Service of Worship
February 21, 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 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: Gary Dubois, Gail Harris, Cindy Schendel, Paul Wirtz, Karen Fankhauser

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: Overland Park Presbyterian Church, Overland Park, KS; Rolling Hills Presbyterian Church, Overland Park, KS; Iglesia Filadelfia, La Esperanza (MQP)

(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.)
SPOTLIGHT

GCPC SPRING BLOOD DRIVE: The next Blood Drive is March 2, 2–6pm at the church. The Blood Center has added additional COVID-19 precautions for your safety. To make an appointment, please visit savealifenow.org/group, and enter Group Code: IM. For more information, contact Sarah Byrd.

THIS IS GRACE NEW MEMBER CLASS — February 21–March 7, 4pm via Zoom: Starting Sunday, February 21, we will host “This Is Grace” for anyone interested in learning more about Grace Covenant. The class is open to anyone and is the best way to get an overview of the church, get questions answered and discover more than you can learn from attending online worship each week. After the final session, if you want to join Grace Covenant, you will be invited to meet virtually with the Session (the governing body that oversees the ministry of the church and will be welcomed into our faith family in the official Presbyterian style at a scheduled date. If you decide you are not interested in joining, or not quite ready to join, we hope you will have a much better sense of Grace Covenant and we will continue to delight in your presence with us as a visitor and friend. For questions & to RSVP – Contact: Pastor Sue or Pastor Mitch (sue.trigger@gcpc.org or mitch.trigger@gcpc.org). Join the ZOOM meeting using Meeting ID: 878 2974 9481 and Passcode: GCPC2021.

THE GENEROSITY TEAM WOULD LIKE TO THANK everyone who has pledged to 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:

Rev. Sue: sue.trigger@gcpc.org
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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 and clicking the "Online Giving" tab.

ADULT

LEARNING TO WALK IN THE DARK: A LENTEN STUDY — February 14–March 28; 11:15am Zoom Class — Our adult Lenten study begins this Sunday and will explore the images of light and darkness in Barbara Brown Taylor’s book, “Learning to Walk in the Dark.” Taylor has become increasingly uncomfortable with our tendency to associate all that is good with lightness and all that is evil and dangerous with darkness.
In this book, Taylor asks us to put aside our fears and anxieties and to explore all that God has to teach us “in the dark.” Through darkness we find courage, we understand the world in new ways, and we feel God’s presence around us, guiding us through things seen and unseen. Often, it is while we are in the dark that we grow the most. This Zoom online class will be led by a team of members. Join us at 11:15 a.m. at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88313024210?pwd=eDZGT2NSaE1CYUoxZ0JmWnpnemVvZz09
Meeting ID: 883 1302 4210; Passcode: GCPC2020

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**CHILDREN**

FEVERUARY SMASH! ALL ABOUT GOD’S LOVE — Today, 4-6pm, K-5th grades. Have you ever wondered about what Jesus loves? Our SMASH kids will be thinking about that and more at our next SMASH Sunday event. There will be a story, games, activities, and lots of fun as we think about God’s love. Please RSVP to help us safely prepare for supplies and social distance. RSVP to Christy Soule at: christysoule@yahoo.com. We can’t wait to see you!

**YOUTH**

ICE SKATING TODAY (SUNDAY) AT 5:30PM! Meet at “The Ice at Park Place” 11565 Ash St., Leawood, KS 66211. Admission is $11 and skate rental is $4.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASS FOR YOUTH will meet as usual today at our 11:30 time slot in Heartland Hall.

YOUTH SUNDAY PLANNING — KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK! Please don’t put off any planning parts that you have been assigned. We need everything written by today so we can review and tweak as needed. Then all videos will have to be taken by the end of February so we will have time to edit. As always, please contact Miles for ideas and inspiration.

**MISSION**

FOOD DONATIONS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAVE RESUMED! Donations can be dropped off at church at one of these times: 1) Weekday mornings between 8:30am–12pm — look for the barrels marked “Catholic Charities” outside the wooden doors. 2) Tuesday evenings between 6 and 9pm, and Wednesday evenings between 5:30 and 6:50pm. Drop items in the Weekday Entrance bin. Check the church calendar to ensure music rehearsals are scheduled on the night you intend to drop your donations off, or the doors may not be unlocked! 3) The 3rd Saturday morning of each month from 8:15-9:15 (the same time as KCK Hot Lunch drop-off). A volunteer will take your donations right out of your trunk or car window! Thanks for your support!

ROSEHILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WILL BE THE DONATION PARTNER FOR FEBRUARY. Requested donations include: hand sanitizers, Kleenex, copy paper, "Treasure Box" reward items such as: bouncy balls, fun pencils, sticker sheets, erasers, and yo-yos, and other small toys. $5.00 coffee shop gift cards are also requested for the schoolteachers. Please drop off your donations at church for on Feb. 20 between 8:15-9:15 AM (the same time as KCK Hot Lunch drop-off). Although the building remains mostly closed, you can also drop donations in the weekday entrance bin if you’re at church for a music rehearsal or other event. If you would like to donate items but need an alternate drop-off arrangement, contact Mikki Walker at michala.walker@gmail.com.
FEBRUARY COMMUNION OFFERING RECIPIENT: Rosehill Elementary will also be the recipient of our Communion Offering in February. Communion offering can be given at any point during the month using one of the following methods:

1) Online – Just choose the “Communion Offering” fund on the payment portal and enter the desired amount.
2) By Mail – mail a check to church with “Communion Offering” in the subject line.

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