CHURCH LIFE

MUSIC AND WORSHIP ARTS TODAY

Amazing Grace
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now am found. I was blind, but now I see. It was grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed. Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come. Tis grace that brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home. When we're been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no more days to sing God's praise than when we first began.

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Sundays are a great time to learn about the Word of God and connect with others in Christ. Come and join us for study, fellowship, and prayer. Check out the new Sunday morning groups for adults below, and check out the website at www.germantownpres.org/gpc-info to see other available groups. You can also look for the Adult Ed brochure with more details about classes.

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CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

GPC goes to the Levitt Shell on Saturday. The contact for this event is Brooke Duke (brookeduke@yahoo.com). The show starts at 7pm, so meet around 6:30-6:45 at the area at the top of the hill near the benches. Look for Susan Lipscomb, Sherrie Horner, or Laura Brown holding yellow balloons. They will save as much space as possible. Bring coolers, chairs, and anything else you need for a picnic. Food trucks will be there if you don’t want to pack your own. The concerts at Levitt Shell are lots of fun for all ages and a great way to get outside and enjoy a FREE event together!

Youth
All youth are invited to the parking lot by the AC for a cookout at 5:30pm tonight to celebrate our hard work for the parking lot fundraiser. Please contact Pastor Amanda Macleay at amandam@germantownpres.org if you have any questions.

Save the Date: Angev Movie and Panel Discussion on Sunday, September 15, 2019, GPC Sanctuary, 4:30pm-6:30pm. This event is for ages 10 and up. The goal of the documentary is designed to raise awareness about anxiety, understand the symptoms of anxiety, and encourage everyone to reach out for help. We have a great panel lined up for discussion after the film:
  • Dr. Wendy Willingham, 11th Grade Counselor Germantown High School
  • Andrea Sticklepole, Middle School Counselor, Saint Mary’s Episcopal School
  • Rod Spencer, Youth Villages Counselor

Seats can be reserved at GCAngstmovie.eventbrite.com. All parents, grandparents, educators, and families are encouraged to attend!

SPECIAL NEEDS

AMPify is an endeavor of the special needs ministry at Germantown Presbyterian Church to provide quality musical programming for children and youth. The programs are designed to meet the language, intelligibility and auditory needs of students and to provide meaningful experiences incorporating the arts. Though the class has already begun, you can still jump in and attend when you can. Please let Anna know if you would like to see this offered as a Sunday morning Bible study (annaw@germantownpres.org).

Gospel of Mark.

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YMCA - Young Men’s Association

The Special Needs/Children’s Ministries are in need of the following items for Breathe (PNO):

• Empty and clean 2 liter plastic soda bottles (need a total of ten)
• Styrofoam egg cartons (any color)
• Glow sticks
• Glow necklaces
• Acrylic paints (partially used is fine)

To volunteer:
• Bowling ball (8 to 10 lbs in weight)- will return when finished using
• Microscope (will return when finished using)

Tag any donations to the attention of MONCA and leave in the church office. Thank you!

Thank you in advance for showing your support for these growing ministries! For more information on GPC’s Special Needs Ministry, contact Monica Kirby at monica@germantownpres.org.

With the new Breathe Parents’ Night Out program, you will find a new theme, new activities for our participants, and new opportuni- ties for church friendships to build! Our theme this year is Fearfully and Wonderfully Made from Psalm 139:14. Join us as we explore the science lab and explore God’s wonderful creation through lab exploration (lab coats and safety glasses included)!

This highly sought-after and unique program is offered free of charge with limited space. Please call Monica at 901-754-5195 to check on availability of space for this semester.

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All ladies are invited to participate in a Thursday morning book study - It’s Not Suppose. To Be This Way by Lynda Terkeurst. Lynda invites us into her own journey of faith and helps us to discover the secret of being steadfast and not panicking when God actu- ally does give us more than we can handle. Bring the book, book study guide, and your Bible to The Well on Thursday mornings beginning 9:15-10:30am, September 5 - October 10. Though the class has already begun, you can still jump in and attend when you can. Please let Anna know if you would like to see this offered as a Sunday morning Bible study (annaw@germantownpres.org).

The September Presbyterian Women (PW) Gathering will meet Tuesday, September 17 at 10am in Warren Hall. The speaker will be Sandy Randle who teaches Bible journaling.

For the past year Sandy has been teaching how to use Bible journaling to connect with the Word of God and helping others do the same. Combining art, journaling, and the Word is an effective way to plant the Word in your heart and into your memory.

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In conjunction with our Breathe (Parent’s Night Out) program, 4th and 5th graders have the opportunity to come together to study God’s creation of light in Genesis 1:1-5 in a super fun way - experiencing a GLOW night out with friends! We will GLOW in the dark bowl as we discover God’s wonderful creation. We will also spend some time focusing on pursuing our church friends through a friendship focus. For more details and to register and reserve your tween’s spot for the September 13 event night, please visit www.germantownpres.org/breathe. Or, email Anna with questions (annaw@germantownpres.org).

**Missions**

**Threads of Love** will resume Tuesday, September 10, from 9:30-12:00 noon located in our new sewing room on the first floor of Evans Chapel. Join us for a morning of fellowship while we make clothing items for those in need. Sewing is not a requirement as there are other jobs needed such as cutting and pressing.

**Opportunity to Help 3rd-Graders Master Math Skills: TEAM MATH.** Come and help 3rd graders at Oak Forest Elementary master the fundamentals of addition and multiplication. You will receive an orientation before you begin including reviewing available materials including some games to make it fun. Oak Forest is less than 10 minutes from GPC and it’s one of our Team Read schools. Please contact Linda Oakes (901-237-6566, linoakes@bellsouth.net) for more information.

**Tutoring and coaching with our mission partner Memphis Athletic Ministries (MAM)** is back! MAM runs a number of after-school ministries across the city, and each week members from GPC visit MAM’s gym at Olivet Fellowship Baptist Church (4450 Knight Arnold) to coach reading and vocabulary and to help with homework, usually on Tuesday afternoons but any weekday is fine. The weekly tutoring at Mt. Olive Church resumes Tuesday, September 10 at 3:30 pm. We need more coaches! Contact Beth Boyle (bboylemirela.com) or Jody Waldrop (waldrop2824@gmail.com) for more details.

**Room in the Inn (RITI)**

Summer with Room In The Inn is going strong. May through September the shelter serves women and children only. To participate: go to www.signupgenius.com, click the magnifying glass to search and enter the following email: susanshirleyhurt@gmail.com. GPC hosts the second Saturday of every month, so come help for this last Saturday designated for women and the children only: Saturday, September 14.

When possible try to help out by volunteering your free time. It really does make a huge impact on their lives! Susan Shirley Hurt (susanshirleyhurt@gmail.com) bring all donations to the blue bin marked RITI by the flower room around the corner from the church office.

**GPC Staff**

Tommy Adair, Maintenance Technician
Alex Benford, Organist; Child/Adult Handbell Director
Ann DeVere, Reception/Front Desk
Sandra Franks, Coordinator of Children’s Choirs
Jennifer Gentry, Director of Preschool
Laurie Henderson, Director of Communications
Will Jones, Pastor
Monica Kirby, Director of Special Needs Ministry
Amanda Mackey, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry
Tom Sauer, Pastor to Senior Adults
Debbie Schweitzer, Financial Secretary
Jerold Teachey, Director of Music Ministry
Fred Turvey, Administrator of Church Business & Facilities
Anna White, Director of Children’s Ministry
Susan Carter Wiggins, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
Carl Woods, Maintenance Assistant

**GPC in the OT reading plan for the week:**

Mon, 9-9 - Psa 57-63
Tue, 9-10 - Psa 64-68
Wed, 9-11 - Psa 69-72
Thu, 9-12 - Psa 73-76
Fri, 9-13 - Psa 77
Sat, 9-14 - Psa 78-79

**In September, please pray for these churches in the Presbytery:**

- Kerrville Presbyterian Church, Millington, TN
- Oakland Presbyterian Church, Oakland, TN
- First Presbyterian Church, Paris, TN
- Marl Bluff Church, Reagan, TN

**As part of the Church Family Prayer Program, members of the congregation are randomly selected each week to be lifted up. This week please pray for:**

- Helen & Nick Brown
- Judy & Bill Carmichael
- Kallen Esperian
- Wendy & Stewart Holmes, Anderson, Audrey, Boyd Maize, Kim & Lewis Perkins, Josh, Sara
- Phyl & Austin Simmons
- Jessie & Bret Wells, Brett & Abby

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