



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Second Sunday in Lent
March 16, 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

PRELUDE – Meditation from *Thaïs*

Jules Massenet

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: A love that never ceases,
All: **A creativity that designed the universe,**
One: A hope that cannot be quenched,
All: **A pursuit of reconciliation no matter the cost:**
One: These are the things that are of God,
All: **Then let us worship God.**

*OPENING HYMN 434 – Restore in Us, O God
(see bulletin page 14)

Tune: Baylor

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: **Holy God, Creator of all that is, Donor of Grace, and Giver of Life: Hear our prayer. There are chasms in our lives, deep valleys that separate us from one another and from You. We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow, for fear of admitting our part in the separation, for fear of being rejected when we reach out. You call us to a reconciled life, to healed re-**

relationships, to a wholeness with each other and with You. Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations through the power and love of Christ, in whose name we pray.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Amen. Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and thus freed to love and serve. Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God.

***SONG OF MEDITATION 204 – Stay with Me**

Tune: Stay with Me

Musical score for 'Stay with Me' in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The score consists of two systems of treble and bass staves. The lyrics are: 'Stay with me; re - main here with me; watch and pray. Watch and pray.'

***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: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Psalm 19: 1 – 4, 7 – 10

(O.T. page 472)

After each reading:

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

NEW MEMBER WELCOME (9 AM)

Today we are pleased to welcome the following people as our newest members to GPMC: Melissa and Jayson Fradenberg, Chelsea and Ryan Jenkins, Don Stevens.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SONG 377– I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Tune: Houston

(see verse one in hymnal)

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 – Song of Petition

James Biery

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Jeremiah 32: 1 – 3a, 6 – 15

(O.T. page 692)

SERMON – Investing in the Future: The Church, Science and God's Promises

Drew Rick - Miller

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.

ANTHEM AND OFFERING – On Eagle's Wings

Arr. James Biery

*PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING 205 – Live in Charity

Tune: *Ubi Caritas (Taizé)*

Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love.
U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,

Live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.
u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.

The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four staves: two vocal staves (treble and bass clef) and two piano accompaniment staves (treble and bass clef). The lyrics are placed below the vocal staves. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note pattern in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand. There are triplets marked with a '3' in both the vocal and piano parts.

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN 74 – When God Restored Our Common Life
(see bulletin page 15)

Tune: *Resignation*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – Toccata on *Baylor*

Arr. Logan Hamilton

This Morning's Music: Focuses on the promises of spiritual shelter and peace that God grants to those who seek it. The anthem's text by Marilyn Biery is a set of three petitions that describe the nature of God: Gracious, Forgiving, and Loving. Each petition concludes with the same refrain that echos the sentiment of each verse, "Have compassion on us, keep us safe in your care, give us courage and strength all our days." The offertory is a setting of Michael Joncas' hymn, "On Eagle's Wings" with music arranged by James Biery. The hymn paraphrases psalm 91, that promises shelter and protection for those "who dwell in the Lord." This setting of this beloved hymn anthem features Celia Sayer on cello accompanying along with the piano.

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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 160 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: Drew Rick - Miller, Jeff Lincicome, Heather Thum - Gerber, liturgists; Joann Muller (9 am), Janie Burkey (11 am), lay readers; the Sanctuary Choir; Logan Hamilton, Minister of Music and Organist.

Today we are welcoming Drew Rick-Miller to GPMC. Drew is the Executive Director and Co-Founder of Science For The Church, a non-profit ministry dedicated to strengthening churches, pastors, and individual Christians as they engage with science and scientists, and encouraging us to embrace the sciences as a means of spiritual growth (www.scienceforthechurch.org). Drew was a seminary classmate of Pastor Jeff and has spent his vocation educating churches on how to engage with the sciences. Please join us at 5pm for our Peace and Justice Forum and Potluck to hear Drew speak and engage with this fruitful ministry. Invite your scientist friends!

Today's Sanctuary flowers are in loving memory of Shirley Bradley by Bruce and Chrissie Bradley and family.

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 Frances LaPlante-Sosnowsky at 313.434.5574 or Ab7014@wayne.edu.

Giving at GPMC: To donate, please visit bit.ly/GPMC-Giving or text "GPMC" to 73256. Envelopes can also be found in the pews. Thank you for helping us be a light by the lakeshore.

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.

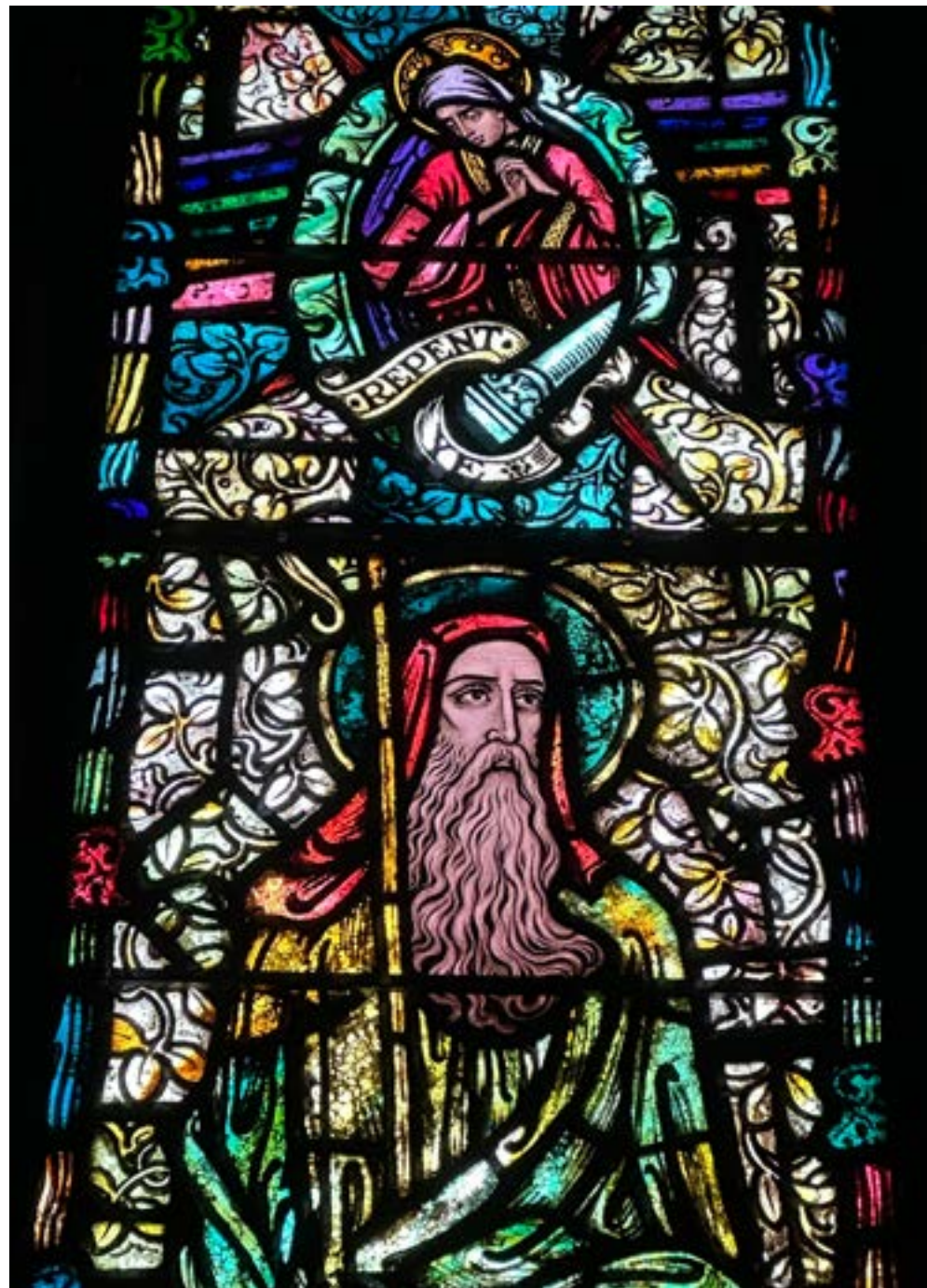
Infant and toddler room is available in room 112 during the service should you prefer to leave your child with our wonderful caregivers.

Worship kits for children to use during worship are in blue bags located at each of the entrances.

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?

8:30 am	Session meets with New Members	2nd Floor Lounge
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	New Member Reception	Fellowship Hall
10:10 am	Middle Hour Prayer Gathering	Prayer Chapel
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	Peace & Justice Forum & Potluck	Fellowship Hall

This Week at GPMC

Monday, March 17

Preacher's Workshop, 10 -11 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
 Boy Scouts, 7 -8:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)
 Adult Mission Trip Meeting, 7 - 8 pm (Room 200)

Tuesday, March 18

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, March 19

Men's Bible Study, 7 - 8 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
 AA, 8:15 - 9:30 am (Room 209)
 Stephen Minister's Meeting, 9:15 - 10:30 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
 Memorial Youth, 6 - 8 pm (Third Floor)

Thursday, March 20

Women's Connection, 9 - 10 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
 Yoga, 10 -11 am (Room 322) & 6 - 7 pm (Fellowship Hall)
 Makers@Memorial, 10:30 am -12:30 pm & 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Room 220)
 Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 - 7 pm (Room 326)
 Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 - 9:15 pm (Choir Room)

Friday, March 21

Ecumenical Men's Breakfast, 7:45 - 9 am (Room 209)
 Free Food Fridays, 9 - 11 am (Offsite)
 GPMC's Parents' Group, 6 - 8 pm (Room 315)
 Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)
 AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)

Saturday, March 22

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

Sunday, March 23

Worship Services, *9 & 11 am (Sanctuary & *Livestreamed)
 Adult Middle Hour, 10:10 - 10:50 am (Barbour Chapel)

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

VOLUNTEER AT GPMC



Would you like to find out where you can share your special skills and gifts and get involved at GPMC? Scan the QR Code to the left, or go to our GPMC Website: gpmchurch.org and click on the drop-down "Serve" menu or on the Volunteer Ministry Connect Tool under Services & Quick Links. Let us help you get connected. There is a place for everyone!

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: Sue Villa Arce (Linda Lloyd's friend), Alex Dow (Jane and Pete Dow's grandson), Jan Duncan (Mary Lou Duncan's daughter-in-law), Brooks David Hawke (grandson of Susan Bolton and great grandson of Elizabeth Peters), Dennis Hertel (the Musials' friend), Rob Musial, Thomas Schaden, Don Stevens.

Continued Prayers for: Rowland Austin, Myrna Bowler (April Sayar's mother), Ron Dollette, Jane Dow, Gwen Dunlap (Karen and Wayne Pratt's sister), Paul Fink (John Mozena's cousin), Lisa Gandelot, Lou Giovanni and Mikey (Ann Willett's friends), Yvonne Held (Becky Scholtes' mother), Rachel Howard (Cheryl Littleton's friend's daughter), Stephanie Kornblum (Sue Vititoe's daughter), Audrey Leverenz, Betsy Maitland, Michael Meda, Jeanne Reichert, Dr. Alan Shepherd (Ken Shepherd's brother), Barbara Stephens, Charlie Stephens.

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), Douglas Clark Ross, Senior Airman Avionics Technician, U.S. Airforce.

Nancy Vella's mother, **Phyllis Wlodyga**, died March 4, 2025. A memorial service was held this past week. Please pray for Nancy and Steve, and all who love Phyllis during the days ahead.

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 Wednesday, March 26, so that names may be properly acknowledged in the Easter bulletin. A suggested amount for lilies and music is \$25-50. 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.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Please print your dedication as it is to appear in the bulletin.

Example: Mary and John Smith by their grandchildren, Betty and Mike Smith.

Please check one:

"In Memory of" _____

"In Honor of" _____

"By" _____

"Anonymously" _____

My Easter Gift

\$ _____ for Lilies

\$ _____ for Music Ministry



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Restore in Us, O God 434

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm7) (Em)(Bm7) (Em) (C) (Bm)
 Fm Cm7 Fm Cm7 Fm D^b Cm



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love;
 2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your power;
 3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy;
 4 Three - per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace,

(Am7) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Bm7) (Em)
 B^bm7 Fm B^bm Cm Fm Cm7 Fm



re - new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.
 from fruit - less fear un - furl our lives like spring - time bud and flower.
 bap - tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.
 that we, when all our search - ing ends, may see you face to face.

When God Restored Our Common Life 74

(Psalm 126)



1 When God re - stored our com - mon life, our hope, our lib - er -
 2 We went forth weep - ing, sow - ing seeds in hard, un - yield - ing
 3 Great lib - er - at - ing God, we pray for all who are op -



ty, at first it seemed a pass - ing dream, a
 soil; with laugh - ing hearts we car - ry home the
 pressed. May those who long for what is right with



wak - ing fan - ta - sy; a shock of joy swept
 fruit of all our toil. We praise the One who
 jus - tice now be blest. We pray for those who



o - ver us, for we had wept so long; the
 gave the growth, with voic - es full and strong. The
 mourn this day, and all who suf - fer wrong; may



seeds we wa - tered once with tears sprang up in - to a song.
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8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Thursday
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