 5pm Arthur Rd Porte Cochere & Parking Lot

All are invited to enjoy one more evening of outdoor music for the season. This event will feature Broadway to Opera highlights using our GPC Chancel Choir soloists, student singers, etc.

Bring your friends and family, with chairs and blankets for this night of fellowship. You are welcome and encouraged to bring any food and drink with you. We will continue to mark the parking lot to appropriate social distancing guidelines. Due to our Sunday evening worship services, we have decided to host this event on a Saturday at 5pm. We can't wait to see you!

Did you know GPC has 2 video channels? We do! 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 on either one of these channels.

- > Check out the Vimeo channel [here](#)
- > and the YouTube channel [here](#).

Help Needed with Worship Services: GPC is looking for volunteers who want to join an ongoing team that will form the core group who works with the audio-visual process of the livestream during Sunday morning and evening worship services. The people already participating will be happy to train you, and all you have to do is learn the user-friendly system. In addition, the volunteer will switch camera views during certain parts of the service for our livestreaming. It's all very easy, and yet vitally important to our expanding Internet presence. Please consider volunteering, and if you are interested you can contact the church office at communications@germantownpres.org.

ADULTS

Women: The 2020 Women's Retreat – this year we're zooming! This year we will learn even more about ourselves, begin to see ourselves as God sees us, and continue to grow and be transformed by the Holy Spirit of God.

Our tool will be the ancient personality typing system called the Enneagram, and our facilitator will be Memphian Anna Duggan, Enneagram Teacher and Coach. The Enneagram's origins have been lost to history, but we do know that its Christian roots date back to the desert fathers and mothers of the 4th century (BCE).

For more information about this year's retreat, the enneagram and what it is, and to register, go to the women's retreat page [here](#).

Women: Membership in Presbyterian Women (PW) is open to all women and strives to help develop the gifts and talents of all women in our church. It's a great way to meet the other women of the church and grow in your faith. Please consider joining in as we unite with other women of the church and commit to helping every woman develop into the person God intends her to be and grow spiritually through prayer, Bible study, and mission work, keeping our hearts open to God's call to action and involvement. Individual Bible Study Circles meet the first Tuesday of every month on Zoom for now with both morning and evening options. For more information please call Nancy Halter, Moderator, 901-454-3268 or Bonnie Algee, Vice Moderator, 901-674-2613.

Men: The men of GPC currently Zoom their Sunrise Men's Breakfast Friday mornings at 6:30am. If you'd like to be involved in that fellowship and Bible study, contact Drayton Mayers at draytonmayers@gmail.com. In addition, the men's lunch devotion group is deciding how to resume their meetings, so if you'd like to be plugged into that group, please contact Anthony Duke at anthony.duke@ipaper.com.

Onsite Sunday morning adult class: Coffee and Conversations is an onsite class designed to educate you about opportunities for education and church life within GPC. C&C meets from 10:45-11:45am in the blue Noah's ark room in the elementary hallway downstairs following worship. Join the class any Sunday as the class will feature different speakers each week as well as offer a devotion connected to what your children are learning in Sunday School.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Jump on Board!! The Special Needs Elementary Sunday School Class needs you! We need 2 teacher assistants. You would be helping under the guidance of our exceptional teachers, Mary K. Grantham or Julie Lindow! You would be teaching on a rotational schedule! This way teachers, assistants, and students get the best of both worlds.

You get to touch the lives of our special friends and you can still attend adult SS class! If you'd like to volunteer or ask questions please email me at specialneeds@germantownpres.org or call 901-626-3380. Thanks, Helen Warren

AMPLify Has Begun! **AMPLify** is one of our PEACE Ministry programs. It is a music program which allows students who are differently abled to showcase their gifts and talents through rhythm, melody, and spontaneity. It is led by the very talented, Noel Wilkins. Even though **AMPLify** looks a bit different this year because we are having temperature checks, wearing masks, and social distancing, there is still lots of fun and learning going on. **AMPLify** takes place each Thursday at 10:00am, and we will wrap up the semester in December with a winter performance in the sanctuary. We have room for more, so if you'd like to participate or volunteer, please email specialneeds@germantownpres.org. We'd love you to join us as we amplify our hearts, voices, and witness for the glory of God!

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 email specialneeds@germantownpres.org.

SPECIAL NEEDS & CHILDREN

GPC's *Breathe* Parents' Night Out (PNO) is in full swing! There is no PNO in October due to Fall Break, but watch for future dates. Typically, on the second Friday of each month (with some exceptions) *Breathe* exists to provide a quiet night out for parents and a fun Bible experience with friends for kids. For the 2020-21 school year the theme is *Parable Quest* - the fun and excitement of exploring the Amazon rainforest is combined with the discovery of what it means to "follow Jesus on a life-changing adventure." The Bible focus verse for the year is: John 13:13 - *You call me teacher and Lord and rightly so for that is what I am.*

Make plans for your children to attend! Remember we include little ones as young as one year old through fifth grade as well as children with special needs. Visit our website at www.germantownpres.org/breathe to register for the first time and/or to make a monthly reservation. We will look for you in the months to come. (Please note: reservations for this event close at noon on the Monday prior to the event.) The cost is \$15/child per event night (includes a pizza dinner). Scholarships are available upon request. If requesting a scholarship, while checking out choose the "cash" option and contact 901-754-5195 to speak with Anna or Helen.

CHILDREN

Sunday morning adult class onsite for parents with children in Sunday School: Coffee and Conversations is an onsite class designed to educate you about opportunities for education and church life within GPC. C&C meets from 10:45-11:45am in the blue Noah's ark room downstairs in the elementary hallway following worship. Join the class this Sunday to learn, *What is the GPC "Diaconate"? Why do they exist? What do they do? Is this a place I would like to serve the church?* The Diaconate provides a very important structure within GPC. Join us this Sunday, October 18 to learn more! This week's class will be led by Jimmy Kiser and Richard Fast.

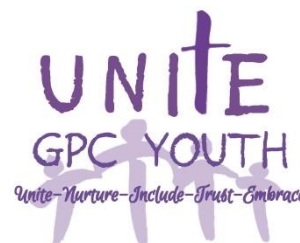
Keep watching this space, the website, and social media for upcoming children's events. If you would like to be on the Children's Ministry email list, please contact Family Ministry Director Anna White at children@germantownpres.org.

We are Collecting Specific CANS! Please save your EMPTY large coffee cans WITH the plastic lids or other cans similar such as baby formula cans, Swiss Miss Hot Chocolate cans. Don't forget to save the LID! We can't have drums without the CAN and LID! You can bring these by Anna's office! Thank you! If you have any questions about this donation or about the children's ministry, please email Anna White at <mailto:children@germantownpres.org>.

YOUTH

Sunday mornings and afternoons: Youth meet from 10:45 – 11:45am onsite and on Zoom. For information and the Zoom link, contact Anna White or Erin Bowden at youth@germantownpres.org. All regular morning classes and afternoon fellowships resume their regular schedule this week.

If you would like to be on the Youth Ministry email list, please email youth@germantownpres.org.



MISSIONS

In case you missed it. (ICYMI)

Resources to help the homeless: There are some terrific ways to help the homeless in the Germantown/Memphis area. If you want to help, please donate and/or give out the numbers listed here:

1. Hospitality Hub - 901-522-1808 info@hospitalityhub.org
2. Room in the Inn (RITI) - 901-395-3329 innkeeper@roomintheinn-memphis.org
3. MIFA - 901-527-0208 jseacat@mifa.org

Remember – don't give out anyone's personal number!

Room in the Inn (RITI) Memphis is resuming a regular, limited schedule this fall to be evaluated on a month-by-month basis. Please see below for the details about the upcoming 2020-2021 season and how they plan to offer shelter as safely as possible during the COVID-19 pandemic. We'll host on Saturday evenings.

Quick rundown of how RITI will work moving forward (re-evaluated on a month-by-month basis):

- GPC will join with Emmanuel Methodist hosting this year.
- We will host every other Saturday night starting in November.
- We will be back at The Cottage at Germantown Methodist Church.
- RITI Memphis (Carpenters House) will send the same eight guests to that location for the entire week, and the guests will sleep in the same bed every night, so that they can be better contact traced should the need arise.
- Emmanuel Methodist will provide the transportation and van driver every time.
- We will need only one person to spend the night and one person on call who lives close by.
- We will need four hands-on volunteers at night along with people who will make and drop off the food and take-away sacks for the following day.
- We will also need one person to do a quick clean-up and possibly some laundry (TBD).

To sign up and/or volunteer to help, email Susan Shirley Hurt [here](#).

UKirk Memphis is a ministry serving the campuses of Rhodes College, the University of Memphis, and beyond. UKirk is a nationwide campus ministry affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA) and in partnership with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. We seek to reach, love, and teach college students to be lifelong followers of Jesus Christ. In the season of COVID-19, we have pivoted from our normal in-person events to holding our weekly gatherings online for a time of fellowship, conversation, and prayer. We are holding some small socially distant gatherings outdoors, along with providing opportunities for one-on-one conversation with the campus minister. We have also sent care packages to our students as tangible reminders that they are loved! Although we are doing ministry differently this year, its importance in the spiritual lives of our students has not waived, nor has our need for support from congregations and individuals.

We ask for your prayers for our students as they navigate life in this time. And if you feel called to donate financially, you can do so online at www.ukirkmemphis.com under the "Support Us" tab. There you can also sign up for our quarterly newsletter. If you would rather write a check, you can make it out to the Presbytery of the Mid-South with UKirk in the memo line and send to the Presbytery office at 449 Patterson St. Memphis, TN 38111. UKirk Memphis sends a big thank you to Germantown Presbyterian Church for their continued support of our ministry!

Upcoming UKirk virtual fundraiser: UKirk Memphis presents a virtual concert on Facebook live, Friday, October 30 from 6:30-8pm. Suggested donations are \$10 and proceeds benefit UKirk. This is a concert by Bailey and Wyly Bigger; Bailey's a current UKirk Memphis student, and her brother, Wyly, is a UKirk alum of Mississippi State.

Questions? Contact Rev. Elizabeth Doolin, the UKirk Campus Minister, at ukirk-memphis@gmail.com.

Follow us on social media! On Instagram and Twitter @ UkirkMemphis, and Facebook @ UKirkatMemphis

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).

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

GPC Prayer Ministry - These times are filled with anxiety and unrest. We as a church want to pray for all our members. There are several ways to request prayer. The website has a prayer request link toward the bottom of the homepage page with praying hands graphic. We also have replenished the pew prayer cards. Just fill them out and put them in the offering plate. Another way is the email that church member Margaret Owens oversees. The address is margaretowens1@aol.com. Or you can also send a prayer request to the pastors at prayers@germantownpres.org. The pastors also pray over all confidential prayer requests. This is a great way for us to get renewed strength during these uncertain times.

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).

GPC family: please be assured that GPCKids, PEACE the Special Needs Ministry, and GPC Youth all follow the CDC/WHO Covid-19 guidelines to ensure the safety of our participants and our leaders as we resume meeting onsite.

If you're reading this digitally, you can click [here](#) to read the updated policies.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Director of Family Ministry Anna White at family@germantownpres.org.

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!



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



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

It's that time of year again! In spite of all the changes around us, some things remain the same. We need your officer nominations! The form is below so write in your recommendation and drop the form off in the offering plate on the way out.
The deadline for submissions is November 1, 2020.



Germantown Presbyterian Church
Nomination for Officers

Please prayerfully consider nomination for the next class of church officers. These are very important roles of service and responsibility. You can submit your nomination form directly to the church office, in the offering plate, to a Nominating Committee member or via email to office@germantownpres.org. The Nomination Forms will be available through the month of October.

Consider the following qualifications before completing the back of this form:

- **Church Involvement**
 - regular attendance at Sunday worship and participation in church activities
 - areas of service in church ministries
 - demonstration of commitment to the church and its mission

- **Christian Living**
 - love of Jesus Christ and dedication to Christ as Lord and Savior
 - strong faith
 - demonstration of grace and compassion in common life (family, work, community)
 - spiritual maturity
 - acceptance of the Bible as the unique and authoritative witness to God's work in the world and guide for Christian living

- **Personal Characteristics and Skills**
 - cooperativeness; willingness to learn and listen
 - ability to follow through on assignments
 - openness to new ideas

Particular Qualifications for Offices

Deacon

- gifts of sympathy, compassion, and sound judgment in ministry to others

Elder

- gifts of good judgment, fair-mindedness
- spiritual leader with a vision to provide oversight and direction for the congregation
- willingness to teach and preach

Nominating Committee Member

- gifts of spiritual discernment and wide knowledge of the members of the congregation to seek God's will for the leadership of the congregation

Officer Nomination Form

I suggest _____

for nomination to the office of:

____ Elder

____ Youth Elder (*current high school 10th or 11th gr*)

____ Deacon

____ Youth Deacon (*current high school 10th or 11th gr*)

____ Nominating Committee

____ Nominating Committee, Youth Member
(*current high school 10th/11th gr*)

What spiritual gifts does this person possess?

What church activities/programs does this person participate in?

Submitted by _____

(Please print your name here.)