

WORSHIP NOTES • July 24, 2011

“Christians and Worry”
(Matthew 6:24-34)
Rev. Richard Smith

The sermon text and video are available each Monday
on our website at germantownumc.org.

Children’s Ministries. Grace Place (a rotation model Sunday School) is offered for children in Sr. K through 5th grades at 9:40 and 11:00 a.m. and is located in the education building (south of sanctuary). We offer a safe, positive, nurturing learning environment for children that seeks to establish a firm foundation for their spiritual growth. In addition, we offer seasonal events for families and friends, and short-term small group courses on Wednesday evenings. Contact Janelle Crist at 758-6525 or jcrist@germantownumc.org.

Nursery and Preschool. We provide well-supervised, fun-filled classes for infants through Jr. K during all worship services. The preschool suite is located on the Sanctuary level off the north side of the narthex. We utilize a paging system to maintain contact with parents, if needed. Contact Angie Hopper at 356-9600 (hopshome@earthlink.net).

Student Ministries. Germantown Student Ministries provides a complete program for our Junior and Senior High students. This includes weekly meetings, small group Bible studies, mission opportunities, and trips throughout the year. Sunday School classes for Junior and Senior High students meet at 9:40 and 11:00 a.m. downstairs in the lower level across from the old chapel. Contact Jason Baker at 758-6515 or jbaker@germantownumc.org.

Older Adult Ministries. There are many opportunities for adults age 55 and older to be active and involved at GUMC. The Older Adult Council sponsors a monthly Brown Bag Lunch series about relevant topics of interest to seniors. The XYZs take monthly nominally priced day trips to places of interest in the greater Memphis area. For more information call Luci Cromer at 755-0803. There are also many opportunities for service to the older adults of our church family. For more information contact Beverly Rhoads at 754-7216, or brhoads@germantownumc.org.

Adult Ministries. Through Christian education we are inspired and challenged to know and experience God, claim and live the promises of God, and grow and serve as Christian disciples. We offer over 20 adult Sunday School classes. Adult Sunday School classes meet at 8:30 a.m., 9:40 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. A complete list of classes is available at the Welcome Center, and you are encouraged to visit classes. If you would like help in finding a Sunday School that best suits your needs, contact Rev. Rebecca Luter at 754-7216 (rluter@germantownumc.org). In addition, we encourage you to participate in short-term study groups, Wesley Covenant groups, Beth Moore Bible Studies, and in-depth Bible studies such as *Disciple*, *Jesus In the Gospels*, and *Christian Believer*.

Health and Recreation Ministries. GUMC offers an array of activities through the year for children and adults, both members and non-members. These include on-going exercise classes, personal training, and team sports. For more information call the Owings Life Enrichment Center at 753-3100.

Women’s Ministries. The women of GUMC invite you to join them in their journey of spiritual growth and encouraging, loving friendships. Through Circle meetings, Bible studies, and luncheons, we encourage women to find their place of service. For more information call Pat Gill at 756-8151 or jamesbo429@bellsouth.net.

Men’s Ministries. The United Methodist Men meet for breakfast on the second Saturday of each month (September through May). There are also several men’s prayer groups that meet on a regular basis. Contact Rev. Jack Henton at 754-7216 or jhenton@germantownumc.org.

Missions. We believe missions include spreading the good news of Jesus Christ and serving others in His name. If you would like some help finding your special place of service, contact Rev. Richard Smith at 754-7216.

Congregational Care. The mission of Congregational Care is to provide timely and effective pastoral care to our sick, bereaved, and all in need through professional staff and lay volunteers. Contact Rev. Gail Bruno at 754-7216, ext. 125, or gbruno@germantownumc.org.

Weekday Preschool. Our preschool provides a loving, nurturing and developmentally appropriate environment for children (ages 9 months-5 years) to grow to their fullest potential emotionally, socially, spiritually, physically, and cognitively. For more information or to schedule a visit, please contact Susan Bryant at 753-3109 or email preschool@germantownumc.org.

Music Ministries. From Children’s Choirs beginning at age 3, the youth choir and handbells, to our Adult Chancel Choir and handbells, we are committed to excellence in music and worship. Contact Jim Thrash at 758-6526 or email jthrash@germantownumc.org.

The McVay Counseling Center at Germantown UMC provides high quality, affordable counseling from a Christian perspective for our church family and the community. For information or to schedule an appointment, contact Dr. Dewaine Rice at 758-6523, drice@germantownumc.org; Christina Burns at 758-6524, ctburns@bellsouth.net; or Dr. Bill Walker at 756-7666.

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**Look at the birds of the air; they neither
sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and
yet your heavenly Father feeds them.
Are you not of more value than they?**

Matthew 6:26 (NRSV)

Entrance

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

PRELUDE *O Worship the King* ROBERT HOBBY

WELCOME AND GREETING

*HYMN 384 *Love Divine All Loves Excelling*

*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 this 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.**

Proclamation and Prayer

SOLO *How I Love Your Word* MARK HAYES
Natalie Duncan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OUR 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

RESPONSE *This We Pray* JAY ALTHOUSE

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

*SCRIPTURE LESSON (Matthew 6:24-34)

OFFERTORY *His Eye Is On the Sparrow* JACK SCHRADER

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 405 *Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God*

SERMON *Christians and Worry* 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 400

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*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 Tune* HENRY PURCELL

Liturgists: 8:30 a.m. — Rev. Jack Henton; 9:40 a.m. — Rev. Rebecca Luter; 11:00 a.m. — Rev. Gail Bruno

Sanctuary Flowers: The flowers that grace the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and placed in celebration of the 18th birthday of Madison Gibson on July 27.

Joining Our Church. Membership is an important step in your spiritual journey. All individuals and families who would like to join the church are asked to meet with one of our pastors prior to joining so that we may help you find a place within our church community where you will be nourished and challenged to grow in your Christian life. To schedule a pastoral meeting, please contact either Rev. Julie McKenna at jmckenna@germantownumc.org, 758-6514, or Rev. Gail Bruno at gbruno@germantownumc.org, 758-6510.

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 dthurmond@germantownumc.org. The devotionals include a Scripture passage, thoughts from Richard, and questions for further reflection.

Recycling at Germantown UMC. Our church is now a recycling church! Blue recycling containers have been placed in all rooms used on Sunday morning. These containers will accept all paper suitable for recycling. Glass, tin and plastic water bottles may be recycled in the special containers found in the 3rd floor kitchen and outside the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall. There are also large recycling containers in each copy room for the recycling of paper. If your Sunday School classroom does not have a recycling container, please contact Don Rhoads at drhoads@germantownumc.org. *Thank you!*