



Service of Worship — May 15, 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: Andrew Frye

HEAD USHER: 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: Joe Hoffman

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: Stony Point Presbyterian Church, Trimble, MO; First Presbyterian Church, Warrensburg, 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

SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT: Grab your lawn chairs and blankets and meet on the west lawn on **Friday, June 10, at sunset** to watch *Encanto*. Invite your friends and family to this night of wonder and tropics! Popcorn, freeze pops, and beverages will be available. If there is rain, the event will be postponed until Friday, June 17. This movie will provide entertainment for young and old.

CAN YOU SPEAK ANOTHER LANGUAGE? We are looking for volunteers to help lead The Lord's Prayer in many languages on Pentecost Sunday, June 5. You will be asked to read one line of the prayer in whatever language you speak. We are looking for: German, Afrikaans, Polish, French, Welsh, Spanish, Dutch, Italian, Norwegian, Romanian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, or whatever language you may speak. Contact Rev. Sue, sue.trigger@gcpc.org, or Patrick Bell, patrick.bell@gcpc.org, to volunteer.

ENCOREKC! CHORUS will begin rehearsals on Monday, May 23, at 11am at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church! EncoreKC! Chorus, conducted by Mary Beth Boucher and Pam Smith Kelly, is now arts partners with GCPC and under the umbrella of ENCOREKC Foundation. Our summer concert will be on July 31 at Village on Antioch at 3pm. If you love to sing and are over 50 years

of age, this non-audition choir is for YOU! For more information, please contact Pam Kelly, Lauren Bond, Joe Hoffman, Jim Kelly, Linda Dover, or Bob Dover.

THE SANCTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR SIGN-UP POSTER is available by the coat closet. You may sign up for a Sunday to remember or honor a loved one by donating to the cost of the Chancel flowers. This year real arrangements will cost \$35-\$40. You may also choose to use a permanent arrangement for \$30; this is considered a communion offering and can be so noted on your check memo line. Thank you for enhancing our worship services.

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

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ADULT

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES CONTINUE TODAY:

- **Follow Me: Living in Community:** The Scriptures testify to the importance of community, from God’s admonition in Genesis 2:18 — that it is not good for humans to be alone—to Revelation 21 — where the vision of a new heaven and new earth is a city where God dwells with mortals. Between these first and final books in the Bible, scripture is filled with stories and teachings about life in community with God and our neighbors. What are churches but a community of believers all worshiping God and learning to live together with gospel values? Come explore these stories of community and consider how we can live them out at GPCPC. This class will meet in Room 3. You can Zoom in at: <https://tinyurl.com/yanmupj9>
- **Good Goats: Healing Our Image of God:** This is one of Rev. Sue and Mitch’s favorite resources for talking about questions of sin, hell, vengeance. Through a blending of story, scripture and theology, this book tackles these issues in such a way that readers are led to transformation and healing. Books will be available from the church office or from Rev. Sue. The book is also available on Kindle, Amazon, and other booksellers. Suggested book donation — \$8. The class will meet in Room 4. You can Zoom in at: <https://tinyurl.com/yanmupj9>

CHILDREN

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS JUNE 6–10, 9AM–12PM: At Discovery on Adventure Island VBS, your students will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time on their quest for God’s

great light. They will become explorers and discover how God's light shines on us and how we can reflect that light as we live each day. The VBS Planning Team is looking for volunteers to help with Vacation Bible School, June 6–10. Want to volunteer? Especially needed are:

- nursery volunteer
- snack coordinator for the VBS staff snacks
- snack makers for the staff
- travel guides

Contact Rev. Sue at sue.trigger@gcpc.org for more information.

VBS DONATIONS: Our VBS planning team is also looking for some donations to create an unforgettable experience on Adventure Island. If you are able to help, please check our donation board outside the Sanctuary, or check our Amazon wish list. For the next month or so, we will update both lists periodically as our plans develop. Thank you!

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1NGYVE2CF80AC?ref=wl_share

YOUTH

Sunday School: We are back to our curriculum on mental health called D.A.S.H. It stands for: Depression, Anxiety, Suicide, Hope. Mental health challenges have been at an all-time high this year, and many of us have first-hand experiences to share. We just have two weeks of Sunday school left, so we hope you will join us at 10:45! As usual there will be snacks in the youth lounge before class.

NO CONNECT FOR THE REST OF MAY: We will not be gathering as a group on Sunday evenings in May because we know this is a crazy, crazy, month with finals, concerts, athletics, Mother's Day, graduations, and more. Lindsay is now working full time as Summer Intern with Miles. We are always here for you and look forward to connecting with many of you on Sunday mornings.

BE ON THE LOOKOUT! We are looking forward to launching a new platform for youth information and communication. We will be launching a "Band" group in the coming weeks, which will allow us to centralize events, forms and communication within one app! Band allows parents and students to view potential events, RSVP with one tap, and stay up to date with important announcements. It also allows for casual conversation with GCPC youth staff if needed. In the meantime, feel free to download Band from the Appstore (there is also a web browser version) while we finalize the details. After we transition to Band, we will discontinue the gracecovenantyouth@gcpc.org website.

MISSION

CHANGES TO THE REGGIE REYNOLDS MEMORIAL FUND: At the service on Sunday, May 1, I announced some changes that will affect the Reggie Reynolds Memorial Scholarship Fund. To summarize:

- With the awards made to Maddie Passett and Logan Callender this year, the original Memorial Fund has now been completely exhausted. To that end, Session has approved a Fund-Raising Initiative to reseed the Memorial Fund that will be used for GCPC Youth in the future.
- The **Baker Family** has agreed to reassign the Memorial Fund that was created when Larry Baker passed away last summer to support this program.
- From this point forward, the Scholarship Fund will be renamed as the **Baker/Reynolds Scholarship Fund**.
- The fund-raising goal to reseed the account is set for **at least \$20,000**.
- If you wish to contribute to the fund, you may:
 - Place a check in the offering plate at church and indicate the check is for the **Baker/Reynolds Scholarship Fund** in the note on the check.
 - Mail a check to the church (indicating the Baker/Reynolds Scholarship as noted above).
 - Go to the GCPCP website (www.GCPC.org) and click on the Online Giving Link (<https://onrealm.org/gcpc/-/form/give/KKHVZUJVDW>) to make a donation directly to the church.

We have successfully provided nearly \$50,000 in scholarship funds to our youth from the initiative that was created through the Reynolds Family 17 years ago. The Baker Family has graciously agreed to jump-start this campaign. As a GCPC Member, this is your opportunity to support one of your Baptismal Promises to the youth of our church. I sincerely look forward to your enthusiastic response to this appeal to extend this program. —*Bill Turner*

“Let the children’s laughter remind us how we used to be.”

MAY DONATION PARTNER: Our donation partner in May is our own Vacation Bible School program! The VBS team is collecting supplies needed for the VBS program and students. There are two ways you can contribute.

1. Order an item off their Amazon wish list here:
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1NGYVE2CF80AC?ref=wl_share
 These items will be delivered directly to the church by Amazon.
2. Take an item from the donation board in the narthex by the library area. Bring these items to church per the instructions.

Thanks very much for your help! Together we can make VBS a fun and exciting week for kids to learn about the love of God.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR MAY IHN ROTATION! From set-up on May 1 to tear-down on May 8, we had great time hosting two single ladies, Denise and Theresa, and a mother,

Lawanda, and daughter, Ossra. We want to thank our Boy Scout Troop, our support church Indian Heights United Methodist Church, our food volunteers, our hosts, our laundry volunteers, drivers, and our team leaders (Cathy Haun, Joy Circo, Jean and Stewart Nelson, Kirk Heer, and Kevin Johnson) for coordinating tasks during the week. We also want to thank Care & Connection for having Bingo Night on Friday during our rotation. Three of our four guests joined — one had never played bingo before! And Denise enjoyed Bell Fest XXXII.

Our two single ladies are graduating at the end of this month and have signed a lease. They will be moving into their new home on June 2. We are all over the moon for ALL they have accomplished during their time at IHN. Donetta Shaner, co-primary coordinator for Asbury United Methodist Church, has kindly offered to spearhead the gathering of items of their new home. Theresa does have some things in storage, Denise does not. We have the ladies working on a list of items they will need for their new home. In addition, we have a partnership with COR Flourish Furnishings, and they will be able to pick out the big-ticket items at graduation.

Donetta has given permission to share her contact information if you have items you would like to donate to these lovely women. Donetta Shaner: H# 913-897-2488, C#913-219-7243; donetta0314@hotmail.com.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS WALK 2022: April 30 was a perfect morning to step out to fight MS. Our Grace Covenant team of two walked the fountain route at the former Sprint Campus. We raised \$825 and enjoyed being a community of supporters fighting this destructive disease. Thank you to everyone that supported our team!

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