

Remember in prayer ...



We experience unity in the Spirit as we pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ in this Presbytery and around the world as well as for the Presbyterian Church (USA) Mission Workers in 63 countries. Today we lift up **Germantown Presbyterian Church (Germantown, TN).**

THOSE IN MISSION

- ◆ Robert Gamble and his missionary work with "This Child Here"
- ◆ Mark & Ashley Wright, missionaries in Honduras
- ◆ The Plath Family and their missionary work in Rexburg, Idaho

ALL CHILDREN AND YOUTH OF OUR CHURCH

GRADUATE & UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Ava Jett
Griffin Jett
Allison Kerr
Madeline Lunsford
Alyssa McArthur
John Miller
Kara Robinson
Ethan Williams

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR ARMED FORCES

Will Locastro
Michael Foster (Heather Foster's Brother-in-law)
Daniel Hewitt (Karen Wimpee's nephew)
Blake Merr (Billy & Lynn Staggs)
Jeff Cross and Family (Lynn Staggs)

Prayer Requests ...

The Residents of Village of Paijuiles
Mary Ann Harris^(01/10)
Ben Brownlee^{2/13} (Friend of Jim Wilcox)
Trish Gurney^{1/12} (John Gurney's mother)
Tanika Obeysekere^{2/16}
(Friend of Cari Barney)
Billy Staggs
Dotty Coulson
Cathy Church
Jo Hall
Ruby Mears
Sharon Quinn (Heather Foster's mother)

Ruth Lewis
Matthew Graham
(Mary Ann Epperson's nephew)
Donna Sparger (Randy Harris)
³Elizabeth W.
³Ann Wilcox (Jim Wilcox's mother)
The Family of Larry Hunter (Linda Stamps)
³The Family of John Humphreys
(Glen & Kate Watkins)
³Sandra Dickey in the loss of her husband,
Billy (David & Jessica Williams)

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Worship Service ● 10:30 a.m.
Fourth Sunday of Easter ● April 17, 2016



We extend a cordial greeting to all who worship here today. We especially welcome those who are visiting. You are our honored guests, and we hope you feel at home in our house of worship. God is here and welcomes us all. If you are visiting in search of a church home, we invite you to consider Collierville Presbyterian. If you wish to join our church, you can indicate your desire on the attendance registration sheet. An elder will be happy to contact you and provide you with any information.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION *(As we sit in silence preparing ourselves for worship, let us individually pray.)*

Almighty and ever-living God, your Spirit made us your children confident to call you Father. Increase your Spirit within us and bring us to our promised inheritance. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

PRELUDE

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

INTERLUDE

INTROIT **“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”**

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(Please stand if able.)*

Leader: Christ has risen!

People: He has risen indeed!

Leader: Let us worship God together.

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 119 **“The Strife Is O’er”**

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In Unison)*

God of grace and mercy, we bow before you today. We recognize that we are unworthy to be called your children or even your friends. You have loved us with a love unlike any we have ever known and you call us to love others in the same way. We confess to you our inability to love others as you love us. Rejection, condemnation, resentment, arrogance, selfishness, envy, and contempt keep us from loving others the way you love us. Have mercy upon us, O God, and grant us your peace. *(Individual silent prayers of confession)*

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS *(Responsive)*

Leader: God has saved us by grace, revealed in Jesus Christ.

People: As Christ’s disciples, may we cause God great joy by sharing God’s love with others as we have seen it in Jesus.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(Sung by all)* **“Gloria Patri”**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

“Unfailing Love”

SCRIPTURE READING

1 John 3:1-7 (NT p. 240)

SERMON

“The Family of God”

MEDITATIVE SILENCE

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*HYMN 85

“What Wondrous Love is This”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(In Unison)*

We believe in God, whose love for us never lets us go. We believe in Jesus Christ, whose life of love we strive to follow. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who makes God’s love known to us.

We believe in the church, we gather to pray, to praise, to serve...and to try again. We believe in the grace of God, which enables us to be a people of hope, joy, service and love. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER *(Alternate Text: Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.)*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE DOXOLOGY **“Old Hundredth”**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOING OUT IN GOD’S NAME

*HYMN 464

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **“Three-Fold Amen Denmark”**

Amen, Amen, Amen

POSTLUDE

****Those who are able, please stand.***