



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Second Sunday of Christmas
January 5, 2025 | 10:30 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 – Improvisation on *Bunessan*

Arr. Logan Hamilton

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come with your questions, come with your awe!

All: For the God who broods over the chaos meets us in this place.

One: Come with your energy, come with your weariness!

All: For the God who breathes new life into the dust meets us in this place.

One: Come with your sadness, come with your joy!

All: For the God who dared to become human meets us in this place.

*OPENING HYMN 664 – Morning Has Broken
(see bulletin page 8)

Tune: Bunessan

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: God of all creation, we confess that we have not always treated your creation with the reverence it deserves; we have exploited the earth, disregarded the delicate balance you established, and failed to live as stewards of your good world. We have done the same with one another, as the creatures made in your image. Forgive us for our arrogance and our neglect, and renew our hearts to care for your creation with the same love and wisdom you displayed when you spoke all things into being.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Amen. Hear this Good News from our God who says, "I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you" (Isaiah 44:22).

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: **Speak to us once more your Word of truth, that our lives may be filled with your joy, this day, and forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Psalm 29: 1 – 11

(O.T. pages 477 – 478)

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. Parents/caregivers can pick up children from room 301 immediately following the service.

ANTHEM – “Il Giardino d’ Amore” Sinfonia in C-Dur

Alessandro Scarlatti

I. Allegro

Arr. Wolfgang G. Hass

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Genesis 1: 1 – 5

(O.T. page 1)

SERMON – In Living Color

Jeff Lincicome

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

ANTHEM AND OFFERING – Sonata in Re Majour

Nino Rota

I. Allegretto scorrevole

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: ... who forever sing the glory of your name.

SANCTUS 559 – Holy, Holy, Holy
(see bulletin page 9)

Tune: Sanctus

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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION

Please hold the (Gluten-free) bread and cup until invited to eat and drink by the worship leader so that we can all partake in communion together.

COMMUNION HYMN 509 – All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly
(see bulletin page 10)

Tune: Holy Manna

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN** – I Sing the Mighty Power of God
(see bulletin page 11)

Tune: Forest Green

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – Fanfare on *Forest Green*

Arr. Logan Hamilton

This Morning’s Music: Features some of our instrumental friends here at GPMC! The anthem presented by Rory Powell on trumpet is the first movement to the sinfonia of Alessandro Scarlatti’s (1660-1725) serenata, “Il Giradino d’Amore.” The movement is cast as a traditional, fast movement in the Italian concerto grosso style pioneered by A. Scarlatti. Like any typical concerto, the trumpet is the featured soloist that is accompanied by the organ taking place of the string orchestra that is originally scored. The two instruments are in dialogue with each other, as the piece starts with the organ introducing the main idea of the movement, with the trumpet entering soon after, playing back the theme stated.

The offertory jumps to the 20th century with Nino Rota’s (1911-1979) Sonata in D major for clarinet and piano. Rota is credited as a prolific composer that has led him to have a successful career in film composition, most notably for the first two installments of The Godfather trilogy. Clarinetist, Caroline Miller presents the lyrical first movement of his sonata, that showcases Rota’s sentimental side as the opening melody flows with ascending leaps that closes with a gentle stepwise descent to the clarinet’s lowest timbre. The clarinet and piano then trade an acrobatic transition, before the piano introduces a slightly more agitated second theme that is weaved throughout the rest of the movement.

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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; Sue Acton, lay reader; Caroline Miller, clarinet; Rory Powell, trumpet; Logan Hamilton, Minister of Music and Organist.

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?

10:30 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestreamed
11:30 am	Epiphany Event	Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm	Worship Service	Barbour Chapel

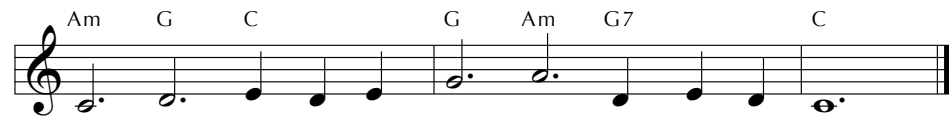
Morning Has Broken 664



1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery

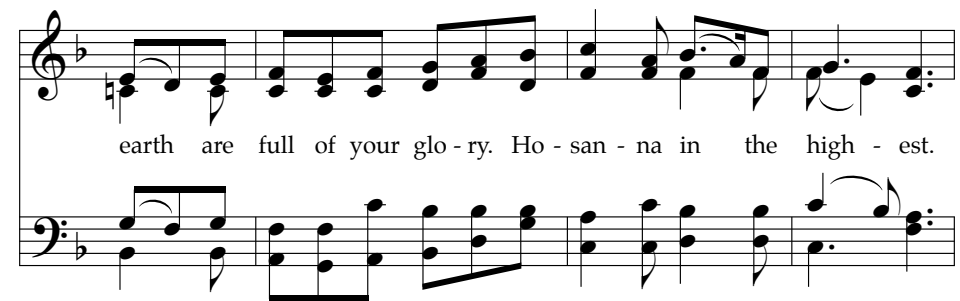


morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Holy, Holy, Holy 559



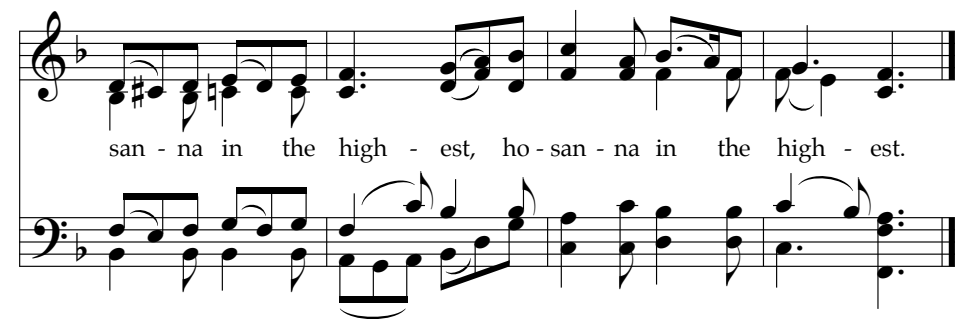
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and



earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

I Sing The Mighty Power of God

Isaac Watts

English Folk Melody
 arr. Ralph Vaughn Williams

1. I sing the might y__power of God that made the moun tains rise, that
 2. I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the Earth with food. God
 3. There's not a plant or__ flow-er be-low but makes thy glo - ries known. And

6 spread the flow-ing_ seas a - broad and built the loft - y skies. I
 formed the crea - trues through the Word, and then pronounced them good. Lord,
 clouds a - rise, and temp ests blow, by or - der from thy throne, while

10 sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the_ day. The
 how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my_ eye, if
 all that bor - rows life_ from thee is ev - er in thy_ care, and

14 moonshines full at_ God's com - mand, and all the stars o - bey.
 I sur-veyed the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
 ev - everywhere that_ we__ can_ be, thou, God, art pres - sent there.

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), Julie Harrison (Jennifer Cauvel's cousin), John Hunt and Myrna Bowler (April Sayar's uncle and mother), Julie Meek (Marilyn Doyal's sister), Pam Radlick, Peggy Sargent (Phyllis Brewster's sister), Martha Speer, 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, 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).

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).

WORSHIP NOTES/REFLECTIONS

This Week at GPMC

Monday, January 6

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

Tuesday, January 7

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 8

Men's Bible Study, 7 - 8 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
AA, 8:15 - 9:30 am (Room 209)
Memorial Youth, 6 - 8 pm (Room 315)
Novel as Theology, 7:30 - 9 pm (Offsite)

Thursday, January 9

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 10

Free Food Fridays, 9 - 11 am (Offsite)
Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)
Music at Memorial James Vaughn Trumpet Concert, 7 - 8:30 pm (Sanctuary)

Saturday, January 11

Men's Bible Study, 8 - 9 am (Offsite)
Drive-By Food Collection, 10 - 11 am (Parking Lot)
Youth Painting Event, 3 - 5 pm (Room 315)

Sunday, January 12

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)
Youth Mission Trip Meeting, 12 - 1 pm (Barbour Chapel)
Girl Scouts, 1 - 2 pm (Room 310)

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



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