

Ascension Sunday, June 1, 2025

Liturgical Color -- White & Gold

Traditional Service - 10:30 am

The flowers gracing the sanctuary
are given by Sue H. Williams,
in memory of her husband, Logan Williams'
birthday, and in memory of her parents,
Frances & Raymond Hudson's
wedding anniversary.



**Please stand as you are able*

Prelude

Prelude on "Repton"

Lawrence Schreiber

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

(based on Luke 24:44-46; Ephesians 1:20-22; Hebrews 4:16)

You have heard what was written about Jesus in Scripture--
how he would suffer and die

and then rise from the dead on the third day;

how the same power that raised Jesus from the dead
raised Him to heaven and seated Him at the right hand of God,
where he now lives to intercede on our behalf.

**So let us come before God with confidence,
through the loving intercession of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ!**

***Hymn of Praise UMH 312**

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

***Affirmation of Faith UMH 881**

Apostles' Creed

***Gloria Patri UMH 70**

**Sacrament of Baptism UMH 33
UMH 39**

Krystina Mallory Tinker
Caroline Emily McLellan
Parents: Michael McLellan & Krystina Mallory Tinker

Scripture

Ephesians 1:15-23

Congregational Call to Prayer TFWS 2160 *Into My Heart (st. 1)*

**Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
come in today, come in to stay; come into my heart, Lord Jesus.**

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Jesus, My All, To Heaven Is Gone

Howard Helvey

Jesus, my all, to heaven is gone, I'll never turn back no more.
He whom I fixed my hopes upon, I'll never turn back no more.
His path I see, and I'll pursue, I'll never turn back no more.
The narrow way, till Him I view, I'll never turn back no more.
Jesus, my all, to heaven is gone.

***Doxology UMH 95**

***Hymn of Preparation UMH 157**

Jesus Shall Reign

Scripture

Acts 1:1-11

Sermon

"Ascension"

Sacrament of Communion UMH 12

Sung Responses For The Great Thanksgiving TFWS 2257 a-d

*Hymn of Commitment W&S 3087 *O Christ, When You Ascended*

*Mission Statement

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

*Benediction

*Benediction Response UMH 557 *Blessed Be the Tie That Binds (st. 1, 4)*

**Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love,
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
When we asunder part, it gives us inward paid;
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.**

Postlude

Fanfare on "Llanfair"
(Persons are invited to be seated for the postlude.)

Raymond Haan

L e a d i n g i n W o r s h i p T o d a y

Preaching: Rev. Tim Carpenter, Senior Pastor
Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Scott Alford, Executive Minister
Lay Readers: Peggy Warner, Beverly Rhoads, Dotty Carter
Organist/Pianist: André Duvall
Music Director: Rev. Todd Wilson, Minister of Music
Oboist: Isaac Ripple
Members of the Chancel Choir

A n n o u n c e m e n t s

VBS Prayers. Please pray for the children and volunteers participating in VBS this Monday-Friday. Many hands and hearts are involved in this week. Please pray that Jesus and His Spirit are present, safety, and kindness for all.

Churchwide Pentecost Picnic, June 8 at 11:30 am, in McVay Gardens. Hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks will be provided. Bring your own chairs or blanket, **and a food dish to share.** Although this event is free, please register so we have a proper headcount for food. Scan the QR code or visit germantownumc.org/sign-ups-events/#signups **The McVay parking lot will be reserved for handicapped parking and picnic cooking staff.**



Lauren Wright Hobbs Scholarship. The Emmaus Sunday school class is honored to establish this scholarship in memory of Lauren Wright Hobbs, who loved serving others in the nursing profession, and who lost her battle to cancer at the age of 29. This is the twelfth year of this scholarship. If you are a GUMC member and are attending nursing school now or in the upcoming fall semester, you may apply for this \$3000 scholarship. The Scholarship committee will review and select the recipient prior to July 1. The scholarship will be awarded for the 2025-2026 school year. You can make donations to this scholarship fund by writing your check payable to GUMC with Lauren Wright Hobbs Scholarship noted in the memo line or you can send an email to karen.oppenheim@gmail.com. Deadline is Friday, June 20.

Churchwide Redbirds Game Outing, July 13. First pitch begins at 1:05 pm. Our choir will be singing the National Anthem. \$15 includes your ticket to the game, a hotdog, and a drink. Kids under 12 get a FREE ice cream cone, access to the inflatables, and will have the chance to run the bases after the game. Church vans will be provided for those who need transportation assistance. Scan the QR code, visit germantownumc.org/sign-up-events/#signups or write a check payable to GUMC, with "Redbirds Tickets" on the memo line.



Welcome to Germantown United Methodist Church!

Please fill out the registration of attendance found in the pew and leave it attached to the pad or scan the QR code below.

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.



Summer Worship Service Schedule

June 1 to August 3



9-10 am - Sunday school

10-10:30 am - Fellowship in the narthex and OLEC

10:30-11:30 am - Traditional worship service in the sanctuary

10:30-11:30 am - Prism worship service in the OLEC

The nursery will be open from 8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for children birth through pre-kindergarten.

Ministry, News and Events

For more information about events listed below, visit our website: germantownumc.org

Interested in an event that requires registration? Click "Event Registrations" at the top of the page.

Youth

Chloe Granberry, Director of Middle School Ministries & Confirmation; cgranberry@germantownumc.org
Caasi Grove, Director of High School Ministries; cgrove@germantownumc.org

Sunday Morning Trek: Students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us in the Oasis at the OLEC at 9:00 for snacks, games, and discussion!

901 Mission Camp: This in-town mission camp will take place June 30-July 2, starting Monday evening and ending Wednesday evening. We will stay overnight at the Wesley Foundation, serve at local non-profits, and have fun! Registration is on our GUMC sign-up page! Contact Chloe or Cassi with any questions.

VBS Tuesday Volunteer Appreciation: Join us for board games and Chick-fil-a at 12 pm, after VBS on Tuesday in the fellowship hall! Registration is required, and closes TODAY. Check the link on our GUMC signup page!

VBS Thursday Volunteer Appreciation: Join us for open gym and pizza at 12 pm, after VBS on Thursday in the OLEC! Registration is required, and closes TODAY. Check the link on the GUMC signup page!

Next Week:

DND: Join DP Caasi in the Oasis on Tuesday, June 10, for our Summer Campaign! Registration is required!

Summer Synergy: Rising grades 7-9! Join us Wednesday (June 11) in the Oasis from 3pm-6pm for Summer Synergy!

Mission Thursday: Join us from 12 pm-3:30 pm, Thursday, June 12 for our mission project: handing out popsicles to campers at Service over Self. Registration is online!

Owings Life Enrichment Center (OLEC), 901-753-3100

Gordon Kelly, Director of Health & Recreation, gkelly@germantownumc.org

Kim Marsh, Assistant Director of Health & Recreation, kmarsh@germantownumc.org

Pickleball this week:

Daytime: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9 am-12 pm.

Nighttime: Monday, Wednesday, 5:30-7:30 pm, Tuesday and Thursday Nights, No pickleball.

Please check the website or call the OLEC each week for changes in the pickleball schedule.

Try one of our group exercise classes:

Gentle Yoga: Monday, Wednesday, 3:30-4:30 pm.

Vinyasa Yoga: Monday, Wednesday, 2-3 pm.

Senior Fitness Walk Fit: Tuesday, 10-11 am.

Senior Fitness Chair Class: Thursday, 10-11 am.

Fit 4 Mom Stroller Strides: Monday, 9:30-10:45 am.

Stroller Barre: Wednesday, Friday, 9:30-10:45 am.

Body Boost: Monday night, 6:15-7:15 pm.

Body Ignite: Wednesday night, 6:15-7:15 pm.

Martial Arts: Tuesday, Thursday, Beginner class, 5:45-6:45 pm, Advanced class, 6:45-7:45 pm.

Open Gym times: Please call the OLEC office to check for available times for this week. *Open Gym times are for church members only. *Guests must purchase a \$10.00 pass.

Care Ministries

Yolanda Toney, Care Ministries Director, CLM

Separated, divorced? Family or friends who are?

This seminar will help. "Coping with Separation or Divorce," Tuesday, June 24, Room 339, 10:30 am or 6:00 pm. Facilitator, Leigh Ann Pray, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. No cost, just register online. Contact Yolanda Toney, Director of Care Ministries for more information, ytoney@germantownumc.org or 901-801-6368.

Children's Ministry

Natalie Adkinson, Director: nadkinson@germantownumc.org
Janelle Crist, Assoc. Dir. Nursery: jcrist@germantownumc.org
Hayley Heard, Assoc. Dir. Elem.: hheard@germantownumc.org

Elementary Summer Camps: Visit our website to view registration links for week 2 of Music & Arts Camp, Lakeshore, and Grades 5 & 6 Mission Camp. <https://www.germantownumc.org/sign-up-events/#signups>

Summer worship schedule reminder: June 1-August 3, preschool and elementary Sunday school will meet from 9am - 10:00 am. The nursery will be open from 8:45 am - 11:30 am, for children birth through pre-kindergarten.

Adult Education

Mary Groh, Director of Adult Education, mgroh@germantownumc.com

Confirmation Class for Grown-Ups starts Monday, June 9, 7-8 pm. In this six-session study with Chloe Granberry, our Director of Middle School and Confirmation, we will discuss John Wesley's life/teaching, the Wesleyan understanding of grace, the sacraments, the Book of Discipline, and the Wesleyan Quadrilateral. All are welcome. There is always something new to learn about Methodism! No Cost. Register at germantownumc.org.

HEAVEN: When Faith Becomes Sight, starts Wednesday, June 18, 9:45-11:45 am, via Zoom. In this 7-session video-based study, author Jennifer Rothschild explores the subject of heaven from a biblical perspective. We will learn how our hope for tomorrow should shape how we live today. Facilitated by Chesley Porteous. Cost: \$25. Register at germantownumc.org.

Fourteen Adult Sunday School Classes meet from 9:00-10:00, 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!

Older Adult Ministry

Luci Cromer, 901-755-0803, luci2@comcast.net.

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

Our Handy Helpers are waiting for your call... Handy Helpers can do light carpentry, plumbing, electrical repairs, routine outdoor maintenance, and computer troubleshooting for GUMC members age 60+ who need help with home repairs or maintenance. Services are provided without labor charges, but the cost of the materials used is to be paid by the homeowner. To put in a job request, contact the Handy Helpers Coordinators, Ron or Nina Gaddy, 754-1238.

Older Adult Programming to Resume in September...

Our next Brown Bag Lunch presentation will be Friday, September 5, and our guest speaker will be Lt. John Doleac, Training Coordinator, Germantown Police Department. He will be talking about "Situational Awareness: How to be Safe When You are Out in Public."

The September XYZ event will be our trip to see *Come From Away* at Playhouse on the Square on Friday, September 12. Your July *Tidings* will have complete information about these kick-off events.

Missions

Anne Fritz, clarrisafritz@att.net

Project Transformation 2025 is here!

Opportunities include reading with children the week of June 16, meals with/for young adult interns, collect new books, healthy snacks, supplies. See Amazon wish list, <https://a.co/OXOEAREF>, prayer for the program. For more information contact Terrice Thomas at thomas@pttennessee.org

Germantown United Women in Faith (GUWF)

Stephanie Adams, President, women@germantownumc.org

Small Household Items Needed: Methodist Healthcare Auxiliary (MHA) needs gently used small household items and women's accessories to be sold in MHA's gift shop in the Methodist University Hospital. Collection bins will be set up in the hallway behind the Fellowship Hall, next to the kitchen, through June 30. Contact Elaine Fetzer at elaine.fetzer@gmail.com with questions.

T h i s W e e k a t G U M C

Sunday, June 1:

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Fellowship
10:30 am Worship

Monday, June 2:

9:00 am VBS

Tuesday, June 3:

6:30 am Men's Sunrise Bible Study
9:00 am VBS
12:00 pm VBS Volunteer Appreciation

Wednesday, June 4:

6:30 am Rutherford Prayer Group

Thursday, June 5:

9:00 am VBS
12:00 pm VBS Volunteer Appreciation

Friday, June 6:

9:00 am VBS

Congregational Prayer List



Digital Giving Options

Online



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