Service of Worship — April 24, 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: Katie Hearn

HEAD USHER: John Gilbert

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/GCPAttendance, 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: Joel Ilten and Family in the death of his mother.

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: First Presbyterian Church, St. Joseph, MO; Maxwell Heights Presbyterian Church, St. Joseph, MO; Maya Quiché Presbytery.

(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

BUILDING MASK PROTOCOL UPDATE: The positivity rate in Johnson County has risen above 8%. In accordance with GPC COVID Protocols, we are again requiring masks to be worn at all times in the building. Thank you for your cooperation.

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 TODAY 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, https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HY7TYRB. 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!

THE SANCTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR SIGN-UP POSTER is available by the coat closet. You may sign up for a Sunday to remember or honor a loved one by donating to the cost of the Chancel flowers. This year real arrangements will cost $35-$40. You may also choose to use a permanent arrangement for $30; this is considered a communion offering and can be so noted on your check memo line. Thank you for enhancing our worship services.

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ADULT

SPECIAL ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

• Today, 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 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 events. 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.
PAGE TURNERS WILL MEET at the home of Shirley Faulwell on May 5, 7pm. The Book is The Mountains Sing by Nguyen Phan Que Mai. Shirley's address is: 12344 Long St., Overland Park. Please RSVP to Shirley at sfaulwell@gmail.com, or call 913-851-8296. All are welcome.

THE AS THE PAGE TURNS BOOK GROUP will meet May 4 at 1:30 p.m. in Room 3 at the church. The book selection is The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett. Please join the group for discussion and fellowship.

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 sue.trigger@gcpc.org 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: Today we are meeting 10:45am to 11:45am, and we will be looking at a new curriculum on mental health called D.A.S.H. It stands for: Depression, Anxiety, Suicide, Hope. Next week for Sunday school, we will meet at Meadowbrook Park, corner of Nall and 91st for the youth party.

CONNECT: Tonight, we are playing disc golf at Sar-Kor-Par Trail Park in Lenexa. In addition to disc golf, we will have some ice cream treats and play some different games. Don’t forget to bring a friend. We are meeting at the park at 6:30pm.

M&M PHOTOS: Just a reminder for our Mission and Music Trip travelers that we are having our M&M promo photos taken this Sunday, April 24, after Sunday school at approximately noon in the Sanctuary.

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 [pancan.org](http://pancan.org) for more information. To register for or donate to Team "Serenade Kathy," in memory of Kathy Jonas, [click here](http://click.here) 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: [https://mssociety.donordrive.com/team/18934](https://mssociety.donordrive.com/team/18934)

**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.

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