



**Service of Worship — December 25, 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.

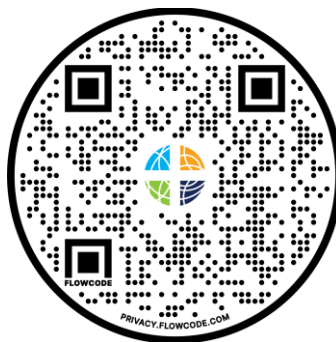
**HEAD USHER:** Dave Peck

**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 2023:**



*“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**

**Cancer Treatment:** Bob Shadburn, Tim Hayden

**Ageing Challenges**

**Military Service:** David Zak, C.J. Bradley, Seth Lorimer, Mary E. Johnson II, Alanna Funk, 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:** Presbyterian Disciples Church, Lexington, MO; at-large members who are not currently serving churches.

(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**

**REMINDER: HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS AND STAFF SCHEDULES:** The church offices will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 26 and 27, for the Christmas holiday. Please note that many staff members are taking vacation time during the week between Christmas and New Year's Day. Please call ahead to make sure the building is open if you need to come by the church and are not coming for a regularly scheduled meeting. The offices will also be closed Monday, January 2, for the New Year's Day holiday. Thank you.

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

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## ADULT

**THE GOOD FAITH NETWORK WITH PASTOR LAURA GUY — JANUARY 15:** GCPC is exploring the idea of joining The Good Faith Network in 2023, an interfaith organization of 23 Johnson County congregations. The Good Faith Network advocates for changes to address the root cause of our community's most pressing problems. Recently, they've been working to address the mental health and homelessness crises in Johnson County, as well as affordable housing. Please join us during the Sunday school hour on January 15 for a presentation by Pastor Laura Guy. Pastor Guy will explain more about what The Good Faith Network is, the work they do, and what GCPC would be committing to if we joined. Congregational interest and feedback will be critical to the decision-making process — we hope to see lots of people there!

## YOUTH

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!** Christmas through New Year's Day we will be taking a little break from youth activities so you can spend time with your families. We will have church on January 1 but will not have Sunday School or other youth events. Sunday morning classes will start up again on January 8.

**PROGRESSIVE DINNER AND GIFT EXCHANGE:** The youth event calendar for spring is now available. Please note the first event is our progressive dinner and white elephant gift exchange on January 8. We will start at church, drive to a home for an appetizer, then another for main course, then back to church for a white elephant gift exchange, followed by dessert at the church! Check your e-mail or contact Miles for details.

**MLK DAY OF SERVICE AND YOUTH TUBING EVENT:** Monday, January 16, we will be joining other youth from the Presbytery to build sack lunches for Harvesters to share with students, followed by tubing at Snow Creek. Look for a registration form soon — or contact Miles for details.

## MISSION

**THIS MONTH'S COMMUNION OFFERING WILL GO TO THE ARGENTINE BABY CLOSET,** a ministry of Argentine United Presbyterian Church, now in its 37th year serving families in their community. This year they are especially in need of new or gently used clothing (sizes 9 months to 2T) and *boy's* shoes/boots (sizes 2–7). Of course, they can always use diapers, wipes and formula, or cash that can be used to purchase needed items. Grace Covenant has generously supported the Baby Closet for the past 30 years. Please do so again this year. Questions? Contact Barb Purvis [barb.purvis@gmail.com](mailto:barb.purvis@gmail.com).

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