

Service of Worship — October 2, 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 worshiping with us today.

ELDER ON DUTY: Jake Schmidt

HEAD USHER: Terra Howard

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.



"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: Julie Webb, Jerry McMaster, Pat Wormus

Cancer Treatment: Bob Shadburn, Tim Hayden

Aging 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

DON'T MISS OUT ON THE ANNUAL GCPC BBQ! Come and enjoy music by bluegrass group "Pizza on Thursday" (Miles and gang) from 4:15–5:15, and then dive in to the greatest BBQ potluck ever from 5:30 to 7pm. Sign up on GCPC's website; call the office, 913-345-1256; or send an e-mail to office@gcpc.org, and let us know you are coming and what you are bringing.

SIGN UP FOR A WORKSHIP 2022 SERVICE PROJECT BY OCTOBER 9! Please plan to join us on October 16 for GCPC's 4th Annual Workship Sunday! See your bulletin insert for more information.

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS: The rising costs of almost everything has, unfortunately, made the cost of fresh flowers go up to \$45. This still does not cover actual cost for the florist, but it will help them continue in business and give the church our beautiful arrangements. The cost of the permanent arrangements made by Linda McMaster will remain at \$40. Thank you for continuing to make flower dedications for your special remembrances and occasions.

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:

Follow Me: Make Peace

September 25–October 23; Meets in Room 3 Zoom in at: https://tinyurl.com/2s3eu83a

There are many ways of understanding and living peace, from the absence of conflict to a quiet, inner calm. God has a vision for peace, shalom, wholeness that God's people need to keep at the forefront of mind and heart. Jesus spoke about God's blessing for those who make peace in his Sermon on the Mount. Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty, the author of the foundational essay for this practice, observes that making peace is like climbing a mountain. There are many paths to the summit. Peacemakers need to identify the path they will navigate of their journey toward God's peace. This class meets in Room 3. Leadership is shared.

Running For Our Lives: A Story of Faith, Politics, and The Common Good

September 25–October 23; Meets in Room 4 Zoom in at: https://tinyurl.com/2tnr6n3s

Participants will discuss this book by Robb Ryerse. Empowered by the Brand New Congress initiative in 2018, this evangelical pastor and progressive Republican embarked on a long-shot, grassroots congressional campaign against Steve Womack, one of the most powerful Republican incumbents in Washington, DC. After he ultimately lost his race, Ryerse worked with the Vote Common Good campaign, traveling across the United States to help turn Congress blue. Join Dave Pack and Tom Stroud for a conversation about the book. Copies of the book are available from the church office or during the class for a suggested donation of \$15.00. You can also find the book on Kindle. The class meets in Room 4.

YAFS PUMPKIN PATCH OUTING — **OCTOBER 9, 4–7PM:** Join the Young Adults and Families at their annual pumpkin patch outing to Schaake's Pumpkin Patch, followed by dinner at McAlilster's restaurant in Lawrence. Contact Emily Hussey, ekthussey@gmail.com for more information.

THE AS THE PAGE TURNS BOOK GROUP will meet Wednesday, October 5, at 1:30pm in Room 3 at the church. The book selection is *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Murray. Please join the group for discussion and fellowship.

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.

YOUTH

RECONNECT EVENT TODAY! All 6th–12th grade students will meet as a group at 10:45 a.m. today, in the youth lounge, and we will go until 12:30pm, including a meal (pizza this week). We will have a devotion time and some other really fun activities planned.

RECONNECT ON OCTOBER 9! We also have a Reconnect next Sunday, October 9, at 10:45am in the youth lounge. We will enjoy a meal, devotion, and fun activities before we end at 12:30pm.

SIGN UP TO PROVIDE FOOD FOR RECONNECT: There is a post in the Band app that includes a sign-up to provide food for our first few Reconnect events. It should show up on the home screen when you open the app. Please prepare food for 10-15 people and simple meals are just fine – no need to go crazy (unless you are into that). Oct. 9 is still open. Please sign up!

- Click here if you are already a member of our Band group GCPC Youth | BAND
- Click here if you still need to join the Band https://band.us/n/adac7biec2U6W

LOCK-IN COMING SOON! We want to invite all of our students to the upcoming lock-in at 6:30pm Friday, October 21–Saturday, October 22. Pick up will be at 8am. We will be providing pizza later Friday night and have snacks for the youth to enjoy. We look forward to playing games, watching movies, and getting to know each other more! Yes, there will be Romans and Christians involved. Make sure to RSVP soon because we need at least five students to move forward with the lockin. Use the band link to RSVP:

https://band.us/band/87628866/schedule/4%2F87628866%2F201267603%2F19700101

WORKSHIP SUNDAY! We have our next Workship coming up on Sunday, October 16! Join us for worship at 9:30am and service from 10am–12pm, followed by pizza at noon! Miles and Angela will be stream cleaning; we encourage youth students to join us! Of course, we will stay clean and dry — haha. We look forward to serving with all of you!

MISSION

OUR DONATION PARTNER AND COMMUNION OFFERING RECIPIENT FOR OCTOBER IS THE DUCHESNE CLINIC. The Duchesne Clinic serves very low income people who have no insurance and live in Leavenworth and Wyandotte Counties. Founded on the belief that health care is a basic human right, the clinic provides services to indigent patients, regardless of religious affiliation, with an emphasis on the values of compassion, respect of personal dignity, and a

sensitivity to human suffering. We'll be collecting items to go in patient "stay healthy" bags, such as Vicks Vapor Rub, ChapStick, stretch gloves, tea bags, small Kleenex packets, fuzzy socks, and cold/cough meds, especially Coricidin and Mucinex. Items may be placed in the bin at the Weekday Entrance. Thanks as always for GCPC's generosity and caring for our neighbors around the KC metro!

HEART OF AMERICA CROP WALK 2022: Grace Covenant's CROP Walk tradition will continue on Saturday, October 8, 10am at Central United Methodist Church, 5144 Oak Street, near the University of Missouri Kansas City campus. The CROP Walk is returning to a community-gathering event after two years of individual church events due to COVID-19. Go to events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/grace-covenant-presbyterian-church and click on "Join The Team" to register as a walker, or click on "Make A Donation" to donate to the Grace Covenant team, or click on "Donate" to donate to a specific member of our team. See Karen or Dave Pack in Heartland Hall after a Sunday worship service. We were so thankful to the congregation for almost \$5,000 in donations in 2021. It would be great to match that in 2022!

PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING: The 25% portion of this year's offering that stays local will be donated to the KC Community Bail Fund Project. Lower income people who can't make bail often lose their jobs, their spot in school, their housing, and their childcare while awaiting trial. The Bail Fund Project provides bail for people without the resources to post their own bail, making it possible for them to go on with their lives rather than sitting in jail without access to resources and costing themselves and the taxpayers money. *Please see your bulletin insert for information on how to give to this special offering.*

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT RENEWED HOPE FOOD PANTRY: ReNewed Hope makes a significant impact for good in our community by helping solve the problem of food insecurity — lack of reliable access to affordable, nutritious food. Many GCPC members have already volunteered at ReNewed Hope, including our own Knute Rosche who recently joined the Pantry's Board of Directors. We've also recently decided to direct the food donations collected in the Weekday Entrance to ReNewed Hope. ReNewed Hope needs many volunteers to fulfill their mission. They have service opportunities on Sunday afternoons, Tuesday mornings, and Friday evenings. Please check out their website for more information and use the links there or the Vomo app to volunteer! https://renewedhopefoodpantry.org/

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