



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Palm Sunday
April 13, 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 – Processional on *Ellacombe*

Arr. Logan Hamilton

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Cheers fill the air –
All: **The sound of hope and victory.**
One: For the time being, the people wear glad hearts,
All: **Their king has come into his own.**
One: So, we come with hope this day,
All: **To worship God, who sends Jesus into our midst.**

*OPENING HYMN 197 – Hosanna, Loud Hosanna
(see bulletin page 10)

Tune: Ellacombe

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: **O Lamb of God, we remain unmoved by your tears, by your slow dying. We hear the taunts, and pretend our words are always sweet. We watch you forgive, and hoard grace for ourselves. We know you die, and we go on about our usual way. Forgive us for not stopping, for not weeping, for not acknowledging that we allow your children in our time to suffer. Heal our**

broken, imperfect hearts, that we might love more fully and more wondrously, following You, O Lamb, not into death, but into life.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Amen. Hear this good news: “He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us” (Psalm 103:10-12). Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

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

Tune: Stay with Me

Stay with me; re - main here with me; watch and
pray. Watch and pray.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: As we have known the peace of forgiveness, let us share that peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: **Everlasting God, whose tenacious love holds us: make our hearts the house of your truth, and make our minds the realm of your wisdom so that our fellowship will become your dwelling place, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Jeremiah 31: 31 – 34

(O.T. page 691)

After each reading:

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

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

Tune: Houston

All: **I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.**

(Refrain)

**In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

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 – Sanctus from Requiem

Gabriel Faure

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.*

*Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of Hosts.*

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

GOSPEL READING – John 12: 9 –19

(N.T. page 100)

SERMON – Joy Ride

Jeff Lincicome

*CLOSING HYMN 196 – All Glory, Laud, and Honor
(see bulletin page 11)

Tune: Valet Will ich Dir Geben

*BENEDICTION

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

POSTLUDE – Toccata on *Houston*

Arr. Logan Hamilton

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.

This Morning’s Music: Celebrates the start of Holy Week with music of grandeur and reverence on this Palm Sunday. The anthem is the “Sanctus” movement from Gabriel Faure’s (1845-1924) *Requiem*. Here the sopranos trade flowing, melodious phrases with the tenor and basses that act as a choral duet. Instrumental commentary is lightly played originally scored for a solo violin, but this morning is played on bassoon by Kiera Finley, to add to the elegance of the movement. The “Sanctus” arrives at a point of triumph with the words “Hosanna in excelsis!” proclaiming Christ as the Lord reigning most high! The offertory is a hymn-anthem composed with music by Canadian composer, Grahm George (1912-1993). The text by 19th century poetry Oxford professor, Henry H. Milman describes the grandness of Christ’s entrance into Jerusalem and the pending sacrifice to come. George uses the text to guide how the texture of the choir is treated, with stanzas that allude to pomp and circumstance uniting the voices with a strong unison between the alto, tenor and bass voices with soprano descants, versus text that weigh on the emotional grief of Christ’s death to break into lamenting harmony without the power of the organ accompanying.

ANTHEM AND OFFERING – Ride On! Ride On!

Grahm George

*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.

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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 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 (9 am), Howard Hill (11 am), lay readers; Keira Finley, bassoonist; Sanctuary Choir; 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 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.

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!



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: Gini and Dave Lincicome (Jeff Lincicomes' parents), Rob Musial, Don Stevens.

Continued Prayers for: Sue Villa Arce (Linda Lloyd's friend), Myrna Bowler (April Sayar's mother), Alex Dow (Jane and Pete Dow's grandson), Jane Dow, Gwen Dunlap (Karen and Wayne Pratt's sister), Paul Fink (John Mozena's cousin), Brooks David Hawke (grandson of Susan Bolton and great grandson of Elizabeth Peters),

Dennis Hertel (the Musials' friend), Rachel Howard (Cheryl Littleton's friend's daughter), Stephanie Kornblum (Sue Vititoe's daughter), Lori (Dan Aggas' ward), Michael Meda, Thomas Schaden, 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), Douglas Clark Ross, Senior Airman Avionics Technician, U.S. Airforce, Capt. Florencio J. Yuzon, V, U.S. Navy (Val and Pat Moran's son-in-law), 1LT Florencio C. Yuzon, VI, U.S. Army (Val and Pat Moran's grandson).

WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestreamed
10:10 am	Second Sunday with Makers	Library
10:10 am	Palm Sunday Party	Fellowship Hall
10:10 am	Communion Class	Barbour Chapel
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
1:00 pm	Girl Scouts	Room 310

This Week at GPMC

Monday, April 14

Preacher's Workshop, 10 - 11 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
Council Meetings, 6:30 & 7 pm (Various Locations)
Boy Scouts, 7 - 8:30 pm (Outside)

Tuesday, April 15

Women's Bible Study, 7 - 8 am (Room 215)
Yoga, 10 - 11 am & 6 - 7 pm (Room 322)
Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)

Wednesday, April 16

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)
Nominating Committee Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 pm (Room 209)
Memorial Youth, 6 - 8 pm (Barbour Chapel)
Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 - 9:15 am (Sanctuary)
Adult Bible Study, 7:30 - 9 pm (Library)

Thursday, April 17

Women's Connection, 9 - 10 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
Yoga, 10 - 11 am (Room 322)
Maundy Thursday Simple Supper & Service, 7 - 8 pm (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, April 18

Unpack the Truck, 8:30 - 10:30 am (Offsite)
Free Food Fridays, 9 - 11 am (Offsite)
Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 - 7:15 pm (Sanctuary)
Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)
Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service, 7:30 - 8:30 pm (Sanctuary)

Saturday, April 19

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

Easter Sunday, April 20

Worship Services, 6:45 am (War Memorial), *9 & 11 am (Sanctuary/*Livestreamed)

197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the joy - ful an - them rang.
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud;
 for Christ is our Re - deem - er; the Lord of heaven, our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
 the Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
 O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
 and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor 196

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
 3 To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
 4 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

to Refrain

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.
 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King!



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