



Service of Worship — January 22, 2023

*“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: Melanie Townsend

HEAD USHER: Eric Burdette

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

RECORD YOUR ATTENDANCE AT TODAY’S WORSHIP SERVICE WITH OUR VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE

PAD: Click this link: <https://bit.ly/GCPCattendance>, or scan the QR Code below, and it will take you to the link.



PLEDGE PORTAL 2023:



"Pray for one another" — James 5:15

We encourage you to remember the following in prayer:

All Grieving the Death of a Loved One: Meredith Watson in the death of her father.

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses: Shirley Faulwell, Rebecca Prater

Cancer Treatment: Bob Shadburn, Tim Hayden

Aging Challenges

Military Service: David Zak, C.J. Bradley, Seth Lorimer, Mary E. Johnson II, Alanna Funk, Shannon Lorimer, Clara Frye. **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: New Horizon Presbyterian Church, Odessa, MO; Maya Quiché Presbytery meeting, January 26–27; Honorably Retired Ministers of the Word and Sacrament.

(If you have a prayer request you would like to include in the bulletin, please contact the church office at office@gcpc.org, or send to gcpc.prayers@gmail.com.)

SPOTLIGHT

GOOD FAITH NETWORK — WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! If you attended the January 15 Sunday school class on the Good Faith Network with Pastor Laura Guy, we want your feedback! Should GCPC join the Good Faith Network in 2023? Taking up this membership would require a small number of volunteers:

- handful of team leaders to
 - organize annual listening sessions (this could likely be done during the Sunday School hour)
 - Attend 4 annual events related to the Good Faith Network's annual process, illustrated in the attachment.
- 2 volunteers to serve on the Network's board - the board meets every other month by Zoom

In addition to these specific volunteer jobs, any member of a participating congregation is welcome and encouraged to attend the Nehemiah Action meeting in May, where the Good Faith Network talks with county officials and tries to get commitments from them to address identified

problems and solutions. Congregational feedback is essential to the recommendation that will be made to Session on whether GCPC should join or not. We especially would like to hear from anyone who would be willing to perform one of the jobs listed above. Please direct all feedback and questions to Mikki Walker at michala.walker@gmail.com (or just talk to Mikki in person on a Sunday morning!) by February 4. (See the graphic at the end of these announcements.)

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church will be Sunday, January 29, immediately following worship. There will be nursery for our infants through pre-school age children in Room 22. K-5/6th grade students will enjoy activities in the youth café and Youth Room 19a downstairs in the east wing. Children's Team members will supervise. There will be no Sunday school.

THE NEW FLOWER SIGN-UP CALENDAR IS UP IN THE CONCOURSE. Please sign up on the Sunday you want flowers and the occasion. I will call and get more details as to real or permanent display and color options if available. There is an increase in cost for the real flowers from \$40 to \$45. The permanent remains at \$30. Thank you for continuing to beautify our sanctuary. Any questions please contact Chelly King, chelly41RN@gmail.com.

WORSHIP HELP: IF YOU HAVE EVER ATTENDED WORSHIP ONLINE USING FACEBOOK, you may have seen worship prompts and comments from GCPC. They are written and entered by Kim Krueger, who has been doing this *every week* since COVID started! Kim needs some help. It is not a hard job but does require you to attend online and enter the comments in real time. You must use a desktop computer, or laptop; this can't be done via a cell phone. If you are willing to do this occasionally, please contact Kathy Bures, 913.302.1755 or kathy.bures@gmail.com, or Kim Krueger, kimgoeckler@outlook.com.

GCPC WEEKEND CRAFTERS IS HOSTING A WINTER RETREAT, and REGISTRATION CLOSES TONIGHT. Our event will take place at GCPC on Friday, January 27, 6–10pm, and we'll meet again on Saturday, January 28, 9am–3pm. You can find more details and a registration form at gcpc.org/crafter. Please contact Christy Soule if you have any questions, christysoule@yahoo.com or 913-461-8009.

CONTACTING STAFF: The office is open 8am to 4pm, M–F. To reach a staff member by e-mail:

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ADULT

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: Join us TODAY as we learn about Grace Covenant's path to becoming an Earth Care Congregation. We will be conducting our 13th year renewal audit and NEED YOU to help us obtain the numbers we need to for recertification. We welcome all of the congregation to be part of this. We are also inviting anyone on one of these teams, Worship, Education, Outreach/Mission or Facilities to come and contribute. You will have information that will contribute to the audit from activities your team has done this year. Meets in the Sanctuary following worship. You may Zoom in using the [worship link](#).

PAGETURNERS WILL MEET FEBURARY 2, 7PM at the home of Kathy Bures, 7131 Caenen Ave., Shawnee, to discuss *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid. All are welcome! Reading the book is recommended, but not required. Please RSVP to Kathy at kathy.bures@gmail.com or 913.302.1755.

CHILDREN

AWAKENING TO WORSHIP CONTINUES TODAY for children ages 4–1st grade. Children depart with leaders from the Sanctuary following the time with children. Parents may pick up their children in Room 12 on the lower level following worship.

YOUTH

RECONNECT LUNCHESES: As mentioned last week, we have added several Reconnect events to the winter/spring schedule and are in need of some lunch providers! Please help if you can! We need lunch for roughly 10 people on February 5, 19, & 26. Please sign in to one of those weeks on our Band App if you can help.

- Click here if you are already a member of our Band group [GCPC Youth | BAND](#)
- Click here if you still need to join the Band <https://band.us/n/adac7biec2U6W>

RECONNECT THIS SUNDAY! This Sunday we will have Reconnect from 10:45am to 12:45pm. We will be finishing up the movie Prince of Egypt!

SOUPERBOWL OF CARING: This year we have decided to collect food in the sanctuary in front of the communion table so all of our worshipers can see our collection even if they are worshipping online. Youth, if you see anyone walking into church with food for our collection and you can help them get it to the front of the church that would be appreciated. Artistic food stacking is totally fair game.

SUPERBOWL PARTY: Please plan for a youth Superbowl party on February 12! We are still seeking a host, but Ronda has agreed to help me (Miles) host at my house if nobody else has a home available for our amazing group.

SUMMER TRIPS: We are behind schedule with planning for our summer trips. Some trip options require quite a bit of planning and others fill up so it's time to get into high gear. This year that process starts with me taking a poll to check on the interest level and availability of our group. The opportunities we pursued in the past may or may not be right for us this year so I'm putting several options on the table to choose from. Youth families, please look for a separate e-mail from me (Miles) explaining the different options. I would appreciate a response to that message from each and every one of you before the end of January, so I know how to plan.

MISSION

OUR UPCOMING IHN HOST WEEK IS FEBRUARY 5–12. Sign-ups for meals, set up and tear down of our lower level rooms, and laundry help have been published and sent out by the GCPC office. We always ask our trained volunteers to help host our evening and overnight. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Knoche, jeknoche@att.net. We appreciate the support of our congregation in providing a week of housing, meals, and transportation to guests.



"What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God?"
- Micah 6:8

OUR ANNUAL PROCESS

4 MAIN EVENTS



The Good Faith Network builds a collective voice so large it can't be ignored.

We organize and use that voice to advocate for changes that address the root cause of our community's most pressing problems.

Who is the Good Faith Network?

- Aldersgate United Methodist Church
- Asbury United Methodist Church
- Atonement Lutheran Church
- Congregation Beth Shalom
- Congregation Beth Torah
- De Soto United Methodist Church
- First Baptist Church of Overland Park
- First Christian Church - Olathe
- First Lutheran Church
- Gospel Outreach Center
- Grace United Methodist Church
- Heartland Community Church
- Heritage United Methodist Church
- Indian Heights United Methodist Church
- Islamic Center of Johnson County
- Old Mission United Methodist Church
- Overland Park Presbyterian Church
- Redemption Church
- Resurrection - A United Methodist Church
- Salem Lutheran Church
- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
- St. Mark's United Methodist Church
- St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church
- St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church
- Unity Church of Overland Park

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