

Entrance

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

PRELUDE *Song of Joy* CHRISTOPHER BOODLE

INTROIT *To the Lord Our God Everlasting* HENRY FOOTE

WELCOME AND GREETING

*HYMN 158 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

Following the second stanza – a choral interlude, then:
Stanza 3— all singing together

*INVOCATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God;
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.
We are called to be the church;
to celebrate God's presence.
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. 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

ANTHEM *Many Gifts, One Spirit* ALLEN POTE
Chancel Choir

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 *Come Holy Spirit* JIM THRASH

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

*SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 3:21-23 and Acts 6: 1-7

OFFERTORY *Priere a Notre-Dame* BOELLMANN

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 492

TUNE: *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Prayer is the soul's sincere desire, unuttered or expressed;
the motion of a hidden fire that trembles in the breast.

Prayer is the burden of a sigh, the falling of a tear,
The upward glancing of an eye, when none but God is near.

O Thou, by whom we come to God, the Life, the Truth, the Way:
The path of prayer thyself hast trod; Lord, teach us how to pray!

SERMON *Disciples: People of Prayer* Rev. Rebecca Luter

Going Forth

*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

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

*HYMN 500 *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*

*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I go,
my daily labor to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know
in all I think or speak or do.

POSTLUDE *Toccata on "Duke Street"* GILBERT MARTIN

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

Sanctuary Flowers: The flowers that grace the altar today are given by Buddy Walters in loving memory of his beloved wife, Carolyn.

Rosebud: The rosebud on the altar today is placed in celebration of the birth of William Cash Brown on August 14. Parents are Josh and Jenny Kuhn Brown. Grandparents are Bill and Martha Cunningham.

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 758-6514 or jmckenna@germantownumc.org; or Rev. Gail Bruno at 758-6510 or gbruno@germantownumc.org.

August 28: Christian Education Sunday

On Sunday, August 28, Christian Education Sunday will be celebrated in all three worship services. All teachers will be recognized during worship and a reception will be held in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall between services.