

**Assurance of Pardon . . . . .** Pastor John  
 The word of God promises, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." Together, let's stand firm on God's promise of forgiveness! (And all God's people said . . . )

**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 Reading . . .** Mary Jane Clements  
 Psalm 119:97–104 . Page 438

**Pastoral Prayer for the People** Pastor John  
 The offering of our gifts, hearts, and lives

**Offertory . . . . .** **Thy Word** arr. Lloyd Larson  
 Chancel Choir

**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.

**Hymn of Preparation #383 .** **Open Our Eyes, Lord**

**Scripture Reading . . . . .** Pastor John  
 2 Timothy 2:10–17 . Page 842

**Sermon . . . . .** Pastor John  
**Clarity**

**Hymn of Dedication #275 . . . . .** **How Firm a Foundation**

**Pastoral Charge . . . . .** Pastor John

**Choral Benediction . . . . .** **One With the Spirit** by Lyn Snyder  
 Chancel Choir

**Congregational Benediction** Numbers 6:24–26 . Page 99

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.

**Congregation's Response . .** Amen

**Postlude . . . . .** **Prelude in C** by J. S. Bach

**Exit . . . . .** Pastor John meets and greets  
 the congregation in the narthex

**Need Prayer?**

To leave prayer requests for our congregation's Prayer team, please email them to [prayer@gmpc.org](mailto:prayer@gmpc.org) or speak to any of our deacons.

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

**Worship with Us** Our Sunday worship services are at **9:00am . 10:30am.** Sunday morning 9:00am worship is a traditional service that appeals to adults whose children are in Sunday School. The music includes traditional organ, piano, and Chancel Choir voices. Our Sunday morning 10:30am worship is a blended service and includes a brief children's sermon. The music is both traditional and contemporary. We provide Holy Communion at all worship services the second Sunday of each month.

**Coffee Connection**  
 10:00–10:30am, every Sunday  
 Garden Room, Center for Christian Education  
 949 C Avenue, Coronado

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 fruit juice, 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>2016–2019</b>	<b>2017–2020</b>	<b>2018–2021</b>
	Mary Baker	Norma Ashworth	Chris Klave
	Beth West	Sylvia Mosier	Christina Klave
	Holly Swanson	Bart Schubert	Barbara Schmelzer
	Nancy Trotter	Kristy Schubert	Patricia Sedgwick

<b>Our Ruling Elders</b>	<b>2016–2019</b>	<b>2017–2020</b>	<b>2018–2021</b>
	Frank Corah	Tom Campbell	Jay Chesnut
	Don Steuer	Carolyn Parry	Rick Moore
	Dan Swanson	Ralph West	Ward Wilson
	Don Trotter	Paul Williams	Alice Jacobson
	Chipp Wilfong		

<b>Our Staff</b>	Susan Arnott . . . . .	Business Administrator
	Norman Belleza . . . . .	Organist
	Randy Hill . . . . .	Accountant
	John Joseph . . . . .	Associate Pastor
	Kimberlee Joseph . . . . .	Director of Music Ministries
	Valerie Lewis . . . . .	Preschool Director
	David McElrath . . . . .	Senior Pastor
	David Smith . . . . .	Sound Technician
	Rebecca Smith . . . . .	Director of Children's Ministries
	Lisa Thiss . . . . .	Youth Administrative Assistant
	Annetta Townsend . . . . .	Accountant

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To Know Christ and to Make Christ Known



9:00am Worship . Sunday, May 27, 2018

The Reverend Dr. David H. McElrath, Pastor  
 The Reverend John Joseph, Associate Pastor

**Worship Service**                      **Sunday, May 27, 2018**

**Greeters** . . . . . Rick Phipps . Pattie Phipps  
**Ushers.** . . . . . Tom Campbell . Mary Baker  
   Carolyn Parry . Jay Chesnut  
**Coffee Connection** . . . . . Youth Ministry  
**Pulpit Floral Donors** . . . . . Jonathan and Julie Dabbieri with thanks  
   to God for our daughters, Grace and Hope.  
**Lay Reader** . . . . . Mary Jane Clements  
**Director of Music Ministries.** Kimberlee Joseph  
**Guest Organist** . . . . . Jenny Marie Carson  
**Assemble in God’s Name** . . . . Congregation enters sanctuary and  
   distributes Friendship Registers

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**Prelude** . . . . . ***Sonata no. 2 in C minor (Opus 65), I,  
Grave II. Adagio*** by Felix Mendelssohn

**Welcome and Announcements** Pastor John  
**Social Introductions** . . . . . Congregation greets one another  
**Everyone Sings**

We are one in the bond of love. We are one in the bond of love. We have joined our spirit with the Spirit of God. We are one in the bond of love.

**Introit** . . . . . ***Come Sing to the Lord*** by Lyn Snyder  
   Chancel Choir

**Call to Worship** . . . . . Psalm 33:1–5 . Page 396

**Hymn of Praise #9** . . . . . ***Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him***

**Prayer of Adoration.** . . . . . Pastor John

**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

**Anthem** . . . . . ***Speak, O Lord*** arr. Fred & Ruth Coleman  
   Chancel Choir

**Prayer of Confession** . . . . . Mary Jane Clements  
Almighty God, we live in a time of war and rumors of war. Service and sacrifice are being offered daily, and we acknowledge the debt we owe for our freedoms. Yet this debt does not compare to the debt we owe You, for the sacrifice Jesus made on our behalf, to secure our freedom from the bonds of sin. Please help us live in Christ. We confess our sins and the weakness of our flesh. May our spirits grow stronger as we are transformed by the Holy Spirit. We ask this in Jesus’ name, amen.

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

**Deacons Ministry Highlight**

Do you know any church members in the hospital, homebound or in assisted living that would enjoy a visit from a Graham Memorial Parishioner? The Deacons are coordinating parish visits to those in need. If you know someone you would like to add to the list to have a Parish Visitor come to them, or if you would like to volunteer to make these visits, please contact Sylvia Mosier at sylviamosier@gmail.com or Kristy Schubert at kristyps Schubert@gmail.com.

**Spiritual Leadership Study**

Are you making a positive impact on those you lead? Does your leadership bring glory to God? Study topics are: The Leader’s CHALLENGE, your PREPARATION, His VISION, your CHARACTER, your CHANGE, and your REWARDS. This study is about moving people on to God’s agenda. Join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm in the Kirk Cottage. Contact brian.snyder@gmpc.org for more details.

**GMPC Education Scholarship**

College applications are in and the acceptance letters are filling your mailboxes. Your church family could not be more excited for you. Even more, the Graham Memorial Scholarship Committee is here to encourage your continued education as you pursue the career God is calling you into. With the cost of tuition increasing every year by an average of 5%, scholarships are key to making higher education possible. Apply for the Graham Memorial Presbyterian Church Education Scholarship online at www.scholarship.gmpc.org by June 1, 2018.

**You Are Gifted**

Yes, you are gifted. God has gifted you in many different ways. Some of us are artistically gifted or mechanically gifted while others are academically minded. What about your Spiritual Gift? How has the Holy Spirit gifted you as a member of the body of Christ? All our active Elders and Deacons know their Spiritual Gifts—it’s time for you to know yours. Log onto www.spiritualgifts.gmpc.org to complete a simple 8-minute spiritual gifts survey and receive your results immediately. There are no wrong answers. Everyone passes!

**Su June 17 “Godspell”**

The music group ELATION of St. Stephen United Methodist Church in Mesquite, Texas will appear in concert at Graham Memorial on Sunday, June 17 at 7:00pm. ELATION is composed of 27 youth ranging in age from 12 to 18. The group was formed in August of 1999 and has shared “Godspell” with over 200 congregations over the past 18 years. All cast members have singing, dancing and speaking roles to help retell the parables from the Gospels in “Godspell”. The musical drama of the life of Christ is understood by the youth to be their means of conveying the message of Jesus Christ. As a result of their sincerity, “Godspell” becomes a significant worship event. We hope you can join us for a wonderful night of fun and fellowship.

**Minute for Missions**

Rick Moore, Missions Committee chair, will update us on the missions and missionaries sponsored by the church during today’s Minute for Missions. Our church helps support six missionaries, six mission organizations, mission-oriented youth projects, emergency relief efforts, short-term mission projects, and community outreach activities. Rejoice as Rick shares current information.

**A Soldier Died Today**

By A. Lawrence Vaincourt

He was getting old and paunchy and his hair was falling fast,  
And he sat around the Legion, telling stories of the past.  
Of a war that he had fought in and the deeds that he had done,  
In his exploits with his buddies; they were heroes, every one.  
And tho’ sometimes, to his neighbors, his tales became a joke,  
All his buddies listened quietly, for they knew whereof he spoke.  
But we’ll hear his tales no longer for old Bob has passed away,  
And the world’s a little poorer, for a soldier died today.

He won’t be mourned by many, just his children and his wife,  
For he lived an ordinary, very quite sort of life.

He held a job and raised a family, going quietly on his way,  
And the world won’t note his passing, though a soldier died today.

When politicians leave this earth, their bodies lie in state,  
While thousands note their passing and proclaim that they were great.  
Papers tell of their life stories, from the time that they were young,  
But the passing of a soldier goes unnoticed and unsung.

Is the greatest contribution to the welfare of our land  
A guy who breaks his promises and cons his fellow man?  
Or the ordinary fellow who, in times of war and strife,  
Goes off to serve his Country and offers up his life?  
The politician’s stipend and the style in which he lives  
Are often disproportionate, to the service that he gives.

While the ordinary soldier, who offered up his all,  
Is paid off with a medal and perhaps, a pension small.  
It is not the politicians with their compromise and ploys,  
Who won for us the freedom that our Country now enjoys.  
Should you find yourself in danger, with your enemies at hand,  
Would you want some cop-out, with his ever-shifting stand?

Or would you want a soldier, His home, his country, his kin,  
Just a common Soldier, who would fight until the end?  
He was just a common soldier and his ranks are growing thin,  
But his presence should remind us we may need his like again.  
For when countries are in conflict, then we find the soldier’s part  
Is to clean up all the troubles that the politicians start.

If we cannot do him honor while he’s here to hear the praise,  
Then at least let’s give him homage at the ending of his days.  
Perhaps just a simple headline in the paper that would say,  
“Our Country is in Mourning, A Soldier Died Today”.

**Weekly Memory Verse – Psalm 119:105**

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.