



Second Sunday in Lent
March 1, 2026

Liturgical Color - Purple
Traditional Service - 10:30 am

The sanctuary flowers are given
by Tim and Dawn Carpenter
in loving memory of
Douglas Carpenter
on what would have been his 89th birthday.

**Please stand as you are able*

Prelude

The Servant King

Alan Bullard

Welcome and Announcements

***Greeting Our Neighbor**

***Call to Worship**

Isaiah 2:5, 3c

Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord,
that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his path.

***Hymn of Praise UMH 111**

How Can We Name a Love?

Confession and Pardon UMH 890

Response to Confession TFWS 2275

Kyrie

Scripture

Hebrews 2:10-12

Call to Prayer TFWS 2108

O How He Loves You and Me

Carl Daw

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly

Sing of Mary, pure and lowly, maiden mother, wise and mild. Sing of God's own Son most holy, who became her little child. Fairest child of fairest mother, God the Lord who came to earth, Word made flesh, our very brother, takes our nature by his birth. Sing of Jesus, son of Mary, in the home at Nazareth. Toil and labor cannot weary love enduring unto death. Constant was the love he gave her, though it drove him from her side, forth to preach, and heal, and suffer, till on Calvary he died. Joyful mother, full of gladness, in thine arms thy Lord was borne. Mournful mother, full of sadness, all thy heart with pain was torn. Glorious mother, now rewarded with a crown at Jesus' hand, age to age thy name recorded shall be blest in every land.

***Doxology UMH 95**

***Scripture**

John 19:26-27

Sermon

Seven Last Words
3. Last Words of Trust

***Hymn of Preparation UMH 635**

Because Thou Hast Said

Service of Word and Table UMH 12

Prayer of Humble Access UMH 30

Sacrament of Communion

***Hymn of Commitment UMH 297**

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

***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

Sung by the Choir

Postlude

What Wondrous Love is This?
(Persons are invited to be seated for the postlude.)

arr. Gordon Young

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
Music Director: Rev. Todd Wilson, Minister of Music
Organist/Pianist: Dr. André Duvall, Associate Director of Music
Lay Readers: Call to Worship: Caroline Bell | Scripture: Emily Moore
Acolytes: Adele Dempsey, Kennedy Keel
Chancel Choir

Welcome to Germantown United Methodist Church!

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.



Scan the QR code to record your attendance or fill out the registration of attendance found in the pew and leave it attached to the pad.



Assisted Listening System Available, see ushers for assistance, if needed.

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

We are hiring! The Hamilton Nursery is looking for a part-time nursery worker. Must be at least 16 years old to apply. Shifts are on Sunday mornings and some weekday evenings and special events. Workers will provide childcare in a loving, positive environment, assist in Bible lessons, help decorate for events, and more. Interested applicants should contact Janelle Crist at jcrist@germantownumc.org. **We are also hiring an Associate Youth Director.** Expect Sunday mornings and evenings, also Wednesday evenings, and some administrative hours throughout the week. About 15-20 hours per week; a few more, on occasion, during summer months. Compensation commensurate with experience. Send resume, short introduction, and favorite youth group game to salford@germantownumc.org.

DAY OF SERVICE: GUMC needs all hands on deck following the Spring Consignment Sale on March 28. Two shifts available: 12:30-3:30 pm, and 3:30-6:30 pm. Scan the QR code for information. Come join us!



Save the date! April 24, 6-8:30 pm, in the OLEC. The Finance Committee is sponsoring **Spring into Auction: Supporting Ministries of GUMC**, an evening filled with music, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and great fellowship with friends. A silent auction benefitting GUMC's many ministries will be the highlight of the evening. We're inviting members of our community to donate things that make an auction exciting – gift cards, unique experiences, vacation homes, artwork, services, and other special items on which people love to bid. To donate, contact Jennifer Predmore or Patty Harriman.

M i n i s t r y , N e w s a n d E v e n t s

For more information about events listed below, visit our website: germantownumc.org
Interested in an event that requires registration? Click "Sign Up & Events" at the top of the page.

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

Calling all 4, 5, & 6-year-olds! T-Ball registration is OPEN! Games begin in April, and the season lasts for 6 weeks. Cost includes uniform, league fee, and medal trophy. Sign up under Events on the church website. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS March 17!**

Pickleball this week:

Daytime: Mon. 12-3 pm, Tues. - Fri. 9 am-12 pm,
Nighttime: No nighttime pickleball until early March, due to basketball makeup practices and games.

Try one of our group exercise classes:

Gentle Yoga: Mon. & Wed. 3:30-4:30 pm

Vinyasa Yoga: Wed. 2-3 pm

Senior Fitness Walk Fit: Tues. 10-11 am

Senior Fitness Chair Class: Thurs. 10-11 am

Stroller Strides/Stroller Barre: Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:30-10:45 am

Strides 360/Body Ignite: Wed. 6:15-7:15 pm

Body Boost: Mon. 9:30-10:45 am.

Hatha Yoga: Mon. 6:30-7:30 pm.

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

Care Ministries

Yolanda Toney, Director of Care Ministries, ytoney@germantownumc.org

Join us for Steady Ground, A Safe Place for those Navigating Loss and Change, Mar. 22, immediately following worship, in the Fellowship Hall. You will need to register. When you register, you may elect to order a boxed lunch or bring your own lunch. See the February Tidings for more details. Registration is open NOW!
Register for the Spring Prayer Vigil to be held on Mar. 26, from 8 am. until 4 pm., in the Chapel. You will be able to register in one-hour intervals. You are committing to pray for this church, its ministries, and our community. The Chapel will be open, or you may pray wherever you are. Registration is open NOW!

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.

March Brown Bag Lunch Series! Rebecca Dinstuhl,

President, Dinstuhl's Fine Candy Company, will tell

us about the "Taste of Tradition: Dinstuhl's Fine

Candy Company." This presentation will be on Friday,

March 6, 2026, 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! Come with us to spend a leisurely

day, along the river, at the Mississippi River Museum at

the Tunica River Park and eat lunch at the Blue & White

Restaurant in the heart of Tunica on Thurs. April 23, 2026.

We depart at 8:30 am from the OLEC parking lot, and the

cost is \$9 per person 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 23.

Missions

Anne Fritz, clarissafritz@att.net

Join GUMC on a life-changing mission trip to Kenya,

June 18-July 1, 2026, serving alongside trusted local

partners and growing in faith through hands-on service and

daily spiritual reflection. Contact Susan Hillebert

(Team Leader) 901-359-6954, or

1kids.doctor@gmail.com for details. Scan the

QR code for more information

or visit qrco.de/bgC4Rv.



Music Ministry

Rev. Todd Wilson, Minister of Music,

twilson@germantownumc.org

GUMC Matins Handbell Choir will participate in the 11th

annual River City Ring Handbell Festival on Sat. March 7,

in the OLEC. The 2:30 pm closing concert is FREE and

features several Mid-South area bell choirs ringing

hundreds of bells. You are invited to come and enjoy this

magnificent event!

Adult Education

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

The Promise and Power of Easter starts Wednesday, March 4, 9:45-11:45 am, via Zoom. In this 4-week Bible study, we will remember together what led up to the cross and celebrate the restoration we received when Jesus rose again. Facilitator: Chesley Porteous. Cost: \$19.

Fourteen Adult Sunday School Classes meet from 9-10 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!

Youth

Chloe Granberry, Director of Youth Ministries;
cgranberry@germantownumc.org

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

Element: Element will be tonight from 6-8 pm, in the OLEC! Grades 6-12. Be sure to bring \$5 for dinner!

High School Prayer Breakfast: Is at 6:30 am, this Tuesday at the Starbucks on Houston Levee! Contact Chloe if you need a ride to school!

Synergy and Synago: Synergy and Synago will meet this Wednesday! Synergy, our middle school group, will meet from 6-7:15 pm, and Synago, our high school group, will meet from 7:15-8:30 pm. Both will meet in the Oasis!

High School Seniors: The Senior Sunday Packet deadline is April 13! 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.

Germantown United Women in Faith (GUWF)

Stephanie Adams, President, women@germantownumc.org

Spring/Summer GUWF Children's Consignment Sale.

It's that time of year! Clean out the closet clutter, rummage through the attic, and sort through the garage for clothing, toys, baby equipment, and more. GUWF Children's Consignment Sale registration is now open!

Can't consign? We also accept in-kind donations for the sale! Visit ConsignGermantown.com or scan QR code for details. Sale dates are March 27-28.

Thank you for supporting the many missions of GUWF!



Children's Ministry

Becca Keel, Director: bkeel@germantownumc.org

Janelle Crist, Assoc. Dir. Nursery: jcrist@germantownumc.org

Hayley Heard, Assoc. Dir. Elem.: hheard@germantownumc.org

Preschool Stepping Stones (Newborn-Prekindergarten):

The Hamilton Nursery is open from 8:45-11:30 am on Sundays. Preschool Sunday school meets from 9-10 am.

Elementary Sunday School (Kindergarten-5th grade):

We meet from 9-10 am, each week. Child drop off is in individual classrooms, in the children's education wing. Please pick up your child at 10 am, in the Huddle (room 240).

WOW (Worship on Wednesday): (Kindergarten-5th grade). Join us on Wed., from 6-7:30 pm. Dinner is served at 6 pm, in the Fellowship hall, then kids will enjoy engaging activities and mission opportunities. Pick up for elementary children in the education wing at 7:30 pm. Preschoolers meet in the nursery for dinner, Bible stories, crafts, and fun. Nursery available for children under 2. Register online by each Tuesday at noon. (\$5/child).

Acolytes Needed: Scan QR code to sign up to acolyte! Must be in the second grade or older. There is no age limit! If your child is interested in acolyting and has not been trained, contact Becca Keel to schedule a training session.



Summer Registrations are open!

VBS 2026 will be **June 8-12**, 9 am-noon. For children ages 4 (by 8/15/26) through rising 6th grade.

Mission Camp will be **July 13-17**, 9 am-3 pm, for rising 5th and 6th graders.

Music and Arts Camp will be **July 27-31**, 9 am-3 pm, for rising 2nd-6th graders.

Germantown United Methodist Pre-School (GUMP)

Sarah Sutton, Director, ssutton@germantownumc.org

This week at GUMP, we celebrated **Teacher Appreciation Week!** Our amazing teachers were honored for all the wonderful things they bring each day to their little friends. Families and students showered them with heartfelt letters, thoughtful gifts featuring their favorite things, and plenty of sweet treats. GUMP is truly grateful for the hard work, dedication, and love our teachers pour into their friends each and every day. We appreciate you more than words can say!

United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men will meet for breakfast and program on Sat., March 14, at 8 am in the Fellowship hall. All Men are invited and encouraged to attend. Please call the church office (901) 754-7216 no later than March 11 to make your reservation.

Recurring Weekly at GUMC

Sunday, Mar. 1:

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Fellowship
10:30 am Worship
5:00 pm Children's Choirs
5:00 pm Testimony Choir

Tuesday, Mar. 3:

6:30 am Men's Sunrise Bible Study
6:30 am High School Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday, Mar. 4:

6:30 am Rutherford Prayer Group
6:00 pm Synergy
6:30 pm Chancel Choir
7:15 pm Synago

Congregational Prayer List



Digital Giving Options

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