### 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	Mathew 20:20-28 DeEtte Loeffler
Pastoral Prayer for the People	Rev. David Rodriguez
Hymn of Preparation #247	Spirit Of The Living God
Scripture Reading	Rev. David Rodriguez Acts 8:4-25
Sermon	Rev. David Rodriguez <i>"Taking The Gospel Out Of Town"</i>

### 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 #4	How Great Thou Art
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 ..... Jenny-Marie Carson

**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.

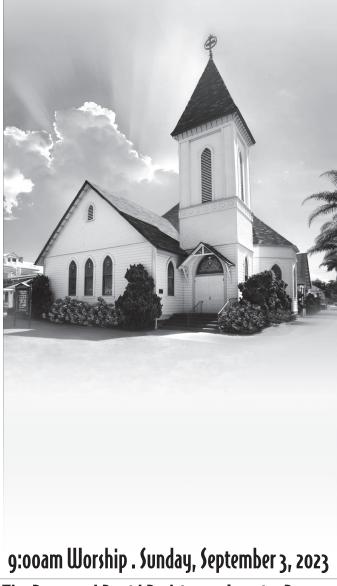
Presbyterian lay leadership includes both deacons and elders. Below is a listing of our currently active lay leaders.

Our Board of Deacons	<b>2021-2024</b> Andi Baker Donna Dameron Dana Wilcox Mary Jane Wilfong	<b>2022-2025</b> Mike Dykstra Rodrigo Fernandez Andy Koczon	<b>2023-2026</b> Marty Almquist Matt Heidt Jane Reavie
Our Ruling Elders	<b>2021-2024</b> Debbie Bell-Smith Thomas Campbell Jay Chesnut Ken Ireland Ward Wilson	<b>2022-2025</b> Richard Dukes Don Steuer Art Wilcox	<b>2023-2026</b> Russ Allen Monica Piepenkotter Doug Reavie Dan Swanson
Our Staff	Jack Letcher.Sound TechniciansAnna Chesnut.Children's Ministries InternJessica DiGrazia & Jennifer Nesbitt.Preschool Co-DirectorsErica GappBookkeeperTim Grebe.Interim Dir of Music MinistriesMichelle MeltonCommunication CoordinatorSarah MurphyChildren's Min Program ManagerDavid RodriguezInterim PastorMegan SmithDir of Youth/Young Adult MinRebecca SmithDirector of Family MinistriesMark Steuer.General MaintenanceRachael Tisdale.Accountant		

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# To Know Christ and to Make Christ Known



The Reverend David Rodriguez, Interim Pastor

Worship Service Sunday, September 3, 2023 Linda and Gary Vause Pulpit Floral Donor . . . . . We are grateful for GMPC. Lay Reader . . . . . . . . . . . . . DeEtte Loeffler **Interim Dir. of Music Ministries** Tim Grebe Jenny-Marie Carson 

Prelude . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

Jenny-Marie Carson

Welcome & Announcements

Time of Meditation

Call to Worship .... Psalm 95:1-3

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**People:** Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

All: For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.

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.

# Prayer of Confession . . . . DeEtte Loeffler

Almighty God: you have lifted up our Lord Jesus from death into life eternal and set him over men and nations. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world, and been careless of fellowmen. Forgive us, O God, and lift us out of sin. Make us men who live to praise you, and to obey the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is King of the world and head of the church his body. Amen.

# **Assurance of Pardon** . . . . Rev. David Rodriguez

"Come now, let us reason together," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." Isaiah 1:18 (And all God's people said...) Amen.

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

#### September 9 Fiesta de Coronado Sa

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 Laurren Antonucci (mornings) and Monica Piepeńkotter (evenings). Light refreshments served. Register and purchase books in between services on Sunday, Sept.3rd & Sept. 10th. 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.

### Tu September 12 Stand to Reason

Stand to Reason trains Christians to think more clearly about their faith and to make an even-handed, incisive, yet gracious defense for the classic Christian Worldview and classical Christian values in the public square as ambassadors for Christ. Video/ discussion courses are being resumed with Greg Koukl's best-selling book Tactics! Join us in the Parish Hall on Tuesday nights beginning September 12th from 7:00-8:00pm. No prework required! *The first 20 attending will get a copy of Greq's* new book Street Smarts, which will also be published on September 12th!

### We Sept 13 Awana

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 13th in the CE Building from 6-7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Marcelle Egley Sparks at 619-981-6866 or marcelle@gmpc.org.

# **Director of Music Ministries**

Love music? Interested in being a part of the GMPC Program Staff? If so, the Director of Music Ministries position just might be the answer to your prayers, and ours! To apply, please submit a Statement of Christian Faith, Introductory letter, and a Resume with references, to dmm@gmpc.org. A full job description is available online at www.gmpc.org/jobs.

# Pulpit Flowers Needed

Do you know what happens to pulpit flowers after Sunday services? One beautiful arrangement becomes five smaller arrangements and are then hand delivered throughout our community to those in need of some extra cheer. If you are looking for an effortless way to serve the church, a unique way to honor a loved one, or a meaningful way to celebrate someone, please contact Rachael Tisdale at Rachael@gmpc.org.

**Need Prayer?** 

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## 2023 Mission Study Survey

We want to hear from you! Please take a moment to complete the 2023 Mission Study Survey. The survey should take about 10 minutes to complete and will help us to know how we are doing with assisting you in knowing Christ and making Christ known. A paper copy of the survey is available for pick up in the Narthex during Sunday services or by visiting our church office during regular business hours. For more information, please contact our church office at info@gmpc.org.

To leave prayer requests for our congregation's Prayer team, please email them to prayer@ampc.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.

- 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)
- 6:30 a.m. Monday Morning Men's Group
- 6:30 p.m. Born 2Be Bold
- Church Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day 5:00 p.m. - Big-5 7:00 p.m. - Crosswalk
- 7:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship Study

## Weekly Memory Verse:

"For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows." 1 Timothy 6:10