

Service of Worship — April 17, 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: Jim Byrd

HEAD USHERS: Steve Becher (9am), Ashley Jeffries & Bert Benton (11am)

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: <u>https://bit.ly/GCPCattendance</u>, 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: Dorothy Stalling, Sylvia Littlejohn

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: Shawnee Presbyterian Church, Shawnee, KS; Iglesia Nain, Las Palmas (MQP); Community Presbyterian Church, St. Joseph, 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

REMINDER: The church offices will be closed on April 18 in observance of Easter Monday.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR "A CONVERSATION ABOUT MISSION" Mission team would like to find out more about GCPC's needs and passions for mission work. What mission work are you most excited about doing? Do our current mission opportunities meet your needs? What should we focus on in 2022 and beyond? Please join us in Heartland Hall on April 24th during the Sunday School hour to talk about these questions and more. If you can't join us on the 24th, please fill out the online survey, <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HY7TYRB</u>. This is a way for your thoughts to still be heard. The survey is only seven questions long. We greatly appreciate everyone who takes 10 minutes to fill it out!

"MAKE 'EM LAUGH, HELP 'EM SMILE, GIVE 'EM JOY!" Bell Fest XXXII is Sunday, May 1, 6pm. We'll have lots of joke telling, fun songs to sing, funny video clips, and plenty of ringing by Charter, Jubilation!, and Celebration! Ringers! We'll also be collecting toothbrushes and toothpaste to donate to Cross-Lines, so others can have a beautiful smile! Join us! **COME ONE, COME ALL TO CARE AND CONNECTIONS BINGO NIGHT FRIDAY, MAY 6, 6–8PM** in Heartland Hall. Bring your friends and family for a fun night of BINGO and fellowship. We ask that you bring a heavy appetizer to share with everyone. Prizes will be given out to the winners!

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

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ADULT

SPECIAL ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

- On April 24, we will have a discussion about "mission at Grace Covenant." A couple of years ago, we had a similar discussion about worship at Grace Covenant, and it was very helpful to the Worship Team and the Session. Join us following worship on April 24 in Heartland Hall as we explore our current areas of mission and the mission interests of the members. (See related announcement in the previous Spotlight section.)
- On May 1, a representative from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) will join us during the Adult Sunday School class following worship. He'll tell us more about the mission of PDA and its current activities. PDA will have just finished their national meeting in Kansas City (April 26–May 1). Presbyterian Disaster Assistance enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (USA) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crisis and catastrophic event. PDA is the emergency and refugee program of the Presbyterian Church USA. The core budget, including staff and administrative costs, is funded through the One Great Hour of Sharing, and its program work is additionally funded through designated gifts.

CHILDREN

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS JUNE 6–10, 9AM–12PM: At Discovery on Adventure Island VBS, your students will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time on their quest for God's great light. They will become explorers and discover how God's light shines on us and how we can reflect that light as we live each day. The VBS Planning Team is looking for volunteers to help with Vacation Bible School, June 6–10. Want to volunteer? Contact Rev. Sue at <u>sue.trigger@gcpc.org</u> for more information.

VBS DONATIONS: Our VBS planning team is also looking for some donations to create an unforgettable experience on Adventure Island. If you are able to help, please check our donation board outside the Sanctuary, or check our Amazon wish list. For the next month or so, we will update both lists periodically as our plans develop. Thank you!

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1NGYVE2CF80AC?ref =wl share

YOUTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Classes will not meet this Sunday, but after Easter we will begin a new curriculum on mental health called D.A.S.H. It stands for: Depression, Anxiety, Suicide, Hope. Mental Health challenges have been at an all-time high this year, and many of us have first-hand experiences to share. We want to address these topics from a loving and spiritual perspective. We will also have at least one more Sunday School meeting at Panera so watch for that in future messages.

CONNECT: We will not have Connect this Sunday, it will be a good time to spend the Easter holiday eating chocolate bunnies with your family. We are only planning two more Connect events this spring though, so we hope you will participate! On April 24, we are planning to go play disc golf at Sar-Kor-Par Trail Park in Lenexa.

VBS HELPERS NEEDED: Please don't forget about helping with Vacation Bible School — we need you! Contact Rev. Sue, <u>sue.trigger@gcpc.org</u>, or Erin Mehl, <u>erinmehl31@gmail.com</u>.

MISSION

IHN IN MAY: We are pleased to announce our 72nd week of IHN hosting is coming May 1–8. Preparations and sign-ups are underway. Your willingness to help host and prepare food is always appreciated. The current number of guests are two single females and two families. Our coordinator is Jane Knoche as primary, and we are asking for a volunteer to step up to be back up or co-primary coordinator. We are also looking for more five to six more laundry volunteers to assist Cathy Haun and Joy Circo during the week. You would pick up the laundry totes during our May rotation.

PURPLE STRIDE 2022: The Purple Stride walk for Pancreatic Cancer is Saturday, April 30. The walk is in-person this year and begins at the World War I Museum and Memorial. Visit <u>pancan.org</u> for more information. To register for or donate to Team "Serenade Kathy," in memory of Kathy Jonas, <u>click here</u> or click on the Fundraising & Teams link on the above page. Thank you for your continued support.

MS WALK 2022 IS APRIL 30: This year's Walk MS Kansas City will be at Town Center in Leawood on Saturday, April 30, opening at 8:30 and stepping off at 10am. We know that there is a walk to fight pancreatic cancer the same day, so if you could also consider supporting our MS Walk with your presence or donation, we would appreciate it. So far, we have Gene Wilson and Jane Knoche stepping off. Here is the link to our team page: <u>https://mssociety.donordrive.com/team/18934</u>

OUR APRIL DONATION PARTNER IS A GATHERING OF FRIENDS, a grassroots organization serving those experiencing homelessness and food insecurity in Johnson and Wyandotte counties. A Gathering of Friends relies on each other for everything needed to make sure those they serve have a good, home cooked meal each week, along with sandwiches, snacks, and fresh fruits to eat later, as well as supplies to ensure their safety, health, and comfort. Please see the list below for what you can donate to support their mission. Donations can go in the Weekday Entrance bin anytime you're at church before May 1. If you'd like to provide a QuikTrip or Wal-Mart gift card, please put those in the plastic holder outside the church office door or give to Patrick during regular office hours.

AAA Batteries Insect Repellent Bug Spray Spider Spray Large-XX Shirts (used or new) Jeans and shorts w/waist 29–30 Peanut Butter Water flavoring packets w/ electrolytes Protein Drinks Cracker Sandwiches Pop Tarts Trail Mix QT and Wal-Mart Gift Cards

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