



Family Talk

The Lord's Family in Germantown

Good morning – and I hope a good week for you! We begin the week with worship on the Lord's Day. Though our current crisis requires drastic actions regarding worshipping at home or at the church building, I pray that you are keeping in touch with your spiritual family here.

It does seem that, if for no other reason, we continue to watch the news just to keep up with the latest restrictions, requests, or requirements for our social interactions. Isn't it amazing how many different opinions there are on every imaginable topic? Social media seems to be the modern day version of 'water cooler conversations' of years past. Some things change in form but not in principle.

I do know those in positions that require making judgment calls on our collective action are in a challenging spot, aren't they? Not only must they make a decision, it must be made public, which makes them vulnerable to criticism and accusation. I believe our Christian duty is to pray for every person in positions of authority and ask that God give him or her wisdom and discernment so that we as fellow human beings can co-exist in safety and peace. If anyone should demonstrate that attitude, it should be God's people. And so, I thank you for joining us in worship to God – and prayer for the welfare of people all around the globe.

May God bless us as we serve together. We all pray that this crisis might soon pass.

Remember our *Thursday night Zoom Bible Study*. It is going well and we are enjoying studying 1 Corinthians. Care to join us? Send your e-mail address to davephillips623@gmail.com.

TWO SERVICES!!

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

NO NURSERY
NO BIBLE CLASSES
(at least not yet!)

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

July 12, 2020

	<u>8:00AM</u>	<u>10:30AM</u>
Welcome:	David Escue	Bently Goodwin
Song Leader:	Jonathan Chapman	Chris Hicks
Opening Prayer:	John Thomas	Mark Conder
Scripture Reading:	Logan Buchanan	Bobby Bradford
Communion:	Barry Chapman	Joshua Adams
Closing Prayer:	Will Buchanan	Stacey Ainsworth

Thursday Night Zoom Bible Class

Are you interested in a Zoom Bible study on Thursday nights at 7 pm? Our group of about 20 met last week and decided we wanted to study a book of the Bible together. We began with 1 Corinthians - and will continue this week with chapter 2. If you would like to join us, send your e-mail address to davephillips623@gmail.com. You will receive an invitation and be welcomed on Thursday evening at 7 pm. Thanks, Dave.

MEASUREMENT OF GROWTH

July 5, 2020

Contribution	N/A
Budget	\$35,199

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PRAYER LIST

Our prayer list is updated every two weeks.

Please call the church office if your friend or family member should remain on the list.

Members

Tom Allen
David Bartley
Melissa Beaver
Jim Beck
Bud Bush
Cathy Clark

Mamie Gates
Rick Haynes
Zach Mars
Olivia Mars
Barbara Patterson
Lindsey Patterson

Peggy Risner
Nell Shelton
Jeff Spence
Marilyn Vennari
Steve Williams
Shannon Wilson

Friends and Family

Lauri Blancett - Daughter of Bud & Jane Bush
Blake Carden - Nephew of Joe Skelley
Pat Forrest - Sister of Bonnie Siler
Randy Fowler - Brother of Frank Fowler
Lucy French - Friend of Louise Jenkins
Pam Gowitske - Niece of Jerry Ellis
Teresa Hall - Niece of Jerry Ellis
Sally Lipsey - Wife of Walt Lipsey
Richard McCollum - Relative of Guy & Betty Robertson
Bob Neal - Friend of Mott & Nancy Jones
Jim & Beth Olive - Friends of Guy & Betty Robertson
Debra Rogers - Niece of J.C. Williams
Cecil Roller - Friend of David Escue
Jennifer Samko - Friend of Joe & Shirley Brooks
Barry Simpson - Brother of Sharon Haston
Billy Spain - Brother-in-law of Guy & Betty Robertson
Henry Strock Family - Friends of Mott & Nancy Jones
John Edward Williams - Brother of J.C. Williams
David Worrell - Son of Barbara Worrell
Tia Worrell - Daughter-in-law of Barbara Worrell

Those Serving Our Country

James Chapman - Our brother/Army/Kuwait
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 Terri Chambers/ Navy/Italy
Tyler Hicks - Our brother/Air Force/Wichita Falls, TX
Lacey Hicks - Wife of Tyler Hicks/Air Force/Wichita Falls, TX
Will Holman - Grandson of Donna Griffin/Air Force/Mt. Home, ID
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
Billy Turpin - Son of Tonia Turpin/Marines/Japan
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, NC
Timothy Wright - Son-in-law of Mark & Brenda Conder/Army/Ft. Lee, VA

Parents of Members

Terry and Brownie Malone (Tim Malone)
Mike and Lucy Mitchell (Tonia Turpin)
Elaine Nixon (Tim Nixon)
Ken and Lucia Vanderpool (Kathleen Manning)

WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY EVENING DEVOTIONALS

Over the course of the coming weeks the ministry staff will provide devotionals based on "Heroes of Faith" to supplement missing out on our Sunday night and Wednesday night worship services. Simply go to the church website, gtcoc.org and scroll down until you see Heroes of Faith lessons and click on the graphic. Sunday night's lesson will post at 6:00 pm on Sundays and Wednesday night's lesson will post at 7:00 pm. Additionally it will be posted to the Germantown church of Christ Facebook page at those times as well and you can use the GTCOC youtube link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGvHorE85ZrYiqAHf5ivjGA>.

PRESCHOOL MINISTRY

The church preschool is looking for some fun loving ladies to help out in their Tuesday/Thursday program. These are paid positions. All applicants must be members of a church of Christ congregation. For more information, please contact Michelle Bradford at 901-755-1184/901-485-4245 or email at gtownpreschool@gmail.com.

COMMUNION SUPPLIES

Please note change. Saturday Morning Only.

We will have 1 distribution session for communion cups. Please drive to the back of the church building to the covered canopy for pickup.

1) Saturday morning from 12:00-2:00 pm

In addition you may pickup the following items:

- Weekly Bulletin
- Monthly Prayer Calendar
- Monthly Birthday Calendar.

"HEROES OF FAITH"

July 12 (Sunday)	David	Philip Faulkner
July 15 (Wednesday)	TBA	Lucas Suddreth
July 19 (Sunday)	The Samaritans	Aaron Washington
July 22 (Wednesday)	Rahab	Chris Gilbert
July 26 (Sunday)	TBA	Lucas Suddreth
July 29 (Wednesday)	Priscilla & Aquila	Philip Slate

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SASHA MALUGA

Greetings to you from Kyiv, Ukraine!

This summer is such a transition for us in so many ways. This morning we said goodbyes to some of the dearest people in our lives-JayDon and Mary Lee Rogers! We have been together, working shoulder to shoulder for 19 years, they became our friends and family. But today we had to say good-bye and it was not easy. They have moved to Canada to spend more time with their children and grandchildren as we know their family is eagerly waiting for them, but it was so hard to let them go. They are one of the kindest, loving, and giving people we have ever met, and we are forever grateful to God for the privilege to serve Him together with this wonderful family!

But before they left today, we had a very special month together! Originally, before the Covid quarantine, we planned a big Go away party for them at the end of May since their original flight was in the middle of June. Of course, in May the quarantine in Ukraine was so strict that we couldn't have any party. Our original plan was to have some of their children and friends to come to the party from US, but again all that had to be cancelled. When they learned about that, of course, they were very sad, of course they would have loved to have a big celebration like that and the idea of their kids and friends come from US, Canada and Greece for that was so special! They learned that it would have been a surprise party and they were so grateful that we wanted to do that for them, they were grateful to everyone who wanted to come. But the quarantine changed it all. As time went by their flight was rescheduled five times! At first, we had very little hope that we would be able to do anything special for them. No large gatherings were allowed, restaurants didn't work... but then, their flight was rescheduled for July the 6th and at the end of June Ukraine opened the restaurants and some events were allowed! What a blessing! It was such a perfect timing, and we are sure it was God's timing! Last Sunday was their last Sunday to worship with the Poznyaki congregation. Our families started this congregation five years ago and the Rogers played such a vital role in the life of our church from the very first days! Jay Don preached and at the end of the worship service we prayed for God's blessings for this godly couple. And afterwards everyone could come and say goodbye and hug them. Our church will really miss them!

Many of our ministries have been on hold, but when something doesn't work, something else – will work! We are beginning a new effort at Poznyaki – inviting American Christians to help us do personal online Bible studies in English with the Christians in Ukraine who speak English. We are mostly doing it for teens and youth, but we also have some adults who are interested. It is a new thing – but we look forward to seeing what can happen as a result of it. We believe that it can be a real good work for the Christians both in Ukraine and USA.

This summer is a transition for our children. Toma is now a Doctor! She got her diploma and starts working as an intern in August! She has two years of internship and she will be a family doctor. She will be working in a small town about 3 hours away from Kyiv, but she will live part of the time in Kyiv since she will also need to take more classes. It is a bit overwhelming and we all are still trying to get used to this new reality!

Regina is working hard toward her Christian University dream! She had her TOEFL exam, an English exam that foreigners need to take in order to be able to apply to any American University. And her TOEFL IBT score is 86! We are very happy, because we checked on the websites of different Christian Universities and most of them have a passing score 60 or 70. So, she has a good score to apply! We have already been in communication with the Harding University about possible Admission and thankfully Regina is already eligible to get a scholarship as an International student and also as a minister's daughter. She is also scheduled to take a SAT test at the end of August and if she does well, she may also be able to get an Academic scholarship.

That's where we are now, praying for both of our daughters for God to help them choose the path that they will follow and for Him to be there with them. We know He will if they stay faithful and always put Him first! We are blessed with two wonderful daughters; we are so thankful that the Father gave them to us!

We would really appreciate your special prayers – for the Rogers family as they transition to their new life and ministry, for Brandon and Katie Price as they take over a new role continuing the work of the Rogers at UBI, for Toma and Regina – for God to bless their future, and for our congregation – for all of us to grow in Spirit and in sharing the Good News with all the people.

We are so thankful to you for all your love and support for our family, for your strong faith and hard work, you are such an encouragement for us in everything we do!

In Christian love,
Sasha, Natasha, Toma and Regina

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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.

BUS DRIVERS

The church is in need of additional volunteers to drive the Bus for each service to and from Kirby Pines. We need drivers that can choose one of the three services for one (1) month out of the year, and we also need volunteers that are willing to be put on a list as a substitute to fill in as needed. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Archie Shelton at 901-378-9736. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

INFORMATION FOR THE BULLETIN

Please submit *all* requests for announcements in the bulletin to carolporter@gtcoc.org or by calling me at the church office at 901-754-1668 or by a written request and placed in the box marked Office just outside 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.

YARD SIGNS

We have yard signs available to our members. These yard signs are one small way that we can let the community know we are here and still worshipping each week! You can pick one up during the regular communion cup distribution times on Saturday.

MINISTERS

Joshua Adams - Youth
Glenn Daily - Spiritual Leadership
Dave Phillips - Preaching
Ron Roberson - Senior Adult Ministry
Zach Shappley - Family Ministry
Lucas Suddreth - Young Adult Ministry
Eddie Lewis - Missionary to Mississippi
Sasha Maluga - Missionary to Ukraine
Leslie Williams - Missionary to Canada

SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Morning Assembly 8:00 a.m.
Morning Assembly 10:30 a.m.
Evening Assembly 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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LIBRARY DONATIONS

The Following Books Were Donated To The Church Library:

Amazing Grace! - Charles B. Hodge.

Battlefield Of The Mind: Winning The Battle In Your Mind - Joyce Meyer.

The Christian's Everyday Problems: Strength For Daily Living- Leroy Brownlow.

Creature Of The Word: The Jesus-Centered Church- Matt Chandler, Josh Patterson and Eric Geiger.

Lord, Teach Us To Pray: A Powerful, Thought-Provoking Look At Jesus' Teaching On Prayer- Ancil Jenkins.

The Most Excellent Way: Overcoming Chronic Issues That Divide The Church- Eldred Echols.

Some "Do's" And Don'ts" For The Christian- Leroy Brownlow.

Managing Pressure In Your Marriage-Dennis Rainey and Robert Lewis.

Prayer: The Voice Of Faith- Charles B. Hodge, Jr.

The Strong-Willed Child: Birth Through Adolescence- Dr. James Dobson.

NEW OPTION FOR LISTENING TO SUNDAY MORNING CHURCH SERVICE

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.

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.