



Service of Worship — January 23, 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 worshipping with us today.

THE ROSE ON THE COMMUNION TABLE celebrates the births of: Keeley Jae Fitzgerald, born January 17, to John and Erica Fitzgerald, Mike and Susan Fitzgerald, grandparents; and Marlowe Ward Ilten, born to Chase and Megan Ilten on January 20, grandparents, Joel and Teresa Ilten.

“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: Pat Wormus, Aimee Fleeman

Cancer Treatment: Kathy Jonas

Ageing 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: New Horizon Presbyterian Church, Odessa, MO; all the Honorably Retired Ministers of the Word and Sacrament.

(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

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.



TODAY IS PER CAPITA SUNDAY

WHAT IS PER CAPITA?

Per capita is an annual per member apportionment assessed by the General Assembly (Book of Order, G-3.0106), and by many synods and presbyteries, to enable Presbyterians mutually and equitably to share the ecclesiastical and administrative costs of sustaining our witness to Christ through the Presbyterian Church (USA). As one expression of commitment to God, and to the larger faith community, congregations of all sizes are called to participate. In 2022, the amount requested from each member of a Heartland Presbytery congregation is \$43.07.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: We are collecting non-perishable food items now in a barrel outside the wooden doors. We got a great start at the drive-through collection last Friday and already filled a barrel and a half. Keep those donations coming! Youth, if you are able and willing to pick up donations from people's houses, let us know. That could be a great service for us to offer!

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.

CARD SHOWER: Many GCPC members remember former associate pastor Diane Quaintance. She is turning 80 on February 2. Some friends are planning a card shower for her. If you'd like to participate, please mail your card between January 27 and 29. Her address is 15735 Lake Road 5, Gardner, KS 66030.

DID YOU RECENTLY MAKE A CONTRIBUTION from your Fidelity Charitable account to GCPC? If you recently requested a donation of this type be sent to GCPC, please contact Tara at finance@gcpc.org. She has received a check, but it does not have any identifying information on it, so she does not know who it is from. She would love to figure out who this donation came from.

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

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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. You may also make your pledge online at gcpc.org.

ADULT

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS:

January 9 — February 6: Follow Me: Baptize: Remember Your Baptism; Cross the Divide; Die and Rise; Honor the Body. You can Zoom in at: <https://tinyurl.com/yanmupj9>

January 9 — February 20: The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism: Timothy Keller, the founding pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church (PCA) in New York City, addresses the frequent doubts that skeptics, and even ardent believers, have about religion. Using literature, philosophy, real-life conversations, and potent reasoning, Keller explains how the belief in a Christian God is, in fact, a sound and rational one. To true believers he offers a solid platform on which to stand their ground against the backlash to religion created by the Age of Skepticism. And to skeptics, atheists, and agnostics, he provides a challenging argument for pursuing the reason for God. We recommend participants use a copy of the book as well as the discussion guide. The discussion guide is available from Pastor Sue today. The books have been ordered. The book is also available on Kindle from Amazon for those who prefer an electronic copy. Get yours at: <https://www.amazon.com/Reason-God-Belief-Age-Skepticism/dp/1594483493>. You can Zoom in at: <https://tinyurl.com/krd5pz84>

YOUTH

JANUARY 23 SUNDAY SCHOOL: Last Sunday we had an exciting and fun Sunday school session. This week, we are going to have our class again at 10:45am. In case you missed out last Sunday, we did a Chiefs quiz game that was fun so we have another one for this week on Bible trivia. You better be ready! Here is the Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5784595517?pwd=RFlwNkltcUtISVQ4czFQNXRyYUdHZz09>

SUNDAY “CHIEFS EVENING”: Congratulations to Jaylee for winning a Starbucks gift card last Sunday in bingo during the Chiefs game. This evening might be your chance. During Connect time, the Chiefs are playing the Bills and while watching the game, we are going to play another bingo game that we can all participate in. Like last time, you can use your family, friends, or whoever you are watching with to help. Download your personal bingo card at <https://bingobaker.com/#c7e44d4cc0ce5029> and text Miles, 913-645-9617, when you do. Wisdom and Miles will set up a text group so we can communicate during the game. If you get a bingo you will receive a \$5 Starbucks gift card from us ... and a \$10gift card if you get blackout!

YOUTH SUNDAY: Mark your calendars for Youth Sunday on March 6! Our seniors have determined the theme of “New Beginnings” for us and are working to develop plans a little more before turning it over to the rest of the group to plan the details.

M&M TRIP DATES: We have determined the week of June 17–24 for our Mission and Music this summer. This will be for graduated 8th–12th graders. We had planned the Red Bud Reservation in South Dakota as our destination, but the idea of Milwaukee is also being entertained. Do you have a preference? Let us know!

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