



Service of Worship

August 23, 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, Carl Blomgren, Shirley Sampson, Gail Harris, Bill Harris, Jack Weyforth, Linda McMaster

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, Holden, MO; Iglesia Salem, La Cumbre; Heartland Presbytery Commission on Preparation for Ministry Moderator, The Rev. Nikki Cooley.

(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

JOIN US FOR "GRACE + FAMILY = A VIRTUAL CONCERT OF HOPE" TODAY, August 23, at 6pm. This special concert will be on Facebook and Zoom and feature performances by GCPC members in song, instrument, spoken word, and visual arts. It will also feature your "Porch Portraits." Learn more at www.gcpc.org/hope. Be sure to upload your porch portrait here: www.gcpc.org/porch.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP DURING THESE CHALLENGING TIMES.

1. Through the generosity of members and the church, we are able to assist those who have lost their jobs, been furloughed, or are struggling due to the COVID-19 pandemic. If you need help, please contact Revs. Sue or Mitch at sue.trigger@gcpc.org or mitch.trigger@gcpc.org.
2. We have members who are making masks. If you need a mask for wearing out in public, please contact Rev. Sue at her e-mail above.

CONTACTING STAFF: A reminder that the GCPC church building is closed to all activities and meetings in response to the current public health emergency. Office staff members are working remotely. The best way to reach a staff member is by e-mail:

Rev. Sue: sue.trigger@gcpc.org

Rev. Mitch: mitch.trigger@gcpc.org

Rebecca Prater (music dir.): rebecca.prater@gcpc.org

Miles McDonald (youth dir.): miles.mcdonald@gcpc.org

Patrick Bell (office admin.): patrick.bell@gcpc.org

Tara Hyder (finance admin.): finance@gcpc.org

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.

ADULTS

THE 15TH ANNUAL REGGIE REYNOLDS GOLF TOURNAMENT AND FUND RAISER: If there are any of you who would like to contribute to the Reggie Reynolds Scholarship Fund, but can't or don't want to join us in the Golf Outing, you can use this link (from the GCPC Website) to make a donation. <https://onrealm.org/gcpc/Give/BAONYAHDPX> Thanks for your support!

COPING AND HOPING THROUGH THE TIME OF COVID: Join Cindy Schendel and Jean Hampton for this 4-session Zoom class that started Sunday, August 16, at 11:15 am. Using thoughtful materials from Duke Divinity Professor Kate Bowler, we will explore ways to manage our reactions and needs during these

pandemic times, while looking for God's presence through it all. Please use this ZOOM link to join us: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88384512829?pwd=YkxPdWNPmkF2OFJ6YXRmWk5hcFlzd09>

YOUTH

LAKE OLATHE – END OF SUMMER YOUTH EVENT! We are wrapping up our Summer GCPC youth gatherings with an event at Lake Olathe (445 S. Ward Cliff Dr. Olathe, KS 66061)! Swim at the beach, play on the floating obstacle course in the aqua park, and rent kayaks, paddle boards etc. We each need to reserve a 2 hour window of time Thursday, Friday, or Saturday next week so please follow this link before Monday morning to share your availability: <https://doodle.com/poll/9zwum4fsugstwmwy>. We will announce the chosen time on Monday then will each need to register for our time individually. [Click here for the link to poll.](#)

RENEWED HOPE FOOD PANTRY DRIVE THROUGH: Thanks to everyone who helped with the mobile pantry on Tuesday. It was actually really fun in addition to being kind of intense. Approximately 400 cars drove through representing about 600 families! There is a BIG need these days and it was good to help at least a little.

REMIND: We regularly send out text updates for upcoming events using our Remind account. If you are a GCPC youth or parent and are not getting these, [please sign up here.](#)

CHILDREN

KDO: It is with great sadness that we announce the closure of the GCPC Kid's Day Out program. The impact of the coronavirus on enrollment has made the school unsustainable and the Session voted to close after much careful discussion. We are so grateful for the 26 years of wonderful service given by our director, Kathy Connor, and the teachers. Many children have begun their educational journey at KDO and give thanks for the years of nurture the program has provided. Please keep our KDO staff and families in your prayers.

MISSION

NEW COORDINATOR NEEDED FOR UPLIFT MEALS: The PageTurners book group has prepared meals for Uplift, a KC homeless relief agency, for nearly 30 years. Lee Mattix is retiring from her long service as coordinator of those efforts — thank you, Lee! ***GCPC's participation in this ministry will end unless a new coordinator is found.***

The coordinator would organize the work of many volunteers to plan, shop for, and prepare a casserole-type meal in the church kitchen, and then deliver it in thermal containers (provided by Uplift) on the 4th Saturday of each month. The funding is provided as part of the Mission Team budget. Lee would share the benefit of her experience and provide her extensive notes and expertise to the new coordinator, plus many of the members of PageTurners would continue as volunteers (although new volunteers are also needed and welcome).

Please contact Mikki Walker at michala.walker@gmail.com if you are interested in this important mission work.

DOUBLE DRIVE-UP DROP-OFF – AUGUST 29: Please mark your calendars for August 29 from 11am to 1pm, when we'll be holding a drive-up donation drop-off event for Catholic Charities and Soles4Souls. Bring your lawn chairs and masks for some socially distant socializing AND FREE ICE CREAM TREATS after you drop off your stuff! You can also bring any Best Choice labels you've saved.

Catholic Charities is our August donation partner, and we are collecting non-perishable food to be donated to the food pantry at the Family Support Center in Overland Park. The following items are requested: canned vegetables, canned soups, peanut butter, canned chicken and tuna, low-sugar cereals, macaroni and cheese, pasta, and snack bars.

Also, please search your closets for shoes and boots you no longer need to donate to Soles4Souls. See announcement following this one.

Finally, the Argentine Baby Closet is completely out of formula (Similac with the blue lid is preferred) and size 4 and 5 diapers. If you'd like to help them restock, we can collect these items as well and get them to ABC.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: There is a great volunteer opportunity and it's associated with Harvesters Community Food Network — Renewed Hope Food Pantry. It is located at New Haven SDA Church at 87th/Antioch. They have organized a food pantry and vehicle drive thru. The biggest need for volunteers is every Tuesday morning (2 shifts available) and a smaller need for Fridays and Sundays. Usually they're short some 20 volunteers every Tuesday which makes serving some 600 hungry families a challenge. If you'd like more information on volunteering, contact renewedhopefoodpantry@gmail.com Questions? Please call Knute Rosche, 913-486-0774.

SHOE CHALLENGE! Here is your opportunity to partner with KAIROS and send those extra shoes to Soles4Souls. Kairos began collecting shoes when an earthquake hit Haiti in January of 2010. Since that first delivery of over 500 pairs, we have delivered/shipped over to 8,000 pairs of shoes, boots, slippers, heels, littles, etc.! As of last week in 2020 alone, we have shipped over 200 pairs. We can double this number and more by joining with Mission Team and bringing those shoes to GCPC on Saturday, August 29, for a Drive-Up, Drop Off collection (see above announcement). Questions? Contact Jo Randolph, jrandolph4407@gmail.com.