

Service of Worship First Sunday in Lent February 18, 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

Prelude - I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

arr. Cathy Moklebust

*Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 63)

One: Only the hungry search for bread. Only the thirsty look for water. This is a

place for those who are hungry and thirsty in spirit.

All: Only those who ache for meaning will pursue it. Only those who yearn

for a deeper life will seek it. This is a place for those who ache and yearn

for something more.

One: So let us come here today with our hunger and thirst, our unsatisfied long-

ings, our heart-felt yearnings,

All: and let the God of life satisfy our souls. Thanks be to God!

*Opening Hymn 167 – Forty Days and Forty Nights

Tune: Aus der Tiefe rufe ich (see bulletin page 14)

*Prayer of Confession

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

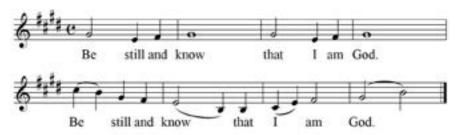
All: God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored

your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

*Song of Meditation 414 - Be Still and Know That I am God

Tune: Psalm 46

The song is sung three times: first by the choir alone, then by the entire congregation.



*Assurance of Pardon

God's love has been poured into your hearts through the gift of the One:

Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5). In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God.

*Passing of the Peace (from Colossians 3:13)

"Bear with one another, and if anyone has a complaint against another, for-One:

give each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you." 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: Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us, by your Word, through these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING - Psalm 63: 1 - 4

(O.T. page 498)

After each reading:

The Word of the Lord. One:

Thanks be to God! All:

CHILDREN'S TIME (9 AM)

Following the children's sermon, children (ages four through second grade) will follow volunteers to Room 108 (directly across from the nursery) for a story, music, and play/craft stations. Parents and caregivers should meet their children in Room 108 following the service for pickup.

Anthem - Sicut cervus

G. P. da Palestrina

As the heart yearns for the water springs: so longs my soul for thee, O God (sung in Latin)

GOSPEL READING - Matthew 25: 31 - 46

(N.T. pages 27 – 28)

SERMON - The Basics

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.

OFFERING AND ANTHEM - Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake

Richard Farrant

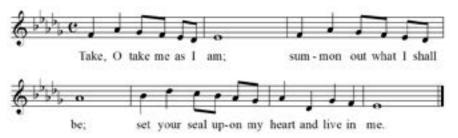
Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge,

but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives;

to decline from sin and incline to virtue,

that we may walk in an upright heart before thee now and ever more. Amen.

*Presentation of the Offering 698 - Take, O Take Me as I Am



Taking the Word into the World

*Closing Hymn 702 – Christ Be Beside Me (see bulletin page 15)

*Benediction

Postlude – The Glory of These Forty Days (a setting of Hymn 165)

arr. J. Biery

Tune: Bunessan

Tune: Fill My Cup

THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

The Handbell Prelude is an arrangement of Hymn 377, which was composed by Kathleen Thomerson. Cathy Moklebust is a composer, conductor, and percussionist living in Brookings, South Dakota. The piece features church member Jane Bourget playing the flute.

"Sicut cervus" is a sublime motet by the Italian renaissance composer Palestrina (1526-1594). Actually his name was Giovanni Pierluigi, and he came from the town of Palestrina, a small town near Rome. The latter part of his life was occupied with revising the music in the official liturgical books to accord with the changes made by the Council of Trent, which was a response by the Roman church to the Protestant reformation movement. The goal was to purge the music of "barbarisms, obscurities, contrarieties, and superfluities" which had come about "as a result of the clumsiness or negligence or even wickedness of the composer, scribes, and printers" (according to Pope Gregory XIII). For this work, Palestrina became known as the "Savior of Church Music."

The origin of the motet "Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake" is somewhat uncertain. Although commonly ascribed to the English composer Richard Farrant (1530-1580), it has also been attributed to Thomas Tallis and John Hilton. The text is taken from "Christian Prayers and Holy Meditations" (1566) by Henry Bull. The prayer and choral setting enable a humble sense of repentance and calm, confident trust in grace.

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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 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, Jasmine Smart, Carol Marks, liturgists; Jenny Stacey (9 am), Jane Burkey (11 am), lay readers; Carson Landry, carillonist; The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Ringers, Rory Powell, director; The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Choir; James Biery, organist and director.

The Birth Rose is for June Caroline Oswald, born on January 15, 2024 to Abigail and Joshua Oswald. June's proud grandparents are Pamela and Kenneth Korejwo.

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

The Basics

In Maslow's hierarchy of needs, there are basic requirements we need to live whole and fulfilling lives. Things like food, water, shelter, work, healthcare, friendship-these are the basic elements that make life work. Unfortunately, while we often take these basics for granted, others in our world do not. Join us this Lent on a journey of self-examination and service as we go on a passionate journey of reflection, understanding, personal action, grace, and solidarity with those who do not have enough.



WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

9:00 am 10:10 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm	Adult Middle Hour Worship Service Girl Scouts	Sanctuary & Livestreamed Barbour Chapel Sanctuary Room 310
5:00 pm 6:00 pm	Worship Service	Barbour Chapel Fellowship Hall

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: Cindy Beltowski, John Ceccato (Karen Pratt's cousin), Sherodaka Gipson (Brad Koepplin's fiance), Ken Harwick (Tena Harwick's husband), Mary Kay L'Esperance (Sue Buckler's sister), Sherry Jurva (friend of Jan Arndt), Pauline Lackey, LaVerna Robinson (Christina Robinson's daughter), Ernestine Soloman (David Buckler's friend), Suzie Vercruysse (friend of the Singelyns).

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, Audrey Hallmann (Beverly Burn's niece), Jim and Laura Hebert (brother and sister-in-law of Denise Champion), Roma Hess, Barb Kerwin, Bill Leonard, Phyllis May, Lee Miller, Elsie Onychuck, Kay Peters (Ann Willett's friend), Rob Sawka (Jan Arndt's nephew), Georgie Solomon, Lt. Colonel John Steele (friend of the Litchfield family), Kiernan Tague (friend of the Clark family), Bill Turner, Annette White (Frank Palazzolo's cousin), Susan Villa-Acre (Linda Lloyd's friend).

Protection and Strength for Our Loved Ones in the Military: Joey and Mike Bejin (nephews of Matt Bejin), General Mike Coyne (friend of the Tenglers), Alec Doyal, Special Forces, U.S. Air Force (grandson of Guy and Marilyn Doyal), 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 Peter's grandson), 2nd Lieutenant Florencio Connor Yuzon VI, U.S. Army (Pat and Val Moran's grandson).

Please pray for the following people who will be going on the mission trip to New Orleans with Habitat for Humanity, February 18 - 24: Mary Mobley, Julie and Mike Huellmantel, Chelsea Gilbert, Tamara Gilbert, Rachel Bellovich, Phyllis and John Brewster, Frank Palazzolo, Lee Sanborn, Kathy and Mickey Kurap, Holly and Mark Cory, Nate Mitchell, Penny Pitts, Sue Acton, Debbie Liang.

Christina Cory, Mark Cory's mother, died February 11, 2024. There will be a private family service in March. Please hold Mark and Holly, and Christina's children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren in your prayers.

In Memoriam

Dorothy Dettlinger

November 9, 1937 - February 5, 2024

There will be a private family service in May. Please pray for Dorothy's son, Pete, their family, and all who loved Dorothy, during these days ahead.

This Week at GPMC

Monday, February 19

Church Offices Closed in Observance of President's Day

Tuesday, February 20

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 200)

Adult Bible Study, 7:30 – 9 pm (Room 215)

Wednesday, February 21

Men's Bible Study, 7 - 8 am (Room 200)

AA, 8:15 - 9:30 am (Room 313)

Stephen Minister's Meeting, 9:15 - 10:30 am (Room 200)

Novel as Theology, 7:30 - 9 pm (Offsite)

Thursday, February 22

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 23

Free Food Fridays, 9 – 11 am (Offsite)

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

AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 200)

Saturday, February 24

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

Bereavement Group, 10 - 11:15 am (2nd Floor Lounge)

Sunday, February 25

Worship Service, 9* & 11 am (Sanctuary, *Livestream available) Adult Middle Hour, 10 - 11 am (Barbour Chapel) Worship Service, 5 pm (Barbour Chapel) Lenten Supper, 6 pm (Fellowship Hall)

*Labyrinth, everyday during office hours (Room 209)

*Mission Trip, all week (New Orleans)

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

VOLUNTEER AT GPMC

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.



Reflection/Worship Notes

Easter Gifts for Lilies & Music

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church is accepting contributions for this year's beautiful Easter lilies and/or music in memory or honor of loved ones and special people in your life. If you would like to make a contribution, please fill in the form below and return it to Donna Hartzell by Tuesday, March 5, so that names may be properly acknowledged in the Easter bulletin. A suggested amount for a lily is \$50, and for music, \$25–100. All checks need to be filled out to "GPMC" (please be sure to include lily/music contribution on the memo line). Our Deacons will deliver the lilies to our shut-ins.

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167 Forty Days and Forty Nights



- 1 For ty days and for ty nights you were fast ing in the wild;
- 2 Shall not we your sor-row share and from world-ly joys ab-stain,
- 3 Then if Sa tan on us press, flesh or spir it to as sail,
- 4 So shall we have peace di vine: ho lier glad-ness ours shall be;
- 5 Keep, O keep us, Sav-ior dear, ev-er con-stant by your side,





for - ty days and for - ty nights temp - ted, and yet un - de - filed. fast - ing with un - ceas-ing prayer, strong with you to suf - fer pain? vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant that we not faint nor fail! round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as served you faith - ful - ly. that with you we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.



Christ Be Beside Me





- 1 Christ be be side me; Christ be be fore me; Christ be be -
- 2 Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all a -
- 3 Christ be in all hearts think-ing a bout me; Christ be on



hind me, King of my heart. Christ be with - in me; Christ be be - round me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleep - ing, Christ in my all tongues tell - ing of me. Christ be the vi - sion in eyes that



low me; Christ be a - bove me, nev - er to part. sit - ting, Christ in my ris - ing, Light of my life. see me; in ears that hear me Christ ev - er be.



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