



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Fourth Sunday After Epiphany
January 28, 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.*

CARILLON PRELUDE

HANDBELL PRELUDE – I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing *arr. Valerie Stephenson*

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 147)

One: How good it is to sing praises to our God!
All: **He heals the brokenhearted, binding up their wounds.**
One: He counts the stars, and calls them each by name.
All: **How great is our God! His power is absolute,
and his understanding, beyond comprehension.**
One: So come, sing out your thanksgiving to God.
All: **Offer to God that worship that belongs to him alone!**

*OPENING HYMN 69 – I, the Lord of Sea and Sky *Tune: Here I Am*
(see bulletin page 14)

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: **Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved with kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have**

mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Do not cast us away from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Amen. Hear the good news! As people born of water and the Spirit, we have died to the old life, and a new life has begun. God's grace is poured out upon us day by day. Come to the water and remember your baptism. Be thankful and live as one who has been raised to new life!

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

***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! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE (from Ephesians 4:32)**

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace of the Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you!**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11 AM)

Please see the Apostle's Creed on page 35 in the front section of your hymnal.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONING OF NEW BOARD, COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Today we are installing and ordaining our newest officers and commissioning the newest members of our leadership boards, councils and committees. Our deacons and elders become officers in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). They were elected by the congregation and examined by the Session. Today they will take their vows, and we in turn, will affirm our support of their leadership. The names of our newest officers and leaders are listed at the back of the bulletin, along with new council and committee members, and the officer ordination vows and congregational responses.

One: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

All: **There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.**

One: God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

All: **To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.**

One: Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: **Everlasting God, whose tenacious love holds us: make our hearts the house of your truth, and make our minds the realm of your wisdom so that our fellowship will become your dwelling place, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Psalm 147: 1 – 6

(O.T. pages 549 – 550)

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 – Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Harold Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in your name
two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! Alleluia! so knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee,
that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.
Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.

GOSPEL READING – Luke 8: 40 – 56 (N.T. page 64)

SERMON – The Ministry of Restoration 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.**

COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS (9 AM)

Today we are commissioning our newest Stephen Ministers: Roma Anderson, Heidi Black, Steve Carrier, Sabina Dykstra, Lisa Kelch, Ann Musial, and Laura Ver Beek.

OFFERING AND ANTHEM – The Lord Bless You and Keep You John Rutter

The Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
to shine upon you and be gracious, and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace. 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 733 – We All Are One in Mission *Tune: Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*
(see bulletin page 15)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – You Shall Go Out with Joy *S. Dauermann, arr. J. Biery*
(a setting of hymn 80)

THIS MORNING’S MUSIC

The anthem was composed by the New York organist and church musician Harold Friedell. Friedell was choirmaster and organist at St. Bartholomew’s Church on Park Avenue from 1947 until his death of a heart attack in 1958. The anthem, composed about a year before his death, credits the words to “B. R.” They were actually written by Percy Dearmer, who wrote them for the 1931 hymnal “Songs of Praise Enlarged.” Dearmer was editor for the book, so perhaps he used the pseudonym “B.R.” so it would not appear that there were too many of his own hymns in the hymnal.

The offering anthem is a musical setting of the Aaronic Blessing from the book of Numbers. John Rutter, CBE (b. 1945), composed the piece in 1981 for the memorial service for Edward Chapman. Rutter had studied with Chapman as a pupil at London’s Highgate School. The anthem is an endearing farewell to a dearly departed friend.

“The Trees of the Field” is a song by Jewish-American rabbi Dr. Stuart Dauermann. James Biery’s postlude is published in Oxford University Press “Hymn Settings for Organists” series.

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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 worshipping 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, Jasmine Smart, Carol Marks, liturgists; Kathy Kurap (9 am), Jeff Ver Beek (11 am), lay readers; Carson Landry, carillonneur; The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Ringers; Rory Powell, director; The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Choir; James Biery, organist and director.

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism as we welcome **Jameson MacKay Graves**, son of Ragan and James R. Graves, II.

The Birth Rose is for **Isabel Diane Palazzolo**, born January 11, 2024 to Jessica and Marc Palazzolo. Lois and Frank Palazzolo are the loving grandparents.

The chancel flowers are offered in recognition of **Jim Biery's birthday**, to honor his talents, his thoughtful music contributions each week, and his generous gift of music ministry to the choir, to this congregation and community.

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.

Giving at GPMC: To donate, visit bit.ly/GPMC-Giving or text "GPMC" to 73256.

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.

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?

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| 8:30 am | Special Session Meeting | 2nd Floor Lounge |
| 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 |
| 2:00 pm | GPMC Bowling Event | Offsite |
| 5:00 pm | Worship Service | Barbour Chapel |

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

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Officer Ordination Vows

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? **I do.**

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? **I do.**

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? **I do and I will.**

Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions? **I will.**

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? **I will.**

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? **I will.**

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? **I do.**

Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? **I will.**

For Deacons: Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need? In your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

For Elders: Will you be a faithful ruling elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in councils of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

For the Congregation: Do we, the members of the church, accept the ruling elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of the congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow, as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

For more about Presbyterian offices, our form of governance and similar issues, go to <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/what-we-believe/elders/>

In accordance with the By-Laws, the Session of The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church has called The Yearly Report Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church for Sunday, February 11, 2024 at 10:10 am for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report; acting on Session recommended changes to the terms of call of the installed pastor; filling any vacancies on the Session, Board of Deacons, councils and committees and Board of Trustees; and addressing such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The meeting is to be convened at the Church in Fellowship Hall.

Thank you to the following members for saying yes to leading our congregation:

Elders: Rachel Bellovich, Scott Cauvel, Mark Dearth, Henry Domzalski, Bill Flom, Julia Keim, Johnny Klepp, Linda Lloyd, Jeff Ver Beek

Deacons: Kristin Beardslee, Andy Bedsworth, Gregg Berendt, Beverly Burns, Nancy Burrows, Gina Carrier, Devon Clark, Jon Gandelot, Doug Horst, Heather Klepp, Debbie Liang, Joan Porter, Mark Sanford, Andrew Richner
Steve Tengler

Trustees: Beth Gersch, Peter Marks, Wayne Pratt, Leslie Vandewyngearde

Councils and Committees:

Christian Education: Jane Dearth, Lucy Edwards, Violet Lincicome, Elizabeth Schaefer, Laura Studders

Nominating: Sabina Dykstra, Julie Kaiser, Mary Snell

Outreach: Charlie Bunn, Jim Colson, Connie Dunlap, Mary Garlough, Tamara Gilbert, Jo Le Van, Cheryl Littleton, Lee Sanborn, Emma Sobolewski

Parish Life: Jan Arndt, Mary Bock, Howard Hill, Alexandra Horst, Linda Litchfield

Personnel: Matt Bejin

Stewardship: Mike Hartman

Worship: Roma Anderson, Jim Burton, Michelle DeLand

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: Audrey Hallmann (Beverly Burn's niece), Roma Hess, Barb Kerwin, Pauline Lackey, Lee Miller, Lt. Colonel John Steele (friend of the Litchfield family), Steve Voorhees.

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), Ben Chapman, Bill Fox, Margery Fuller, Jim and Laura Hebert (brother and sister-in-law of Denise Champion), Bill Leonard, Phyllis May, Elsie Onychuck, Kay Peters (Ann Willett's friend), Rob Sawka (Jan Arndt's nephew), Georgie Solomon, Traci Spencer-Strong (Bryan Mahlmeister's sister), Kiernan Tague (friend of the Clark family), Bill Turner, Annette White (Frank Palazzolo's cousin), Susan Villa-Acre (Linda Lloyd's friend).

Peter Trowern's wife, **Colleen**, died January 23, 2024. A celebration of Colleen's life will be held at a later date. Please keep Peter and their sons in your hearts and prayers during these sad days of loss.

In Memoriam

Rosemary McNair

February 14, 1936 - January 23, 2024

The Service of the Resurrection will be at a future date. Please hold Rosie's husband, Mac, their children, her sister, Betsy Maitland, and all who loved Rosie, in your thoughts and prayers.

This Week at GPMC

Monday, January 29

Preacher's Workshop, 10 – 11 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
Boy Scouts, 6:30 – 8 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, January 30

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)
Ministry Architects Renovation Team, 7 – 8 pm (Room 315)
Keun-A-Lee & Wei Yu Concert, 7:30 – 9 pm (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, January 31

Men's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (Room 209)
AA, 8:15 – 9:30 am (Room 209)
Memorial Youth Group, 6 – 8 pm (Room 315)

Thursday, February 1

Women's Connection, 9 – 10 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
Yoga, 10 – 11 am & 6 – 7 pm (Room 301)
Makers at Memorial, 10:30 am & 6:30 pm & Quilting Class 5:30 – 7 pm (Room 220)
Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 – 7 pm (Room 322)
Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 – 9:15 pm (Choir Room)

Friday, February 2

Ecumenical Men's Breakfast, 7:30 – 9 am (Fellowship Hall)
Free Food Fridays, 9 – 11 am (Offsite)
Al-Anon, 6:30 – 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 – 8 pm (Room 209)

Saturday, February 3

Men's Bible Study, 8 – 9 am (Offsite)
Bereavement Group, 10 – 11:15 am (2nd Floor Lounge)

Sunday, February 4

Adult Bible Study, 9:30 – 10:30 am (Barbour Chapel)
Worship Service, 10:30 – 11:30 am (Sanctuary)
Reception, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)
Girl Scouts, 1 – 2 pm (Room 310)
Worship Service, 5 – 6 pm (Barbour Chapel)

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

SERVE AT GPMC



If you would like to learn more about our Ministry Connect Tool and find out where you might share your unique skills and gifts and feel well-suited to serve at GPMC, go to our GPMC Website: gpmchurch.org and click on the drop-down "Serve" menu or the Ministry Connect Tool under Services & Quick Links to the right, or scan this URL Code. There is a place for everyone! Let us help you discover yours.

69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

Leader or All

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain
All

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

733 We All Are One in Mission

1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
 2 We all are called for ser - vice to wit - ness in God's name.
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be heard.

our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
 Our min - is - tries are dif - ferent; our pur - pose is the same:
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing word.

A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
 to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,
 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,

to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so ev - ery folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.



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

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