



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Service of Worship — January 19, 2025

*“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: Mary Ann Weyforth

HEAD USHERS: Ashley Jeffries & Bert Benton

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

NURSERY CARE is available during worship, located in Room 22 in the east wing.

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.



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

- **Rev. Karen Wright (Interim Pastor):** karen.wright@gcpc.org
- **Emily Nelson Dixon (Dir. of Christian Education):** emily.dixon@gcpc.org
- **Lindsay Callender (Youth Coordinator):** lindsaymichelle0130@gmail.com
- **Patrick Bell (Office Admin.):** patrick.bell@gcpc.org
- **Tara Hyder (Finance Admin.):** finance@gcpc.org
- **Jason Turner (Audio/Technical Dir.):** Please e-mail both darktrainfilms@gmail.com & gcpc.media@gmail.com. If you need a video or audio played in worship, please send the link to Jason on the Wednesday prior to Sunday's worship.

“Pray for one another” — James 5:15

We encourage you to remember the following in prayer:

All Grieving the Death of a Loved One: Pat Gray and family in the death of her sister; Gail Harris and family in the death of Bill Harris.

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses

Cancer Treatment: Harold Farren, Katie Rickley, David Schesser, Cindy Schendel

Aging Challenges: Lee Will, Stewart Nelson

Military Service: David Zak, C.J. Bradley, Seth Lorimer, Mary E. Johnson II, Alanna Funk, Shannon Lorimer, Clara Frye, Eliana Wilson. **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

(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

OFFICE SCHEDULE REMINDER: The church offices will be closed Monday, January 20, for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

“THIS IS GRACE” NEW MEMBER CLASS: Join us for the “This is Grace” New Member Class today at 10:45am in Room 4, immediately following the worship service. Led by Rev. Karen Wright, this class is open to everyone — whether you're a first-time visitor or a longtime friend. This session offers a great opportunity to learn more about Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, ask questions, and explore how we carry out God’s work in our community. There’s no expectation to join the church after attending the class — just come to learn and explore.

SOUPERBOWL OF CARING: Help us fight hunger and also settle the eternal question — which is the better soup, chicken noodle or tomato? Indicate your answer by leaving nonperishable food items on the table in the hallway between the sanctuary and Heartland Hall. All donations will go to support the Renewed Hope Food Pantry, which is operated by New Haven Seventh Day Adventist in Overland Park. New Haven is also having a food drive and has challenged us to see

which congregation can generate more donations. So, bring those donations, fight hunger, go GCPC (and go Chiefs!) The SouperBowl is both our donation partner and our communion offering recipient in January, so if you'd rather you can also give financially. Just write "Communion Offering" on your check, or check that box in the online giving portal. Thanks as always for your generous support!

B-I-N-G-O-! You won't want to miss out on another amazing evening of GCPC Bingo. Mark your calendars for **Friday, January 31, 5:30–7:30pm!** Liz Chandler has agreed once again to be our illustrious caller. Something new this year will be a delicious lasagna dinner, served before Bingo starts. The meal is graciously being covered by an anonymous donor. Make sure to get signed up before and after church services on January 19 and 26! *(Childcare, provided by the church's nursery staff, will be available for 4-year-olds and younger. When you sign up after church for the dinner and Bingo, please indicate if you will need care for your young ones.)*

WE'RE HIRING! Career opportunity at GCPC - Interim Director of Music Ministries. The Interim Director of Music Ministries will be the driving force behind our church's diverse and dynamic music program. The person filling this role will have the opportunity to nurture spiritual growth through music, coordinate various choirs and ensembles, and create unforgettable worship experiences for our congregation. JOB DESCRIPTION and full details at gcpc.org/careers.

THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH IS ON SOCIAL MEDIA! Help us spread the word about the events, stories, and vibrant life of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church by engaging with and sharing our social media content. You'll find GCPC on Facebook and Instagram, where every like, comment, and share helps us showcase how we share Christ's love in our community. Thank you for being part of this important outreach!

DIY MINI GOLF EVENT! (Sign-up to reserve your spot by February 1 at gcpc.org/golf)** Join us for a 40th Anniversary DIY Mini Golf Night on Saturday, February 8, at 7pm in Heartland Hall. Gather your friends, family, or co-workers and join the fun at GCPC's DIY Mini Golf event! Design and build your own creative mini golf hole and compete for prizes in design and golf scores. Each team (up to 5 members) will create a unique golf hole using a 3' x 8' space. Setup must be completed by 7pm. After the course is ready, enjoy a round of mini golf, light snacks, and plenty of laughs. Don't miss this chance to showcase your creativity and skills!

ROAD TRIP — On the Go with God is the theme for the 2025 VBS, held on June 2–6 from 9am–Noon. **Registration is NOW OPEN!** Sign up your kiddos (*ages 4 years to 5th grade*) at gcpc.org/vbs. Volunteers needed! Volunteers can also sign up at the same link. Opportunities to help with decorating, planning, etc. are available and appreciated. Contact Kristy Shaw at kshaw96@yahoo.com.

GARDENING ANGELS: Join the fun on Wednesday, February 5, 10am, in the kitchen at the church to clean, sharpen, and oil the church's garden tools in preparation for spring. Looking further ahead, in March, get your plant and/or flowers ideas and which garden you think is the best for your suggestions to Cindy Monshizadeh, cmonsh@gmail.com.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: We are no longer posting a flower calendar. BUT, if you have a celebration or memory you would like to mention, please let Chelly King know. Several people have used Linda McMaster's floral arrangements since stopping the real flower deliveries. A donation will go to that month's donation partner unless you specify otherwise. If it is not a donation to the charity or to a specific GCPC account, please send your check to the charity of your choice. (We need a two-week notice of the dedication to make printing deadlines.) For more information, contact Chelly King, chelly41RN@gmail.com.

ADULT

PAGE TURNERS will discuss *The Boys* by Ron Howard on Thursday, February 6, at 7pm at the home of Eileen Thomson, 14223 Eby, OP 66221. Everyone is welcome whether you have read the book or not. RSVP 913-461-3430 or esthompson@gmail.com Hope to see you there!

CHILDREN

ATW, MUSIC & SUNDAY SCHOOL: All are welcome to join our Sunday school programming today. If you need further information, please check the Children's Bookcase outside the sanctuary for details.

TODAY IS A SMASH SUNDAY! SMASH is for K-5th graders and friends. Our theme this month is Fruit of the Spirit: Kindness . Join us 4–6pm in Heartland Hall.



GRACE COVENANT
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11100 College Boulevard ♦ Overland Park, KS 66210
Phone (913) 345-1256 ♦ www.gcpc.org

Upcoming Events and Services

(Details and links under each event)

"This is Grace" New Member Class

Sunday, January 19, 10:45am, Room 4

Weekend Crafters Winter Retreat

Friday, January 17, 6-9pm

Saturday, January 18, 9am-4pm

**** RSVP by January 13 at gcpc.org/crafters**

Annual Church Meeting

Sunday, January 26, 10:30am

Bingo & Lasagna Night!

Friday, January 31, 5:30-7:30pm

**** Sign-up on January 19 or January 26, during worship, or call the church office**

GCPC 40th Anniversary Event Intergenerational DIY Mini Golf

Saturday, February 8, 7pm

**** Sign-up to play at gcpc.org/golf**

Covenant Group Brunch Potluck

Sunday, February 23, 10:30am

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday, March 4, 5:30-7:30pm

Lent Begins

Wednesday, March 5

GCPC 40th Anniversary Event

40th Anniversary Craft Fair

Saturday, March 29, 9am-2pm

Trivia Night!

Saturday, April 5

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 5, 10am

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 12, 9:30am

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 7:30pm

Good Friday, April 18, 7:30pm

Easter Sunday, April 20, 9am & 11am

Vacation Bible School

"Road Trip - On the Go with God!"

June 2 - June 6, 9am-Noon

Children Ages 4 yrs – 5th Grade

Register online at gcpc.org/vbs

GCPC 40th Anniversary Celebration Brunch Following

Sunday, June 22, 9:30am



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Full details on these events and services are shared in the midweek email announcements, bulletin, newsletter, and on Facebook and Instagram.

For an online church calendar, visit gcpc.org/calendar