

February 2, 2025

Traditional Sermon "Love, Love, Love" Rev. Dr. Scott Alford Prism Message "When We Need Forgiveness" Pastor Mimi White





Upcoming Events & Opportunities





TOPIC: The Future of the Memphis Zoo

SPEAKER: Matt Thompson, CEO and President of the Memphis ZooWHERE: Mike Wilson Fellowship HallWHEN: February 7, 2025. Program starts at 11 am; lunch is at noon.

COST: FREE—the church will supply beverages





RESERVATIONS: No reservations are needed.

CONTACT LUCI CROMER, 901-356-0584, FOR MORE INFORMATION.



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Germantown United Women in Faith



Reverend Martha B. Wagley Pastor Emerita of Memphis First United Methodist Church (UMC),

February Luncheon Tuesday, February 11 | 11:30 am Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall

All Women are Invited! Register with credit card online under "Sign Up & Events" at germantownumc.org Cost is only \$12

Questions? Contact Yolanda Toney at yvctoney@gmail.com



"Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action."

Register for GUWF February Luncheon



Scripture for Traditional Service

1 Corinthians 13

13 If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. 3 If I give away all my possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast[a] but do not have love, I gain nothing.

4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; 6 it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. 7 It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8 Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. 9 For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part, 10 but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. 11 When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. 12 For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. 13 And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

Scripture for Prism Service

Luke 15:11-32

The Parable of the Lost Son

11 Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them.

13 "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' 20 So he got up and went to his father.

"But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. 21 "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate.24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.

25 "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 27 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.'

28 "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him.29 But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!'

31 "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"

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Please check out the list of lessons and teachers below for February 2 and join us!

Which Way, Lord? by Rob Fuquay *(Class Member Led).* Agape meets in Room 132, Chapel Building.

What Christians Can Learn from Sports Fans (Shirlee Clark) Alpha meets in Room 136.

The Year of Living Biblically by A.J. Jacobs *(Jesse Adkinson).* Apostles will meet with Wesley 2.0 in Room 339.

How Did We Get Here? – GUMC Church History (Shirley Gee). Asbury meets in The Cottage.

Maybe God Played Golf During the 400 Silent Years Between the Testaments (*Rob Jolly*). Celebration meets in Room 232, Chapel Building.

Trust and Promises (Richard Stewart).

Emmaus meets in the Chapel.

How Faith Impacted My Job (John Pardue). Fellowship Forum meets in Room 338.

The Gospel of Mark (*Class Member Led*). Fiser Covenant meets in Room 233, Chapel Building.

The Message of Jesus by Adam Hamilton *(Class Member Led).* Foundations meets in Room 133, Chapel Building.

Looking Forward and Back (Judy Pearson). Horizon meets in Room 2, Adult Education Building.

From the Manger to the World *(Tim Wise)*. Lamplighters meets in Room 342, Hamilton Ministry Center.

Church People & Programs Impact Young Persons *(Andre Duvall).* Seekers meets in Room 1, Adult Education Building.

The Truth in True Crime – What Investigating Death Teaches Us About the Meaning of Life by J. Warner Wallace (Class Member Led). Trinity meets in Room 145, Chapel Building.

The Year of Living Biblically by A.J. Jacobs *(Jesse Adkinson)* Wesley 2.0 meets in Room 339.

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