

## WORSHIP NOTES • September 25, 2011

*Disciples: People of Music and Song*

Psalm 95:1-7

**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](mailto:jcrist@germantownumc.org); or Shelley Haines at 758-6512 or [shaines@germantownumc.org](mailto:shaines@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](mailto:hopsHOME@earthlink.net)).

**Student Ministries.** Germantown Student Ministries provides a complete program for Junior and Senior High students, grades 7-12. This includes a weekly entry level program on Sunday nights, small groups during the school year, mission opportunities throughout the year, and various other trips, retreats, and fellowship activities. Trek Sunday School for students in grades 7-12 meets at 9:40 and 11:00 a.m. downstairs in the lower level across from the old chapel. Questions? Contact Jason Baker, Director of Student Ministries, at 758-6515 or [jbaker@germantownumc.org](mailto: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 or [luci2@comcast.net](mailto:luci2@comcast.net). 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](mailto: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 a variety of 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. If you would like help in finding a Sunday School that best suits your needs, contact Rev. Rebecca Luter at 754-7216 or [rluter@germantownumc.org](mailto:rluter@germantownumc.org). In addition, we encourage you to participate in studies offered throughout the week. For information on class offerings, check the Ministry Events, website, or contact Marian Carruth at 754-7216 or [mcarruth@germantownumc.org](mailto:mcarruth@germantownumc.org).

**The Health and Recreation Ministry** of GUMC offers an exciting array of activities through the year for children and adults, both members and non-members. These include exercise classes, personal training, massage therapy, pickleball, karate, and team sports. For more information call the Owings Life Enrichment Center at 753-3100 or check the website for a complete list of class offerings.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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 John Phillips at [john.phillips@fedex.com](mailto:john.phillips@fedex.com).

**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 758-6510 or [gbruno@germantownumc.org](mailto: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](mailto:preschool@germantownumc.org).

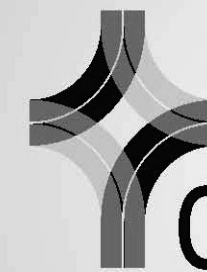
**Music Ministries.** From Children's Choirs beginning at age 3, the youth choir and handbells, to our Adult Chancel Choir and handbells, we are committed to excellence in music and worship. Contact Jim Thrash at 758-6526 or email [jthrash@germantownumc.org](mailto:jthrash@germantownumc.org).

**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](mailto:drice@germantownumc.org); Christina Burns at 758-6524, [cturns@bellsouth.net](mailto:cturns@bellsouth.net); or Dr. Bill Walker at 756-7666.

The sermon text and video are available each Monday  
on our website at [germantownumc.org](http://germantownumc.org).

# Germantown United Methodist Church

September 25, 2011



## discipleship

seeking to be like Christ

**“Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;**

**Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.**

**Let us come before him with thanksgiving**

**and extol him with music and song.”**

**Psalm 95:1-2 (NIV)**

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Rev. Richard Smith, Senior Pastor

## Entrance

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

PRELUDE *When In Our Music God Is Glorified* ROBERT HOBBY

INTROIT (9:40 and 11:00 a.m.) *Processional Alleluia* C. HARRY CAUSEY

ANTHEM (9:40 and 11:00 a.m.) *Go Ye Into the World* NATALIE SLEETH  
Combined Choirs

### WELCOME AND GREETING

\*OPENING HYMN 57 *O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing*  
Stanza 1 through 5

\*THE COLLECT (in unison)

O God, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be ever present with your servants, who seek through art and music, to perfect the praises offered by your people on earth; and grant to us even now glimpses of your beauty, and make us worthy at length to behold it unveiled for evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM *Look to My Song* CARL NYGARD  
Chancel Choir

*O Lord, look to my song and find my heart,  
Find it alive. Find it in grateful adoration,  
And in its beating find the rhythm in the cadence of Thy word,  
Reflected in the melody of song.*

*O Lord, look to my song and find my joy.  
Find it renewed, soaring on wings of Thy elation.  
And through the music of my singing,  
Let your joy in me increase,  
Reflected in the jubilation of song.*

*O Lord, look to my song and find Your love,  
Find it aflame, leaping with ardent exaltation.  
Find your love spreading through the music of my humble, thankful voice,  
Reflected in the beauty of a song.  
Alleluia.*

## Proclamation and Prayer

### 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

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

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 95:1-7

\*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.

OFFERTORY *The Singer's Prayer* MICHAEL COX  
Natalie Duncan

*Created by your loving hand, I joyfully before you stand  
to give to you my voice clear and sweet.  
I lay my heart before you, down at your feet.*

*Lord, touch my heart that I may be forevermore restored,  
alive in Thee, To offer you my daily praise,  
O Great Musician, Great Composer, God our Father, Great Redeemer full of grace.*

*Now blend my song with others' songs, in harmonies both bold and strong.  
Let us sing of victories won 'til song and singer become one.  
Our collective songs will loudly ring, and all the earth shall join to sing  
A song of praise to You Lord, our Lord.  
(Paulann Condray Canty)*

### 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 384 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

SERMON Disciples: People of Music and Song Rev. Richard Smith

## Going Forth

\*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*HYMN 438 *Forth In Thy Name*

\*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 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* PAUL MANZ

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

**Sanctuary Flowers:** The flowers that grace the altar today are placed:

- In celebration of the 25th wedding anniversary of Patty and Mark Harriman on September 18. Given by Mark's mother, Dell Harriman.
- In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Tracy and Bettye Speake on September 24. Given by their children Amy and Tracy, Bridgette, Lawrence and Dudley.

**Rosebud:** The rosebud on the altar today is placed in celebration of the birth of Margaret Melissa Witt (Maggie) on August 28. Parents are Randy and Melissa Witt of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Grandparents are Marc and Robin Tate. Great grandparents are Wylie and Janie Tate.

**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 meeting, please contact either Rev. Julie McKenna at 758-6514 or [jmckenna@germantownumc.org](mailto:jmckenna@germantownumc.org); or Rev. Gail Bruno at 758-6510 or [gbruno@germantownumc.org](mailto:gbruno@germantownumc.org).