



**Service of Worship  
August 1, 2021**

***“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.

*“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:** Kathy Jonas

**Aging Challenges:** Shirley Sisk

**Military Service:** Conner Maynard, 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:** Effingham Union Church, Effingham, KS; First Presbyterian Church, Fairfax, MO; Iglesia Manantial de Vida, La Cumbre (MQP)

(If you have a prayer request you'd like to include in the bulletin, please contact the church office at [office@gcpc.org](mailto:office@gcpc.org), or send to [gcpc\\_prayers@yahoo.com](mailto:gcpc_prayers@yahoo.com).)

## SPOTLIGHT

**NEW TIME FOR WORSHIP!** Beginning on August 22, Sunday morning worship at Grace Covenant will begin at 9:30am, with Christian education classes starting at 10:45am. This schedule will be in effect through the rest of 2021, after which it will be re-evaluated.

**CREATION CARE BUFFET — COME TO THE TABLE:** Presbyterians for Earth Care Zoom Conference, August 1, 8, & 15. The conference includes workshops, music, Bible study, worship, and follow-on activism. [Click here for detailed information.](#)

**CONTACTING STAFF:** A reminder that the GCPC church building has returned to normal operations. The office is open from 8am to 4pm, Monday through Friday; however, some staff members are continuing to work part of the time from home. The best way to reach a staff member is by e-mail:

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**HOW TO PLEDGE DURING THIS TIME:** Although we are now offering limited in-person worship, we encourage those who normally put their pledge in the offering plate each Sunday to mail their pledges to the church. The Finance Administrator will get them and see that they are deposited in a timely fashion. Of course, you may also make your pledge online by going to [gcpc.org](http://gcpc.org) and clicking "Online Giving."

## ADULT

**RACHEL/RUTH CIRCLE HAS SWITCHED TO A DAYTIME EVENT.** We will continue to meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday but at 1:30pm. We will begin with Lesson 1 on August 23 in Room 3 at the church. There has been no review other than at the National Gathering. Please let Chelly King know if you need a book: *What My Grandmother Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*, 913-634-4450 or [chelly41rn@gmail.com](mailto:chelly41rn@gmail.com).

**GCPC "AS THE PAGE TURNS"** will meet Wednesday, August 4, at 1:30 in Room 3 at the church. Book selections for 2021–22 will be made, so it's a perfect time to join us. We will be collecting personal hygiene items for "I Support the Girls KC."

**ATTENTION BOOK LOVERS!** GCPC Page Turners will meet at 7pm on Thursday, August 5, at Barb Brown's home (12337 Noland Street, OP). Page Turners meets the first Thursday evening of each month for a discussion in a variety of genres. Book selections for the 2021–2022 year will be made at the August 5 meeting, so it's a perfect time to join this fun group! Participants are asked to send suggested books including title, author, genre and a BRIEF summary of the plot to Janice Spence at [gcpcpageturners@gmail.com](mailto:gcpcpageturners@gmail.com) by August 2 ... and RSVP to Barb, [brownchat8@gmail.com](mailto:brownchat8@gmail.com), if you plan to attend the August 5 meeting.

**CALENDAR UPDATES: Second Thursday Bunco is returning!** We play Bunco on the second Thursday of each month at the church from 6:30 to 8:30pm. August 12 will be our late summer kick-off. If you are looking for a fun evening of laughter and fun, please come join us. **Third Monday Bridge is commencing!** We are going to be dealing the cards again on Monday, August 16, at 1pm at Grace Covenant. We would love to have you at one of our tables. Bring your own drink. We are signing up players and substitutes for our monthly games. *Please contact Jane Knoche, [jeknoche@att.net](mailto:jeknoche@att.net), to join either of these groups.*

**THE THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP** will meet on August 19 at 9:30am at Cheryl Johnson's house (12840 Century St.) to discuss the book *Finding God in the Margins* by Carolyn Custis James.

## YOUTH

**CONNECTING:** Keep checking your email for the date when our youth will gather to splash around the creek at Mill Creek and another one to do some Paddle Boarding/Kayaking in at Shawnee Mission Park or Lake Olathe. Stay tuned.

**RE-CONNECT AUGUST 15:** We are going to have a Connect gathering at church on Sunday evening August 15, and it will be the first one including rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders. We are planning for a bunch of fun things to kick off the year, so try to be there if possible! We will re-start regular Sunday Connect gatherings on that date — likely 6:30-8pm but our Sundays are much more flexible this fall, so we might push it earlier to give you all some homework time in the evening (not that anyone would push homework off until Sunday night).

**SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES START AUGUST 22 — SNEAK PEAK AUGUST 15:** The 22<sup>nd</sup> is the official date when we adjust our worship time to 9:30 and start classes at 10:45 in the youth space downstairs. On the 15<sup>th</sup> we still worship at 10am, but please come down after worship to hang out in the youth lounge, eat doughnuts, play foosball, etc., and meet with our leaders and each other. We expect to have separate middle school and high school groups this fall.

## MISSION

**AUGUST IHN ROTATION!** GCPC will host IHN guests for the 69th time the week of August 1–8. We'll welcome them to our lower level (temporarily converted to bedrooms), provide breakfast and coffee in the morning, and a healthy meal in the evening. Thanks to everyone who volunteers time and resources to make IHN at GCPC happen! If you would like to be involved in future hosting, we have opportunities for folks who have completed the training and those who haven't. Please contact Jane Knoche — [jeknoche@att.net](mailto:jeknoche@att.net) — for more information.

**COLLECTIONS FOR A GATHERING OF FRIENDS CONTINUE IN AUGUST!** Our plans for an August donation partner fell through, so we're going to continue collecting for A Gathering of Friends (the July donation partner). A Gathering of Friends a grassroots organization serving those experiencing homelessness and food insecurity in Johnson and Wyandotte counties. Please see the list below for what you can donate to support their mission, or the link below to their Amazon Wish list for more items. (Items ordered from the Wish List will be delivered directly to AGoF — not brought to church.) Donations can go in the Weekday Entrance bin anytime you're at church. Please note there will NOT be a Saturday morning collection event

in August — contact Mikki Walker if you have any difficulty with dropping donations off at church, and we'll make alternative arrangements.

Current needs include:

Body/Baby wipes	Pop Tarts
White athletic socks (both short & long)	Flashlights, handheld
Bug Spray	Bic Lighters
Mosquito deterrent coils	Keebler sandwich crackers, 3 flavor variety packs
1 LB Propane Bottles	QT Gift cards for gasoline, \$5, \$10, \$20
Individual oatmeal packets	

[Amazon wish list: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/DO2I2FHHFWHD?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/DO2I2FHHFWHD?ref=wl_share)

### **16TH ANNUAL REGINA REYNOLDS MEMORIAL GOLF SCRAMBLE — SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021**

- **Falcon Valley Golf Course, Lenexa, KS**
- **9-Hole Golf Scramble**
- **1:30 PM**
- **\$42.00\* covers green fee, riding cart, and prizes**

We are holding our golf scramble for the sixteenth year in memory of Regina Reynolds, a loving member who was very active in our church and who enjoyed playing in our GCPC golf outings. The Scramble was created as a way to enjoy the company of fellow GCPC Golfers and their friends in a friendly scramble event. \*While the \$42.00 covers green fee, a cart and prizes there are a few extra fees.

- A contribution to the Scholarship Fund of at least \$25 is encouraged from each player.
- Falcon Valley will charge an additional \$10 to a player that requests a private golf cart. If a player wants to drive alone, they need to notify me and include an extra \$10 in their entry fee.

Interest is already greater than last year when we were in the depths of COVID restrictions. To reserve your spot in the field, just fill out the entry form (hard copies are available at the church, or [click here](#)), enclose your check of \$42.00 (made out to Bill Turner) and mail to his address on the entry form. Your entry form and check need to be received by Bill no later than August 8, to allow enough time to set up the start times and teams.

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