



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Twenty - Third Sunday after Pentecost
October 27, 2024 | 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.*

CARILLON PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let your light shine!
All: **Let your hearts be glad!**
One: God is faithful to us, and God rules in love.
All: **Then let us worship God.**

*OPENING HYMN 39 – Great is thy Faithfulness
(see bulletin page 11)

Tune: Faithfulness

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

One: When the busyness of our lives erodes the intentions of our hearts: Merciful God,
All: **forgive us.**
One: When our personal agendas take precedence over reaching out to others: Merciful God,
All: **forgive us.**
One: When we keep putting off being more active “doers of the word”: Merciful God,
All: **forgive us.**

One: When we resist change, knowing that our acting and thinking are limited by our prejudice and ignorance: Merciful God,

All: **forgive us.**

One: When we only half-listen to those who cry out to be fully heard: Merciful God,

All: **forgive us.**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Amen. Hear this Good News. "In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins" (1 John 4:10). 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: Peace to you from God, who is our Father. Peace from Jesus Christ, who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, who gives us life. The peace of the tri-une God be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**This morning we welcome and thank the following people
for being members at GPMC for 50 years:**

Jon Gandelot, Harry Kurrie III, Barbara Stephens, Susan Swegles, Susan Warren

**We welcome and thank the following people
for being members at GPMC for over 50 years:**

Anne Acomb, Rowland Austin, Christine Bassett, Barbara Bierbusse, Phyllis and John Brewster, Catherine Brown, Paula and William Brown Jr., Tom Brown, Jane Burkey, Nancy Burr, Ethel Burwell, Alexander Byron, Margaret Carpenter, Arlene Cobau, L. Kenneth Collinson, Ann Dalby, Margaret Davis, Martha Day, Nina DeLand, Mimi Dickinson, Jane and Peter Dow, Bruce Duncan, William Duncan, John Durno, James Everett, Janet Ferguson, Martha Fordon, Lisa Mower Gandelot, Barbara Glovac, Alice Gordon, Barbara Grogan, Hugh Hales II, Anne Harding, Hugh Harness, Jean Hudson, Dennis Jones, Sharon Kenny, Carol Koepplin, Ross Kogel, Wendy and William Krag, Pauline Lackey, Mary Leonard, Audrey Leverenz, Linda Litchfield, Lois Macleod, Carol Manshady, Carol Marks, Carol Martin, Juliet Mazer-Schmidt, Russell McNair Jr., Priscilla Mead, Sharon Mertz, Cherylann Meyer, Stephanie Miller, Sharon and Jose Miquel, Blair Moody IV, Susan and John Mozena, Frederick Neumann, Margaret Nordrum, Peter Nyboer, Mary Rauh, Jeanne Reichert, Ann Schmidt, Julie Schroth, Denyse and Thomas Singelyn, Jeanette Smith, John Standish, Barbara Stowell, Sally and Lee Sutton, Nancy Tewes, Gregory Thomas, Louise Thomas, Charles Todd III, John Tompkins, Lynn and William Turner, Robert Tyrrell, Jayne Warner, Phoebe Weinberg, Barbara Willett, Polly Williams, Lynn Wood, Karen and Donald Young, Delle ZurSchmiede

**We welcome and thank the following people
for being members at GPMC for 70 years:**

Doris Ann Brucker, Marian Kingwill, Margot Ness

**We welcome and thank the following people
for being members at GPMC for over 70 years:**

Benjamin Chapman III, Mary Lou Duncan, Eleanor Durno, Marianne Endicott, Janet Fruehauf, Janet Harness, Arthur Hudson, Betsy Maitland, Margaret Parker, Mary Roby, Sally Van Dusen

**We welcome and thank Georgiana Richner Soloman for being a member at GPMC for
80 years.**

We welcome and thank Martha Speer for being a member at GPMC for 81 years.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Send your Spirit among us, O God, as we meditate on your love. Prepare our minds to hear your Word, move our hearts to embrace what we hear, and strengthen our will to follow your way. This we pray through Christ, our Savior. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING – 1 Peter 4: 12 – 14 (N.T. page 221)

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 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 – How Firm a Foundation *Dale Wood*

NEW TESTAMENT READING – James 1:12 – 18 (N.T. page 215)

SERMON – Save us from the time of trial *Jeff Lincicome*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER
(see bulletin page 12)

ANTHEM AND OFFERING – Elijah Rock *Jester Hairston*

***PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING 609** – Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Tune: Laast Uns Erfruen

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN 836** – Abide With Me

Tune: Eventide

(see bulletin page 13)

***BENEDICTION**

CARILLON POSTLUDE

This Morning’s Music: Focuses on standing firm with the Word of God using familiar texts from both folk and spiritual sources. Dale Wood (1934-2003) takes the text and tune from the early American shape-note hymn, “How Firm a Foundation” and sets it to varying arrangements for the choir to sing in a variety of textures, from bold unison to gentle four-part polyphony that emphasizes both the intimate and broad promises that Jesus makes to us to never leave us when dealing with life’s trials. Another early American source comes from the African American spiritual, “Elijah Rock” that centers on triumphantly defeating the temptations that “Satan” tries to cast. This energetic arrangement by Jester Hairston (1901-2000) gives promise to its listener to just “stand on the rock where Moses stood” and submit one’s faith in the Word.

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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; Penny Pitts (9 am), Tim Butler (11 am), lay readers; Logan Hamilton, Interim Minister of Music and Organist; Eric Whitmer, carillonneur; The Sanctuary Choir.

Today's Sanctuary flowers are given:

In loving memory of our dad, Tim Kelch, always in our hearts, from Kate and Maggie;

In loving memory and with gratitude for the life and legacies of Ben Burns, by Beverly and the Burns Bunch.

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.



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FALL SERMON SERIES

Teach Us to Pray: A Study of the Lord's Prayer

"Lord, teach us to pray." From this question, our Lord revolutionized the lives of the disciples and our understanding of God. Join us as we study this most simple and familiar and yet revolutionary treasure of our Christian faith.



WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestreamed
10:10 am	Adult Middle Hour	Barbour Chapel
10:10 am	Sunday School	Third Floor
10:10 am	Youth Middle Hour	Third Floor
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
3:00 pm	Logan Hamilton's Concert	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Post - Concert Reception	Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm	Worship Service	Barbour Chapel

Fall Middle Hour Series: Reading Jon Meacham's "American Gospel"

Join GPMC friends in reading Jon Meacham's insightful book "American Gospel" and then join Rev. Susan Mozena during Middle Hour (10:10 – 10:50 am) on October 20, 27 and November 10, in discussing the main points of his brilliant history of the interplay of faith, both public and private, in the founding of our nation and in the ongoing history of our democracy.

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, 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: Beverly Burns, Jay D'Arcy (Deborah and Stephen D'Arcy's son), Denise Deane (Mary Anne McCoy's friend), Lisa Gandelot, John Page (Amy Tomlinson's father), Allison and Zach Thorton, Bill Turner, Betty Voorhees (Steve Voorhees' step-mother).

Continued Prayers for: Brian Bayhan (Janie Burkey's nephew), Laura Burns, Ethel Burwell, Ben Chapman, Fred DeHaven, Mike Duffy (the Musials' friend), Gwen Dunlap (Karen and Wayne Pratt's sister), Ann E. (Ann Willetts' friend), Danny Kerstetter's family, Stephanie Kornblum (Sue Vitito's daughter), Elisabeth Rose Labuz (Jessie Pogue Labuz's daughter), Stacie Longo (Janie Burkey's daughter), Jan Lucas (Caroline Marks' aunt), Carol Martin (Cheryl Littleton's mother), Michael Meda, JT Mestdagh (Marlene Boll's grandson), Barbara Woolf Packard (the Musials' friend), Christina Robinson, Woody Siddall (the Schultes' nephew), Ernestine Soloman (David Buckler's friend), Doug Studders (Laura Studders' brother), Tammy Tedesco (Michelle DeLand's friend), Kathy Toupin (Judy Morlan's cousin), Henry, Megan and Lucy Walters (Anne Trubes' friends), Deb Wright, David Vroom (Lorna and Tom Vroom's son), Bill Yates.

Protection and Strength for Our Loved Ones in the Military: Joey and Mike Bejin (Matt Bejins' nephews), General Mike Coyne (the Tenglers' friend), Alec Doyal, Special Forces, U.S. Air Force (Marilyn and Guy Doyal's grandson), Alec Mains, U.S. Marines (the Brewster's grandson), Phoebe Piku, U.S. Army Medic, Fort Liberty, Douglas Ross (Airforce, Fighter aircraft integrated avionics), Captain Florencio Yuzon V, U.S. Navy JAG (Val and Pat Moran's son-in-law), Captain Matthew Yelverton (Elizabeth Peters' grandson), 2nd Lieutenant Florencio Connor Yuzon VI, U.S. Army (Val and Pat Moran's grandson).

Bette Toole, Jennifer Toole's mother, died October 19, 2024. Please pray for Jennifer, Bette's son, and grandchildren during these days of loss.

Amelia Travis, Roma Anderson's sister, died over the weekend. Please pray for Roma and all of Amelia's family and friends during this sad time of loss.

Mary Ruth Mestdagh died October 23, 2024. The Service of the Resurrection will be in our sanctuary on Monday, October 28, 2024. Visitation will be at 10:30 am, and the service will be held at 11:00 am. Please pray for Ruth's husband, Bill, her children, and grandchildren during these sad days of loss.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for Hurricane Helene

For those looking for ways to help aid the devastating damaged from Hurricane Helene, there is information available through the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (pda.pcusa.org), or you can submit a check to GPMC noting "Disaster Relief" in the memo line, and we will make the donation to the PCUSA's disaster assistance on your behalf.

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

The Lord's Prayer

Congregation

Logan Hamilton

Our Fa ther who art in hea ven hal lowed be thy na me

thy king dom come — thy will be done - on earth as it is in hea - ven.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread and for-give us our debts, as we for-give our

de - bt-ors; and lead us not in-to temp-ta - tion but de-liv-er us from e - vil

For thine is the king - dom and the pow - er

and the glo - ry — for e - ver A - men

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Abide with Me

1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide.
2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
3 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide!
earth's joys grow dim; its glo - ries pass a - way;
what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
change and de - cay in all a - round I see.
Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
Heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.
I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.
in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

This Week at GPMC

Worship Notes/Reflections

Monday, October 28

Mary Ruth Mestdagh Memorial Service, 11 am (Sanctuary)
Boy Scouts, 6:30 – 8:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)
Session Meeting, 7 – 9 pm (Room 209)

Tuesday, October 29

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

Wednesday, October 30

Men's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
AA, 8:15 – 9:30 am (Room 209)
Memorial Youth Halloween Party, 6 – 8 pm (Room 315)
Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 – 9:15 pm (Choir Room)
Adult Bible Study, 7:30 – 9 pm (Library)

Thursday, October 31

Yoga, 10 – 11 am (Room 301)
Makers@Memorial, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm (Room 220)

Friday, November 1

Free Food Fridays, 9 – 11 am (Offsite)
Al-Anon, 6:30 – 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 – 8 pm (Room 209)

Saturday, November 2

Men's Bible Study, 8 – 9 am (Offsite)
New Member Class, 9 am – 12 pm (Room 200)
JAPC Health Fair Volunteering Event, 8 am – 2 pm (Offsite)
Darkness to Light Training, 12 – 1 pm (Room 200)

Sunday, November 3

Worship Services, 10:30 am (Sanctuary & Livestreamed), 5 pm (Barbour Chapel)
Wine to Water Filter Build, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)

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



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8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Thursday
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