



## Service of Worship — July 30, 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.

**TODAY’S FLOWERS** are given in loving memory of Gary DuBois by Chelly King.

**ELDER ON DUTY:** Jake Schmidt

**HEAD USHER:** Steve Becher

**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



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

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*“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:** Shirley Faulwell

**Cancer Treatment:** Pam Kelly, Harold Farren

**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:** Effingham Union Church, Effingham, KS; First Presbyterian Church, Fairfax, MO; Iglesia Manantial de Vida, La Cumbre (MQP).

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

**SPOTLIGHT**

**PREACHING THIS MORNING IS SARAH TREMBLY EVANS.** Sarah has been a ruling elder and a deacon, serving on different church teams, such as Personnel, Worship, Connections and Care, etc. She has been active in Heartland Presbytery, serving on Commission on Ministry, and the executive leadership team. She completed her Certificate in Congregational Leadership, from the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary in 2018, and has been a Commissioned Ruling Elder, serving in various smaller churches through pulpit supply.

**ADULT**

**RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING AT GCPC:** Please join Liz Chandler and Mikki Walker after church TODAY in Room 3 to learn about recent changes in waste management at GCPC. Have you ever wondered what can go in our recycling bins? Or how they get emptied? Have you noticed the green bucket on the kitchen counter and wondered, “What’s that for?” Please bring all your questions and join us for this discussion about some of the ways GCPC continues to live our commitment as an EarthCare congregation.

**DURING ITS SUMMER HIATUS, THE THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP** meets once a month in a member's home to share fellowship and hold a book discussion. (In other words, come even if you haven't read the book!) Here is the remaining book for this summer:

- August 17: *The Light We Carry* by Michelle Obama at Glenda Johnson's house (11712 W. 108th Street) at 9:30am

Please contact Cheryl Johnson, [agathatoo@gmail.com](mailto:agathatoo@gmail.com), with any questions.

**THE AS THE PAGE TURNS BOOK GROUP** will meet August 2 at 1:30 pm in Room 3 at the church. The book selection is *The Lincoln Highway* by Armor Towles. Please join the group for discussion and fellowship.

**PAGE TURNERS** will meet at Anne Stroud's home on Thursday, August 10, at 7 pm to pick the books for the coming year. RSVP: [annestroud845@gmail.com](mailto:annestroud845@gmail.com) or 913--515-6084. All are welcome.

## MUSIC

**MUSIC TEAM IS EXCITED TO WELCOME OUR NEW CONTEMPORARY MUSIC DRUMMER, JILL ENDAYA, TO GCPC.** Here are some of her many accomplishments: Percussion Instructor at Liberty North High School, Director & Percussionist with *Kansas City Current* Teal Thunder Drumline, Percussionist with *Kansas City Chiefs* Rumble Drumline, Percussionist & Member of Rezound! Handbell Ensemble, and her "day job" as a Chemistry Teacher at Liberty High School. You can see why we are excited to have Jill join our Music Ministry staff. "Welcome, Jill!"

## YOUTH

**DEAR GCPC:** Thank you for supporting the youth trip to the Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference! Below please find a sentence from each youth that attended describing something about the experience.

- I had so much fun meeting new people. —*Morgan Krug*
- The giant slip and slide was so fun! —*Natalie Walker*
- I had fun spending time with the advocate I had, and I got to show kindness to her. — *Connor Schesser*

**BAND (NOTHING TO DO WITH MUSIC)!** Please join the BAND! Band is an app that creates a place for groups to post events and information in a central location. Since our contact information is currently being updated, BAND helps Lindsay provide updates and announcements promptly (instead of reaching out to everyone individually). You could miss out on future events and gatherings at fun locations such as BRKthrough, RoKC, so join the band!



## MISSION

**THE 18TH ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE** to raise funds for GCPC Youth through the Baker/Reynolds Scholarship Fund will be held on Sunday, August 27, at the Falcon Valley Golf Course. Golfers will

be asked to pay \$100 to cover the cost of the golf, prizes and a contribution to the Scholarship Fund. Entry Forms will be available as part of the church bulletin on Sundays from now until the Scramble. Those interested can also reach out to Bill Turner at [99wdturner@gmail.com](mailto:99wdturner@gmail.com) for more information or to receive entry forms. We would also specifically like to thank Ryan Peck and 3Gen Wealth for their generous \$500 contribution to sponsor one of the prize holes in the scramble! If there are any other parties who would like to sponsor one of the prize holes (There are a total off 4.), please contact Bill Turner as noted above. This has become an important tradition at GCPC to support our youth. Thank you for your continued support!

**GRACE COVENANT WILL HOST IHN HOMELESS GUESTS AUGUST 6–13.** We have two SignUpGenius links below for all our members and friends to help with in August. Click on the links to learn more and to volunteer.

The Food SignUpGenius provides a dinner meal for our guests and the two hosts each night:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4eabae28a1ff2-ihnfood8/93830784#/>

The Set Up/Tear Down/and Laundry SignUpGenius:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4eabae28a1ff2-august/93830784#/>

Please contact Christine Caseres, [crcaseres032@gmail.com](mailto:crcaseres032@gmail.com), or Jane Knoche, [jeknoche@att.net](mailto:jeknoche@att.net), with any questions.

**JULY DONATION PARTNER — SAFEHOME:** Safehome is a domestic violence shelter in Overland Park. Their core purpose is to provide a healing atmosphere where survivors of domestic violence can gain inner strength, explore options, and be empowered to live a life free of abuse. As the only domestic violence shelter in Johnson County, and the largest in the state of Kansas, Safehome strives to break the cycle of domestic violence and partner abuse for victims and their children in our community. Besides providing safe housing, Safehome also provides mental health counseling and legal services for shelter residents. Operating the shelter requires all the necessity of daily life for the women and children housed in it, many of whom leave their abusers with nothing but the clothes on their backs. You can help Safehome execute their important mission by donating an item from the list below; just leave donations in the Weekday Entrance bin anytime during July. Please note all items must be new, and toiletries must be full-sized.

hand and bath towels

toilet paper

paper towels

pillows

twin size blankets and comforters

twin size sheet sets

shower curtains and rings

diapers size 5 & 6

small laundry baskets

full-size hygiene items:

shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant

hair brushes

small trash cans

plastic cutlery

disposable plates/bowls

Walmart and Target gift cards

(Please drop these off in the church office,  
not in the Weekday Entrance bin

**JULY COMMUNION OFFERING RECIPIENT:** The Communion Offering for July will be directed to the Pentecost Offering. A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. Forty percent of the Pentecost offering can be retained by individual congregations wanting to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community. The remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

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