



July 27, 2025

We will continue our Summer Sermon Series this week with our Traditional service titled:

*"Jonah and the Fish, ... and the Worm?"*

We will continue our Animated Gospel Series this week with our Prism service on the movie:

*"The Smurfs"*





## Newly Adopted Worship Service Schedule

Due to positive feedback, we will continue with the 10:30 a.m. worship time for traditional and Prism services.


9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School for adults and children  
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

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






## *Traditional Service Summer Sermon Series*



July 27-August 3

Let's explore some timeless accounts of God's love, mercy, and power at work with his people. We have heard the stories since childhood, but do we really KNOW the stories?

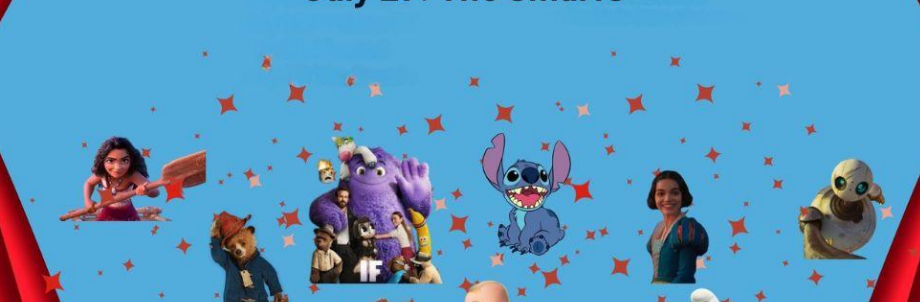
July 27	Jonah and the Fish, ... and the Worm?
August 3	Daniel and the Lion's Den



# The Animated Gospel at Prism

Summer Series 2025

July 27: The Smurfs



**Last day to sign up is THIS Sunday!**





## **CPR/AED/FIRST AID CERTIFICATION COURSE**



**Instructor: Michelle Breen, RN, CPR Certified Trainer**

The AHA's Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED course trains participants to provide first aid, CPR, and use an automated external defibrillator (AED) in a safe, timely, and effective manner. Participants will receive a course manual and certification card upon completion.

**The certification covers adult, child, and infant CPR.**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9 | 9 AM - 1 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL | COST: \$75 PER PERSON**  
**Registration deadline is Sunday, July 27th**



REGISTER FOR THE COURSE BY SCANNING THE QR CODE OR BY VISITING [GERMANTOWNUMC.ORG](http://GERMANTOWNUMC.ORG) AND CLICKING THE SIGN UP & EVENTS TAB

**Sign up for CPR Class**



## **XYZ SEPTEMBER EVENT!**

**FOR ADULTS AGES 55 AND OLDER**



**COME WITH US TO SEE THE AWARD-WINNING MUSICAL,  
COME FROM AWAY**

**WHERE:** Playhouse on the Square

**WHEN:** Friday, September 12, 2025

**COST:** \$15 for your reserved seat and transportation.

**DEPARTURE:** We depart at 6:45 pm, from the OLEC parking lot,

**RESERVATIONS:** Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, Gretchen Blair, 755-0797, or Garnet Brenneman, 754-3711. You must make your reservation before paying.



**DEADLINE FOR MONEY AND RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY TUESDAY, AUGUST 12**

**The deadline is approaching for our XYZ September Event.**

**Please call Luci Cromer at 901-755-0803**

**before Tuesday, August 12**

**if you plan on attending the award-winning musical,  
Come from Away.**

## **Scripture for Traditional Service**

### **Jonah 1:1-17**

#### **Jonah Tries to Run Away from God**

Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai, saying,<sup>2</sup> "Go at once to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it, for their wickedness has come up before me." <sup>3</sup> But Jonah set out to flee to Tarshish from the presence

of the Lord. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid his fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the Lord.

But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, and such a mighty storm came upon the sea that the ship threatened to break up. 5 Then the sailors were afraid, and each cried to his god. They threw the cargo that was in the ship into the sea, to lighten it for them. Jonah, meanwhile, had gone down into the hold of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep. 6 The captain came and said to him, "What are you doing sound asleep? Get up; call on your god! Perhaps the god will spare us a thought so that we do not perish."

The sailors said to one another, "Come, let us cast lots, so that we may know on whose account this calamity has come upon us." So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. 8 Then they said to him, "Tell us why this calamity has come upon us. What is your occupation? Where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?" 9 "I am a Hebrew," he replied. "I worship the Lord, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land." 10 Then the men were even more afraid and said to him, "What is this that you have done!" For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the Lord, because he had told them so.

Then they said to him, "What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?" For the sea was growing more and more tempestuous. 12 He said to them, "Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you, for I know it is because of me that this great storm has come upon you." 13 Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to bring the ship<sup>ba</sup> back to land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more stormy against them. 14 Then they cried out to the Lord, "Please, O Lord, we pray, do not let us perish on account of this man's life. Do not make us guilty of innocent blood, for you, O Lord, have done as it pleased you." 15 So they picked Jonah up and threw him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. 16 Then the men feared the Lord even more, and they offered a sacrifice to the Lord and made vows.

17 But the Lord provided a large fish to swallow up Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

## **Jonah 2:1, 9-10, 3:1- 4:10**

### **A Psalm of Thanksgiving**

2 Then Jonah prayed to the Lord his God from the belly of the fish.

9 But I with the voice of thanksgiving  
will sacrifice to you;  
what I have vowed I will pay.  
Deliverance belongs to the Lord!"

10 Then the Lord spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah out onto the dry land.

## **Jonah 3:1 - 4:10**

### **Conversion of Nineveh**

3 The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 2 "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." 3 So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. 4 Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" 5 And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. 6 When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne,

removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. 7 Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: "By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. 8 Humans and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. 9 Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish."

10 When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did not do it.

### **Jonah's Anger**

4 But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. 2 He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning, for I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from punishment. 3 And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." 4 And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" 5 Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

6 The Lord God appointed a bush and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort, so Jonah was very happy about the bush. 7 But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. 8 When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

### **Jonah is Reproved**

9 But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." 10 Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night."

## **Scripture for Prism Service**

### **Ecclesiastes 4:9-12**

9 Two are better than one,  
because they have a good return for their labor:  
10 If either of them falls down,  
one can help the other up.  
But pity anyone who falls  
and has no one to help them up.  
11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.  
But how can one keep warm alone?  
12 Though one may be overpowered,  
two can defend themselves.  
A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

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

Grave Robber

This Is Our God

Not Today

What's He Done

I Run To You

All The People Said Amen

## Adult Sunday School Classes

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### Adult Sunday School Classes

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

***Parables – Putting Jesus's Stories in Their Place*** by Josh Scott (Joe Wyrick).

Agape meets in Room 132, Chapel Building.

[Christian Nationalism](#) (Rev. Brad Gabriel).

Alpha meets in Room 136.

***Faith, Hope, and Luck*** by Andy Stanley (*Dick Carruth*).

Apostles meet in Room 131, Chapel Building.

***Context – Putting Scripture In Its Place*** by Josh Scott (*Matthew Wise*).

Asbury meets in The Cottage.

***The Means of Grace*** (*Rev. Todd Wilson*).

Celebration meets in Room 232, Chapel Building.

***God and Seniors*** (*Henry Evans*).

Emmaus meet in the Chapel.

***“Where Your Treasure Is, . . .”*** (*Walter Krug*).

Fellowship Forum meets in Room 338.

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

Fiser Covenant meets in Room 233, Chapel Building.

***The Truth in True Crime*** by J. Warner Wallace (*Class Member Led*)

Foundations meet in Room 133, Chapel Building.

***One Nation Under God*** (*Judy Pearson*).

Horizon meets in Room 2, Adult Education Building.

***What Makes the Golden Rule?*** (*Dave Thompson*).

Lamplighters meet in Room 342.

***Character*** (*Ed Clark*).

Seekers meet in Room 1, Adult Education Building.

***The Bible With and Without Jesus*** by Levin and Brettler

(*Class Member Led*).

Trinity meets in Room 145, Chapel Building.

***Prophets, Promises & Politics: Israel’s Road Trip from 1800 to Now***

(*Jesse Adkinson*). Wesley 2.0 meets in Room 339.

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