

Service of Worship Fifth Sunday of Lent April 6, 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

CARILLON PRELUDE - St. Columba

Arr. Geert D'hollander

Tune: Aberystwyth

*Call to Worship

One: How can we keep still this day?

All: There is joy in this place!

One: God's steadfast love extends to everyone.

All: God reaches out to us all in forgiveness and compassion.

One: Thanks to God for all the wonderful blessings we have received.

All: Let us celebrate God's joyful love for and with us! Amen.

*Opening Hymn 440 – Jesus, Lover of My Soul (see bulletin page 8)

*Prayer of Confession

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

All: We confess, Anointed One, that we excuse ourselves from reaching out to those who need your care. We take your words, that there will always be unmet needs, as a reason not to try to meet the needs we can. Forgive us, and help us to change. Renew our determination to live as faithful follow-

ers, faithful disciples, faithful Christians. Help us to work with you for the well-being of your creation, that the fortunes of all your peoples may be restored.

*Assurance of Pardon

One:

Amen. We, too, are a part of the Way-Maker's will for restoration. We are called, through Christ Jesus, to strive for restoration, but we are not called to do this work alone. The One who has made a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, will surely equip us for all we are asked to do in Christ's name. God will empower us to attain all the potential He has placed within us. Thanks be to God!

All: Thanks be to God.

*Song of Meditation 204 – Stay with Me

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

Watch and pray.

*Passing of the Peace

One: God has received us, pardoned us and loved us; let us forgive each other in love and share the peace of Christ. Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

All:

Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit of God rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and in our living. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING - Psalm 36: 5 - 11

(O.T. pages 482 – 483)

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

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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

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 - Lamb of God, What Wondrous Love

Gabriel Faure, Arr. Allan Robert Petker

Gospel Reading – John 12: 1 – 8

(N.T. page 100)

SERMON - The Gift

Jeff Lincicome

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Anthem and Offering – The Lamb

Sir John Tavener

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. One:

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. One:

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 562 – Holy, Holy, Holy

Tune: Sanctus (Schubert)

(see bulletin page 9)

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 530 - One Bread, One Body (see bulletin page 12)

Tune: One Bread, One Body

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN - A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar (see bulletin pages 10 – 11)

*Benediction

Postlude - Recessional on St. Columba

Arr. Logan Hamilton

Tune: St. Columba

This Morning's Music: The Anthem and Offertory look to Christ as the anointed lamb that is remembered during the holy sacrament of communion. Originally a piano piece then scored for orchestra and chorus, Gabriel Fauré's (1845-1924) melody to Pavane is set to new text arranged by Allan Robert Petker. The text exclaims the wondrous love Christ has for humankind to die as a loving sacrifice. The intimate text is carried out through various textures by the choir and organ, though reserving the most introspective text, "Here, O Lord, am I, fearful, sinful man, guilty and condemned. Thy death is surely mine" to be sung unaccompanied, showing the vulnerability and frailness of mortality. The Offertory by Sir John Tavener (1944-2013) is a setting of William Blake's poem "The Lamb" which points to Christ as the Lamb created to be the source of light and love, while the tone of Tavener's setting leaves a haunting remembrance of Christ's ultimate sacrifice.

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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, Carol Marks, liturgists; Celia Sayar, lay reader; Tiffany Ng, carillonneur; Sanctuary Choir; Logan Hamilton, Minister of Music and Organist.

Today's Sanctuary flowers are in celebration of Elizabeth Peters' birthday from her loving daughters, Lori, Pamela, and Susan.

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!







- 1 Je sus, lov er of my soul, let me to thy bos om fly,
- 2 Oth er ref uge have I none; hangs my help-less soul on thee.
- 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find.
- 4 Plen teous grace with thee is found, grace to cov er all my sin.





while the near-er wa - ters roll, while the temp-est still is high. Leave, ah! leave me not a - lone; still sup - port and com - fort me. Raise the fall - en, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind. Let the heal-ing streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with-in.





Hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide, till the storm of life is All my trust on thee is stayed; all my help from thee I Just and ho - ly is thy name; I am all un - righ - teous - ness. Thou of life the foun-tain art; free-ly let me take of



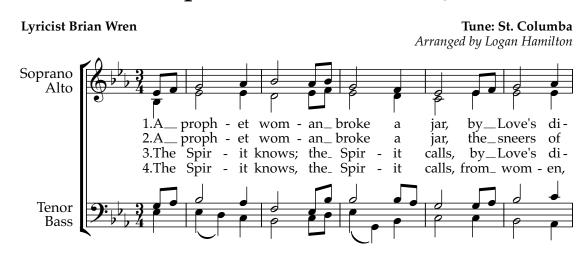


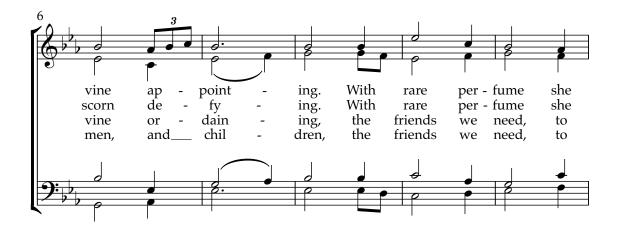
Safe in - to the ha - ven guide. O re - ceive my soul at Cov - er my de-fense-less head with the shad-ow of thy wing. False and full of sin I am; thou art full of truth and grace. Spring thou up with - in my heart. Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

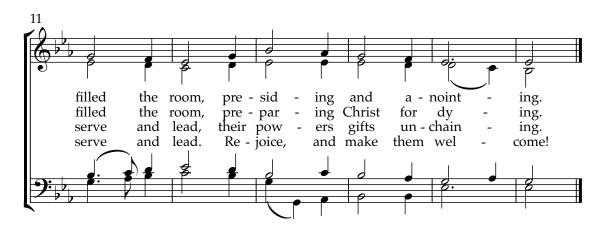


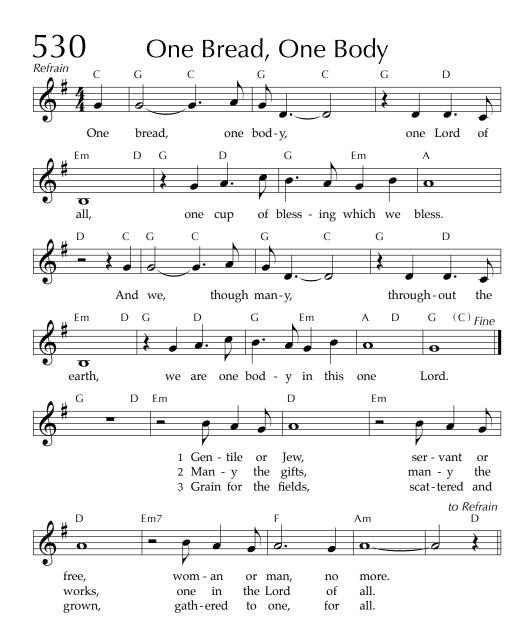


A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar









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), Rowland Austin, 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), Lisa Gandelot, Lou Giovani and Mikey (Ann Willett's friends), Brooks David Hawke (grandson of Susan Bolton and great grandson of Elizabeth Peters), Yvonne Held (Becky Scholtes' mother), 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).

In Memoriam

Elizabeth (Betsy) Chesbrough Maitland

Januay 2, 1930 - March 26, 2025

A Service of the Resurrection will be in Barbour Chapel in May 12. Please hold Betsy's children, their families, and all who love Betsy in your prayers.

In Memoriam

Amy Hartmann Taylor

July 24, 1960 - March 27, 2025

A Service of the Resurrection will be in our sanctuary at 11 am on April 12, 2025. Family will gather for visitation in Fellowship Hall from 10 - 11 am. Please hold Amy's husband, Chick, their son, Charlie, and all who love Amy in your thoughts and prayers during these sad days.

WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

10:30 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestreamed
11:30 am	All Church Trivia	Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm	Worship Service	Barbour Chapel

This Week at GPMC

Monday, April 7

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

Tuesday, April 8

Women's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (Room 215) 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, April 9

Men's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (2nd Floor Lounge) AA, 8:15 – 9:30 am (Room 209) Red Cross Blood Drive, 12 – 7 pm (Fellowship Hall) Memorial Youth, 6 – 8 pm (Room 315) Novel as Theology, 7:30 – 9 pm (Offsite)

Thursday, April 10

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, April 11

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

Saturday, April 12

Men's Bible Study, 8 – 9 am (Offsite) Amy Hartmann Taylor's Visitation, 10 –11 am (Fellowship Hall) Amy Hartmann Taylor's Memorial Service, 11 am –12 pm (Sanctuary)

Sunday, April 13

Worship Services, *9 & 11 am (Sanctuary & *Livestreamed) Second Sunday with Makers, 10:10 – 10:50 am (Library) Palm Sunday Party, 10:10 – 10:50 am (Fellowship Hall) Middle Hour, 10:10 – 10:50 am (Barbour Chapel) Girl Scouts, 1 – 2 pm (Room 310) The Lenten Journey, 3 – 4:30 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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Giving at GPMC

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