



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 5, 2026 | 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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CARILLON PRELUDE – My Country 'Tis of Thee

Arr. James Slater

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is faithful and calls us into spiritual friendship.

All: **We gather to worship with hearts full of gratitude.**

One: As David and Jonathan showed loyalty and love;

All: **May we live with courage, kindness, and devotion.**

One: Come and worship the Lord our God whose faithfulness never ends.

All: **We offer our praise, our loyalty, and our lives to God.**

*HYMN 337 – My Country, 'Tis of Thee
(see bulletin page 10)

Tune: America

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All : **Steadfast God, you call us to love one another with sincerity, loyalty, and grace; yet we confess that we have not always been faithful friends. Too often**

we have allowed pride, jealousy, selfishness, or fear to weaken the bonds you desire for your people. Forgive us for the times we failed to stand beside those in need, for the words left unspoken, for encouragement withheld, and for loyalty abandoned when it became difficult or costly. Teach us to love each other with courage, faithfulness, and humility. Create in us hearts that value friendship as a gift from you and make us people who reflect your steadfast love in all our relationships. Holy God, restore broken bonds and guide us to walk together in truth, compassion, and peace as your son taught us when he walked the earth.

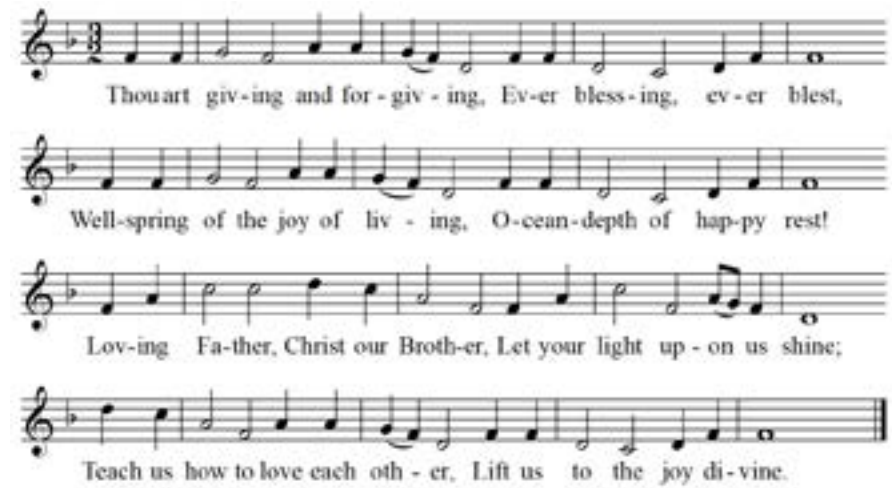
*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear the good news: God is faithful even when we are not. The steadfast love of the Lord never fails, and God’s mercy is new every morning. Through Jesus Christ, we are redeemed. Friends, believe in the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE – Thou Art Giving and Forgiving

Tune: Beach Spring



Thou art giv-ing and for-giv-ing, Ev-er bless-ing, ev-er blest,
Well-spring of the joy of liv-ing, O-cean-depth of hap-py rest!
Lov-ing Fa-ther, Christ our Broth-er, Let your light up-on us shine;
Teach us how to love each oth-er, Lift us to the joy di-vine.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: We have peace because we have experienced the grace of Jesus Christ. Such peace is never meant to be contained, but shared with all we meet. The peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: God of relationships, open our hearts to the wisdom of spiritual friendship and the strength of steadfast loyalty. Teach us by your Word to be trustworthy companions, generous in spirit, patient in understanding, and courageous in compassion. Guide us this day to be your faithful people. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

GOSPEL READING – John 15:12 – 17

(N.T. page 103)

After each reading:

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY SONG 469 – Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Tune: Children Praying

All: Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

CHILDREN’S TIME

Children ages 3-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 – The Quiet Heart

John Ness Beck

The quiet heart, the quiet heart, knows the pace of kindness.
The quiet heart, the quiet heart, measures love in gentleness.
The quiet heart, the quiet heart sees beauty in reality.
The quiet heart, the quiet heart survives in understanding.
The quiet heart, the quiet heart waits in yearning patience
to find the mind of God.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – 1 Samuel 18:1– 9

(O.T. pages 250 – 251)

SERMON – Loyalty, Love, and Legacy

Rev. Heather Thum - Gerber

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

ANTHEM AND OFFERING – Let Us Break Bread Together Arr. Moses Hogan

Let us break bread together on our kness, let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the risin' sun, oh, Lord, have mercy on me. (Refrain)
Let us drink wine together on our knees, let us drink wine together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the risin' sun, oh, Lord, have mercy on me. (Refrain)
Let us praise God together on our knees, let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the risin' sun, oh, Lord, have mercy on me. (Refrain)

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 552 – Holy, Holy, Holy Tune: Land of Rest

The musical score for Sanctus 552 is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God in of the
2. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Today we receive communion by intinction. Please come forward, row by row, by the center aisle. When you reach a communion station, take a piece of gluten-free bread from the basket and dip it into the chalice and eat it as you return to your seat by the side aisle. If you are unable to come forward, we do have a deacon or elder with bread and chalice who can come to you. Please remain seated and gain their attention with the wave of a hand.

COMMUNION HYMN 530 – One Bread, One Body Tune: One Bread, One Body (see bulletin page 11)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN 756 – O God of Every Nation Tune: Llangloffan (see bulletin page 12)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – America the Beautiful Arr. Linda Hartman

This Morning's Music: Sings of the gift of community, both in the spiritual sense of sharing communion with each other, as well as the practice of searching for God with compassionate likeliness. The anthem is a reflective piece with words and music, written by late American church music composer, John Ness Beck (1930-1987). In *The Quiet Heart*, Ness composes a soaring melody that carries the reoccurring words, “the quiet heart,” to emphasize the gentle nature that is needed to indeed “find the mind of God.” The melody repeatedly leaps up large intervals and gently descends for its search for kindness and gentleness. The offertory is an arrangement of the Black spiritual, *Let Us Break Bread Together* by the late, champion arranger of spirituals, Moses Hogan (1957-2003). The text of this spiritual uses inclusive language in its repetitive use of the word “together” during the physical acts of breaking bread and drinking wine, referencing the physical acts of taking communion as a community. However, the spiritual preserves the individual need for personal petitioning at the end of the refrain, “oh, Lord, have mercy on me.”

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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 161 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.

OUTDOOR SUMMER WORSHIP

Bathroom: Located in our garage through the double doors on the lake side of the garage.

Dogs: Some members and friends bring their dogs to outdoor worship on Trinity Terrace. Please be mindful of those who are scared of dogs and allergic to them. Dogs should be kept on a leash at all times and cleaned up after.

Offerings: Offering envelopes are on the table with the bulletins, next to a basket. To donate online, visit bit.ly/GPMC-Giving or text “GPMC” to 73256. We are thankful for all gifts that support our ministries.

Weather: In the event of inclement weather, our outdoor service on Trinity Terrace will move into the Sanctuary.

Wi- Fi: Is available on Trinity Terrace. The network name is: GPMC-Guest; The password is: GPMC123#

ABOUT WORSHIP

Leading and Assisting in Worship: Rev. Heather Thum - Gerber; Carol Marks, liturgists; Cynthia Ford, lay reader; Kenneth Shepherd, Baritone, Suzanne Powell, Pianist.

Summer Sermon Series: After God's Own Heart: The Story of David. "I have found David, son of Jesse a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do" (Acts 13:22). God says this about David—the beloved king of Israel and an ancestor of Jesus. At first, David can seem untouchable, far beyond what any of us could hope to be. But a closer look shows that David was deeply human: humble beginnings, great successes, serious failures, moments of faithfulness and moments of pride. Yet through it all, he remained close to God's heart—and that became his greatest legacy. This summer at GPMC, we'll explore the life of King David, a man after God's own heart. By learning from both his victories and his failures, we hope to see ourselves in his story and grow into women and men after God's heart as well. Join us!

Giving at GPMC: To give, visit bit.ly/GPMC-Giving, text "GPMC" to 73256; scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin, or offering envelopes can 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: Are in blue bags located at each of the sanctuary entrances for children to use during worship.

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 at 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: Patricia Austin (Rob Musial's sister), Marlene Boll, Keith Crain, Frank Debenski (Ken Mazer-Schmidt's friend) Samantha Fleming, Joanne Grierson, Gail and Allan Hart, Howard Hill, Oliver Daniel Klinec (Sarah Ollison's grandson), Lucy McCullough, Bob McDowell, Bill Mestdagh, Robert Schmidt (Ken Mazer-Schmidt's brother), Sunil Sewmohan (John Scholtes' good friend), Allison Thornton, Rosemary Van Domelen (Sue Buckler's cousin).

Continued Prayers for: John Boris, Mary Matvis (Elizabeth Tengler's aunt), Melanie Mosher (Elizabeth Tengler's friend), Ted Schaefer, John Standish, Sue Stanton, Martha Stuckey (Christina Robinson's daughter's mother-in-law), David Treder (Sue Acton's cousin), Gail Warden.

Protection and Strength for Our Loved Ones in the Military: LTJG Peter A. Costello, U.S. Navy (Gretchen and Bill Costello's son), Alec Doyal, Special Forces, U.S. Air Force (Marilyn and Guy Doyal's grandson), 1st Lieutenant Isabel Carlyon (Linda Lloyd's niece), Christian Mageau, Senior Airman USAF (Cynthia and Michael Mageau's son), Steven Hess, Army Combat Medic, FL (Roma and Tom Hess' 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).

337 My Country, 'Tis of Thee

1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of
 2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the
 3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from
 4 Our *fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing: land where my
 no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy
 all the trees sweet free - dom's song. Let mor - tal
 lib - er - ty, to thee we sing. Long may our

*fa - thers died, land of the pil - grims' pride,
 rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;
 tongues a - wake; let all that breathe par - take;
 land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let free - dom ring.
 my heart with rap - ture thrills like that a - bove.
 let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.
 pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.

530 One Bread, One Body

Refrain

C G C G C G D
 One bread, one bod - y, one Lord of

Em D G D G Em A
 all, one cup of bless - ing which we bless.

D C G C G C G D
 And we, though man - y, through - out the

Em D G D G Em A D G (C) *Fine*
 earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

G D Em D Em
 1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or
 2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the
 3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and

to Refrain
 D Em7 F Am D
 free, wom - an or man, no more.
 works, one in the Lord of all.
 grown, gath - ered to one, for all.

O God of Every Nation 756

NOTES/REFLECTIONS

1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery race and land,
2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,
3 Lord, strength-en those who la - bor that all may find re - lease
4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand.
from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc - tion through the night,
from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;
when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

Where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,
from pride of race and sta - tion and blind - ness to your way,
when hope and cour - age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;
till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign

in love and mer - cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.
de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.
with faith that none can al - ter, your ser - vants un - der - gird.
and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

10:30 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestream
10:45 am	Children's Church	Room 301

This Week at GPMC

Monday, July 6

Preacher's Workshop, 10 – 11 am (Trinity Terrace)

Tuesday, July 7

Yoga, 10 – 11 am & 6 – 7 pm (Trinity Terrace)

Al-Anon, 6:30 – 8 pm (Library)

AA, 7 – 8 pm (Room 209)

Wednesday, July 8

Men's Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (Trinity Terrace)

Women's Bible Study, 7– 8 am (Room 215 and via Zoom)

AA, 8:15 – 9:30 am (Trinity Terrace)

Thursday, July 9

Yoga, 10 – 11 am (Trinity Terrace)

Makers at Memorial, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm & 6:30 – 8:30 pm (Room 220)

Friday, July 10

Free Food Fridays, 9 – 11 am (Offsite)

AA, 7 – 8 pm (Trinity Terrace)

Saturday, July 11

Men's Bible Study, 8 – 9 am (Offsite)

Sunday, July 12

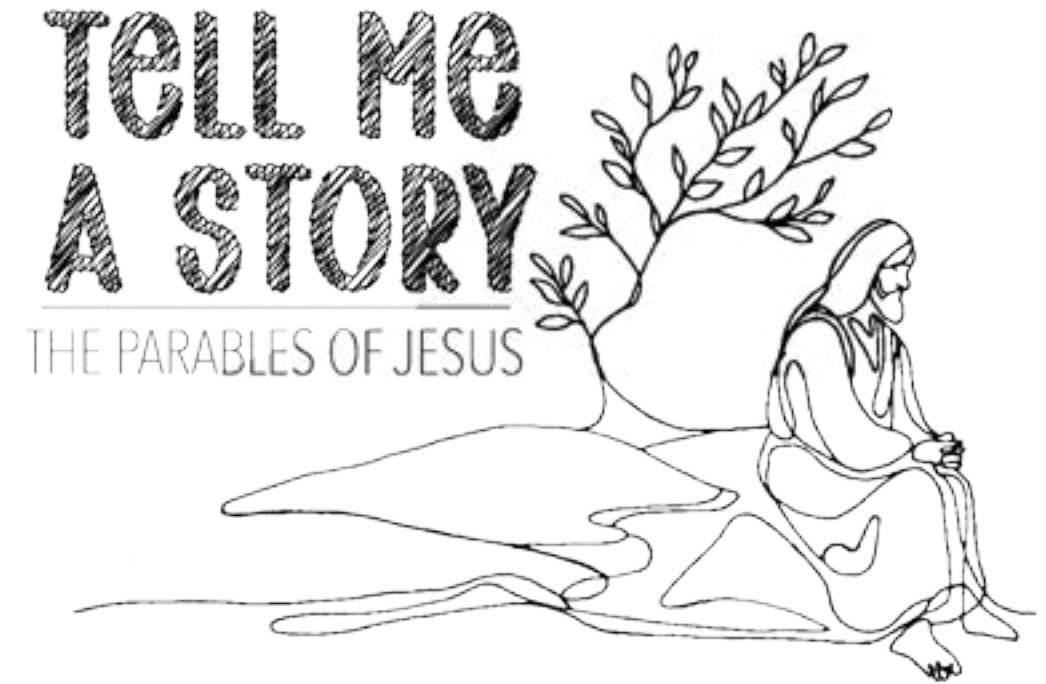
Worship Services, 8:30 am (Trinity Terrace) & 10:30 am (Sanctuary & Livestream)

Choir Rehearsal, 9:45 – 10:15 am (Sanctuary)

Children's Church, 10:45 – 11:30 am (Third Floor)

Evening Prayer Service, 5 – 5:45 pm (Trinity Terrace)

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



Join us for Vacation Bible School from August 17 – 21!

The Christian Education team is thrilled to announce this summer's Vacation Bible School program! It'll be a week of arts & crafts, Bible stories through dramatic presentations, singing, games & fun.

Children's Program

9 am – 12 pm

Age 3* through 4th Grade

\$45 per child, \$100 family maximum

**Please note all attendees must be potty trained to participate in the program.*

Sign up through the church website at gpmchurch.org/storyvbs



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Office Hours

8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Thursday
8:30 am – 3:00 pm, Friday

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