



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2025 | 9 & 11 am

Order of Service for the Worship of God

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**Please rise in body or in spirit.
Please remember to silence electronic devices.*

GATHERING MUSIC

PRELUDE – Prelude on *Nettleton*

Arr. Logan Hamilton

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Welcome this day to the house of our God.
All: **We are greeted in peace and in love.**
One: Welcome this day to the worship of our Creator.
All: **We worship in hope and with grace.**
One: Welcome this day to our community of faith,
All: **Where we are sisters and brothers in Christ.**
One: Friends, let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN 475 – Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
(see bulletin page 9)

Tune: Nettleton

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our prayer of confession is followed by a time for silent confession.

All: **Lord God, you have shown us such love, and stretched out your arms to draw us into your embrace. Yet we so often fail to show that love within our lives, or recognize its source. Forgive our short-sightedness, for the times we've failed to see your love in the generosity of friend or stranger, the**

shoulder to cry on, willing ear to listen, a word of encouragement, holding our hand that extra mile. Forgive us for failing to notice how much you care for us.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from Isaiah 35:10)**

One: Amen. Now return to the Lord with joy and gladness. Sing a song of redemption! Let sorrow and sighing be no more. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE – All Glory to the Father**

Tune: Nyland

All glo-ry to the Fa - ther, All glo-ry to the Son, All glo-ry to the Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One; For as in the be - gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri-une name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11 AM)

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism as we welcome Vivian Elizabeth Bell, daughter of Megan and Ryan Bell. Please see the Apostle's Creed on page 35 in the pew hymnal.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: **God, whom we know through the scriptures and creation, speak to us in this hour. Show us the wisdom and joy of your ways that we may know what is good and do what is right, through Jesus Christ your Word. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Genesis 5: 21 – 24

(O.T. pages 4 –5)

After each reading:

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SONG 188 – Jesus Loves Me

Tune: Jesus Loves Me

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children ages 4-grade 2 may depart for "Children's Church" held in room 301 after the children's sermon. At 10:05 am, volunteers will take children participating in Middle Hour to the 3rd floor: Pre-K-Kindergarten to room 302; Grades 1-2 to room 310; and Grades 3-4 to room 307. Parents/caregivers can pick up children not participating in Middle Hour from room 301 immediately following the service.

ANTHEM – Duet for Clarinet and Alto Saxophone, op. 9

Maarten Bauer

Allegro

NEW TESTAMENT READING – Hebrews 11: 5

(N.T. page 211)

SERMON – Pleasing God

Jeff Lincicome

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

ANTHEM AND OFFERING – 'Tis Winter Now

Samuel Longfellow

Arr. Monte Mason

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING 606 – Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Tune: *Old Hundredth*

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN – Faith While Trees are Still in Blossom

(see bulletin pages 10 –11)

Tune: *Beech Spring*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – Waltz on *Beech Spring*

Arr. Logan Hamilton

This Morning's Music: Features new sounds set to old forms of expression. The anthem composed by Indo-Dutch composer Maarten Bauer (b. 2000) is a charming duet for B-flat Clarinet and Alto Saxophone. The characteristics of the short piece take on the aesthetic of the late 18th century, much like the tunes of Haydn and Mozart. The clarinet introduces the main theme with the saxophone providing accompaniment before the piece moves forward with the two instruments trading back and forth motivic material in a playful manner. The offertory by Monte Mason (b. 1949) takes the hymn "Tis Winter Now" by 19th century, American clergyman, Samuel Longfellow (1819-1892) and sets it as a choral duet. The tune that is passed between the duet-texture is based on a traditional English ballad air named for a village in North Yorkshire.

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WELCOME TO GPMC

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church is a member of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and one of its vibrant congregations. For 159 years, we have been a light by the lakeshore for Jesus Christ, through our worship, education, outreach, and community life. We give thanks to God that you joined us today and we pray you will receive a sense of God's loving Spirit from your time with us. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Our Mission and Vision Statement: Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked as Christ's own forever, we are called and committed to living out our love for God. Through worship, study and service, we strive to continue God's transforming work by worshiping God joyfully, welcoming others graciously, supporting one another lovingly, and faithfully responding to our community and world with compassion.

Inclusion Statement: As a member of the Presbyterian Church (USA), GPMC is an inclusive community of faith, welcoming people of all races, gender identities, and sexual orientation, believing that God gifts and calls everyone into beloved service and community with God and others.

Leading and Assisting in Worship: Jeff Lincicome, Heather Thum - Gerber, Carol Marks, liturgists; Aleta Gerber (9 am), Virginia & Stuart Nicholson (11 am), lay readers; Johnny Klepp, elder (11 am); the Sanctuary Choir; Caroline Miller, clarinet; Logan Hamilton, Minister of Music and Organist.

The Birth Rose is for Brooks David Hauke, born on December 22, 2024 to Elise and Peter Hauke. Susan Bolton is Brooks' grandmother and Elizabeth and Glenn Peters are his great-grandparents.

The Sanctuary Flowers are in thanks for the birth of Bob Masserang from his wife, Judy.

Flowers in the Sanctuary are funded by our members in memory or in honor of a loved one. If interested in dedicating flowers, please contact Nancy Eckert at 313.418.6380 or nancy.k.eckert@gmail.com.

Hearing assistance system in the Sanctuary: These devices, pieces and lanyards are on the credenza towards the front of the Sanctuary. If you have any questions, please see one of the ushers.



Help GPMC shine bright and share the light by making your 2025 pledge. Scan the QR code, visit <https://gpmchurch.org/pledge-form/>, call the church office at 313.882.5330, or return your pledge envelope either in person or via mail. Thank you for helping us be a light by the lakeshore.

Infant and toddler room is available in room 112 during the service should you prefer to leave your child with our wonderful caregivers.

Worship kits for children to use during worship are in blue bags located at each of the entrances.

WINTER SERMON SERIES

In Living Color: The Story of Our Faith

One of the gifts of GPMC is the incredible Willet stained glass windows that adorn our sanctuary. For close to 100 years, these windows have told the story of our faith, painting the Bible in living color, surrounding us on all sides with our heritage. This year, with those windows as our guide, we will be walking through the story of our faith, one pane at a time. What a gift we have been given!

WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestreamed
10:10 am	Sunday School	Third Floor
10:10 am	Youth Middle Hour	Third Floor
10:10 am	Adult Middle Hour	Barbour Chapel
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary

PRAYER REQUESTS

Praying for one another is an important and loving gift. The staff of GPMC meets every Tuesday morning and offers prayers for members of the congregation. If you would like to add a person to our prayers or on the prayer list in the Sunday bulletin, please call Carol Marks 313.882.5330 ex. 127 or email her at cmarks@gpmchurch.org. May God continue to surround you with love and care.

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church is a Stephen Ministry congregation.

Recent Prayer Requests for: Rowland Austin, Susan Feldman (Carol Kristan's cousin), Paul Fink (John Mozena's cousin), John Hunt and Myrna Bowler (April Sayar's uncle and mother), Will, Karrie (Crouse) and Cormac Joines (Annie Prentice's brother and family), Julie Meek (Marilyn Doyal's sister), George Stultz, Allison and Zach Thorton.

Continued Prayers for: Lori Conway (Jim Conway's sister-in-law), Ron Dollette, Jane Dow, Gwen Dunlap (Karen and Wayne Pratt's sister), Lisa Gandelot, Julie Harrison (Jennifer Cauvel's cousin), Rachel Howard (Cheryl Littleton's friend's daughter), Stephanie Kornblum (Sue Vititoe's daughter), Steve Lundberg (Gayle Conway's brother), Betsy Maitland, Michael Meda, Dr. Alan Shepherd (Ken Shepherd's brother), Martha Speer.

Protection and Strength for Our Loved Ones in the Military: Alec Doyal, Special Forces, U.S. Air Force (Marilyn and Guy Doyal's grandson), Alec Mains, U.S. Marines, Djibouti, Africa (Phyllis and John Brewster's grandson).

IN MEMORIAMs

Margot H. Ness

June 11, 1940 – December 20, 2024

Jayne L. Warner

July 16, 1935 – December 27, 2024

Please pray for Jayne's family and all who love her. A service will be held at a later date.

Pamela Sue Radlick

May 31, 1958 – January 8, 2025

Please pray for Pams' sisters and all who love her. A Service of the Resurrection will be held at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

This Week at GPMC

Monday, January 13

Preacher's Workshop, 10 - 11 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
Council Meetings, 6, 6:30, 7 & 7:30 pm (Various Locations)
Boy Scouts, 7 - 8:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, January 14

Women's Bible Study, 7 - 8 am (Room 215)
Yoga, 10 - 11 am (Room 322) & 6 - 7 pm (Fellowship Hall)
Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)

Wednesday, January 15

Men's Bible Study, 7 - 8 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
AA, 8:15 - 9:30 am (Room 209)
Stephen Minister's Meeting, 9:15 - 10:30 am (Room 200)
Memorial Youth, 6 - 8 pm (Room 315)
Adult Bible Study, 7:30 - 9 pm (Library)

Thursday, January 16

Women's Connection, 9 - 10 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
Yoga, 10 - 11 am (Room 322) & 6 - 7 pm (Fellowship Hall)
Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 - 7 pm (Room 326)
Makers@Memorial, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm & 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Room 220)
Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 - 9:15 pm (Choir Room)

Friday, January 17

Unpack the Truck, 8:30 - 10:30 am (Offsite)
Free Food Fridays, 9 - 11 am (Offsite)
Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)

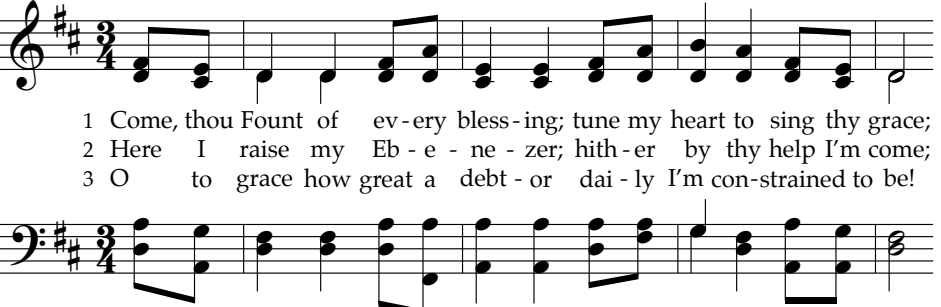
Saturday, January 18

Men's Bible Study, 8 - 9 am (Offsite)

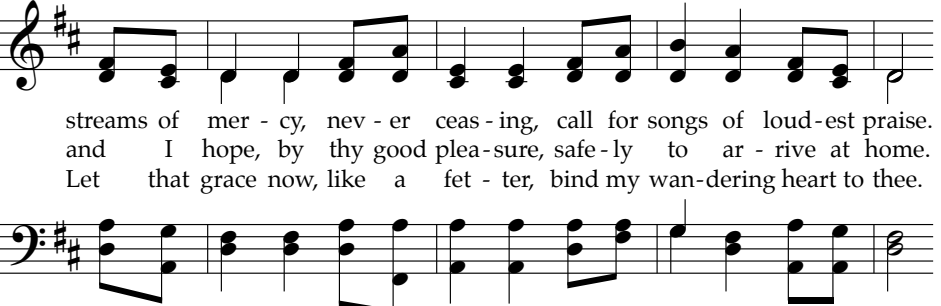
Sunday, January 19

Worship Services, *9 & 11 am (Sanctuary & *Livestreamed)
Children's Sunday School & Youth Middle Hour, 10:10 - 10:50 am (Third Floor)
Adult Middle Hour, 10:10 - 10:50 am (Barbour Chapel)

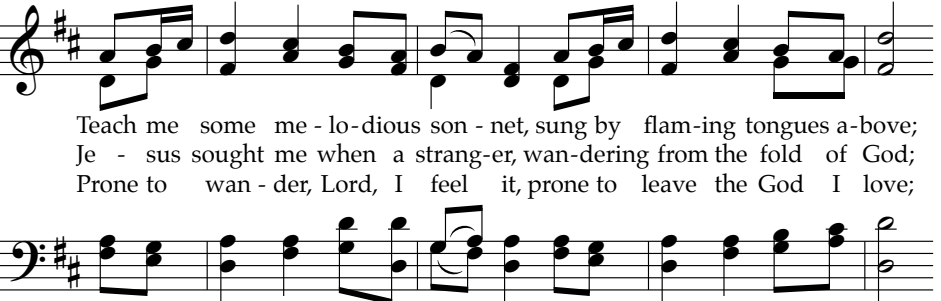
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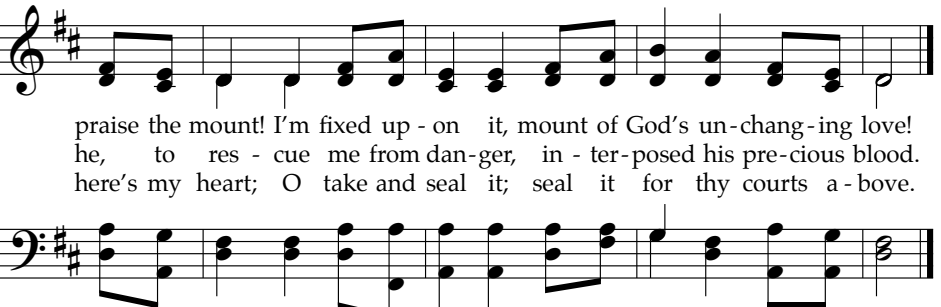
1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom

Anders Frostenson and Logan Hamilton

Attr. B.F. White
Arr. by Logan Hamilton

1. Faith, while trees are still in blos - som, plans the pick - ing of the
2. Long be - fore the rains were com - ing, No - ah went and built an
3. Faith, up - lfit - ed, tamed the wa - ter of the un - di - vid - ed

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fruit; faith can feel the thrill of har - vest when the buds be - gin to
ark. A - bra - ham, the lone - ly mi - grant, saw the light be - yond the
sea, and the peo - ple of the He - brews found the path that made them

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sprout. Long be - fore the dawn is break - ing, faith an - tic - i - pates the
dark. By - faith E - noch was ta - ken so that he would not feel
free. Faith be - lives that God is faith - ful: God will be what God will

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sun. death. be!
Faith For Faith
is the ac - cepts
ea - ger in the
- ger in the
for the
the
struc - ture
His
call, re

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day - light, when the work that must be done.
good - ness to ex - pand His sav - ing breadth
spond - ing "I am will - ing, Lord, send me."



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8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Thursday
8:30 am – 3:00 pm, Friday

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