

**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. Amen.

**Old Testament Scripture . . .** Isaiah 43:18-19  
Mary Jane Clements

**Pastoral Prayer for the People** Rebecca Smith

**Hymn of Preparation** *Shine Jesus, Shine*

**Scripture Reading . . . . .** Rebecca Smith  
Philippians 2:1-5,12-16

**Sermon . . . . .** Rebecca Smith  
*“Be a Light in the Night!”*

**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 . . . . .** *Take My Life and Let It Be*

**Pastoral Charge . . . . .** Rebecca Smith

**Choral Benediction . . . . .** *Let Your Servant Now Go In Peace*

**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.

**Postlude . . . . .** Prelude in G major

**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 in the Nursery during both the 9:00 am Traditional Service (children ages 0-2) and the 10:45 am Blended Service (children ages 0-4). The Nursery is located at the side entrance of the Kirk Cottage. A nursing room is also available during both services, and may be accessed through the front door of the Kirk Cottage.

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 Coffee Connection**  
10:00–10:30 am, 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.

<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	Anna Paul
	Mary Jane Wilfong	Holly Swanson	Jane Reavie
<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	Tom Mitchell	Monica Piepenkotter
	Jay Chesnut	Don Steuer	Doug Reavie
	Ken Ireland	Art Wilcox	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



**9:00 am Worship - Sunday, January 21, 2024**

**The Reverend David Rodriguez, Interim Pastor**



**To Know Christ and to Make Christ Known**

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## *Worship Service*

*Sunday, January 21, 2024*

<b>Pulpit Floral Donor . . . . .</b>	Anne Stockdale <i>In honor of George W. Watson, my father</i>
<b>Lay Reader . . . . .</b>	Mary Jane Clements
<b>Director of Music Ministries</b>	Renée Calvo
<b>Organist . . . . .</b>	Jenny-Marie Carson

**Prelude . . . . .** Prelude in G minor by J.S. Bach

## Welcome & Announcements

### Time of Meditation

**Special Songs . . . . . Children's Choir**

**Call to Worship** . . . . . Psalm 95:6-7  
**Leader:** Come, let us bow down in worship.  
**People:** Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
**All:** For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care.

**Hymn of Praise #66 . . . . .** *To God Be the Glory*

**Invocation . . . . .** Rebecca Smith

## 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.

**Choral Anthem . . . . .** *Ascribe to the Lord*

## Prayer of Confession . . . . . Mary Jane Clements

Almighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith: we confess that we have held back the force of your Spirit among us; that we have been slow to serve you, and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. God, have mercy on us. Forgive our divisions, and by your Spirit draw us together. Fill us with flaming desire to do your will, and be a faithful people; for the sake of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon . . . . .** Rebecca Smith  
Isaiah 1:18

“Come now, let us settle the matter’, 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.”

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

## *Annual Congregational Dinner*

Friday, January 26 at 5:30 pm we will enjoy fellowship and dinner in the Parish Hall followed by the Annual Congregational Meeting at 6:30 pm. The meat for the dinner will be provided. ***Please RSVP at [www.gmpc.org](http://www.gmpc.org) so we can plan accordingly.*** If your last name begins with A-I please bring a salad, J-R bring a side dish, S-Z bring a dessert.

## Annual Congregational Meeting

Friday, January 26 at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary. We will meet to elect new members to the Session, Board of Deacons, and the Church Nominating Committee. The Session will also present the 2024 General Fund Budget. The meeting will be conducted in the context of a worship service where we will praise God for His faithfulness in 2023 and look forward to what God will be doing in 2024 through the ministry of GMPC.

### *Name That Building*

The “Kirk Cottage” (not to be confused with the Preschool Cottage or the Thrift Cottage) needs a new name. We would love to hear your suggestions! Place your proposed name in the offering plate or email it to [info@gmpc.org](mailto:info@gmpc.org). Just a few things to keep in mind: the new name should align with our mission “To Know Christ and Make Christ Known” and should be something easy to identify (avoid “house” and “cottage”). For details, contact Rachael in the Church Office. The winner will be voted on at the Congregational Meeting.

***ABIDE! Women's Bible Study***

The ABIDE! Women's Bible study meets Monday, January 22, at both 9:30 am or 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please come to whichever session works best for you. All ladies are welcome to come - it's not too late to join us!

### ***Best PCS Ever! Food and Diaper Distribution***

Food and diapers are distributed to junior enlisted military families the second Tuesday of each month from 3-4:30 pm. How can you help? Pray for the families, donate food to the pantry, set up and serve, or provide financial assistance for this ministry. Thank you for serving those who serve!

## Prayer Night

Join us in the sanctuary Sunday, January 28 at 6:00 pm for prayer and worship in song. Did you know that we are told to “Pray continually” as part of “God’s will for us in Christ Jesus” in I Thessalonians 5:17? This is an opportunity to gather with other believers in our community and humble ourselves, praying to our heavenly Father. For more information, contact [rebecca@gmpc.org](mailto:rebecca@gmpc.org).

## *Stations of the Cross: An Interactive and Spiritual Art Exhibit*

Calling all artists and creative people. GMPC is hosting "Stations of the Cross: An Interactive and Spiritual Art Exhibit", Sunday, March 24 – Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024. If you are interested in being a part of this event as either an artist, creative contributor, or event support person, please contact either Kaye Schneider at [Kaye@lydiacompany.com](mailto:Kaye@lydiacompany.com) or Michelle Melton at [michelle@gmpc.org](mailto:michelle@gmpc.org) for more details.

## Vacation Bible School

Save the dates to attend and volunteer! VBS will be July 8-12 from 9:00 am - noon for children entering Kindergarten-6th grade. For more information, contact Rebecca Smith, Director of Family Ministries.

### *Prayer Requests*

To leave prayer requests for our congregation's Prayer team, please email [prayer@gmpc.org](mailto: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](http://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 am - Nursery (ages 0-2)  
 9:00 am - Children's Sunday School (ages 3-11)  
 9:00 am - Youth Sunday School (grades 6-12)  
 10:45 am - Nursery (ages 0-4)  
 10:45 am - Graham J.A.M. (after worship & children's sermon)

**Mo** 6:30 am - Monday Morning Men's Group  
9:30 am - ABIDE! Women's Bible Study  
6:00 pm - ABIDE! Women's Bible Study

**Tu** 5:00 pm - Middle School Youth Group  
7:00 pm - High School Youth Group  
7:00 pm - Stand to Reason

**Th** 7:15 pm - Choir Rehearsal  
8:00 pm - Praise Band Rehearsal

**Fr** 5:30 pm - Annual Congregational Dinner  
6:30 pm - Annual Congregational Meeting

**Sa** 7:00 am - Men's Fellowship Study

**Weekly Memory Verse:**

*"Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe."*  
Philippians 2:14-15