



**Service of Worship
March 7, 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 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, Gail Harris, Cindy Schendel, Paul Wirtz, Karen Fankhauser, Gay Lee Ludwig-Bonney, Ric Cummings

Cancer Treatment: Kathy Jonas

Aging Challenges: Shirley Sisk

Military Service: Conner Maynard, David Zak, C.J. Bradley, Seth Lorimer, Mary E. Johnson II, Alanna Funk, Bryce Hearn, Shannon Lorimer, David Minaschek. **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, Pleasanton, KS; Presbyterian Women; Heartland Presbytery Stated Meeting — March 13

(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

WELCOME TO YOUTH SUNDAY! We hope today's worship will be meaningful as you constantly adapt to changes — you are not alone! The worship services have been planned and are led entirely by the youth. They were not planned FOR youth, but for our whole congregation and guests to worship God in a fresh and creative way. Thanks to all of our WONDERFUL youth and youth advisors, as well as parents who welcome and encourage this expression of our faith!

Today we acknowledge our **HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS:** Tatum Cox, Owen Dalton, Emily Grice, Sophie Shaw, Mara Smith, and Jenna Soule.

A BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY OF SPRING FLOWERS will transform the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. The flowers are provided through the generosity of members who donate flowers “in memory of” or “in honor of” a friend or loved one. If you would like to be a part of the tradition of donating flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please send your donation along with your name and whom the memorial/honor recognizes to the church office: GCPC, 11100 College Blvd., OPKS 66210, Attn. Patrick. (PLEASE PRINT THE MEMORIAL/HONOR NAMES NEATLY IN BLOCK LETTERS) You may also make a donation through the [online giving portal](#) of our website. **Deadline for names to be included in the bulletin insert is Monday, March 29.** Thank you!

MITCH AND SUE INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE JERUSALEMA DANCE CHALLENGE! We need to have some fun, so we are going to create our own GCPC video to add to this global celebration on YouTube. Below are two videos to help you learn the steps. The last two videos are fun to watch and will give you an idea what we are putting together. You can make your own video at home and/or you can join a group on Saturday, March 27, at 11:15am (rain date: April 3) We will briefly review the steps and then make a video at 11:30am in the west church parking lot. Learn the steps and come and join us! Send your home videos to Emily Hussey at ekthussey@gmail.com.

Instructional video on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YtuVWAQzGtE>

What complete steps look like: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vqxeMMAgatw>

Irish Nuns & Priests Jerusalema Challenge: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zSM08m7zr78>

Jerusalema Dance Challenge 2021-Grannies Tiktok Compilation:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XK95XmfBCLo>

FROM THE PRESBYTERY: Conversation Request for Black, Indigenous and Other Non-Black People of Color in Heartland Presbytery — Beginning this month, Heartland Presbytery will be undergoing an institutional audit led by Leslie Mac and Christina Rivera of Leslie Mac Consulting. This audit will be taking a look at all of Heartland Presbytery's policies, processes and culture through a racial equity lens. As a part of this audit, Leslie and Christina would like to hear directly from Black, Indigenous and other non-Black people of color about their experience working within Heartland Presbytery. If you identify as non-White and would like to take part in this confidential conversation, please fill out this [Google Form](#) and Leslie Mac Consulting will be in touch to schedule a meet-up.

THE GENEROSITY TEAM WOULD LIKE TO THANK everyone who has pledged to this year's "Stewart-ship" Campaign. If you haven't made your pledge yet, you can go online at <http://gcpc.org/2021pledge>, or you can call our Finance Administrator, Tara Hyder. You can also download a pledge card [HERE](#).

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:

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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

LEARNING TO WALK IN THE DARK: A LENTEN STUDY — February 14–March 28; 11:15am Zoom Class — Our adult Lenten study begins this Sunday and will explore the images of light and darkness in Barbara Brown Taylor's book, "Learning to Walk in the Dark." Taylor has become increasingly uncomfortable with our tendency to associate all that is good with lightness and all that is evil and dangerous with darkness. In this book, Taylor asks us to put aside our fears and anxieties and to explore all that God has to teach us "in the dark." Through darkness we find courage, we understand the world in new ways, and we feel God's presence around us, guiding us through things seen and unseen. Often, it is while we are in the dark that we grow the most. This Zoom online class will be led by a team of members. Join us at 11:15 a.m. at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88313024210?pwd=eDZGT2NSaE1CYUoxZ0JmWnpnemVvZz09>
Meeting ID: 883 1302 4210; Passcode: GCPC2020

YOUTH

SUNDAY MORNING CLASS: We will not have a Sunday morning class this week. We will resume next Sunday at our 11:30 time slot in Heartland Hall. Our theme is "Race in a Post-Obama Era." We will dig into various facets of racism and even discuss racism in the Bible.

CONNECT: This evening we will meet at Meadowbrook Park to just hang out! Be ready for some pickleball, frisbee, or just whatever. Look for us in front of their activity center just off the parking lot on the corner of Nall and Somerset Dr. at 5:30pm.

MISSION

THE GCPC MISSION TEAM HAS CHOSEN CROSS-LINES (a safety net for Kansas City neighbors in need) as our donation partner for the month of March. The following are the most-needed donations as requested by Cross-Lines for families in need:

food items, especially peanut butter and jelly, cereal, canned soups, and any "pop-top" snacks such as fruit cups and Vienna sausages.

Also needed are diapers size three and up; kitchen cleaning supplies, including dish soap and Lysol spray; and "full size" bathroom toiletries such as shampoo, soap, deodorant, etc.

Donations can be dropped off at GCPC on Saturday, March 20 between 8:15 and 9:15am (same time as KCK Hot Lunch drop-off). This will be a drive-up/drop-off event such as we have had in the past few months.

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

- 1) Weekday mornings between 8:30am–12pm — look for the barrels marked “Catholic Charities” outside 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!

THE MS WALK FOR MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS IS SATURDAY, MAY 1. Most of us know friends, relatives, or church members who are battling this disease. Please consider joining our GCPC team and walking (or virtually walking) to fight MS. The main walk is cancelled, but we will have a small socially distanced gathering in the church parking lot that morning and take a short neighborhood walk, much like we did for the CROP walk last October. Please go to this link and sign up as a walker:

[MSWalkGraceCovenant2021](#)

KCK HOT LUNCH UPDATE: Your Mission Team is very thankful for the response we had in making sack lunches for the 3rd Saturday of each month. Our intrepid team members have managed to get the three condiments donated for our lunches — a packet of mustard, ketchup and mayonnaise to each sack lunch by our onsite Mission Team. However, we have a *condiment conundrum*. The logistics of adding them during delivery has been a bit trying and confuses our coordination — besides, we want to say, “Hi,” and wave at you if we can. Last month two members delivered bags for each dozen to those signed up on SignUp Genius. This month we are going to try something new. We are asking the volunteers to come by GCPC on the Thursday before the 3rd Saturday and pick up bagged (12 mustard, ketchup, & mayo) condiments for each dozen they are preparing. At 8am, they will be in a cooler marked for KCK Hot Lunch. If you can't come by on Thursday, please contact Mitch Trigger or Jane Knoche and we will deliver the remaining bags to you on Friday. Our March 2021 lunch total goal is 25 dozen. Also, your

assistance in not closing the lunch bags is appreciated. KCK Hot Lunch staff add a milk if there is a child receiving the lunch.

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