



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 19, 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

HANDBELL PRELUDE – And Can it Be That I Should Gain

Arr. Jason W. Krug

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: New every morning is God's love for us.

All: **New every day is our opportunity to practice gratitude for what we have,**

One: To seek ways to heal the world,

All: **And to draw closer to our Creator.**

One: So let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN 12 – Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
(see bulletin page 10)

Tune: St. Denio

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Amen. Listen to this good news! "For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us (Psalm 103:11-12). Friends believe in the good news of the Gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

***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 Jack Thomas Lane, son of Jessica and Patrick Lane. Please see the Apostle's Creed on page 35 in the pew hymnal.

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 98: 4 – 9

(O.T. page 521)

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 – Jerusalem, My Happy Home

Arr. Alice Parker

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Genesis 6: 18 – 22

(O.T. page 5)

SERMON – A Fresh Start

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.**

*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 22 – God of the Sparrow

Tune: Roeder

(see bulletin page 11)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – Toccata on St. Denio

Arr. Logan Hamilton

This Morning’s Music: Features pastoral scenes of grace and joy with settings of two hymnal tunes that are inspired out of nature and folk traditions. The anthem arranged by American composer, Alice Parker (1925-2023) combines both the Sanctuary and Handbell Choirs using the American shape-note tune, “Land of Rest.” The origins of this tune come out the Anglo-Scottish tradition of ballad singing with its gentle rise and fall of the melody line, while the rhythmic structure is built on strong, duple meter. The tune was first published in “The Sacred Harp” in 1844, which was the main repertoire source of shape-note singing that was popular in the regions of the Appalachian Mountains. The offertory is an arrangement of Scottish hymn writer and minister, James L. M. Bain’s (1860-1925) tune, “Brother James’s Air.” Again, the tune is influenced by the Scottish ballads that Bain would have been familiar with, its concaving melody; however, it is jauntier in nature in triple meter. Bain was known to be a lover of nature and was often spotted wandering about the hillsides and pastures, which is why the tune is often paired with the 23rd Psalm to complement its own pastoral imagery.

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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, Carol Marks, liturgists; Penny Pitts (9 am), Laura Ver Beek (11 am), lay readers; Jeff Ver Beek, elder (11 am); Handbell Choir; Rory Powell, Handbell Choir Director; Sanctuary Choir; Logan Hamilton, Minister of Music and Organist.

The Sanctuary Flowers are in loving memory of Helen Tabert Neskow, Robert Neskow and Noel Neskow by their daughter and sister, Cynthia Ford and her family.

The Birth Rose is for Anne Sophie Labuz, born on January 2, 2025 to Jessica (Pogue) and Joe Labuz.

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
12:00 pm	Youth Mission Trip Meeting	Barbour Chapel

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), Myrna Bowler (April Sayar's mother), Will, Karrie (Crouse) and Cormac Joines (Annie Prentice's brother and family), Julie Meek (Marilyn Doyal's sister), Derek Starks (friend of Todd Andrus family and Susan Murray), George Stultz, Teddy (Judith Sudomier's grandson), Louise Thomas, 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, Yvonne Held (Becky Scholtes' mother), Dr. Alan Shepherd (Ken Shepherd's brother), Martha Speer, Bill Turner.

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).

This Week at GPMC

Monday, January 20

Church Offices Closed for MLK Holiday

Tuesday, January 21

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 22

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

AA, 8:15 - 9:30 am (Room 209)

Red Cross Blood Drive, 12 - 7 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Memorial Youth, 6 - 8 pm (Room 315)

Thursday, January 23

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 24

Free Food Fridays, 9 - 11 am (Offsite)

Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)

AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)

Saturday, January 25

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

New Officer Training, 9 - 11 am (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, January 26

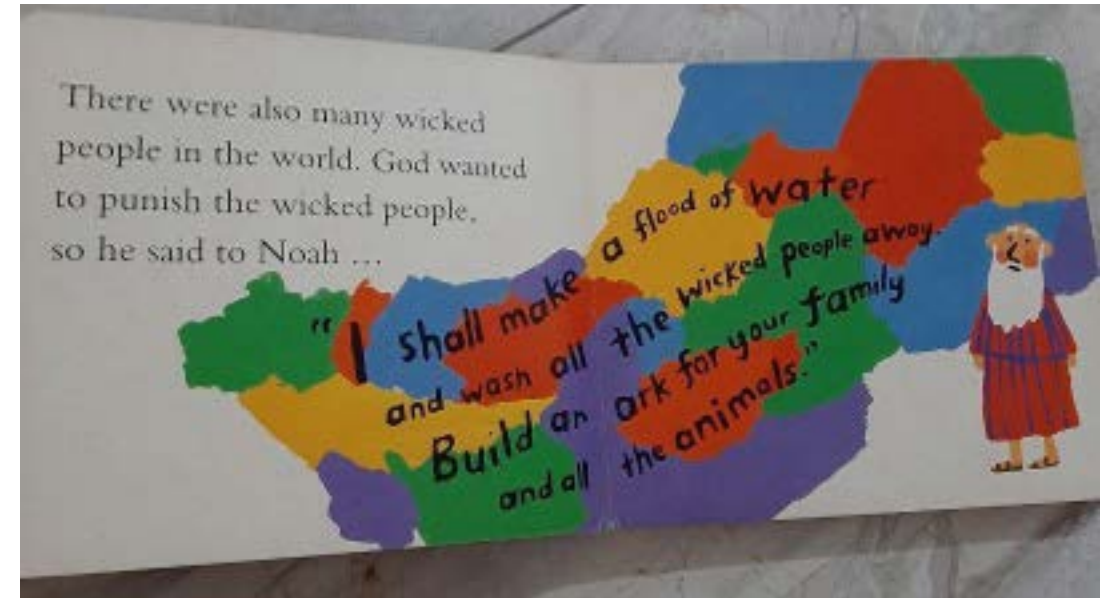
Worship Services, *9 & 11 am (Sanctuary & *Livestreamed)

Children's Sunday School & Youth Middle Hour, 10:10 - 10:50 am (Third Floor)

Adult Middle Hour, 10:10 - 10:50 am (Barbour Chapel)

Parish Life Ice Skating Event, 12 - 2 pm (Offsite)

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



Worship Notes/Reflections

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

22 God of the Sparrow

C Em Am Dm G

1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the

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swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy

Am Dm Gsus G C

How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say Home



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8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Thursday
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