

Sacrament of Holy Communion Rev. David Rodriguez
All communion elements are gluten free.

Song of Praise ***What Child Is This?***

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.

Prayers of Healing

Sermon Notes:

This Week’s Praises and Prayer Requests
----- *Please tear here to leave prayer requests in the offering plate.* -----

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.

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 0-3 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 this 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	2021-2024	2022-2025	2023-2026
	Andi Baker	Mike Dykstra	Marty Almquist
	Donna Dameron	Rodrigo Fernandez	Matt Heidt
	Dana Wilcox	Andy Koczon	Anna Paul
	Mary Jane Wilfong	Holly Swanson	Jane Reavie
Our Ruling Elders	2021-2024	2022-2025	2023-2026
	Debbie Bell-Smith	Richard Dukes	Russ Allen
	Thomas Campbell	Don Steuer	Monica Piepenkotter
	Jay Chesnut	Art Wilcox	Doug Reavie
	Ken Ireland	Tom Mitchell	Dan Swanson
	Ward Wilson		

Our Staff David Rodriguez Interim Pastor
Renée Calvo Director of Music Ministries
Rebecca Smith Director of Family Ministries
Megan Smith Dir of Youth/Young Adult Min
Sarah Murphy Children’s Min Program Manager
Jessica DiGrazia & Jennifer Nesbitt. Preschool Co-Directors
Rachael Tisdale. Business Administrator
Sindy Schiller Church Receptionist
Michelle Melton Communication Coordinator
Erica Gapp Bookkeeper
Annetta Townsend Accountant
Anna Chesnut. Children’s Ministries Intern
Mark Steuer. General Maintenance
June Grato & Jack Letcher Sound Technicians

10:45am Worship . Sunday, December 10, 2023
The Reverend David Rodriguez, Interim Pastor



To Know Christ and to Make Christ Known

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<i>Worship Service</i>	<i>Sunday, December 10, 2023</i>
Pulpit Floral Donor	Kathy Keller For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11
Director of Music Ministries	Renée Calvo
Pianist	Jenny-Marie Carson

Take a seat, share our fellowship, and worship the Lord with us.

Welcome & Announcements
Favorite Christmas Carols
Invocation

Call to Worship Psalm 98:1-3
Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for him.
People: The Lord has made His salvation known and revealed His righteousness to the nations.
All: He has remembered His love and his faithfulness to Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Advent Candle Celentano Family

Songs of Praise ***O Come All Ye Faithful***
Hark The Herald Angels Sing

Children’s Sermon Rev. David Rodriguez

God’s People at Prayer Rev. David Rodriguez
If you are worshiping with us from home, please take this time to pray with one another using the chat feature.

Song of Praise ***The Summons***

Scripture Reading Rev. David Rodriguez
Luke 1:26-38

Sermon Rev. David Rodriguez
“Messengers Of Christmas: Mary”

Offering
Prayer of Dedication

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

San Diego Sockman Needs Volunteers
Every Sunday, right after the second service, Hal Sadler, our own San Diego Sockman needs two helpers, from approximately noon to 3:00PM: one person to drive his vehicle (he is vision challenged and cannot drive) and the other to hand him the socks, water, soup, and kits (as available) from the back of the vehicle, while he personally distributes them from the front passenger seat. On occasion the distribution may take place from a table platform at a fixed site such as San Diego First Presbyterian Church. Please consider signing up on his SignUp.com page at <https://signup.com/go/dEajNbr>. Hal can also be contacted directly at sockmansd@gmail.com or at 619-513-8707. To donate, visit [SDSockmanGoFundMe](#). San Diego Sockman is a 501 (C) (3) non-profit corporation and donations are fully tax deductible.

’Twas the night before. . .
. . . the event of the year for many of our junior enlisted military families: our Best PCS Ever! Christmas Store. Please pray for our volunteers who will be working harder than any of Santa’s elves sharing the love of Jesus. . . and wrapping dozens and dozens of the gifts you provided. Thank you.

Christmas Cookie Gifting Bags
Through the incredible kindness of many, delightful cookies have been baked, beautifully packaged, and adorned with a festive ribbon and GMPC Christmas Events card. It’s time to share these sweet treats with our community and neighbors! The Christmas cookie gifting bags may be picked up after each service today and gifted throughout our community this week. And don’t forget to mark your calendars for our upcoming Christmas events here at GMPC! It’s a wonderful time to come together, celebrate, and rejoice in the birth of our Lord and Savior.

Check Your Mailboxes!
Alternative Christmas Market Packets have been mailed! You may also access the info on our website at www.gmpc.org/acm.

GMPC Christmas Cantata – “LOVE” by Joel Raney
You’re invited to a spectacular musical celebration at GMPC! Join us on Sunday, December 17th, during the 9 & 10:45AM worship services for our enchanting Christmas Cantata. Experience the joy of the season through the heartfelt melodies of the holiday spirit. Let the beautiful harmonies and uplifting tunes fill your heart with the true essence of Christmas. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors! It’s time for everyone to gather and rejoice in the spirit of Christmas.

Cocoa, Cookies, Carols & Critters!
Join us on Friday, Dec. 22nd from 5-7:00PM on the GMPC front lawn for an evening of fellowship, caroling, sweet treats and a petting zoo. Bring your friends, neighbors, and a dozen cookies to share. See you there!

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) 10:15 a.m. - Children’s Choir Practice in Sanctuary 10:45 a.m. - Nursery (ages 0-4) 10:45 a.m. - Graham J.A.M. (after worship & children’s sermon)
Mo	6:30 a.m. - Monday Morning Men’s Group 5:00 p.m. - Best PCS Ever! Christmas Store
Tu	5:30 p.m. - Youth Dinner & Christmas Party
We	6:00 p.m. - Awana
Th	1:00 p.m. - Church Office Closing Early 6:30 p.m. - Christmas Cantata Rehearsal 7:15 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal 8:00 p.m. - Praise Band Rehearsal
Sa	7:00 a.m. - Men’s Fellowship Study Angel Tree Gift Distribution (throughout the day)

Weekly Memory Verse:
“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.” Philippians 2:3-4