



**Traditional Service — 11:00 am  
February 5, 2023**

**5th Sunday after the Epiphany  
Color: Green**

The flowers are in honor of Dr. Scott Morris and in memory of Fred Blake, Sr. & Verna, Fred Blake, Jr. & Betty, Jack R. Blake & Dottie, and Charles Wilson Blake, Sr., given by Nancy J. Blake.

(\*) - Please stand as you are able

**Prelude** *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above* Gilbert Martin

**Introit** *Let Me Enter God's Own Dwelling* UNSER HERRSCHER

\***Processional Hymn UMH 568** *Christ for the World We Sing*

\***Affirmation of Faith UMH 881**

**Gloria Patri UMH 70**

**Choral Call to Prayer** *Lead Me, Guide Me* Doris Akers

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Offertory Anthem** *Who But the Lord?* Craig Courtney

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light, can break into the dark, draw morning from the night?

Who but the Lord will hear our cry and answer, "Here am I"?

Who but the Lord makes blinded eyes to see, brings music to the deaf, sets the lonely captive free?

Who but the Lord will by His glory show the paths of peace?

O shine on us the brightness of your face, to earth's remotest end, every people, every race.

O shine on us until to each is show your saving grace.

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light? None but the Lord.

\***Doxology UMH 95**

\***Hymn of Preparation TFWS 2269** *Come, Share the Lord*

**Scripture** Matthew 5:13-20

**Sermon** "Salt and Light"

**Sacrament of Holy Communion UMH 12** Sung Responses TFWS 2257

\***Hymn of Dedication TFWS 2153** *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

\***Benediction**

\***Postlude** *The Rejoicing* G. F. Handel

## Leading in Worship today

Rev. Dr. Scott Alford, Executive Minister | *Preaching*  
Todd Wilson, Director of Music | *Liturgist*  
Eva McPeters, Associate Director of Music | *Organist*  
Bradley Sowell, Piano Duet  
Chancel Choir



## Announcements

### Welcome to Germantown United Methodist Church!

**Please fill out the registration of attendance found in the pew and leave it attached to the pad.**

*If you are visiting us today, we hope you find a meaningful time of worship and a welcoming community of faith. If you are looking for a church home and would like to know more about membership, we would be happy to talk with you. For more information, contact Mary Groh at 754-7216 or [mgroh@germantownumc.org](mailto:mgroh@germantownumc.org).*

**Open Position:** Director of Youth Ministries: High School/College. Send resumes to Scott Alford at [salford@germantownumc.org](mailto:salford@germantownumc.org)

**Ushers Needed!** There are excellent service opportunities at both the 8:30 and 11:00 traditional services. Duties include handing out bulletins, receiving the offering, and providing directions. Please contact Dan Moore ([drm1969msu@gmail.com](mailto:drm1969msu@gmail.com) 827-8006) for 8:30 or Ralph Hamilton ([rhamilton9@comcast.net](mailto:rhamilton9@comcast.net) 356-6591) for 11:00. We hope you can join our team.

#### Sunday, February 5

8:30 am	Worship
9:30 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship
5:00 pm	Children's Choir
5:00 pm	Testimony Choir
6:00 pm	Element

#### Tuesday, February 7

6:30 am	Men's Sunrise Group
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#### Wednesday, February 8

6:30 am	Rutherford Prayer Group
6:00 pm	WOW
6:00 pm	Synergy/Synago
6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Practice



#### Our Mission Statement

**We are a welcoming faith community  
committed to:  
Loving God and loving others.  
Serving Christ and sharing Him.  
Transforming lives and making disciples.**

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# Ministry, News & Events

For more information about events listed below, visit our website: [germantownumc.org](http://germantownumc.org).  
*Interested in an event that requires registration? Click "Open Registrations" at the top of the page.*

## Youth

Chloe Granberry, Assoc. Director of Youth Ministry—Middle School and Confirmation—[cgranberry@germantownumc.org](mailto:cgranberry@germantownumc.org)

**Sunday Morning Trek:** Students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us in the Oasis in the OLEC at 9:30 for snacks and lessons.

**Confirmation:** Join us in the Oasis Sunday mornings 9:30-10:30.

**Element:** Tonight from 6:00—8:00 pm! Be sure to bring 3 dollars for dinner. See you there!

**High School Prayer Breakfast:** Will meet this Tuesday in the Starbucks on Houston Levee at 6:00 am. Bring your journals and a Bible!

**Synergy and Synago:** Will meet this Wednesday in the Prescott House (North side of the OLEC) MS meets from 6-7:15 and HS meets from 7:15-8:30! High school will be planning for Discovery, so make sure to be there!

**Discovery Weekend:** Discovery Weekend is February 17-19. Registration is open on the GUMC website under "open registrations." Contact Chloe for more details!

**Stay Informed:** Check us out on Instagram (@gumcyouthmin) or like us on Facebook (GUMC Youth Ministry) to keep up with our activities and announcements. Please visit our GUMC webpage and sign up for youth emails for more details.

## GUWF (Germantown United Women in Faith)

Gina Bartz, President, [women@germantownumc.org](mailto:women@germantownumc.org)

**February Speaker Luncheon.** Join us Tuesday, February 7 at 11:30 am in Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall for a catered lunch and inspirational message from Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor of Farmington Presbyterian Church. All women are invited. Cost is \$12, and registration required by noon on February 2. Register with credit card at [germantownumc.org](http://germantownumc.org). Checks or cash in GUWF box located in Information Center. Free preschool childcare available.

**Lent by Candlelight | February 21, 6:30—8:30 pm.** All women are invited to join us and enjoy warm fellowship over desserts and coffee in Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall, followed by worship in the Chapel to prepare our hearts and minds for Lent. Please register at [germantownumc.org](http://germantownumc.org) under Open Registrations. Limit 120 women. There is no charge to attend, and free preschool childcare is available.

## Missions Ministry

Anne Fritz, 901-409-3477 [annefritz214@gmail.com](mailto:annefritz214@gmail.com)

### Kroger Card Reminder for GUMC Missions Donations

Kroger Community Rewards is a great way to generate money for Missions at GUMC. Sign into your Kroger account, go to My Account, select Community Rewards. Then choose Germantown United Methodist Missions Committee as the recipient! For more information search Kroger Community Rewards under the Community tab at the bottom of the Kroger website.

## OLEC (Owings Life Enrichment Center)

Gordon Kelly, Director of Health & Recreation, [gkelly@germantownumc.org](mailto:gkelly@germantownumc.org)

Kim Marsh, Assistant Director of Health & Recreation,

[kmarsh@germantownumc.org](mailto:kmarsh@germantownumc.org)

**Painters needed!** We are still looking for volunteers to paint our weight room, cardio room, and downstairs hall. Maintenance will provide all paint and materials. We just need someone to do the painting. This would be perfect for someone needing service hours or a group who would like a service project. Contact Gordon or Kim if you are interested.

**New Weight Room Equipment!!** We have just added 4 new weight machines and 2 new weight racks – along with the big screen smart TV. Come check it out! Church members get a **FREE** OLEC membership. It's the best deal in town!

**Group Exercise Classes and Personal Training.** NEW– beginning February 1– Monday Core and More and Wednesday Tighten and Tone, with Judy Oros, are moving back to the OLEC dance room. You can still zoom from home if you prefer. Check out our full calendar of classes on the church website under Health and Recreation. We also have personal training available. Email Gordon or Kim to get more information.

**Open Gym:** Open gym time is Tuesdays 12- 5:00 pm and Wed. and Thurs. 12- 4:00 pm due to our GUMC basketball teams practicing. This will continue through mid-February, when basketball season ends.

**Spring Soccer.** Registration will be open from Feb. 1 – March 3 for ESCRA soccer, boys and girls, grades JK-Fourth grade.

## Older Adult Ministry

Luci Cromer, 901-755-0803, [luci2@comcast.net](mailto:luci2@comcast.net).

Our activities are open to all adults age 55 and older. Full event descriptions may be found in *The Tidings*.

**XYZ's March Event!** As part of our observance of Lent, we are going downtown to listen to Dr. Brian McLaren at the Lenten Preaching Series at Calvary Episcopal Church, eat lunch at the Calvary Waffle Shop, and tour Idlewild Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, March 8, 2023. We depart at 10 am from the OLEC parking lot, and the cost is \$3 plus lunch on your own. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, Gretchen Blair, 755-0797, or Garnet Brenneman, 754-3711 to make reservations and pay before Wed., February 8.

**February Brown Bag Lunch Series!** Daren Howard, owner of Dale Carnegie of the Mid-South, will teach us "How to Remember Almost Anything". This presentation will be Friday, February 3, 2023, in the Fellowship Hall. The program starts at 11 am with lunch at Noon. Bring your own sack lunch; the church will supply the beverages. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, for more information. No reservations are needed. **There will be a crossing guard on West Street to help with overflow parking.**

**XYZ's April Event!** Join us as we learn about our hometown when we tour the Memphis and Shelby County Room at the Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library and eat lunch at Patrick's on Park on Wednesday, April 5, 2023. We depart at 10:15 a.m. from the OLEC parking lot, and the cost is \$3 plus lunch on your own. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, Gretchen Blair, 755-0797, or Garnet Brenneman, 754-3711 to make reservations and pay before Monday, March 6.

**AARP Smart Driver™ Course!** GUMC and AARP will present the "AARP Smart Driver™ Course" on March 16 & 17, 2023 from 9 am -1 pm. The class will meet in Room 339 in the Ministry Center, and the cost is \$15 for AARP members (\$20 for non-members) payable to AARP. Successful completion entitles participants to a discount on their auto insurance premiums for three years. Call George Coleman at 384-3581 to register. This class will be closed at 28 participants, so sign up soon.

## Elder Care Ministry

Rev. Tom Davis, 901-758-6513, [tdavis@germantownumc.org](mailto:tdavis@germantownumc.org)

### Resource Information for Alzheimer's caregivers:

**The Alzheimer's Association:** A great place to start for anyone with a loved one suspected of having Alzheimer's or dementia. The national group, at <http://www.alz.org>, runs a 24/7 hotline at 800-272-3900.

**Area Agencies on Aging:** Nearly every county in the U.S. is served by an Area Agency on Aging. To find an agency near you go to the eldercare locator at [eldercare.acl.gov](http://eldercare.acl.gov).

**AARP Family Caregivers Discussion Group:** A Facebook group for family caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer's, dementia or any other difficulty.

**VA Aid & Attendance Benefits:** The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs provides wartime veterans and qualified survivors, age 65 and older a monthly benefit to offset cost of long-term care. Current monthly benefit is about \$2,000 for a single veteran without any dependents.

**Home Health Care Compare,** run by Medicare.gov., gives zero to five star ratings to home health companies and organizations.

## Children's Ministry

Natalie Adkinson, Director: [nadkinson@germantownumc.org](mailto:nadkinson@germantownumc.org)

Callie Beaver, Assoc. Dir.-Elem.: [cbeaver@germantownumc.org](mailto:cbeaver@germantownumc.org)

Janelle Crist, Assoc. Dir.-Nursery: [jcrist@germantownumc.org](mailto:jcrist@germantownumc.org)

### Preschool Stepping-Stones (Birth-Prekindergarten):

The Hamilton Nursery is open for children birth through pre-kindergarten to have childcare during worship. Preschool Sunday School is from 9:30 -10:30 am. Our verse for February is: "How wide and long and high and deep is the Love of Christ." Ephesians 3:18

**KidsQuest (Kindergarten-5th Grade):** Elementary Sunday School meets from 9:30-10:30 am each week. All ages (K-5) begin in the Huddle. Pickup is in the classrooms on the Education Wing. Our virtue for February is: RESPECT— showing others they are important by what you say and do. The memory verse is: "Do to others as you want them to do to you," Luke 6:31

**WOW (Worship on Wednesday):** WOW meets in the Fellowship Hall each Wednesday evening from 6-7:30 pm. Dinner will be served at 6 pm (\$3/child). All ages must register. Please register your children before Tuesday at noon.

**Created by God:** Our human sexuality course for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be held February 24-25 in the Education Wing of the main campus. This is a Bible/scripture-based curriculum taught by Lisa Pierce, former youth director and long-time member of GUMC. Cost is \$40/child. Registration is required.

## Music Ministry

Todd Wilson, Director of Music Ministry: [twilson@germantownumc.org](mailto:twilson@germantownumc.org)

**Ash Wednesday Evensong.** John Wesley asked "How is it with your soul?" Not the role you inhabit - successes or failures, the real essence of you! Ash Wednesday Evensong, Wednesday, February 22 at 6:30 pm will equip us to ask this very question throughout Lent. This service of scripture, song, and the Imposition of Ashes,

### GUMM (Germantown United Methodist Men)

**UMM Men's Brunch** will be held on Saturday, February 11 at **9 am** (please note new time). All men are welcome to attend and bring their spouse or significant other to celebrate Valentine's Day. You must make a reservation by calling the church before noon on February 8. Todd Wilson and members of our GUMC Choir will provide the entertainment.

## Adult Education

Mary Groh, Dir. of Adult Education, [mgroh@germantownumc.org](mailto:mgroh@germantownumc.org)

**Seventeen Adult Sunday School Classes** meet from 9:30-10:30 on Sunday mornings. Please check out the list of classes, locations, teachers, and topics at the Welcome Center or online and join us. Visitors are always welcome!

**Signposts starts Thursday, February 16 6:30-8:30 pm via Zoom** SIGNPOSTS is a covenant discipleship opportunity to support and mentor one another while exploring God's dream for an anti-racist, anti-oppressive world. Through a commitment to spiritual disciplines, personal written reflections and discussions, we will examine themes of white supremacy, individual and systemic racism, and oppressions, and will work to recognize and deconstruct their power in our own lives. SIGNPOSTS is a commitment to ten weeks of self-reflection sessions. Facilitated by Yolanda Toney and Rev. Rick Kirchoff. Cost is FREE.