Service of Worship — January 16, 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 worshiping 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: Pat Wormus, Aimee Fleeman

Cancer Treatment: Kathy Jonas

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, North Kansas City, MO; Heartland Presbytery Stated Meeting – January 22

(If you have a prayer request you’d like to include in the bulletin, please contact the church office at office@gcpc.org, or send to gcpc_prayers@yahoo.com.)
**REMINDER:** The church offices will be closed Monday, January 17, in observance of MLK Day.

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING:** Starting Tuesday, we will have a Harvesters barrel outside the wooden doors for food donation drop-offs. We will collect food donations until February 13.

**RECORD YOUR ATTENDANCE AT TODAY’S WORSHIP SERVICE WITH OUR VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE PAD:** Click this link: [https://bit.ly/GCPCattendance](https://bit.ly/GCPCattendance), or scan the QR Code below, and it will take you to the link.

![QR Code](https://example.com/qrcode)

**Per Capita Sunday, January 23, 2022**

**WHAT IS PER CAPITA?**
Per capita is an annual per member apportionment assessed by the General Assembly (Book of Order, G-3.0106), and by many synods and presbyteries, to enable Presbyterians mutually and equitably to share the ecclesiastical and administrative costs of sustaining our witness to Christ through the Presbyterian Church (USA). As one expression of commitment to God, and to the larger faith community, congregations of all sizes are called to participate. In 2022, the amount requested from each member of a Heartland Presbytery congregation is $43.07.

**CARE KITS:** Our youth packed care kits that you are free to take and pass out to people on street corners or wherever you see someone who could use one. Look for baskets between the doors of the main entrance and Weekday Entrance with Zip-lock bags full of goodies. Take as many as you desire.

**THIS YEAR’S STEWARDSHIP THEME IS, “GIFT — GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER.”** This year we ask each other to help one another out as we make plans for what we see as a wonderful opportunity to share in God’s grace. Visit [gcpc.org/gift2022](http://gcpc.org/gift2022).

**CONTACTING STAFF:** A reminder that the GCPC church building has returned to normal operations. The office is open from 8am to 4pm. To reach a staff member by e-mail:

- Rev. Sue: sue.trigger@gcpc.org
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- Patrick Bell (office admin.): patrick.bell@gcpc.org
- Tara Hyder (finance admin.): finance@gcpc.org
HOW TO PLEDGE DURING THIS TIME: Although we are now offering 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. You may also make your pledge online at gcpc.org.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS:

January 9 — February 6: Follow Me: Baptize: Remember Your Baptism; Cross the Divide; Die and Rise; Honor the Body. You can Zoom in at: https://tinyurl.com/yanmupj9

January 9 — February 20: The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism: Timothy Keller, the founding pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church (PCA) in New York City, addresses the frequent doubts that skeptics, and even ardent believers, have about religion. Using literature, philosophy, real-life conversations, and potent reasoning, Keller explains how the belief in a Christian God is, in fact, a sound and rational one. To true believers he offers a solid platform on which to stand their ground against the backlash to religion created by the Age of Skepticism. And to skeptics, atheists, and agnostics, he provides a challenging argument for pursuing the reason for God. We recommend participants use a copy of the book as well as the discussion guide. The discussion guide is available from Pastor Sue today. The books have been ordered. The book is also available on Kindle from Amazon for those who prefer an electronic copy. Get yours at: https://www.amazon.com/Reason-God-Belief-Age-Skepticism/dp/1594483493. You can Zoom in at: https://tinyurl.com/krd5pz84

YOUTH

JANUARY 16 SUNDAY SCHOOL – WE NEED YOU! Today we are going to have our Sunday school class at 10:45am – Topic: Did Jesus Know He Was God? During the class, we are going to have an exciting Chiefs pregame quiz, so you better be ready! Here is the link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5784595517?pwd=RFlwNkltcUtISVQ4czFQNXRyYUdHZz09

SUNDAY EVENING CHIEFS! We are not going to have Connect this evening, but while watching the game, we have a bingo game we can all participate in. You can use your family, friends, or whoever you are watching with to help. Download your personal bingo card at https://bingobaker.com#74d320dee416957 and text Miles 913-645-9617 when you do. Wisdom and Miles will set up a text group so we can communicate during the game. If you get a bingo you will receive a $5 Starbucks gift card from us ... and a $10 gift card if you get blackout!

MLK WEEKEND, JANUARY 17: We are excited for the MLK Monday on January 17, but this is a weird year for planning with COVID such as it is. If we get some snow this weekend, maybe we can go sledding together. Keep an eye out for updates if the ground is white.
YOUTH SUNDAY: Mark your calendars for Youth Sunday on March 6! Our seniors have determined the theme of “New Beginnings” for us and are working to develop plans a little more before turning it over to the rest of the group to plan the details.

M&M TRIP DATES: We have chosen the week of June 17–24 for our Mission & Music trip this summer. This will be for graduated 8th–12th graders. We had planned the Red Bud Reservation in South Dakota as our destination but the idea of Milwaukee is also being entertained. Do you have a preference? Let us know!

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