



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 18, 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

HANDBELL PRELUDE – Fantasy on “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Arr. Jantz A. Black

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home;

All: **God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us and waste the gifts we have been given.**

One: God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day; let us celebrate and rejoice in God’s presence forever;

All: **Let us worship God!**

*OPENING HYMN 802 – The King of Love My Shepherd Is
(see bulletin page 10)

Tune: St. Columba

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All: God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways, and our failure to follow you in your paths of right relationships – with you and with others. We have gone astray; we feel lost. We have upheld our own interests first, to the detriment of others. We have failed to be generous with the poor, and abandoned our efforts to bring about justice. We feel the stains of our sins, God; have mercy on us according to your steadfast love. Wash the sin-

fulness out of us, and help us to live more faithfully as your servants. We seek your unfailing Lordship and ask for your guiding hand on our lives. You are the immortal, invisible One; to you be honor and glory forever.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: Amen. Hear the good news of God's promise: "I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Acts 2:17,21). Friends believe in the good news of the gospel.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

Tune: Hymn to Joy

All: Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia to the triune Majesty!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to each other. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (9 AM)

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism as we welcome Hudson Ely Parke, son of Mariana and Joe Parke. Please see the Apostle's Creed on page 35 in the pew hymnal.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING – 1 Timothy 1: 12 – 15

(N.T. page 196)

After each reading:

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SONG – I Come With Joy a Child of God

Tune: Land of Rest

All: I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me.

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 – Alleluia

Adam Paltrowitz

GOSPEL READING – Luke 15: 1 – 10

(N.T. page 73)

SERMON – From Lost to Found

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.

ANTHEM AND OFFERING – I was Glad

Donald Bursarow

***PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING**

Tune: Lasst uns erfreuen

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia; alleluia, alleluia; alleluia!

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN 649** – Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound
(see bulletin page 11)

Tune: Amazing Grace

***BENEDICTION**

HANDBELL POSTLUDE – Jubilance

Jason W. Krug

This Morning's Music: Celebrates new sounds of expression through ancient words of joy. The anthem "Alleluia" is a recent composition by Adam Paltrowitz that was commissioned in 2024. From the words of the composer, "Alleluia seems like such a finite word and yet I view it as a feeling of comfort through a world of discomfort. It is never stagnant and covers an endless range of emotion. Most of this beautiful composition avoids root position chords and instead explores the emotional complexities of even the most simple harmonies. When the song finally ends in root position, it eliminates the 3rd of the chord, leaving a definitive, yet unsettling ending." The offertory uses text from the the old English paraphrase of Psalm 122 formalized in the 1662 Common Book of Prayer. The choir and organ weave through various textures from jaunty exuberance to reverend choral harmonies. As the piece progresses, the choir divides into a two part antiphonal section that features the hymn tune, "Kirken den er et gammault haus" which is often paired with the hymn text, "Built on the Rock" which perfectly fits with the text sung, "Through all the passing years, O Lord, Grant that when your church bells are ringing. Many may come to hear God's Word, where He this promise is bringing." The organ accompanies this section with a gentle rocking, signifying the bells ringing in the distance. The piece closes with the choir singing in rolling polyphony that sounds of waves crashing before a triumphant end.

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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; Scott Cauvel, Elder (9 am); Debby Owen, Deb Voorhees, Stephen leaders; Bob Mobley (9 am), Joann Muller (11 am), lay readers; Handbell Choir; Rory Powell, Handbell Director; 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!



WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestreamed
10:10 am	Prayer Gathering	Prayer Chapel
10:10 am	Adult Middle Hour	Barbour Chapel
10:10 am	Sunday School	Third Floor
10:10 am	Youth Middle Hour	Third Floor
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	Peace & Justice Forum	Fellowship Hall

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: Dan Aggas, Blakely DiTomasco (Pamela Sharrow's great niece), Dave Buckler, Gini and Dave Lincicome (Jeff Lincicomes' parents), Mary Matvias (Elizabeth Tengler's aunt), Millie Neal (Doris Neal Van Tiem's mother), Dr. Jack Schneider.

Continued Prayers for: Jane and Mark Dearth, Gwen Dunlap (Karen and Wayne Pratt's sister), Brooks David Hawke (grandson of Susan Bolton and great grandson of Elizabeth Peters), Dennis Hertel (the Musials' friend), Stephanie Kornblum (Sue Vititoe's daughter), Rachel Kurtz, Lori (Dan Aggas' ward), Michael Meda, Dave McCoy, Sr., Robb Sharrow, Sharon Shink (Tom Hatch's mother-in-law), Judith Sloden (Jeanne Reichert's sister).

Protection and Strength for Our Loved Ones in the Military: Alec Doyal, Special Forces, U.S. Air Force (Marilyn and Guy Doyal's grandson), Christian Mageau, Senior Airman USAF (Cynthia and Michael Mageau's son), 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).

In Memoriam

John Frederick Tompkins

August 9, 1952 - May 8, 2025

The Service of the Resurrection will be at a future date. Please pray for John's wife, Colleen and their children during these sad days.

In Memoriam

Margaret N. Carpenter

October 23, 1943 - May 14, 2025

The Service of the Resurrection will be held in our sanctuary on Saturday, June 7, 2025 at 11:00 am. Please pray for all who love Peg.

This Week at GPMC

Monday, May 19

Preacher's Workshop, 10 - 11 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
Boy Scouts, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)
Session Meeting, 7 - 8:30 pm (Room 209)

Tuesday, May 20

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, May 21

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 (Trinity Terrace)
Adult Bible Study, 7:30 - 9 pm (Library)

Thursday, May 22

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)

Friday, May 23

Free Food Fridays, 9 - 11 am (Offsite)
Al-Anon, 6:30 - 8 pm (Library)
AA, 7 - 8 pm (Room 209)

Saturday, May 24

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

Sunday, May 25

Worship Service, 10:30 am (Sanctuary & Livestream)

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

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.

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.



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8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Thursday
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