



GROSSE POINTE
MEMORIAL CHURCH
'A light by the lakeshore'

Service of Worship
World Communion Sunday
October 4, 2026 | 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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CARILLON PRELUDE – Mi Shebeirach

Debbie Friedman, arr. Eric Whitmer

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from on Psalm 130)

One: We wait for the Lord; our souls wait, and in God's word we hope.
All: **More than those who watch for the morning, we wait for the Lord.**
One: Put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love.
All: **With the Lord there is abundant redemption. Let us worship God.**

*OPENING HYMN 667 – When Morning Gilds the Skies
(see bulletin page 11)

Tune: Laudes Domini

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

All : **Merciful God, we confess that we are often quick to pray for ourselves, but slow to carry the burdens of others before you. Forgive us for the times we have overlooked those who are hurting, failed to offer compassion, or forgotten the power of praying for one another. Teach us to become a people who listen, who care, and who faithfully bring one another's needs before you in prayer.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Amen. Friends, hear the good news of the gospel: God’s grace is greater than our sin, and through faith in Christ we are reconciled to God and made new. Believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE – All Glory to the Father

Tune: Nyland



*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: God has called us to live in peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Gracious God, open our hearts and minds to hear your Word today. Give us ears to listen, wisdom to understand, and faith to receive what you would speak to us. By your Holy Spirit, illuminate your Word and shape us more fully into the people you are calling us to be. In Jesus’ Name we pray, Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Psalm 130

(O.T. page 542)

After each reading:

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY SONG 188 – Jesus Loves Me! (9 AM)

Tune: Jesus Loves Me

All: Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN’S TIME (9 AM)

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 at 10:15 from room 301.

ANTHEM – How Lovely are the Messengers

Felix Mendelssohn

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace!
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words
Throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

NEW TESTAMENT READING – James 5:13–18

(N.T. page 217)

SERMON – Prayers of the People

Rev. Dr. Jeff Lincicome

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERTORY – Help Us to Help Each Other, Lord

Stanley Drummond Wolff

Help us to help each other, Lord, Each other’s cross to bear, Let each our friendly aid afford and feel each other’s care.

Up into Thee, our Living Head, Let us in all things grow, Till Thou hast made us free indeed And spotless here below.

Touched by the loadstone of Thy love, Let all our hearts agree And ever toward each other move, And ever move toward Thee. Amen.

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

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the
2. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
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

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 523 – You Satisfy the Hungry Heart Tune: Bicentennial
(see bulletin page 12)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN 793 – O Christ, the Healer Tune: Erhalt uns, herr
(see bulletin page 13)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – Pastorale on Land of Rest arr. Dr. Logan Hamilton

This Morning's Music: Charges the people of God to be bearers of peace and compassion to all whom they come across. The anthem by 19th century German composer, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847). *How Lovely are the Messengers* is a movement from Mendelssohn's oratorio, St. Pau op. 36 debuted in 1836. The movement is set in a gentle, pastoral lilt that is the primary rhythm of the piece, used to convey a sense of peace that is reflected in the opening text, "How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace." The offertory is arranged by 20th century English composer and organist, Stanley Drummond Wolff (1916-2004) who had a prolific career in North America after the events of World War II. Wolff uses a tune recorded from the 16th century *Damon's Psalter* as the primary melody where Wolff harmonizes in the style of English renaissance composers such as William Byrd and Thomas Tallis. The text selected for this anthem is by prolific 18th century hymn writers, Charles Wesley (1707-1788) that urges God to teach the ways of compassion and encouragement.

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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 162 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: Rev. Dr. Jeff Lincicome, Rev. Heather Thum - Gerber, Cora Weiss, liturgists; Andrew Lupinacci (9 am), Joe Kaiser (11 am), lay readers; Eric Whitmer, Carillonneur; 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 call or email Patty McCracken at 313.515.9798 or pattyjomc@email.com.

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.

SERMON SERIES

The Prayers We Pray

Have you ever wondered why Christians pray the way they do? The Prayers We Pray is a series that explores the prayers we share in worship—from the Prayer of Confession, to the Prayer for Illumination, to the Great Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving (to name a few), along with other means of private and corporate prayer—and discovering what these acts reveal about our relationship with the God of our salvation. Whether you’ve been praying for years or are simply new to the task, you’ll discover that prayer isn’t about finding the right words—it’s about growing in a relationship with a God who is always ready to listen and speak. Join us!

REFLECTIONS

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 Donna Hartzell at 313.882.5330 ext. 133 or email her at dhartzell@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: Lucas Acevedo (Jennifer Cauvel's cousin), Mike Jones (Eric Jones's brother), Dave Lawrence (Anne and Rob Musial's friend), Kathy Rogers, Will Wessels (Marge Cambalik's son).

Continued Prayers for: Rowland Austin, Marlene Boll, John Boris, Keith Crain, Frank Debenski (Ken Mazer-Schmidt's friend), Samantha Fleming, Allan Hart, Oliver Daniel Klinec (Sarah Ollison's grandson), Dan McCrary, Amy Miller, Melanie Mosher (Elizabeth Tengler's friend), Dennis Perkins, Ted Schaefer, Robert Schmidt (Ken Mazer-Schmidt's brother), Dick Strowger, Allison Thornton, David Treder (Sue Acton's cousin), Rosemary Van Domelen (Sue Buckler's cousin), Susan Villa - Arce (Linda Lloyd's friend).

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).

Robert McDowell, Carol Lytle-McDowell's husband, died on September 28, 2026. The Service of the Resurrection will be in our sanctuary at a later date. Please pray for Carol, her children, and Bob's children during these difficult and sad days.

The Service of the Resurrection for Howard B. Hill will be on Saturday, October 10, 2026 at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary. Please continue to pray for Howard's family and all who love him during these sad days.

667 When Morning Gilds the Skies

1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing
2 Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I
3 Let earth's wide cir - cle round in joy - ful notes re -
4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di -

cries: may Je - sus Christ be praised! A -
find: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Or
sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let
vine: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be

like at work and prayer to Je - sus I re -
fades my earth - ly bliss? My com - fort still is
air and sea and sky from depth to height re -
this the e - ter - nal song through all the a - ges

pair: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
this: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
ply: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart 523

Refrain D Bm G F#m D/F# Em A D

You sat-is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat;

Bm F#m Em A D *Fine*

come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.

Bm G F#m G A7 Bm

1 As when the shep-herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice,
 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
 4 The mys-tery of your pres-ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
 5 You give your-self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,

to Refrain Em A Em Em7 A

so when you call your fam - ily, Lord, we fol - low and re-joyce.
 that you should count us wor-ty, Lord, to share this heav-en-ly food.
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?
 whom all the world can-not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

793 O Christ, the Healer

Em B Em B Em D

1 O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to pray for
 2 From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies
 3 How strong, O Lord, are our de - sires, how weak our
 4 In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we rec - og -
 5 Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com -

G Am B Am D G

health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to
 clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we
 knowl - edge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those
 nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -
 mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -

D7 G B Em B Em B7 Em

be re - stored when reached by love that nev - er ends?
 would con - fess that whole - ness is our deep - est need.
 heal - ing truths un - con - scious pride re - sists or shelves.
 clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?
 rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

WHAT’S HAPPENING TODAY AT GPMC?

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestream
9:15 am	Children’s Church	Room 301
10:10 am	Middle Hour	Barbour Chapel
10:15 am	Babies & Toddlers Worship Circle	Library
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary

This Week at GPMC

Monday, October 5

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

Tuesday, October 6

- Yoga, 10 – 11 am (Room 322) & 6 – 7 pm (Fellowship Hall)
- Al-Anon, 6:30 – 8 pm (Library)
- AA, 7 – 8 pm (Room 209)
- Book Study-Scared by the Bible, 7 – 8 pm (2nd Floor Lounge)

Wednesday, October 7

- Men’s Bible Study, 7 – 8 am (Trinity Terrace)
- Women’s Bible Study, 7– 8 am (Room 215/Zoom)
- AA, 8:15 – 9:30 am (Room 209)
- Memorial Youth, 6 – 8 pm (Room 315)

Thursday, October 8

- Yoga, 10 – 11 am (Room 322)
- Makers at Memorial, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm & 6:30 – 8:30 pm (Room 220)
- Handbell Rehearsal, 6:15 – 7 pm (Room 326)
- Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 – 9 pm (Choir Room)

Friday, October 9

- Ecumenical Men’s Breakfast, 7 – 9 am (Room 209)
- Free Food Fridays, 9 – 11 am (Offsite)
- AA, 7 – 8 pm (Room 209)

Saturday, October 10

- Men’s Bible Study, 8 – 9 am (Offsite)
- New Member Class, 9 am – 12 pm (Room 200)
- Drive-By Food Drive, 10 – 11 am (Parking Lot)

Sunday, October 11

- Special Session Meeting, 8:30 – 8:55 am (2nd Floor Lounge)
- Worship Service, *9 and 11 am (Sanctuary & *Livestream)
- Children’s Sunday School, 9:15 – 10:15 am (Third Floor)
- Middle Hour, 10:10 – 10:55 am (Barbour Chapel)
- The Jefferson Bible Adult Forum, 10:10 – 10:55 am (Library)
- New Member Reception, 10:10 – 11:00 am (Fellowship Hall)

The Jefferson Bible: *A Window Into the Religious Faith of Thomas Jefferson.* In this 250th year of our Declaration of Independence, written by Thomas Jefferson, plan to drop by during Middle Hour in the library on October 11th to learn more about Jefferson’s religious faith, which informs how he approached the writing of our Declaration. He created a very interesting Bible!

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



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