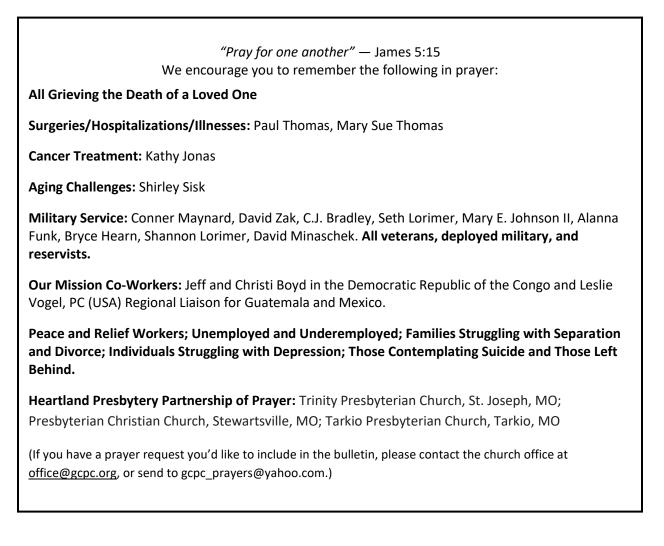


Service of Worship May 2, 2021

"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.



SPOTLIGHT

WORSHIP UPDATE: The Session has approved returning to in-person worship, beginning Sunday, May 23, 2021. There will be one service at 10am. We will also continue our online broadcast at the same time. Detailed information on the service and how to reserve a seat (reservations will be required to keep the attendance numbers within approved guidelines) will be available on our website and in our newsletter. Please be aware that if there are significant negative changes in the pandemic statistics in Johnson County, this date could be altered. Thank you for your continued support and prayers during this time.

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: <u>sue.trigger@gcpc.org</u> Rev. Mitch: <u>mitch.trigger@gcpc.org</u> Rebecca Prater (music dir.): <u>rebecca.prater@gcpc.org</u> Miles McDonald (youth dir.): <u>miles.mcdonald@gcpc.org</u> Patrick Bell (office admin.): <u>patrick.bell@gcpc.org</u> Tara Hyder (finance admin.): <u>finance@gcpc.org</u>

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

A NEW ADULT EDUCATION STUDY CONTINUES THIS SUNDAY! Revitalization study April 25–May 16 at 11:15am on Zoom. Join us as we embark on an honest conversation about GCPC, sharing unique stories, confessing our realities and discerning the Spirit's call. Each week our leaders will guide us through Bible study, reflection and conversation that will help us as we work to revitalize the church on missional action and faithful discipleship in Jesus Christ throughout our neighborhoods, our nation and the world.

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87220845770?pwd=aFc2OURNb1I4ZEtzcEk4NS9SbkxzQT09 Meeting ID: 872 2084 5770 Passcode: GCPC2021

YOUTH

YOUTH AND FAMILY CANOE TRIP — **JUNE 18-19!** We have heard from enough of you now to set a date for our Youth and Family Canoe Trip! We will travel in separate cars down to Mac's Creek in the Ozarks on Friday the 18th and will camp overnight. On Saturday we will paddle down the great Niangua River in

canoes and kayaks. Camping overnight on the 19th is a possibility that we will decide as a group or possibly make it optional.

LAST WEEK OF CONNECT UNTIL SUMMER. May is a crazy month for our schedules so we are going to end our Sunday evening Connect meetings this Sunday. We hope you can come! At 5:30pm we will meet at church, starting downstairs in our youth space. We will have activities inside and, weather permitting, outside as well.

HARD QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BIBLE: Sunday School will continue to meet back in our youth space downstairs. This week we will dig into some of the hard questions we have about the Bible and how we interpret them. Please come if you can at 11:30. We will not meet next Sunday (Mother's Day).

SUMMER DATES: Mark your calendars for June 21–25 for our presbytery wide local mission experience week. We will likely take a trip to the Montreat Youth Conference for rising high school 9th–12th graders plus college freshmen. At this point July 10–17 and July 17–24 look like our best weeks. We will make the decisions when we hear from more interested people.

MISSION

OUR MISSION COMMUNION DONATION PARTNER FOR MAY IS SHAWNEE COMMUNITY SERVICES, a local food pantry and free clothing resource since 1982. We asked their President Sylvia Terry what their greatest food need is in May. She responded:

- canned fruit
- Knorr pasta sides
- potato side dishes such as mashed, scalloped, or au gratin packets
- rice side packets
- Peanut Butter

Please bring your donations to the Weekday Entrance and place them in the Communion donation bin. Or bring them on Saturday, May 22, from 8:15 to 9:15am during the KCK Hot Lunch drop-off.

FOOD DONATIONS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES: We continue to collect food donations for Catholic Charities! Donations can be dropped off at church at one of these times:

1) Weekday mornings between 8:30am–12pm. Use the barrel in front of 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!

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