

**Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

**New Testament Scripture . .** Matthew 24:1-25  
Mary Jane Clements

**Pastoral Prayer for the People** Rev. David Rodriguez

**Hymn of Preparation #275** *How Firm a Foundation*

**Scripture Reading . . . . .** Rev. David Rodriguez  
Acts 6:8-7:53

**Sermon . . . . .** Rev. David Rodriguez  
*“Living Faithfully in Dangerous Times”*

**Affirmation of Faith**

*Apostles’ Creed*

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Offering**

**Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Hymn of Dedication #292 . .** *God of Grace and God of Glory*

**Pastoral Charge . . . . .** Rev. David Rodriguez

**Congregational Benediction** Numbers 6:24–26  
May the Lord bless you and keep you. May He cause His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. May He lift His countenance upon you, and give you peace. (And all God’s people said...) Amen.

**Postlude . . . . .** Bill Urick

**Welcome** The members of Graham Memorial Presbyterian Church hope you’ll find encouragement in this morning’s worship and that you’ll discover us to be a warm and friendly group of Christ’s followers.

Childcare is available for children ages 0-2 in the Nursery outside by the side ramp entrance. A Nursing Room is also available through the front door of the Kirk Cottage, at the base of the ramp entrance.

Women’s restrooms can be found just through the door to the left of the stage. Men’s restrooms are located outside behind the Parish Hall near the playground.

**Mingle with Us** **Coffee Connection**  
10:00–10:30am, every Sunday  
Kirk Cottage Courtyard

We offer members, guests, and visitors—including kids—attending both morning worship services the opportunity to mingle in a relaxed environment, sip freshly brewed coffee, and connect with friends or meet new ones.

Presbyterian lay leadership includes both deacons and elders. Below is a listing of our currently active lay leaders.

<b>Our Board of Deacons</b>	<b>2021-2024</b>	<b>2022-2025</b>	<b>2023-2026</b>
	Andi Baker	Mike Dykstra	Marty Almquist
	Donna Dameron	Rodrigo Fernandez	Matt Heidt
	Dana Wilcox	Andy Koczon	Jane Reavie
	Mary Jane Wilfong		

<b>Our Ruling Elders</b>	<b>2021-2024</b>	<b>2022-2025</b>	<b>2023-2026</b>
	Debbie Bell-Smith	Richard Dukes	Russ Allen
	Thomas Campbell	Don Steuer	Monica Piepenkötter
	Jay Chesnut	Art Wilcox	Doug Reavie
	Ken Ireland		Dan Swanson

<b>Our Staff</b>	Silas Baller & Jack Letcher . . . . .	Sound Technicians
	Anna Chesnut . . . . .	Children’s Ministries Intern
	Jessica DiGrazia & Jennifer Nesbitt . . . . .	Preschool Co-Directors
	Erica Gapp . . . . .	Bookkeeper
	Tim Grebe . . . . .	Interim Dir of Music Ministries
	Michelle Melton . . . . .	Family Min Admin/Comm Liaison
	David Rodriguez . . . . .	Interim Pastor
	Mark Steuer . . . . .	General Maintenance
	Rachael Tisdale . . . . .	Business Administrator
	Annetta Townsend . . . . .	Accountant

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To Know Christ and to Make Christ Known



9:00am Worship . Sunday, August 20, 2023

The Reverend David Rodriguez, Interim Pastor

**Worship Service** Sunday, August 20, 2023

**Pulpit Floral Donor** . . . . . Session  
In celebration of Rev. David Rodriguez’s six months with us.  
**Lay Reader** . . . . . Mary Jane Clements  
**Interim Dir. of Music Ministries** Tim Grebe  
**Organist** . . . . . Bill Urick

**Prelude** . . . . . Bill Urick  
**Welcome & Announcements**  
**Minute for Missions.** . . . . . Art Wilcox  
**Time of Meditation**

**Call to Worship** . . . . . Psalm 100:1-3  
**Leader:** Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
**People:** Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.  
**All:** Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

**Hymn of Praise #1.** . . . . . *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

**Invocation** . . . . . Rev. David Rodriguez

**The Lord’s Prayer**  
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.

**Special Music.** . . . . . Polly Vasche - piano solo  
*Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us*  
arr. Ray

**Prayer of Confession** . . . . . Mary Jane Clements  
Almighty God: you love us, but we have not loved you: you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed. God our Father, help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon** . . . . . Rev. David Rodriguez  
Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. Joel 2:13 (And all God’s people said. . .) Amen.

**New Opportunities to Connect, Grow, Equip, Serve & Invite Others to Join**

**Su August 27 Mission Luncheon**  
The GMPC Missions Committee is sponsoring a luncheon immediately following the 10:30AM service on Sunday, August 27th. Join us in the Parish Hall for a light lunch while two of our missionaries, Doug and JoAnn Radunzel, share updates about some very encouraging things happening with International School Project. We are grateful our congregation has supported the Radunzels for more than 20 years and look forward to hearing what should be an interesting and informative presentation about their mission.

**Mo August 28 Born 2Be Bold**  
Jesus commands us to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30). Do we understand the nature of Jesus’ command, with all the worldly influences that often contradict what Scripture tells us about the mind, body, and spirit? Join us for a 3-month transformative journey as we dive deep into establishing a firm understanding of these concepts, learning how to live and love as Christ, and to boldly carry out the purposes to which He has created us to fulfill! The journey begins August 28th at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Contact Jeanne Jameson or email info@gmpc.org for more details.

**Th August 31 Chancel Choir**  
You’re Invited! On Thursday, August 31st, the Chancel Choir will kick off the Fall season with our first rehearsal in the Sanctuary at 7:00pm. We invite all interested congregation members to join us for an evening of fellowship and singing with coffee and snacks to follow! Music will be available for pickup on Sunday, August 27th, from Tim Grebe. For more information, contact Tim Grebe at 530-798-9359 or timothy@gmpc.org.

**Sa September 9 Fiesta de Coronado**  
Enjoy a fiesta - Island style! The Fiesta de Coronado is a Gala with live and silent auctions at the historic Hansen Mansion. All proceeds for this eighth annual event benefit GenerateHope, a non-profit offering a tangible way out for victims of human trafficking through comprehensive programs built on three pillars: safe housing, healing, and education. Join us on September 9, 2023 @ 5:30 PM. For information, contact Rick Moore at rmoore5@san.rr.com.

**Mo September 11 Ladies’ Bible Study**  
Ladies’ Bible study will kick-off on Monday, September 11! We are studying “Abide” - an in-depth Study of 1, 2 & 3 John by author Jen Wilkin. We will meet once every three weeks on select Mondays for ten sessions in the Parish Hall at 9:30-11:30am *or* 6:00-8:00pm (choose the time of day best for you) facilitated by Lauren Antonucci (mornings) and Monica Piepenkotter (evenings). Light refreshments served. Register and purchase books in between services on Sunday, Aug 27th & Sept. 3rd. We hope to provide paid childcare for Monday mornings. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us! For more information, contact the church office at 619-435-6860 or info@gmpc.org.

**Coronado Men’s Connection**  
Coronado Men’s Connection’s vision is becoming men who matter by allowing the Word of God to define and direct us. We come together the third Monday of each month to explore, understand, embrace, and spread God’s Word. This month, on the evening of August 21st, Danny Fischer will present a Trevor Hudson video on “Exploring Life’s Greatest Opportunities” at 711 A Avenue here in Coronado. Social hours start at 5:00 pm, with Jeremiah’s Hot Dogs provided at 6:00pm, and the presentation is at 6:30 pm.

**Calling All Kids for Awana!**  
The 2023/24 Awana Sign-ups are underway. On Wednesday, August 30th from 6-7:30 p.m., join us for a picnic where you will have an opportunity to enroll in the program, receive materials, learn about Awana, and meet some Awana leaders. We welcome new and returning children, ages preschool through 12th Grade, for games, Bible studies, memory verses, and lots of fun! We meet on Wednesdays, throughout the school year, starting on **September 6th** in the CE Building from 6-7:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Marcelle Egley Sparks at 619-981-6866 or marcelle@gmpc.org.

**Need Prayer?**  
*To leave prayer requests for our congregation’s Prayer team, please email them to prayer@gmpc.org, speak to any of our deacons, or write on this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.*

**What’s Happening at GMPC This Week?**  
You can also check the church calendar at www.gmpc.org/calendar for an up-to-date listing of all our mid-week meetings. If you have any questions, please contact our church office at (619) 435-6860.

**Su** 9:00 a.m. - Nursery (ages 0-2)  
9:00 a.m. - Children’s Sunday School (ages 2-11)  
9:00 a.m. - Youth Sunday School (grades 6-12)  
10:30 a.m. - Nursery (ages 0-3)

**Mo** 6:30 a.m. - Monday Morning Men’s Group

**Tu** 5:30 p.m. - Big-5  
7:00 p.m. - Crosswalk

**Sa** 7:00 a.m. - Men’s Fellowship Study

**Weekly Memory Verse:**  
“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.” (John 14:17)