



Service of Worship — November 13, 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 worshipping with us today.

ELDER ON DUTY: Terri Monrad

HEAD USHERS: Ashley Jeffries & Bert Benton

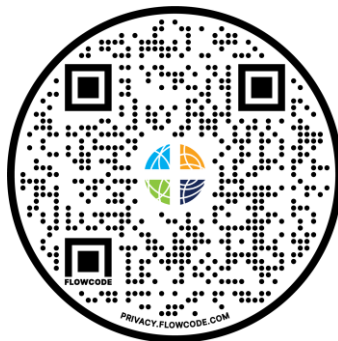
HEARING ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE. Please ask at the sound booth.

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

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses

Cancer Treatment: Bob Shadburn, Tim Hayden

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

(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

THANKSGIVING EVE AT GCPC: FELLOWSHIP, FOOD & WORSHIP! WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Thanksgiving begins a month of real appreciation and fellowship for all of us at Grace Covenant. As has been the tradition at GCPC, we will begin by having a **Chili Supper on Thanksgiving Eve, November 23, at 5:30pm**. We ask all of us willing to share our chili-making skills with each other to go online to SignUp Genius at: <https://tinyurl.com/a55ehskj>, or call the church office or Kathy Bures, 913-302-1755, to let us know what you'll be bringing. We need chili, toppings, cornbread, cookies, etc. Volunteers are also needed for set-up and clean-up. Following the chili supper in Heartland Hall, we'll move to the **Sanctuary at 6:45pm for Gathering Music by our Dixieland Band and then share a worship service at 7pm**, focused on our thanks and gratitude to God and one another.

THE RED BAG CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS are in the hallway between the Concourse and Heartland Hall. Sign up and help make Christmas brighter for a foster child. To help, simply select the gift(s) you will provide, fill in your name, phone number and e-mail address beside it and take the Post-it Note reminder. (Tip: Take a photo of your Post-it Note in case you lose it!) Then, **BEFORE Sunday, November 27**, bring the **wrapped** gift back to church **with the Post-it Note attached** and

place it in the large boxes provided. Call Angela Krug (913-449-3916) for more information (or if you lost your note!). If you would like to have the youth wrap your present for a small freewill donation that will benefit the Red Bag program, you may drop your present in the box for unwrapped presents. PLEASE make sure your post it note is securely attached to your unwrapped present! Your freewill donation can be handed either to Angela Krug or Miles McDonald or put in the offering plate with a memo of "Red Bag wrapping fundraiser." ***Our sewers have again made stockings for all our Red Bag children! Please take one from the box under the table if you sign up to provide a stocking for one of the children.

NOISY OFFERING FOR ARTS IN PRISON: Got lots of change weighing down your pockets? Bring it to worship **November 20**, and toss it in the Noisy Offering! A Noisy Offering is when the children of the congregation walk among the pews with coffee cans to collect spare change. We then donate the collected coins to a charitable organization. The November 20 offering will go to Arts in Prison. Arts in Prison uses the arts to inspire positive change in the incarcerated, to reduce recidivism, and to reconnect offenders with their communities. They bring classes in performing arts, visual arts, communication, yoga, choral singing and writing to prison inmates; recidivism rates among Arts in Prison participants are much lower than among the general prison population. GCPC has hosted concerts for the East Hill Singers — formed of Arts in Prison participants at Lansing Correctional Facility — several times in the past. Please bring your spare change and be a part of this GCPC tradition!

THE ADVENT FAIR WILL BE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, AT 10:30AM. We need volunteers to set up for the Advent Fair on Saturday, November 19, at 3pm and to clean up after the fair. To sign up for either, go to the SignUp Genius at:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A45A4A722A4FC1-advent>

TACTILE QUILT WORKDAY: Join us November 19, 10am–noon, in Room 3, as we sew notions onto fabric and assemble into 18" lap quilts for memory care patients. Nothing complicated here — please bring your sewing machine and thread — everything else will be provided. RSVP to Donna Heer at taxdheer@gmail.com.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A SCRIPTURE READER and do not get the SignUp Genius e-mail, please contact Meredith Watson, 816.289.6648 or mere_watson@hotmail.com. You do not have to be able to get on the chancel to read scripture, you can read from the floor.

FEELING CHILLED? During these early fall weeks as the temperature fluctuates outside between warm and cold, it may be cool in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings. You will find throw blankets in baskets in the back pew. Please use these as needed.

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 CLASSES CONTINUE TODAY, FOLLOWING WORSHIP:

Follow Me: Seasons of the Church Year, Room 3

The Follow Me Class will be putting their hands this week to work to assist with some simple alterations to the choir robes. If you would like to help, join the group in Room 3.

Transgender 101, Room 4

At GCPC we are committed to continuously growing its expression of diversity, equity, and inclusion, and a core facet of that commitment is creating a community that fully welcomes and respects our transgender and non-binary family. Starting with the practice of using inclusive language, we believe in making progress together toward a future where every person is respected, empowered, and always able to be who they truly are. This class will offer tips and resources to help participants to interact respectfully with transgender individuals. You can join via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/mvzv5b8t>
Meeting ID: 838 1523 7214 Passcode: GCPC2022

Discover How You Can Impact the Environment Through Composting

11:45am, Room 3

Join Brandon Hearn as he shares the hows and whys of home composting. We will order pizza for all participants so please sign up so we order enough. Sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A45A4A722A4FC1-were>

YAFS PROGRESSIVE DINNER IS TODAY, 4–7:30pm. We'll start with appetizers at one member's home, move to main course at another, and finish up with dessert at another! To sign up contact: Emily Hussey at ekthussey@gmail.com. Find us on Facebook: GCPC Young Adults & Families.

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.

OUR ELEMENTARY SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM (GRACE MAKERS) has a new computer lab where our students will explore Bible stories and more. We are in need of 10 headphone sets and three mice (battery or wired). If you would like to donate headphones and/or a mouse, please drop them off at the church office or give to Rev. Sue. Thank you!

YOUTH

WE HAVE OUR ANNUAL HOMELESS night coming up on Saturday, November 19, through Sunday, November 20. All youth from 6th through 12th grade are invited to join us for a safe sleep out in our church parking lot. Invite friends and come join us to learn more about homelessness. We will meet at the church at 6pm and pick-up will be at 8am on Sunday. We will not have a Sunday morning class; however, the Advent Fair is after worship, so hopefully you will be awake enough to participate. We cannot do this event without five or more students, so please RSVP using the link below:

<https://band.us/band/87628866/schedule/4%2F87628866%2F201268321%2F19700101>

RECONNECT FOR NOVEMBER 27! Our last Reconnect of November will be Sunday the 27th. Join us for the wrapping of Red Bag gifts, a short lesson, games, and lunch. We will meet from 10:45am to 12:45pm. We hope to see you all there.

Progressive Dinner Dates: If you have not responded to our inquiry about progressive dinner dates please respond ASAP or just answer which of the following dates, you (or your child) will *NOT* be able to attend?

- December 11
- December 18
- January 8

MISSION

IHN IN NOVEMBER: Today we conclude a week of hosting guests from the Interfaith Hospitality Network. Thank you again to all who have helped support this ministry.

VOLUNTEER TO HELP THE HUNGRY AT HOPE FAMILY CARE CENTER — NOVEMBER 21. Many members of GCPC have been volunteering with the Renewed Hope Food Pantry at New Haven SDA in recent months. We have an extra service opportunity with them on the afternoon of November 21. Renewed Hope's mobile kitchen will be traveling to Hope Family Care Center (3027 Prospect Ave., KCMO). Volunteers will meet at Renewed Hope (8714 Antioch in Overland Park) at 2:30pm. The bus will arrive at Hope Family Care Center by 3:30 and volunteers will start serving the meal at 4:00. (Volunteers should plan on driving or carpooling — the bus is not a passenger bus!) The meal service will end between 5:00 and 5:15, the bus will travel back to the pantry, and unloading should be complete by 6:30. Please use the link below or the VOMO app to sign up for this opportunity! We're hoping to have six volunteers initially; if there is interest from more than six people, we may be able to expand the opportunity.

<https://app.vomo.org/project/63588b943e223>

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