

Entrance

8:30, 9:40 and 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *God of Grace and God of Glory* PAUL MANZ

WELCOME AND GREETING

*HYMN 577 *God of Grace and God of Glory*

*INVOCATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader:

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:

People:

We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all God's work and whose will is ever directed to good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the gift of God's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that his faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI 70

**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. Amen.**

ANTHEM *River in Judea* JOHN LEAVITT

Proclamation and Prayer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties. For all the wonder of our country's story:

PEOPLE: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.

Leader: For leaders in nation and state, and for those who in days past and in these present times have labored for the commonwealth:

PEOPLE: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.

Leader: For those who in all times and places have been true and brave, and in the world's common ways have lived upright lives and ministered to their fellows:

PEOPLE: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.

Leader: For those who served their country in its hour of need, and especially for those who gave even their lives in that service:

PEOPLE: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD.

Leader: O almighty God and most merciful Father, as we remember these your servants, remembering with gratitude their courage and strength, we hold before you those who mourn them. Look upon your bereaved servants with your mercy. As this day brings them memories of those they have lost awhile, may it also bring your consolation and the assurance that their loved ones are alive now and forever in your living presence.

RESPONSE *The Mansions of the Lord* ARR. HARLAN
Men's Chorus

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00 a.m.)

Samuel Elliott McMaster, son of Robert Jay and Sarah Ellen McMaster

With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Samuel, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in that way that leads to life eternal.

A TIME FOR CHILDREN (9:40 and 11:00 a.m.)

UNITED METHODIST MEN LIFEBLOOD DRIVE Dick Benson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*SCRIPTURE LESSON Deuteronomy 4:9-14

OFFERTORY

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**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**

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 358 *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*
Stanzas 1 and 2

SERMON *The Power of Memory* Rev. Richard Smith

Going Forth

*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Those wishing to present themselves for church membership may come to the chancel at this time.

*HYMN 708 *Rejoice in God's Saints*

*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

**Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go
To the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;
Hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,
That your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know, and live.**

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Voluntary* JOHN STANLEY

Liturgists: 8:30 a.m. — Rev. Jack Henton, 9:40 a.m. — Rev. Gail Bruno,
11:00 a.m. — Rev. Julie McKenna

Sanctuary Flowers: The flowers on the altar are placed in honor of the men and women of our Armed Services who gave their lives for our country and for those who currently stand in the gap around the world protecting our freedom.

Providing flowers for the sanctuary are a treasured way to enhance worship while honoring or remembering loved ones or commemorating a special occasion. For more information contact Mary Anne Gibson at 754-7216 or mgibson@germantownumc.org.

Ponderings: If you would like to receive this e-devotional from Rev. Richard Smith sent weekly, Monday-Friday, please make a note in the Friendship Pad today or contact Donna Thurmond at dthurmond@germantownumc.org. The devotionals include a Scripture passage, thoughts from Richard, and questions for further reflection.

Offices Closed. Church offices and the Owings Life Enrichment Center will be closed tomorrow, Monday, May 30.