



Service of Worship — August 21, 2022

***“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that
Some have entertained angels without knowing it.” — Hebrews 13:2***

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Thank you for worshipping with us today.

ELDER ON DUTY: Ric Cummings

HEAD USHERS: John Gilbert

HEARING ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE. Please ask at the sound booth.

RECORD YOUR ATTENDANCE AT TODAY’S WORSHIP SERVICE WITH OUR VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE

PAD: Click this link: <https://bit.ly/GCPCattendance>, or scan the QR Code below, and it will take you to the link.



“Pray for one another” — James 5:15

We encourage you to remember the following in prayer:

All Grieving the Death of a Loved One

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses

Cancer Treatment: Bob Shadburn, Tim Hayden

Aging Challenges: Shirley Sisk

Military Service: David Zak, C.J. Bradley, Seth Lorimer, Mary E. Johnson II, Alanna Funk, Bryce Hearn, Shannon Lorimer. **All veterans, deployed military, and reservists.**

Our Mission Co-Workers: Jeff and Christi Boyd in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Leslie Vogel, PC (USA) Regional Liaison for Guatemala and Mexico.

Peace and Relief Workers; Unemployed and Underemployed; Families Struggling with Separation and Divorce; Individuals Struggling with Depression; Those Contemplating Suicide and Those Left Behind.

Heartland Presbytery Partnership of Prayer: First Presbyterian Church, Higginsville, MO

(If you have a prayer request you would like to include in the bulletin, please contact the church office at office@gcpc.org, or send to gcpc.prayers@gmail.com.)

SPOTLIGHT

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAVE MONEY, IMPROVE YOUR HEALTH, AND SAVE THE PLANET? If yes, please join us September 11 for a Lunch and Learn on the Flexitarian diet, which emphasizes eating less meat and other animal products, and more plant-based foods. Just after Sunday school ends, come and enjoy a delicious vegetarian lunch and presentation on this healthy and easy way of eating and why it has less environmental impact than a standard American diet. (The menu will include foods familiar to most midwestern palates — not just wheatgrass and tofu — and kid-friendly options as well.) Come and be part of the “We’re All in This Together” year-long study on earth care. Use this link, www.gcpc.org/lunchlearn, to RSVP by September 2 and save your spot! We’ll collect a free will offering to help defray costs (suggested \$5 per person or max \$20 per family).

DINNERS FOR 7 OR 8 (PEOPLE) ARE BACK! There are three groups to choose from. The first is dinners in the home. The second is dinners at restaurants, and the third is dinners in the home with children. These dinners provide an opportunity to get to know your church family better in a relaxed and casual way. Each group will meet once a month starting in September and finish in December or January. The dates, time and places will be determined by the members of the group. The first host will provide the main entrée and beverages. The other members will provide

the side dishes. For those dining in restaurants, the first host will select the restaurant and contact the other members of the group. If you are interested in joining one of the groups, please contact Kathy Williams, 913-485-1776 or kathykaskewilliams@gmail.com as soon as possible. The groups will be notified by August 28, so they can schedule their first dinner date.

SUNDAY MORNING REQUEST: To those who worship in person on Sundays, the Deacons have a request that will help them keep our facility clean and organized. If you use a coffee mug on Sunday mornings, we ask that you deposit the cup in one of the bus bins or the kitchen sink *by 11am*. This will allow them to be washed and put away in a timely fashion and not delay those volunteers from their other commitments. If you do not make the 11am time, we ask that you please hand wash your own mug. Thank you for helping!

CONTACTING STAFF: The office is open 8am to 4pm, M–F. To reach a staff member by e-mail:

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ADULT

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS OFFERINGS:

Follow Me: Honor God's Diversity: Two exciting new adult studies begin this week. The first class will resume study of the Follow Me curriculum. They will begin with a four week study about honoring God's diversity and look at ways to honor God and strive toward equity and justice in God's creation. This class meets in Room 3. Leadership is shared. You can join on Zoom at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83829790055?pwd=MnpSL1MwS2VBbWN0OEU5aFJGaTJLdz09>

Meeting ID: 838 2979 0055, Passcode: 723297

Faith Working Through Love: A Video Course With N.T. Wright: We are all engaged in some kind of work, whether it comes with a paycheck or not. Regardless of the kind of work you do, from bussing tables, to taking care of your home and family, to managing a business, chances are you want to find meaning in your endeavors. We will enjoy this video study with Dr. Wright from St Mary's College in the University of St Andrews, Scotland. You can join on Zoom

at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85392996196?pwd=S2UySDgveW11OWQxaGdlYy9hb2xqZz09>

Meeting ID: 853 9299 6196, Passcode: 940608

PAGETURNERS FALL KICKOFF SALAD SUPPER: Please join us September 1, 6:30pm, at Jan Cummings home (9815 Broadmoor St.) for a salad supper and a discussion of Sue Monk Kidd's

The Book of Longings. Please bring an appetizer, salad or dessert. RSVP to Jan with your selection, cjan1950@gmail.com, 913-269-4164 or FB. If you'd just like to join us for the evening feel free to drop in. All are welcome!

CHILDREN

IT'S A SMASH SUNDAY! Children K -5/6th are invited to join us for the new year as we celebrate God's amazing light through the themes we enjoyed at Vacation Bible School. SMASH meets in Heartland Hall from 4–6 pm. Please sign in at the Weekday Entrance.

CHILDREN'S MUSIC BEGINS TODAY AT 10:45AM (at the beginning of Sunday school). Joy! (4s–1st graders) meet in Room 25 and Celebration! Choir & Chimes (2nd–5th graders) meet in Room 15. Come join us in making music!

YOUTH

TODAY — BACK TO SCHOOL GATHERING AT MAIN EVENT! If you haven't registered yet, please follow the link below soon! We already have a great group going and can take more, except I will need some adult help driving to and/or from – any adults available to drive? We will leave GCPC at 3:15pm this Sunday and meet at Pine Ridge Presbyterian Church at 4pm. We will leave Main Event at 8pm so back to GCPC 8:30ish. I am heading up the event and would appreciate the help of our youth in leading the opening activities, mixers and fun, “get to know you” stuff. We will then head to Main Event to play arcade games, laser tag, bowling and more! I'm excited that we already have 45+ people coming! **Cost:** \$15 a person includes a \$10 arcade card, bowling, laser tag, high-ropes course, and two slices of pizza and a soft drink. I'm handling all the registration and payment through the Presbytery so [click here to register](#).

TODAY — SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES BEGIN! We will be hanging out with friends to find fun ways to explore just who God is and what that means for our lives? We meet at 10:45am, starting this Sunday. After games and snacks in the youth lounge, we move to 19A and will later divide into smaller age groups as appropriate.

August 28 — Kick-off Party at Miles' House! I will be hosting a youth and family fall kick-off party on August 28! It's at my house, 5750 W. 69th St. OP, KS 66204. All youth and families (including siblings) are welcome to join. We ask that you bring a side dish or dessert, and Youth Team will provide the hot dogs and hamburgers! Pat Kowalczewski is coming with her notary stamp if you have medical forms that need notarizing. (Thank you, Pat!) Please RSVP on Band to let us know if you plan on attending — we hope you will!

PRESBYTERY RETREAT SEPTEMBER 23–24 — “WHEN DID WE SEE YOU” Mark your calendars for our Heartland Youth Fall Presbytery Retreat September 23–24 at Heartland Camp. The retreat is based on Triennium's theme of “When Did We See You” and is for youth in grades 6–12! Registration opens next week!

MISSION

OUR DONATION PARTNER FOR AUGUST, SHAWNEE COMMUNITY SERVICES, is dedicated to providing food, clothing and knowledge to anyone in need. SCS is a local food pantry and free clothing resource, primarily funded by the resale of donated goods along with cash donations from local service clubs, churches, businesses and individuals. In addition to food, clothing and emergency financial assistance, SCS also empowers clients through education and development of life skills, and emphasizes respect for all people. Please assist SCS by donating an item from the list below:

- elbow macaroni;
- any flavor non-sweet cereal;
- pork and beans (vegetarian varieties too)
- canned potatoes, white whole/sliced
- canned ravioli
- any rice side dishes like Beef Rice-a-Roni, or Uncle Ben's Ready Rice or Knorr rice sides (brand names are just examples, not requirements)

Leave your donations in the Weekday Entrance bin any time before September 1. Thanks as always for your generosity and support!

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