



## Service of Worship — October 17, 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.

**ELDER ON DUTY:** Andrew Frye

**USHERS:** Richard & Berdine Eby

**HEARING ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE.** Please ask at the sound booth.

*“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:** Richard & Rosemary Gibson

**Cancer Treatment:** Kathy Jonas

**Ageing 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:** NorthEastminster Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO; Northminster Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO; Iglesia Apocento Alto, Palomora (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

**THE SMOKE-OFF IS COMING!** Preparations continue for the Great GCPC Smoke-off on Saturday, October 23! Plan to join us for this fun potluck! Please bring a dish or two to share (salad, side dish, dessert). We have several smokers/grillers signed up, but we can always use more. You can also grill or smoke your food at home and then bring it up for the competition if you choose. Please contact Tom Stroud, [thomas.w.stroud@gmail.com](mailto:thomas.w.stroud@gmail.com) or 913-515-0591, if you can join the cooking brigade. We are blessed to have Christopher Callender and his musician friends ready to entertain us with bluegrass music before the meal. Proceeds from your cash votes for best BBQ will be donated to Heifer International. The bluegrass band will start playing at 4:15pm and folks (other than smokers and grillers) can come up and sit in their lawn chairs anytime after 4pm. The live music will stop when we adjourn to Heartland Hall for voting and dinner at 5:30pm. If you have questions, please call Teresa Ilten, 913-515-1087.

**DONATIONS FOR SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** GCPC would like to bring back the tradition of celebrating anniversaries, birthdays, the remembering of loved ones, or any special event, with flower arrangements for Sunday morning worship. The cost is \$35–\$40, whether the flowers are real or a beautiful faux arrangement made and donated by Linda McMaster. If you would like to donate, please contact Chelly King at [chelly41rn@gmail.com](mailto:chelly41rn@gmail.com) (rn not m) or 913-634-4450. (Note, the number in the last directory is no longer correct.) Please provide: occasion, which type of flower arrangement (real or faux), date, and memorial/honorarium name. The check can be made payable to GCPC with real or arrangement in the memo line and can be mailed or dropped off in the wooden box in the sanctuary as you enter or leave the service. If you order real flowers, please feel free to take them with you after church. Orders for real flowers must be placed by the Monday before the next Sunday. Thanks! —*Chelly King*

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

Rev. Sue: [sue.trigger@gcpc.org](mailto:sue.trigger@gcpc.org)  
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Patrick Bell (office admin.): [patrick.bell@gcpc.org](mailto:patrick.bell@gcpc.org)  
Tara Hyder (finance admin.): [finance@gcpc.org](mailto:finance@gcpc.org)

**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

**SHALOM: FINDING PEACE IN THE BIBLE** is a six-week adult Bible study led by Kevin Johnson, which will be loosely taken from the Kerygma study "Shalom: A study of the Biblical Concept of Peace." We will look at the theological dimensions of peace as God's intention for this world, our continuing hope for peace, and

our call to be peacemakers. Please bring your Bibles and a pen! The class will meet in **Room 4 at 10:45am**, or join via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/krd5pz84>. **Resumes October 24.**

**FOLLOW ME — BIBLICAL PRACTICES FOR FAITHFUL LIVING:** A living faith is so much more than simply believing in God. Jesus called all sorts of people to follow him to God, showing concrete ways to love God and one another. Together we will learn about the Jesus practices that have shaped the church. Participants will practice seeing Christ in every person and discover their own gifts of hospitality. This adult class will meet in **Room 3 at 10:45am**. Or join via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/yanmupj9>. **Resumes October 24.**

**THANK OFFERING:** Presbyterian Women is collecting funds for the Thank Offering, which provides much-needed financial assistance for real solutions in the areas of health, education, economic development and the needs of women and children. The recipients are a mix of six domestic and three international projects, but all meet crucial needs. At least 40 percent of this offering funds health ministries, often helping the most marginalized members of God's community. The remaining percentage supports new or expanded projects and small capital improvement projects. Donations will be collected through November.

## CHILDREN

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** Get your costumes ready, find your favorite treat collection container, and get ready for games, activities, and trunk or treats Sunday, October 24, 4-5:30pm. Weather permitting all will be held outside in the parking lot. Rain or snow? We'll move inside. (Watch for details about how we can set up trick or treat stations inside the building if weather prevents an outdoor event.) We need Trunks and Treats for this event. If you would like to set up your car and pass out treats you provide or donate candy for games and prizes, please sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A45A4A722A4FC1-trunk1> or contact Rev. Sue at [sue.trigger@gcpc.org](mailto:sue.trigger@gcpc.org).

## YOUTH

**WORKSHIP SUNDAY IS TODAY!** Miles, Wisdom and Adrianna will be wading in the creek pulling out trash and you (youth and adults) are encouraged to join us. There are several other meaningful and valuable Workship projects that you can do too. If you didn't get signed up, please come at the last minute. You will not be turned away. Wear shoes and clothes that can get wet and dirty, and bug spray is a good idea. We will provide rubber gloves and trash bags. We are coming back to church for pizza afterwards. This will be our Connect activity for the day, so we won't be meeting in the evening. Let us know if you need a ride.

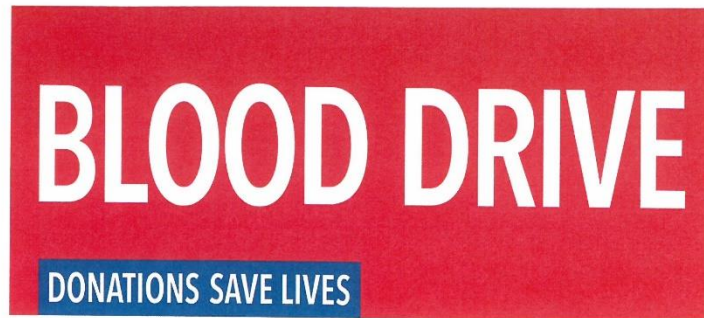
**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY!** We will be back to our regular schedule next week.

**ESCAPE ROOM AND CHIEFS HANGOUT LAST SUNDAY:** Just FYI, everyone escaped alive last week and cured the staff who had turned to Zombies! Thanks guys, I feel much better now!

**HOMELESS NIGHT!** Plans are coming together for our Homeless Night event, and friends are welcome. We may even invite another youth group to join. Expect the unexpected, but plan to spend the night outside in a cardboard box. We will have a registration form available soon!

## MISSION

**IHN VOLUNTEER TRAINING:** Do you want to be part of the solution to homelessness in Johnson County? Come to IHN Volunteer Training, which is scheduled for Wednesday, October 27, from 6:30 promptly to 8:30pm at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS. Also, please let Jane Knoche, GCPC IHN Primary Coordinator, know if you are attending or have questions.



**Grace Covenant  
Presbyterian Church  
Wednesday, October 20th  
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM  
Heartland Hall  
11100 College Blvd.**

Book your appointment today at [savealifenow.org/group](https://savealifenow.org/group), enter **Group Code: IM**. For additional details contact Sarah Byrd at (913) 909-1559 or [swbyrdks@gmail.com](mailto:swbyrdks@gmail.com).

**Medical eligibility questions? Call 1.800.688.0900**

Appointments are preferred.  
Masks are required regardless of vaccination status.  
For full list of COVID-19 safety protocols, visit [savealifenow.org/coronavirus](https://savealifenow.org/coronavirus).



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