



**Service of Worship**  
**December 13, 2020 10:00am**

*“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:** Gary Dubois, Gail Harris, Dave Pack, Rosemary Gibson, Morgan Krug, Shirley Sisk

**Cancer Treatment:** Kathy Jonas

**Aging Challenges:** Shirley Sisk, C.J. Poirier

**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:** First Presbyterian Church, Lee's Summit, MO; New Springs Community Presbyterian Church, Lee's Summit, MO; Iglesia El Buen Pastor, San José La Viña; Heartland Presbytery Congregational Ministries Division

(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

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING WILL BE HELD TODAY** following worship for the purpose of electing Deacons.

**IN MEMORY OF OUR SISTER IN CHRIST AND LONG-TIME TEAM MEMBER SHIRLEY SAMPSON**, Mission Team has donated the remaining \$1,200 in our 2020 undesignated fund to support our 3 Mission Coworkers. Shirley was a passionate supporter of international mission work and consistent advocate for the Mission Co-Workers. We are grateful to God for her years of service on our team and to the congregation for making this memorial possible.

**NEW PRAYER REQUEST E-MAIL:** The e-mail address used to send prayer requests to the church has not been working properly. We have switched to a new address: [gcpc.prayers@gmail.com](mailto:gcpc.prayers@gmail.com). Please use this address if sending a prayer notification. Thank you, and we apologize for any "lost" mail in the past few days.

**NEED A GIFT FOR SOMEONE WHO HAS EVERYTHING?** Consider an Alternative Gift Certificate! The sale of alternative gift certificates is online this year. We have gift certificates ranging from \$1 to \$50, supporting causes from clean water in South Sudan, to stocking Rosehill Elementary with art supplies and medicines for the nurse's office. Get your Black Friday shopping done early and in your PJs — look online at [gcpc.org/Christmas](http://gcpc.org/Christmas) to see everything being offered. You can pay online through the GCPC giving portal or send a check to the church office — you'll get more instructions about how to pay once you submit your order. Send an e-mail to [michala.walker@gmail.com](mailto:michala.walker@gmail.com) with any questions! ***DEADLINE for gift certificate purchase is December 20!***

**POINSETTIA DONATIONS:** Although our worship may be different, we will still decorate the Sanctuary for the Christmas season. If you would like to be a part of the tradition of purchasing a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, please send your donation along with your name and whom the memorial/honor recognizes to the church office: GCPC, 11100 College Blvd., OPKS 66210, Attn. Patrick. (PLEASE PRINT THE MEMORIAL/HONOR NAMES NEATLY IN BLOCK LETTERS) You may also make a donation through the [online giving portal](#) of our web site. ***Deadline for names to be included in the bulletin insert is Wednesday, December 16.*** Thank you!

**CHRISTMAS EVE ONLINE SERVICES: Family Christmas Eve Worship at 5pm and Christmas Eve Worship at 8pm.** [Visit the online worship pages here.](#)

**THE GENEROSITY TEAM WOULD LIKE TO THANK** everyone involved in helping us get off to a good start with this year's "Stewart-ship" Campaign. If you haven't made your pledge yet, you can go online at <http://gcpc.org/2021pledge>, or you can call our Finance Administrator, Tara Hyder. You can also download a pledge card [HERE](#).

**CONTACTING STAFF:** A reminder that the GCPC church building is open to limited use in response to the ongoing public health emergency. Office staff members are primarily working remotely. The best way to reach a staff member is by e-mail:

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**HOW TO PLEDGE DURING THIS TIME:** During this time of online-only 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 the "Online Giving" tab.

## ADULT

Together in Advent: Adult Sunday School: 11:15 a.m. December 6–20. During Advent and Christmas we love to buy and wrap presents, send Christmas cards, and share cookies. Those are wonderful things to do, but we may become so busy with those things that we forget that Christmas is the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. In this Bible study, we will see that in the holy child of Bethlehem, God is present among us with his gifts of peace, joy, and love. Join us immediately following the Congregational Meeting (see announcement above) on Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88313024210?pwd=eDZGT2NSaE1CYUoxZ0JmWnpnemVvZz09> Meeting ID: 883 1302 4210; Passcode: GCPC2020. There is a study guide for this class. To receive a copy, please contact Rev. Sue at [sue.trigger@gcpc.org](mailto:sue.trigger@gcpc.org) or the church office at [patrick.bell@gcpc.org](mailto:patrick.bell@gcpc.org), and an electronic copy will be e-mailed to you.

## YOUTH

**SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES** are in person and from 11:30-12:15. We will plan to be in Heartland Hall focusing on the topic of Advent.

**PROGRESSIVE FIREPIT DINNER AND GIFT EXCHANGE:** This evening at 6pm we are welcoming all youth and college-age students to join us for this event! It will all take place at the church, with the dinner portion being outside around firepits and the white elephant gift exchange portion being inside and socially distanced. Wear warm clothes, and bring a chair to sit around the fire pits, as well as a \$10 gift for the white elephant exchange.

## CHILDREN

**A VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL:** This Sunday we continue our children's Sunday school classes virtually. You can find information and links on our GCPC website: <https://gcpc.org/education/children/virtual-sunday-school/> Click on 2s and 3s or 4 yrs–1st Grade to find lessons and music time. The 2<sup>nd</sup>–5<sup>th</sup> Grade class will be a live Zoom meeting at 9am on Sundays. This is a password protected meeting. Contact Rev. Sue to get the log in information at [sue.trigger@gcpc.org](mailto:sue.trigger@gcpc.org). Celebration Singers rehearsals will follow the 2<sup>nd</sup>–5<sup>th</sup> Grade lesson time. This will be part of the same Zoom meeting.

## MISSION

**DO YOU LOVE A WARM, DRY, HAPPY BABY?** So do we! Show your love by donating the following items to Argentine Baby Closet, our donation partner for December. Your generosity will help moms and babies in KCK start 2021 with all they need.

- Size 5 diapers
- Wipes
- Similac formula (with blue lid)
- New or gently used:
  - Coats and PJs-Sizes 18 months to 3T
  - Girls clothes — Sizes 12 months to 3T
  - Toddler size hats & mittens

***Drive up with your donations on December 19, 8:15–9:15 (the same time as KCK Hot Lunch drop-off) or between 1pm and 2pm.***

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