

Family Talk

2021 is here, already in full swing. We are experiencing the reality of people living one day at a time in service to God. Whatever may occur is no surprise to God—but may be quite a challenge to His people. However, He has not left us alone. That is our focus in today's worship service.

Our classes continue on Sunday morning and Wednesday night. Don't forget the classes for our little ones on Sunday night. Adam and Mary Katherine Stewart launched this effort again last Sunday night—and we are thrilled! We look for this to grow with each day as we move toward total resumption of our schedules. I love the Sunday night gathering as well. It's so good to be able to gather for worship.

Talk about changes? Here are two pictures of our weekly Bible study at Kirby Pines. One is Pre-Covid, the other is Mid-Covid. We are dividing our studies into two sessions rather than one in order to accommodate CVC restrictions. No problem! I love the fact that we are all modifying our regular practices to accommodate one another. So biblical!



Crises are the times when true love and devotion is exemplified. If we truly want to be like Jesus, we will serve Him. We are all adapting—such a small price to pay.

Sermon and Scripture Reading

AM - Concealed-But Revealed (Matthew 16:13-17)
PM- God Breathed (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Bible Classes

Class	Topic	Teacher	Room
Adult Class	Ruth/Galatians	John Thomas Ron Roberson	Auditorium
Adult Class	A Study of Genesis	Dave Phillips	FH 1 & 2
Adult Class	Relationships/David	Larry Scroggs	FH 3 & 4
Adult Class	Study of Acts/Cont.	David Escue Steve Haynes	Room 124
Adult Class	Simply Christian	Jason Speed	FH Main
Young Professionals	Topical Subjects	Jacob Wallace J. Chapman	AH 122
Transitions	Living Among Lions	Barry Kelton Lucas Suddreth	Room 129 Jeff Spence
Youth Group	Life of David	Al Gabriel Tim Malone Brian Stewart	Youth Room
Grace Land	God's Story	1st-6th Grades	Grace Land
Pre-K	Various	Young Children	PH 101-108

Welcome Guests



If you are visiting with us, you are our honored guest. We encourage you to fill out the red guest card located on the back of the pew in front of you. We wish to meet and greet you after service. Thank you for worshipping with us and please come again.

What's Happening

Wednesday Night

Wednesday, Jan 20

7-8PM

Fellowship Hall,
Auditorium, Live Stream
and Zoom

Thursday Night

Zoom Class

Thursday, Jan 21

7-8PM

Contact Dave Phillips
for more info.
davephillips623@gmail.com

Communion
Distribution

Saturday, Jan 23

12-1 PM

Covered canopy at back
of building

Alise Murray (Drew
Blake) Bridal Shower

Sunday, Jan 24

2-4 PM

Fellowship Hall

Daily Bible Readers
2021

Schedule on Spiritual

Leadership Table

Glenn Daily

Worship Times Sunday 8 AM • 10:30 AM • 6 PM

Bible Study Sunday 9:15 AM • Wednesday 7 PM

OUR PRAYERS

Members

Getella Allen	Allen Dixon	Wayne Littleton
Bud Bush	Mary Jo Dixon	Barbara Patterson
Michael Carroll	David Escue	Rebecca Washington
Nell Crawford	Rick Haynes	Steve Williams
Norman Dean		Shannon Wilson

Friends and Family

Landon Bentle - cousin of Brenda Higgins
Chris Blackstone - stepfather of Savannah Hutcheson
Betty Browning - sister of Cheryl Fewell
Blake Carden - nephew of Joe Skelley
Pam Gowitske - niece of Jerry Ellis
Teresa Hall - niece of Jerry Ellis
Ray Hardisky - brother-in-law of Mike Slate
Blaine Howard - friend of Shannon Wilson
Randy Ivy - brother of John Ivy
Raymond Lovinggood - brother of Joy Straw
Richard McCollum - friend of Guy & Betty Robertson
Colby Morgan - friend of Mott & Nancy Jones
Al Pettigrew - cousin of Doris Conder
John Roberts - friend of Guy & Betty Robertson
Mike Sain - brother of Tim Sain
Axl Smith - Grandson of Don & Linda White
Mary Grace Troup - friend of Guy & Betty Robertson
Danny Vincent - brother-in-law of Art & Kerry Cancienne Sain
Jim Ware - cousin of Cheryl Fewell
David Worrell - son of Barbara Worrell
Mindy Worrell - daughter of Barbara Worrell

Those Serving Our Country

James Chapman - son of Barry & Cheryl Chapman Army/Ft. Bragg, NC
Lauren Cotney - our sister/Air National Guard/Knoxville, TN
Andrew Dacus - son of Anne Dacus/Air Force Reserves
Lauren Dacus - our sister/Marines/Camp Lejeune, NC
Philip Day - son of Terry & Cheryl Day/USS Tortuga
Andy Dye - grandson of Allen & Mary Jo Dixon/Army/Iraq
Alaina Gembara - daughter of Terri Chambers/Navy/Bahrain, SA
Bria Gibson - daughter of Terri Chambers/Navy/London, England
John Gibson - son-in-law of Terry Chambers/Navy/Italy
Tyler Hicks - our brother/Eglin AFB/FL
Lacey Hicks - wife of Tyler Hicks/Eglin AFB/FL
Grant Kelton - our brother/Air National Guard/Memphis, TN
Taylor Kelton - our brother/Hanscom AFB/Bedford, MA
Savanah Reed - granddaughter of John & Martha Reed/Air Force
Griffin Stanford - our brother/Army Guard
Landon Walker - son of Christy Perkins/USS Gerald R. Ford
Jason Wilder - brother of Joseph Wilder/Army/Middle East
Ethan Williams - grandson of Bud & Jane Bush /Army/Ft. Bragg, N.C.
Timothy Wright - son-in-law of Mark & Brenda Conder/Army/Eglin AFB

Parents of Members

Don Gaines (Andy Gaines)
Alvin Griffin (Amy Cox)
Elaine Nixon (Tim Nixon)
Jo Ann Palmer (Jan Slate)
Lucia Vanderpool (Kathleen Manning)

Prayer list is updated every two weeks. Notify the church office if your friend or family member should remain on the list.

New Member

Madolyn* Lewis
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Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Michael Carroll and family on the passing of his father, Albert Carroll in Phoenix, Arizona. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at the time of this printing.

Call In Option for Listening to Morning Worship

A 'call in' option is available to listen to the Sunday morning church service. There are 2 options for the phone number to call. If you are using your cell phone, call 312-626-6799. If you are using your home phone, call toll free at 877-853-5257. When asked to enter a meeting number, enter 573 861 516 and then press the '#' key. If asked to enter a participant ID, just press the '#' key again. If you know of anyone who does not receive email and would benefit from this information, please pass this along to them. If you have any questions, please contact gtcocsoundroom@gmail.com.

Bridal Shower

All ladies of the congregation are invited to a bridal shower honoring Alise Murray, bride elect of Drew Blake, the son of Kent and Jennifer Blake and the grandson of Betty Blake on Sunday, January 24, 2021 in the Fellowship Hall from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The couple is registered at Anthropologie, Bed, Bath, and Beyond, Macy's and Target. Please include gift receipt.

Daily Bible Readers 2021

Be a consistent reader of God's word in 2021. The following items are on the Spiritual Leadership ministry table in the south hallway:

- Plan 1 a schedule to read the New Testament in one year
- Plan 2 a schedule to read the Old Testament and the New Testament in two years
- Order a form to order The Daily Bible by F. LaGard Smith which includes 365 readings of the Bible with devotional insights.

If you have questions, please contact Glenn Daily.

CHURCH BUILDERS

Through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit the Apostle Paul tells us that the church is part of the eternal purpose of God. “So that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Ephesians 3:10-11). I know that some of our religious neighbors say that when Jesus came to earth the first time, He intended to establish His kingdom then, but the Jews rejected that idea. So, Jesus established the church instead. The God I read about in the Bible cannot be surprised, so He does not need a plan “B”. The church was in the mind of God from the very beginning. It was His idea, and since it was His idea, it was not, and is not, optional. In Matthew 16:18, Jesus promised to build His church and He said that “the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it.” The church is the body of Christ (Colossians 1:24) and every person who is in Christ is a member of that body (Ephesians 4:4-6); Romans 12:5; 1 Corinthians 12:13, 27).

Just before His ascension, the last instruction that Jesus gave His followers was for them to go throughout the world and fill up that church (Matthew 28:18-20). That mission began at Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2). Acts 8:1-4 tell us that they went throughout Judea and Samaria. Acts 10 tells us that Peter preached the gospel to Cornelius, who was a Gentile. Eventually “foreign missions” began in earnest when the congregation in Antioch followed the Holy Spirit’s instructions and sent Paul and Barnabas on the first missionary journey (Acts 13). During that first missionary journey, they traveled about 1300 miles and established a number of congregations. The church, including our congregation, has come a long way, but we have a long way yet to go. May we always keep moving forward with the gospel until the Lord calls us home (Acts 14:21-28).

OUR WORK TOGETHER

Preschool Ministry

The church preschool has job opportunities for some sweet church of Christ ladies of all ages who love to be with children on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-2:30 for the spring semester, which begins in January. Please contact Michelle Bradford at 901-755-1184 or gtownpreschool@gmail.

Photos Needed

Photos are needed to update our web site. If you have photos from the past couple of years associated with a ministry, event or worship service, please email them to Tim Malone at timalone70@gmail.com.

2022 Church Calendar

The 2022 church calendar is now "Open" for placement of your events. If you have recurring events or new or one-time events, you may contact the church office, 754-1668 to place the event on the church calendar. Note: this is for 2022, not 2021, as we schedule events as much as 13-24 months in advance

Online Giving

Germantown church of Christ has begun accepting online contributions. Simply go to www.gtcoc.org, and click "GIVING" from the top right of the screen. You may choose your contribution to be a one-time donation or recurring. If you designate recurring, you will need to "SIGN IN" and register for an account. You will have the options to pay with your bank account, credit card, or debit card. Each online contribution will cost the church 2.5%, plus a small transaction fee. The website will allow you to increase your contribution by the same amount if you desire. Once registered, you may wish to use the ShelbyNEXT App for mobile contributions. We also offer a text giving option as well. Instructions for mobile and text giving are located at the bottom of the website Giving page. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church office.

Transitions Sunday AM Bible Class

Transitions class will meet in room 129 for Sunday morning Bible class. This class is for those who are 18-24 years of age.

For The Record		Ministers
January 10, 2021		Joshua Adams - Youth Glenn Daily - Spiritual Leadership
Sunday Bible Class	187	Dave Phillips - Preaching
8:00 a.m.	104	Ron Roberson - Senior Adult Ministry
10:30 a.m.	224	Zach Shappley - Family Ministry
Total a.m. Worship	328	Lucas Suddreth - Young Adult Ministry
Sunday p.m. Worship	100	Eddie Lewis - Missionary to Mississippi
Contribution	\$27,971	Sasha Maluga - Missionary to Ukraine
Budget	\$35,199	Daryl Steiner - Missionary to Greece
		Leslie Williams - Missionary to Canada

Thank You

To the family of God at Germantown,

Thank you so much for all the love and prayers and support in so many ways during Dad's illness and passing. The many flowers and other expressions to us have meant so much over the past weeks. Your cards, love and friendship meant so much to Dad. He would often sit and marvel at the stacks of cards sent during his illness. He read them over and over and appreciated them so much. Dad loved the Lord and His church even more than his beloved wife. He was a good student of the word and missed being able to meet with his adopted class, as we worked to keep the virus from him. The last Sunday before his hospitalization, he worshiped with us online, taking notes like he was being tested on the material. The gift to the scholarship fund will bless the lives of students as they train to serve and will keep his memory alive for all of us. We miss him greatly.

Lynn, Mona and for all the Patterson family

Instructions for Online Sunday Morning Viewing

To watch the stream on AppleTV, Roku, or FireTV:

Simply download the Boxcast app in the respective App Store, open the app once it has downloaded, then search for 'Germantown church of Christ'. You may want to Favorite our channel to make it easier to find next time you need it. When we go live it will indicate that to you. All of our archives are also available for you to view.

To watch on a mobile phone browser or desktop web browser:

Go to the www.gtcoc.org homepage and scroll down to find the video player. There will be a list of previously recorded archives. At the very top of that list you will find 'Sunday Morning Worship Services' with a scheduled broadcast date of the day you are attempting to watch the stream. Click on the play icon there and the player will display the live stream.

If you have any questions or experience any technical difficulties please let us know at gtcocsoundroom@gmail.com. Should those issues persist throughout the live stream for you, please know the archive automatically becomes available a few hours later and can be accessed in the same manner as the above instructions.

Communion Supplies

We will have one distribution session for communion cups Saturday from 12 -1 PM. Please drive to the back of the church building to the covered canopy for pickup. In addition you may pickup the bulletin, monthly prayer calendar and monthly birthday calendar.

Information For The Bulletin

Please submit all requests for announcements in the bulletin to carolportergtcoc@gmail.com, or by calling the church office. Request must be received as soon as possible and no later than 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. Please remember all requests will be processed as space in the bulletin allows.