

Great Bridge Presbyterian Church  
March 9, 2025  
First Sunday in Lent ~ 11:00 am Service

Gathering Music

Opening Songs Egypt  
Battle Belongs

Welcome, Announcements

Greeting One Another

Scripture Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, OT, pg. 549 Kay Dezern, Reader

Meditation Song Redeemed by the Blood

Scripture Deuteronomy 26:1-11, OT, pgs. 180-181 Rev. Dr. Donna DeSarro-Raynal

Sermon “Giving Our Best to God” Rev. Dr. Donna DeSarro-Raynal

Responding to God’s Word with Our Tithes and Offerings

Thank you for your continued faithful stewardship to GBPC. We pray our Offerings help us to be a light in our community and around the world. Offering envelopes are available in the pews. We invite you to make your offering or pledge in one of the following ways: Place your offering in the plates as you exit the sanctuary. Visit our website at: [www.gbpres.org](http://www.gbpres.org) and click “online giving”, or scan the QR code to the right and click “GIVING.”



Affirmation of Faith Apostles’ Creed GTG, pg. 35

Celebration of Holy Communion

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer (using debts and debtors)

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.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

The congregation will take the elements together led by the pastor.  
Please come forward to receive communion elements. Ushers will serve those who prefer to remain seated. Gluten free options are available.

Closing Song Indescribable

Charge and Benediction

Sending Music Indescribable (Reprise)

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY!

Coming up!



March	9	9:30 am Traditional worship; 11:00 am Contemporary worship 10:30 am KIDS SING rehearsal 10:30 am BOOMWACKERS—KIDS AND MOMS OR DADS *11:00 am Adult Sunday School, Room 240 *11:00 am IMPACT YOUTH, Kari’s Cove *12:00 pm Youth Worship Team rehearsal, Sanctuary 1:00 pm GriefShare and DivorceCare, Rooms 240 & 230
	11	*6:30 pm Harmonious Flutes, Choir Suite *7:15 pm Alleluia Ringers, Sanctuary
	12	10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting, Room 260 12:00 pm Lunch and Learn Bible Study with Pastor Donna, Fellowship Hall 7:30 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal, Choir Suite (begins after worship service)
	13	*6:00 pm Contemporary Worship rehearsal 6:30 pm Novel Ideas Book Discussion in Room 260
	15	1:00 pm Eleanor R. Williamson 3rd Annual Piano Competition
	16	9:30 am Traditional worship; 11:00 am Contemporary worship Girl Scout Sunday and Receiving New Members
	19	12:00 pm Lunch & Learn Lenten Bible Study w/Pastor Donna, Fellowship Hall
	23	10:30 am Called Congregational Meeting

\*Denotes weekly meetings unless otherwise listed.

**WELCOME!** If you are visiting with us this morning, we are glad you are here! Please scan the QR code to register with our church. After worship stop by our Welcome Desk for a special gift and to learn more about GBPC!

**YOUTH WORSHIP TEAM:** Middle and High School age students! Sing or play an instrument? Rehearsals at 12:00 pm in the sanctuary. Contact Cathy Sturgeon for more information: [cathysturgeon@gbpres.org](mailto:cathysturgeon@gbpres.org)—INVITE YOUR FRIENDS! They do not have to be GBPC members to participate.

**NEW! LUNCH AND LEARN LENTEN BIBLE STUDY:** Beginning March 12, join Pastor Donna for a Lenten Bible Study of The Gospel of Mark in the Fellowship Hall. A soup and sandwich lunch will be served. Dates for the Bible Study are March 12, March 19, March 26, and April 2, April 9.

**GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY:** We look forward to celebrating our Girls Scouts, Troop 782, as they help lead in worship on March 16.

**CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MARCH 23:** We will meet at 10:30 am immediately following the 9:30 am worship service to hear and act on a report from the Congregational Nominating Committee to fill the remaining vacancy of Deacon.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS—MARCH 30:** On March 16 we will receive our newest GBPC members! We have several more people interested in joining the church. We will offer a New Member’s Class on March 30. Sign up in the narthex. Come and hear more about the church! Class will meet at 12:00 noon, lunch included and childcare is available.

Check our website for updates: <https://www.gbpres.org> Thank you for joining us for worship today.  
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