Service of Worship — December 26, 2021

“We 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: Susan Sutherland

HEAD USHER: Terra Howard

HEARING ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE. Please ask at the sound booth.

“Pray for one another” — James 5:15
We encourage you to remember the following in prayer:

All Grieving the Death of a Loved One: Susan Gates and Family in the death of her mother.

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses: Bob Wormus

Cancer Treatment: Kathy Jonas

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: Presbyterian Disciples Church, Lexington, MO; Mission Co-Workers: Rev. Leslie Vogel, Rev. Betsey Moe, Eliane Menezes; At-large members who are not currently serving churches.

(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 gcpc_prayers@yahoo.com.)
WEEKEND CRAFTERS MEGA EDITION MINI-RETREAT! Open craft time, 3 instructor-led classes, fellowship, fun surprises, craft supplies donation table and more! Friday, January 21, 6–10pm, and Saturday, January 22, 9am–4pm, Heartland Hall. $40 registration fee/per person to cover the supplies cost for the instructor-led classes (1 Friday night for charity and 2 on Saturday), and meals/snacks on Saturday. FULL DETAILS and registration form available at www.gcpc.org/megacraft. Open to ALL — members, friends and family. Age 16+ only. For more information, contact Kim Krueger, Christy Soule or Lauren Bond.

CARE KITS: Our youth packed care kits that you are free to take and pass out to people on street corners or wherever you see someone who could use one. Look for baskets between the doors of the main entrance and Weekday Entrance with Zip-lock bags full of goodies. Take as many as you desire.

THIS YEAR’S STEWARDSHIP THEME IS, “GIFT — GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER.” This year we ask each other to help one another out as we make plans for what we see as a wonderful opportunity to share in God’s grace. Visit gcpc.org/gift2022.

CONTACTING STAFF: A reminder that the GCPC church building has returned to normal operations. The office is open from 8am to 4pm, but the best way to reach a staff member is by e-mail:

  - Rev. Sue: sue.trigger@gcpc.org
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HOW TO PLEDGE DURING THIS TIME: Although we are now offering in-person 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 "Online Giving."

ADULT

AS THE PAGE TURNS MEETS ON JANUARY 5 IN ROOM 3 AT 1:30PM. The book selection is The Indigo Girl by Natasha Boyd. Please join the group for discussion and fellowship. Per GCPC guidelines, we will wear masks during our meeting time together.
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES RESUME JANUARY 2. Watch the Midweek Announcements for more information.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS SUNDAY: On January 2 we will be around to chat and play games but will not have a lesson. On the 9th, we will be back in full swing.

SUMMER TRIP PLANNING: Students, 8th–12th grade, we need to know if you are interested and available (no commitment necessary at this time) in participating in one of our amazing summer trips! This summer is the Presbyterian Youth Triennium, as well as our Mission and Music Trip. Are you interested in participating in either or both events? Look for an additional e-mail with more information, we really need EVERYONE’S response on these two events by the end of 2021 so we can plan!

CONNECT: We are taking a couple weeks off from Connect but will resume at 6:30pm on January 9 with a whole new program. Enjoy some time off to spend with your family and friends. Hope to see you on the 9th!

ARGENTINE BABY CLOSET — HELP KC-AREA BABIES THIS CHRISTMAS! Let’s celebrate the birth of Jesus by helping babies! Operated by Argentine Presbyterian in KCK, Argentine Baby Closet helps moms in need with diapers, formula, clothes, and other items to ensure that their babies grow up healthy and strong. In 2021, ABC has served more than 300 children (an increase of nearly 100 from 2020). Strong donor support has let them increase their support, serving families once a month instead of every 2 months. They’ve also been able to enlist a Spanish-speaking volunteer, increasing their ability to serve Spanish-speaking families. ABC’s most needed items currently include:

- Diapers -size 4 & 5
- Formula — Similac brand is preferred
- Coats, PJs & clothes-sizes 18 months to 3T

Drop donations in the Weekday Entrance bin anytime you’re at church. If you’d like to just make a cash donation, our Communion offering in December will be directed to ABC as well. Just drop a check in the offering, or send one in the mail indicating that it’s for Argentine Baby Closet anytime this month. You can also give online and choose the “Communion” fund. Let Mikki Walker know if you have any questions, michala.walker@gmail.com.
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.