

GOVERNMENT STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 10, 2022 | 10:30 A.M.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Gathering

Welcome to worship! *We are glad you are here. If you need any assistance, please notify an usher. Please take a moment to register your attendance with us by using the friendship register located in each pew. We welcome the opportunity to learn more about you.*

Please silence *all cellular devices for the duration of the service.*

Congregational responses *are in* ***bold*** *text.* ✠ *is an indication to rise in body or in spirit as you are able.*

PRELUDE *Andante*
P. PIEL

WELCOME **THE REV. REBEKAH ABEL LAMAR**

✠CALL TO WORSHIP *responsive*

We have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

You have heard of this hope in the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding. We pray that we may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to God, as we bear fruit in every good work and as we grow in the knowledge of God.

May we be made strong with all the strength that comes from God's glorious power and may we be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the father who has enabled us to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

✠HYMN 65 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*
CWM RHONDA

✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION *unison*

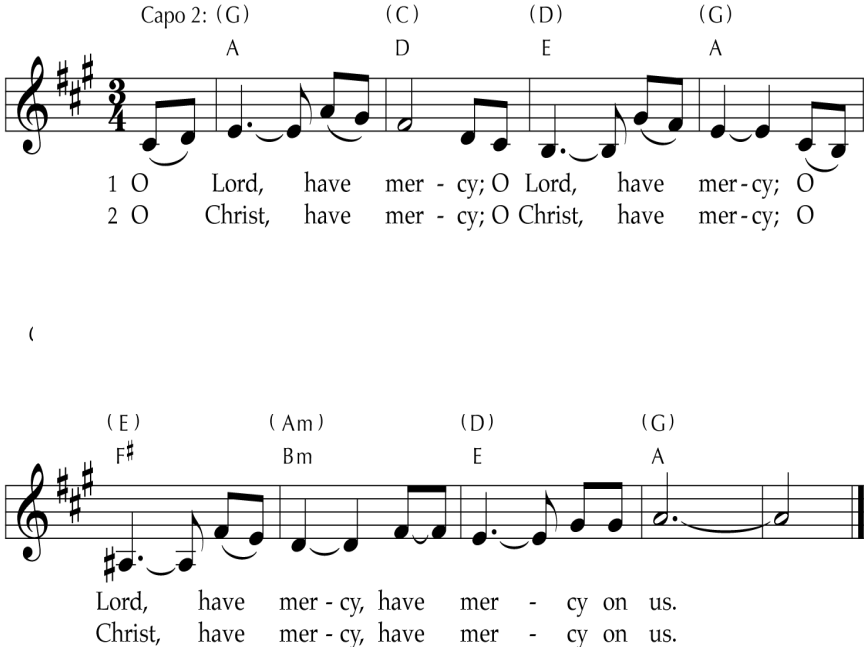
God of all mercy, you have shown us the way, given us commandments to live by, given us the example of your only Son; and yet, we fall short. We ignore your commands; we turn away from our neighbors in need, we justify our selfish ways, and we refuse your invitations. Forgive us, Lord, and draw us back to you.

Empower us to lead lives worthy of our calling as disciples of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

✠Assurance of Pardon **The Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar**

✠Response | Hymn 578 *O Lord, Have Mercy*

Kyrie eleison
Oré poriajú verekó



Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination **Sally Pearsall Ericson**

First Reading Luke 10: 25-37

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks Be to God!

Children's Sermon **Rev. Alexandra Hutson**

***Children ages three** and older are invited to the front for the Children's Sermon.*

Second Reading Exodus 20: 1-17

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks Be to God!

Sermon "Sunday School Stories: Ten Commandments"

Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar

Thanksgiving

✠ **Hymn 838** *Standing On The Promises*

PROMISES

✠**Affirmation of Faith** *unison* **Rev. Alexandra Hutson**

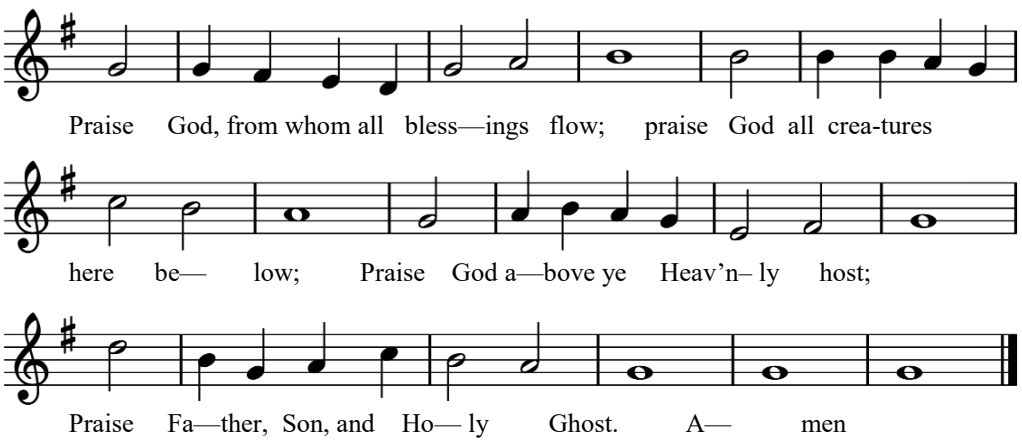
The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ
his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of
God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;

Offering

Meditation *Andante Mosso*
W. VOLKMAR

✠**Response | Hymn 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*
OLD HUNDREDTH



From the Presbyterian Church (USA) Book of Order:
The invitation to the Lord's Supper is extended to all who have been baptized, remembering that access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. In preparing to receive Christ in this Sacrament, the believer is to confess sin and brokenness, to seek reconciliation with God and neighbor, and to trust in Jesus Christ for cleansing and renewal. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may come to the Table in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Christ Jesus.
(Book of Order, W-2.4011a)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table **Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar**

Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Communion Meditation *Feed Us, Lord*
FEED US, LORD

Prayer After Communion

Sending

✠**Hymn 726** *Will You Come and Follow Me?*
KELVINGROVE

✠**Benediction** **Rev. Rebekah Abel Lamar**

Postlude *Postlude Marzial*
CH.H. RINK

Thank you to Stephen Prager for serving as our guest organist today. Thank you to Gabrielle Corlett and Jacob Mohr for serving as our vocalists today.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Luke 10: 25-37

25 On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to
test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to
inherit eternal life?”

26 “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do
you read it?”

27 He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all
your heart and with all your soul and with all your
strength and with all your mind’ and, ‘Love your
neighbor as yourself.’”

28 “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do
this and you will live.”

29 But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked
Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

30 In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from
Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by
robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him
and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 A priest
happened to be going down the same road, and
when he saw the man, he passed by on the other
side. 32 So too, a Levite, when he came to the place
and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a
Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man
was; and when he saw him, he took pity on
him. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds,
pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his
own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of
him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii and
gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he
said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any
extra expense you may have.’

36 “Which of these three do you think was a
neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of
robbers?”

37 The expert in the law replied, “The one who had
mercy on him.”

Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

Exodus 20: 1-17

1 And God spoke all these words:
2 “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of
Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

3 “You shall have no other gods before me.

4 “You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of
anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath
or in the waters below. 5 You shall not bow down
to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God,
am a jealous God, punishing the children for the
sin of the parents to the third and fourth
generation of those who hate me, 6 but showing
love to a thousand generations of those who love
me and keep my commandments.

7 “You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for
the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who
misuses his name.

8 “Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. 9 Six days
you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the
seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God. On
it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your
son or daughter, nor your male or female servant,
nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in
your towns. 11 For in six days the LORD made the
heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in
them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore
the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it
holy.

12 “Honor your father and your mother, so that you may
live long in the land the LORD your God is giving
you.

13 “You shall not murder.

14 “You shall not commit adultery.

15 “You shall not steal.

16 “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

17 “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not
covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male or female
servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs
to your neighbor.”

GSPC NEWS





Volunteers needed: The kitchen grease trap will be replaced next week, which will put our kitchen out of commission for several days. In an effort to provide for our Meals on Wheels recipients, we are asking for volunteers to stay after worship today and help make sandwiches and put together lunch bags in the Fellowship Hall. All supplies will be provided. Thank you!



Gillianne Sharp

We welcome our Baytreat Mission Campers from Decatur Presbyterian Church in Decatur, Ga. They will spend the week completing a variety of urban mission projects. The camp director is Gillianne Sharp, a preschool teacher at St. Paul's Early Education Center.

Baytreat Mission Campers for Week 4, July 16-22, will be from Germantown Presbyterian Church in Germantown, Tenn.

Service Project: The GSPC Youth are invited to take part in a service project on Tuesday, July 12, at the Central Presbyterian Church Food Pantry. The service project runs from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch will be provided. For more information, please contact the Rev. Alexandra Hutson.

Interdenominational Sunday School on July 17: Join us at 9:30 a.m. next Sunday in Fellowship Hall for the second installment of "Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood." All Sunday School classes will meet downstairs together for this special Sunday School session.

CHURCH OFFICERS

SESSION

Class of 2022

John Browning, Joy Gardner, Dorothy Morrison, Scott Weldon, Marcia Wyatt

Class of 2023

Susan Ashbee, Casi Callaway, Lisa deShazo, John Moses, Henry Morrissette, Bo Perry

Class of 2024

Bobby Headrick, Charles Jones, Mary Herndon Nordmann, Katherine Ogburn, Dick Otts, Beth Rouse

Clerk of Session: John Browning

Assistant Clerk: Henry Morrissette

DIACONATE

Class of 2022

Kym Carroll, Sally Ericson, John Peebles, Jim Van Haneghan, Zack Weaver

Class of 2023

Damon Boone, Jane Hale, Ashley Oswalt, Harris Oswalt Jr., Leigh Schottgen, LeAnne Tamblyn

Class of 2024

Ashley Ashbee, Stella Jackson, Ashford Kettler, Richard Otts, Jasper Reaves

URBAN MINISTRIES

JELLY AND SNACKS FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

Our 45 Meals on Wheels recipients get a sandwich bag each day along with their hot meal. The bag has a sandwich and a snack. Peanut butter and jelly is often on the menu and we are in need of donations of creamy peanut butter (no Jif, please, because of the recent recall) and grape jelly and individually packaged snacks (peanut butter or cheese crackers, chips, cookies, Little Debbies, etc.). There is a donation box in the Jackson Street foyer for these donations.

BLANKET MINISTRY

All are invited to donate items to be delivered to USA Children's & Women's Mother/Baby/At Risk department for full term babies of needy families (not the NICU) and to the Mostellar Clinic. Here are suggested items and sizes:

- Baby blankets (greatest need) approx. 28-36" square/rectangles 30-34"x40-46"
- A few hats and booties
- (USACW only): No-scratch mittens (must be fabric, not yarn)

Inexpensive items of any baby-appropriate washable fabric or yarn are appreciated. No large items, please: The babies we serve usually average 3-5 lbs. Store-bought or handmade items are welcomed. (Please do not donate unmade fabric.)

Donations may be left in the "Baby Box" at the Jackson Street entrance, or you may order from Amazon and request delivery to the church, marked "Blanket Ministry."



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Sanctuary Flowers
Are given to the glory of God in loving memory of
Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Gill
By Linda and Ted Burke

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Women's Bible Study
Tuesdays at 8 a.m. at the home of Ann Adams
Tuesdays at 10 a.m. via Zoom. Contact: Mary Elizabeth Perry.

Sunday Book Study Group
Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the library.

Presbyterian Women
P.W. Circle & Bible Study. Contact: Bligh Jones or Mary Elizabeth Perry.

Sunday School
Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Wee Worship
This ministry is on hiatus during the summer months.

If you have news items to share in the e-newsletter or the bulletin, please email the information to Heather Hamilton (heather@gspcmobile.org) and Sally Ericson (sallyericson23@gmail.com).

About Government Street Presbyterian Church

Government Street Presbyterian Church was founded in 1831 by the Reverend John Warren, was sent to Alabama by the New York Evangelical Society of Young Men. Warren built GSPC's first church at 150 Government St., which is now the historic La Clede Hotel building. By 1836, the congregation had grown enough to purchase the land at Government and Jackson streets. The present building was completed in 1839.
The present church building, completed in 1839 at a cost of $60,000, had a steeple which housed a large clock imported from Liverpool. It also contained the city's first fire bell, but during a storm in 1852 the steeple was struck by lightning and had to be removed, never to be replaced. The exterior is an excellent example of Greek Revival architecture with its handsomely proportioned portico and its dignified Ionic pillars. The pulpit area is noteworthy for its four exquisitely carved Corinthian capitals and fine entablature. The ceiling is deeply coffered in a diamond pattern. The original high-backed walnut pews are still in use. They were constructed with square nails and wooden pegs.