



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Transfiguration of the Lord
March 2, 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.

GATHERING MUSIC

PRELUDE – Navajo Vocale No. 8

Connor Lee

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather together in the name of the One who bids us come.

All: We gather together to hear the words of the One who is Love.

One: We gather together to sing praises of the One who teaches peace.

All: Come, let us worship!

*OPENING HYMN 829 – My Faith Looks Up to Thee
(see bulletin page 10)

Tune: Olivet

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: Loving God, you are the one who leads us from darkness into light, from captivity into freedom, from anxiety into peace, from despair into joy. Yet we long to break free, choosing independence, convinced of our own wisdom, forgetting your love and grace. Forgive us, draw close to us, embrace us once again in your loving arms, and enable us to follow you in worship and grateful service each day of our lives.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (from Colossians 3:12-14)

One: Amen. "As God's own people, be merciful in action, kind in heart, humble in mind. Be always ready to forgive as freely as God has forgiven you. And, above everything else, be loving, and never forget to be thankful for what Christ has done for you."

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: Holy God, by the power of your Spirit, reveal your will to us today through your Word, read and proclaimed. Help us to understand Your creative, redemptive, and consoling work, and lead us into the world, filled with your Spirit, to proclaim, baptize, and teach in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Psalm 127: 1 – 2

(O.T. page 541)

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 – One Bread, One Body

John Foley, Arr. Lloyd Larson

OLD TESTAMENT READING – 1 Kings 3: 3 – 14

(O.T. page 292)

SERMON – An Understanding Mind

Jeff Lincicome

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

ANTHEM AND OFFERING – Agnus Dei from "Jazz Missa Brevis"

Will Todd

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

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 595 – Holy, Holy, Holy

Tune: Argentine Santo

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 802– The King of Love My Shepherd Is
 (see bulletin page 11)

Tune: St. Columba

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN – Unless the Lord the House Shall Build
 (see bulletin pages 12 – 13)

Tune: Deo Gracias

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – Fantasy on Deo Gracias

Arr. Logan Hamilton

This Morning's Music: Centers around the spirit and liturgy of communion. The prelude provided by the carillon is an excerpt from a larger work originally written for the piano. The melody is based on songs from the Diné (Navajo) Enemy Way Ceremony. This ceremony holds a curative purpose, with the traditional songs serving as a significant part of the healing process. The anthem is a choral duet of the communion hymn, "One Bread, One Body" that reflects the inclusive nature of assembling as the Body of Christ. The offertory is the Agnus Dei movement from Will Todd's (b. 1970) "Jazz Missa Brevis." The text of the Agnus Dei which is part of the Mass Ordinary in the Catholic church, is a text that reflects Christ's atonement of sin through the gift of communion. Todd's setting of the Agnus Dei text is beautifully crafted, as the repetitious nature of the liturgical words fuels the music's growth in volume and harmonic complexity, before resolving with the parting words "pacem" or "peace."

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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: Jeff Lincicome, Heather Thum - Gerber, Carol Marks, liturgists; Aleta Gerber, lay reader; Daniel Aggas and Sheena Law-Killinger, soloists; Eric Whitmer, Carillonneur; the Sanctuary Choir; Logan Hamilton, Minister of Music and Organist.

The Birth Rose is for Cameron Joseph Thornton, born on December 17, 2024 to Allison and Zach Thornton.

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?

10:30 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestreamed
11:30 am	Outreach Hygiene Kits Event	Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm	Healing Worship Service	Barbour Chapel

"Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord."—James 5:14

Join us this evening at 5pm in Barbour Chapel for a service of healing and wholeness. As we go through life's struggles, we never have to go alone. If you are facing challenges in your mind, body or spirit this season, we invite you to come and find healing. All are welcome.

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: Brooks David Hawke (grandson of Susan Bolton and great grandson of Elizabeth Peters), Dennis Hertel (the Musials' friend), Jeanne Reichert, Thomas Schaden, Barbara Stephens, Charlie Stephens, 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), Janet Fruehauf, Lisa Gandelot, Lou Giovanni and Mikey (Ann Willett's friends), Julie Harrison (Jennifer Cauvel's cousin), 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, Rob Musial, Dr. Alan Shepherd (Ken Shepherd's brother), Teddy (Judith Sudomier's grandson).

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.

Arlene Cobau's Service of the Resurrection will be in our sanctuary on Saturday, March 8th, at 2:00 pm. Please continue to pray for all who love Arlene.

In Memoriam

Russell A. McNair, Jr.

December 2, 1934 - February 23, 2025

Please pray for Mac's family and friends during these sad days.



My Faith Looks Up to Thee 829

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs a - round me spread,
 4 When ends life's tran-sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray; take all my
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my
 be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor-row's
 shall o'er me roll; blest Sav - ior, then, in love, fear and dis -

guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine!
 love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire!
 tears a - way; nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
 trust re-move; O bear me safe a - bove, a ran-somed soul!

802 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

(Psalm 23)

1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.

- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
 thy unction grace bestoweth;
 and O what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days
 thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

Unless the Lord the House Shall Build

DEO GRACIAS

Arr. by Logan Hamilton

1. Un - less the Lord the house shall build, the wea - ry build -
 2. In vain you raise ere' morn - ing break, and late - your
 3. Lo, chil - dren are a great re - ward, a gift - from
 4. And blest the man whose age is cheered by stal - wart

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ers to - il in _____ vain; un - less the Lord _____ the
 night - ly vi - gils _____ keep, and of the bread of to'l
 God _____ in _____ ve - ry _____ truth; with arr - ows in _____ his
 sons _____ and _____ daugh - ters _____ fair; no en - e - mies _____ by

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ci - ty shield, the guards a use - less watch main - tain.
 par - take; God gives to His be - lov - ed sleep.
 qui - ver stored who's joys in chil - dren of his youth.
 him are feared, no lack of love, no want of care.

This Week at GPMC

Monday, March 3

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

Tuesday, March 4

Women's Bible Study, 7 - 8 am (Via Zoom)
Yoga, 10 - 11 am & 6 - 7 pm (Room 322)
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner, 6 - 7 pm (Fellowship Hall)
Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)

Wednesday, March 5

Men's Bible Study, 7 - 8 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
AA, 8:15 - 9:30 am (Room 209)
Drop-In Ashes, 12 - 1 pm (Barbour Chapel)
Choir Rehearsal, 6 - 6:45 pm (Sanctuary)
Ash Wednesday Worship Service, 7 - 8 pm (Sanctuary)

Thursday, March 6

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 7

Free Food Fridays, 9 - 11 am (Offsite)
Coffeehouse, 6 - 8:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)
Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (2nd Floor Lounge)
AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)

Saturday, March 8

Men's Bible Study, 8 - 9 am (Offsite)
New Member Class, 9 am - 12 pm (Fellowship Hall)
Maker's Vest Making Workshop, 9 am - 3 pm (Room 220)
Drive-By Food Collection, 10 - 11 am (Parking Lot)

Arlene Cobau's Memorial Service, 2 - 3 pm (Sanctuary)
Arlene Cobau's Reception, 3 - 4:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, March 9

Worship Services, *9 & 11 am (Sanctuary & *Livestreamed)
Second Sunday with Makers, 10:10 - 10:50 am (Library)
Sunday School, 10:10 - 10:50 am (Third Floor)
Youth Middle Hour, 10:10 - 10:50 am (Third Floor)
Adult Middle Hour, 10:10 - 10:50 am (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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