

Service of Worship Second Sunday After Epiphany January 14, 2024 | 9 and 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.

PRELUDE - Andante (from Organ Concerto No. 4)

G. F. Handel

*Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 139)

One: God, you search me and know me. Before I sit, you know when I will rise.

All: God, you search me and know me. Before I speak, you know what I will

say.

One: God, you search me and know me, in my joy and despair, in my breathing

in and breathing out.

All: God, you search me and know me. Your knowledge is too deep to reach,

too vast to comprehend.

One: God, you search me and know me.

All: Search me, O God, and know my heart.

*Opening Hymn 509 – All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

(see bulletin page 10)

*Prayer of Confession

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

All: Almighty God; You love us, but we have not loved you; you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed. God our Father, help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you

move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Assurance of Pardon

One:

Amen. May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image, to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our

Lord.

All: Amen.

*Response of Praise - God Fills Our Hearts With Joy

Tune: Marion

All:

God fills our hearts with joy; God's grace and love abound.

God heals all earthly brokenness; Let praise to God resound!

Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

*Passing of the Peace (from Matthew 5:19)

One:

God is love and those who live in love, live in God, and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you. All:

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

All:

O God, Lover of humanity, Joy of creation: Pour out your Spirit on us that we may hear your ancient words in a new key. Inspire us to sing your praise in every land and with every generation, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING - Psalm 139: 1 - 12

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After each reading:

One:

The Word of the Lord.

All:

Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S TIME (9 AM)

Children ages 4-grade 2 may depart for "Children's Church" held in room 108 (1st floor, adjacent to the nursery) after the children's sermon. At 10:05 am, volunteers will take children participating in Middle Hour to the 3rd floor: Pre-K (age 4)-Kindergarten to room 302; Grades 1-2 to room 310: and Grades 3-4 to room 307. Parents/caregivers should pick up children not participating in Middle Hour from room 108 immediately following the service.

ANTHEM - Jesus, Bread of Life

G. F. Handel

Iesus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me gladly here obey thee,

By thy love I am invited, be thy love with love requited.

From this supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.

Through the gifts thou here dost give me as thy guest in heaven receive me.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 14: 13 - 21

(N.T. page 15)

SERMON - The Leftovers

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.

OFFERING AND ANTHEM - O Lord, You Know Me Completely

Hal H. Hopson

O Lord, you know me completely. You know my sleeping; you know my waking.

You know my every thought. You are acquainted with the secrets of my heart.

I know that your love will be with me; it goes behind me, before me.

If I should climb to the tallest peak, or wander through the valley, your hand will guide my way; you hand will hold me fast.

O Lord, you know me completely...

I know that your love will be with me; it goes behind me, before me.

If I should walk through the darkest night, your light will shine around me

Your hand will guide my way; your hand will hold me fast. O Lord, you know me completely... (from Psalm 139)

*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 834 - Precious Lord, Take My Hand (see bulletin page 11)

Tune: Precious Lord

*Benediction

Postlude – Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals (in the style of Handel)

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

The anthem by George Frederick Handel (1685-1759) is an excerpt from his "Brockes Passion." A "Passion" is an extended account of Jesus' betrayal, trial, suffering and death, and many composers created musical settings to be sung during Holy Week. The German poet Barthold Heinrich Brockes (1680-1747) wrote a poetic Passion libretto in 1712, and it was set to music by several composers. In Handel's music, the portion heard this morning is a "Chorale of the Christian Church" sung as a reflection following the account of the Last Supper. The organ prelude is the middle movement of one of Handel's organ concerts, and the postlude is a piece by Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933) written in the style of Handel.

The music during the offering is a musical setting of Psalm 139 by Hal H. Hopson (b. 1933), a full-time composer and church musician who lives in Austin, Texas.

On April 4, 1968, at 6:01 p.m., Dr. Martin Luther King was shot while standing on the second floor balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, surrounded by friends and associates. As he lay dying, he spoke these last words to his friend and musician Ben Branch, who was to perform at the event King was scheduled to attend that night: "Ben, make sure you play 'Take My Hand, Precious Lord' in the meeting tonight. Play it real pretty." King's funeral took place on April 9, 1968, at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, the church where both King and his father had served as co-pastors. His good friend Mahalia Jackson sang "Precious Lord" at the funeral.

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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 157 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, Carol Marks, liturgists; Teddy and Walter Vieweg, lay readers; Carson Landry, carillonist; The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Choir; James Biery, organist and director.

The Chancel Flowers are in loving memory of Elizabeth Kuhlman by Frenesi Heath and Helen Tabert Neskow, Robert Neskow and Noel Neskow by their daughter and sister, Cynthia Ford and her family.

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 Rachel Kurtz at 313.300.5353 or rkurtz1234@aol.com.

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.

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SERMON SERIES

It's Called MinisTRY!

The word "ministry" is a bit of an enigma. Typically, we relegate it to the professionals; pastors, church workers, religious do-gooders. But that is not its essence. Ministry literally means service, and because of that, as Christians ALL of us are ministers of the gospel. The saying, "God doesn't call the equipped-He equips the called" is absolutely true. Even if we feel like we don't have what it takes, we are simply called to try, to put ourselves out there, to risk, trust, love



and serve-It's called minisTRY after all! Join us as we learn about and reflect on the adventure of faith and our call to ministry together.

WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestreamed
10:00 am	Children's & Youth Middle Hour	Third Floor
10:00 am	*Adult Middle Hour	Barbour Chapel
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
1:00 pm	Girl Scouts	Room 310
5:00 pm	Worship Service	Barbour Chapel

^{*}Middle Hour is the study of the Surprising Lives of Christian Saints.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Praying for one another is an important and loving gift. The staff of GPMC meet every Tuesday morning and offer prayers for members of the congregation. Using our directory, the staff pray for the parishioners on one page each Tuesday morning and offer prayers for members of the congregation.

If you would like to add a person to our prayers, 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: Bill Fox, Audrey Hallmann (Beverly Burn's niece), Jim and Laura Hebert (brother and sister-in-law of Denise Champion), Pauline Lackey, Lee Miller, Elsie Onychuck, Georgie Solomon, Annette White (Frank Palazzolo's cousin).

Continued Prayers for: Doug Bechler, Tom Bejin (Matt Bejin's father), Eleanor Berendt (Gregg Berendt's mother), Jim Bierbusse, Marlene Boll, Drucilla Burns (friend of Carol Koepplin), Laura Burns, Preston Burke (Victoria Hill's brother-in-law), Renee Centorbi (the Musials' friend), Ben Chapman, Margery Fuller, Bill Leonard, Phyllis May, Kay Peters (Ann Willett's friend), Rob Sawka (Jan Arndt's nephew), Traci Spencer-Strong (Bryan Mahlmeister's sister), Kiernan Tague (friend of the Clark family), Bill Turner, Susan Villa-Acre (Linda Lloyd's friend).

Aphrodite Roumell, Andrea Dickson's mother, died January 2, 2024. The Service of the Resurrection will be Saturday, February 3, 2024 at 11:00 am in our sanctuary. Please pray for Andrea and all who loved Aphrodite during these sad days.

Judy Anderson, a previous member and deacon at GPMC, died January 3, 2024. A celebration of life is planned at the Mansions in Treasure Island, Florida on February 10, 2024. Please hold her husband Carl, their children, and grandchildren in your prayers.

The Rev. Bill Yeager died January 6, 2024. Bill was our wonderful interim pastor, head of staff during the time before Peter Henry came. His service of the Resurrection will be held in Eden Prairie. Please pray for his wife, Gail and his children and grandchildren.

Lee Engel, Dan Aggas' brother-in-law, died January 10, 2024. Please hold Dan, Lee's wife Kathie, and the whole family in your prayers.

Monday, January 15

Church Offices Closed For MLK, Jr. Day Trustees Meeting, 7 – 8 pm (Room 215)

Tuesday, January 16

Women's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (Room 215) Yoga, 10 – 11 am (Room 301) & 6 – 7 pm (Fellowship Hall) Full Circle Yoga & Wellness, 12:15 – 2:15 pm (Fellowship Hall) Al-Anon, 6:30 – 8 pm (Library) AA, 7 – 8 pm (Room 209)

Wednesday, January 17

Men's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
AA, 8:15 – 9:30 am (Room 209)
Stephen Minister's Meetings, 9:15 – 10:30 am (Room 200) & 2 – 5 pm (Room 306)
Memorial Youth Group, 6 – 8 pm (Room 315)
Reel Theology, 6:30 – 8:30 pm (Theatre Room)

Thursday, January 18

Women's Connection, 9 - 10 am (2nd Floor Lounge) Yoga, 10 - 11 am & 6 - 7 pm (Room 301) Makers at Memorial, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm & 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Room 220) Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 - 7 pm (Room 322) Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 - 9:15 pm (Choir Room)

Friday, January 19

Ecumenical Men's Breakfast, 7:30 – 9 am (Fellowship Hall) 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 20

Men's Bible Study, 8 – 9 am (Offsite) Bereavement Group 10 – 11:15 am (Room 215)

Please note this list is subject to change. For the most up-to-date calendar, visit gpmchurch.org.

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