

April 27th, 2025

**Traditional Sermon**  
**"An Undeserved Nickname"**  
Rev. Dr. Scott Alford

**Prism Message**  
**"Don't Be Afraid"**  
Rev. Mimi White



## Upcoming Events & Opportunities

MEMPHIS CHORALARTS PRESENTS

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 26 / 5:00PM**  
GERMANTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
2331 SOUTH GERMANTOWN ROAD

**TICKETS:**  
\$15 ADULTS, \$5 STUDENTS

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## The University of Memphis Slide Ensemble

April 27 - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Dr. Martin McCain leads this group comprised solely of trombones! A joyful noise will be made as we continue to celebrate the Risen Christ!



## CHURCH & SOCIETY PRESENTS

### Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

Special Agent Sample's presentation is part of Project iGuardian which offers presentations designed to inform parents and trusted adults on the threat of online child sexual exploitation and abuse (CSEA), how to implement preventive strategies, and how to report suspected abuse to law enforcement.



**SUNDAY**  
**April 27, 2025**



**STARTS AT**  
**9:30 AM**

**LOCATION:**  
**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**SPECIAL AGENT D. BROOKS SAMPLE,**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

Danny Sample has been a special agent with Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) since January 2018, starting his career at the HSI Calexico, CA office where he investigated human smuggling/human trafficking cases before transitioning to child exploitation investigations.

He transferred to HSI Memphis in December 2021, assigned to the Cyber Group where he primarily investigates federal violations of child exploitation laws as well as human trafficking and labor exploitation. He routinely works with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and other city and county law enforcement agencies on cases involving child exploitation and human trafficking.



## Summer Worship Service Schedule

**JUNE 1 TO AUGUST 3**

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School

10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. - Fellowship in the Narthex and in the OLEC

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Prism Service in the OLEC



# Scripture for Traditional Service

## John 20:19-31

### Jesus Appears to the Disciples

19When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 20After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

Jesus and Thomas

24But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' 26A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 27Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' 28Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' 29Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

The Purpose of This Book

30Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

# Scripture for Prism Service

## Matthew 14: 22-33

### Jesus Walks on the Water

22 Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. 23 After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, 24 and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

25 Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. 26 When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

27 But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

28 "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

29 "Come," he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

31 Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

32 And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. 33 Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Click [Here](#) for our Congregational Prayer List

## Worship Service Livestream Annoucement

To continue watching our weekly church services online, please visit our website for livestream access. We are moving away from Facebook and YouTube for our livestreaming. The link to view our current and archived services online is: [www.germantownumc.org/live-stream-sermons](http://www.germantownumc.org/live-stream-sermons).

**Watching our livestream and see our announcement slides? You will see a link pop up above the QR codes. You can click on these links and it will take you to the registration for each event.**

Website Livestream Link

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## Registering Attendance

Please register your attendance through [this link](#) on our website if you are Live Streaming our services from home.

If you have any trouble seeing the form, please contact Lawrence Monahan at [lmonahan@germantownumc.org](mailto:lmonahan@germantownumc.org).

## Prism Music

If Not For You

Deep Cries Out

This Amazing Grace

Holy Water

Living Water

What a Friend

## Adult Sunday School Classes

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Please check out the list of lessons and teachers below for **April 27** and join us!

**Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.**

Agape will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.**

Alpha will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.**

Apostles will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.**

Asbury will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

***The Final Days: A Lenten Journey*** by Matt Rawle (*Class Member Led*).

Celebration meets in Room 232, Chapel Building.

**Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.**

Emmaus will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**What Is Truth?** (*Jim Pruett*).

Fellowship Forum meets in Room 338.

**The Gospel of Luke** (*Class Member Led*).

Fiser Covenant meets in Room 233, Chapel Building.

**Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.**

Foundations will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.**

Horizon will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**Protecting Against the Threat of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.**

Lamplighters will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

***Wrestling with Doubt Finding Faith*** by Adam Hamilton (*Don Rhoads*).

Seekers meets in Room 1, Adult Education Building.

***Parables: Putting Jesus's Stories in Their Place*** by Josh Scott (*Class Member Led*).

Trinity meets in Room 145, Chapel Building.

**Surrounded by Love** (*Emily Moore*)

Wesley 2.0 meets in Room 339.

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## MNE Weekly Bulletins

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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