



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 18, 2026 | 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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CARILLON PRELUDE – We Shall Overcome

Arr. Milford Mhyre

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are here to follow Jesus

All: **With halting steps**

One: And questioning minds

All: **With ready hands**

One: And pierced hearts

All: **With joy for each other**

One: And gratitude to God. Let us follow Jesus,

All: **And let us worship God.**

*HYMN 81 – Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken
(see bulletin page 10)

Tune: Austrian Hymn

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your Word. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Amen. Friends hear this good news, “Listen, the time has come at last. Look, now is the day of salvation! (II Corinthians 6:2)” Believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE – All Glory be 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 Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Saving God, source of our calling, your Word is full of power and glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us so that we may receive your grace and live as your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Numbers 11:4 – 9

(O.T. page 124)

After each reading:

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY SONG 377 – I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Tune: Houston

All: I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

CHILDREN’S TIME (9 AM)

Children ages 4-grade 2 may depart for Children’s Church held in room 301 after the children’s sermon. Parents/caregivers can pick up their children from room 301 at 10:15 am.

ANTHEM – I Wonder as I Wander

John Jacob Niles, Arr. Keith Christopher

NEW TESTAMENT READING – Revelation 2:12 – 17

(N.T. page 231)

SERMON – The Slippery Slope

Rev. Dr. 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 –He Comes to Us as One Unknown

Arr. John Ferguson

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING 606

Tune: Old 100th

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 65– Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
(see bulletin page 11)

Tune: CWM Rhondda

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – Recessional on CWM Rhonda

Arr. Logan Hamilton

This Morning’s Music: Meditates on Christ’s entrance into the world, and the profound impact that His love plays in the lives of the ordinary. The carillon prelude, *We Shall Overcome*, is in observation of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Though this song has origins in the 1940’s, it served to be an anthem of the Civil Rights movement twenty years later, famously being sung during the March on Washington, August 28, 1963. The anthem is an arrangement of John Jacob Niles’ (1892-1980) folk hymn that was published in 1933. The text reflects on the humble nature of Christ’s birth and life, juxtaposing his life of servitude and the lofty heights that He could freely command. The tune is one of stately motion, symbolizing a pensive stroll suggested by the title of the carol that one would be wandering while wondering about the mysteries of Christ’s life. This arrangement features a mystical flute part that is played by Bevin Finley. The offertory continues the theme of humility, as the opening text to “He Comes to Us as One Unknown” speaks how Christ enters our world through moments of silence and contemplation. Late American organist and composer John Ferguson (1941-2025) uses the English hymn tune *Repton* as the basis of his arrangement, constructing the choir in various textures to emphasize different aspects of the text. For example, for the verse, “He comes when souls in silence lie and thought of day depart; half seen upon the inward eye, a falling star across the sky of night within the heart” the altos sing the melody, while the other voices sing as quiet beacons like twinkling lights of in night sky.

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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 161 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: Rev. Dr. Jeff Lincicome, Rev. Heather Thum - Gerber, Carol Marks, liturgists; Michael Kopasz (9 am), Allie Carver (11 am), lay readers; Eric Whitmer, carillonneur; Bevin Finley, flute; Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Logan Hamilton, Minister of Music and Organist.

Sermon Series (7 Letters to 7 Churches): The book of Revelation begins with seven unique letters written to seven unique churches in seven unique cities throughout Asia Minor. With deep insight coming from Jesus through the pen of John, these letters can teach us a lot about who the ancient church was in all of their success and failures, while also casting light on who we are, and what it means to be followers of Jesus today. Join us as we study these very unique and powerful letters to the ancient church.

The Sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of 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 Frances LaPlante-Sosnowsky at 313.434.5574 or ab7014@wayne.edu.

Giving at GPMC: Please visit bit.ly/GPMC-Giving, text “GPMC” to 73256, or scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin. Offering envelopes are also found in the pews. Thank you for helping us be *a light by the lakeshore*.

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.

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.

WHAT’S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestream
9:20 am	Children’s Sunday School	Third Floor
10:15 am	Children’s Choir	Room 320
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	Pilgrimage Potluck	Fellowship Hall

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 at 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: Robert Cacchione (Gina Carrier's dad), Marge Cambalik, Martha Day, Gerard Huvaere (John Scholtes' friend), Mary Matvias (Elizabeth Tengler's aunt), Phyllis May, Beth Schlater (Sally VanDusen's friend).

Continued Prayers for: Kathy Belter (Cheryl Littleton's aunt), John Boris, Jane Dow, Joanne Grierson, Dennis Hertel (the Musials' friend), Stephanie Kornblum (Sue Vititoe's daughter), Carol Martin (Cheryl Littleton's mother), Amy Miller, Sharon Miquel, Millie Neal (Doris Neal Van Tiem's mother), Rose Palazzolo (Frank Palazzolo's mother), Annie Prentice, Ted Schaefer (Elizabeth and Stephen Schaefer's son), Carolyn Scheuer (Marilyn Doyal's sister), Salvador Zuniga (Janice Zuniga's son).

Protection and Strength for Our Loved Ones in the Military: Ensign Peter A. Costello, USN (Gretchen and Bill Costello's son), Alec Doyal, Special Forces, U.S. Air Force (Marilyn and Guy Doyal's grandson), Christian Mageau, Senior Airman USAF (Cynthia and Michael Mageau's son), Steven Hess, Army Combat Medic, FL (Roma and Tom Hess' grandson), Alec Mains, U.S. Marines, Djibouti, Africa (Phyllis and John Brewster's grandson), Douglas Clark Ross, Senior Airman Avionics Technician, U.S. Airforce, Capt. Florencio J. Yuzon, V, U.S. Navy (Val and Pat Moran's son-in-law), 1LT Florencio C. Yuzon, VI, U.S. Army (Val and Pat Moran's grandson).

This Week at GPMC

Monday, January 19

Church Offices Closed in Observance of MLK Day

Tuesday, January 20

Women's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (Room 215)

Yoga, 10 – 11 am & 6 – 7 pm (Room 322)

Al-Anon, 6:30 – 8 pm (Library)

AA, 7 – 8 pm (Room 209)

Wednesday, January 21

Men's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (2nd Floor Lounge)

AA, 8:30 – 9:30 am (Room 209)

Stephen Minister's Meeting, 9:15 – 10:30 am (2nd Floor Lounge)

Memorial Youth, 6 – 8 pm (Room 315)

Adult Bible Study, 7:30 – 9 pm (Library)

Thursday, January 22

Yoga, 10 – 11 am (Room 322) & 6 – 7 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Makers@Memorial, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm & 6:30 – 8:30 pm (Room 220)

Handbell Rehearsal, 6:15 – 7 pm (Room 326)

Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 – 9:15 pm (Choir Room)

Friday, January 23

Free Food Fridays, 9 – 11 am (Offsite)

AA, 7 – 8 pm (Room 209)

Saturday, January 24

Men's Bible Study, 8 – 9 am (Offsite)

New Elder Orientation, 9 – 10:30 am (Pastor Jeff's Office)

Mourner's Path Group, 10– 11 am (2nd Floor Lounge)

Sunday, January 25

Worship Services, *9 and 11 am (Sanctuary & *Livestream)

Children's Sunday School, 9:20 – 10:15 am (Third Floor)

Children's Choir, 10:15 – 10:35 am (Room 320)

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

81 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God.
 2 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 3 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,

God, whose word can - not be bro - ken, formed thee for a blest a - bode.
 for a glo - ry and a cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.

On the rock of a - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows, their thirst to as - suage?

With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them when they pray.
 Grace, so like the Lord the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.



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8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Thursday
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