



Service of Worship — November 7, 2021

“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: Bill Turner

HEAD USHER: Ashley Jeffries & Bert Benton

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

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses

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: Military Personnel; Iglesia Gilgal, La Ceiba (MQP)

(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

TODAY, WE BEGIN OUR 70TH HOST WEEK FOR IHN. We will host three guests in our lower education wing through November 14. Please keep our guests and volunteers in your prayers this week.

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. This is necessary so we can have a timely and accurate budget for the year. **Pledge Sunday is today, and we ask everyone to prayerfully make your pledge. If we haven't heard from you by December 6, making any changes to your pledge, we will assume your pledge will remain the same for 2022.** This is necessary for the Session to create a budget, to move ahead and provide direction for our mission and education programs. Visit gcpc.org/gift2022.

BINGO NIGHT IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 6:30PM IN HEARTLAND HALL. BINGO cards and markers will be provided. Bring your family, toddlers, and friends. ALL ARE INVITED for this night of fun. Please bring a heavy appetizer to share. Don't feel comfortable eating with others yet? No worries; join us just for BINGO. We will start at 6:30 and have small prizes. The cost is a lot of fun and fellowship and reconnecting with your fellow GCPC friends. Hope to see you there.

VISION 2022 — NOVEMBER 13, 9AM–12PM: We will put our hearts and minds together to envision where God is calling us, and to build a strategy for the future. This will be an important collaborative conversation during which every voice is valued. In order to include everyone, we will hold the meeting in the sanctuary so that those who desire to join us from home will be able to ZOOM into the meeting at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84130023306?pwd=K1FNNnJXTjFVbmJQcmcwRIN1UDI2dz09>
Meeting ID: 841 3002 3306; Passcode: GCPC2021.

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:

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HOW TO PLEDGE DURING THIS TIME: Although we are now offering limited 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 gpc.org and clicking "Online Giving."

ADULT

FOLLOW ME — BIBLICAL PRACTICES FOR FAITHFUL LIVING: Come for a unit, come for a class, or come every Sunday! Take a look at what's coming up:

- **October 24–November 21:** Confess: Confess; Repent: As Individuals; Repent: As Communities; Repair
- **December 5–January 2:** Hope: Hope is Waiting in Faith

This adult class will meet in **Room 3 at 10:45am**. Or join via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/yanmupj9>.

CHURCH (PCUSA) AND SOCIETY: This class will focus on church (PCUSA) and society issues such as immigration, military spending, abortion, etc. In talking about a particular issue, we will ask:

- What does the PCUSA/Bible say about the issue?
- What is our society doing on this issue?
- Is there a difference between church direction and societal action?

The specific issues to be discussed have not been determined, but we will start with the immigration issue. If you have an interest in a particular issue, let discussion leader Dave Pack know about it, djpack.12645@gmail.com. Bring your Bible. The class will meet in **Room 4 at 10:45am**, or join via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/krd5pz84>.

THANK OFFERING: Presbyterian Women is collecting funds for the Thank Offering, which provides much-needed financial assistance for real solutions in the areas of health, education, economic development and the needs of women and children. The recipients are a mix of six domestic and three international projects, but all meet crucial needs. At least 40 percent of this offering funds health ministries, often helping the most marginalized members of God's community. The remaining percentage supports new or expanded projects and small capital improvement projects. Donations will be collected through November.

YOUTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY! Hope to see you today at 10:45. Breakfast snacks provided. As always let Miles know ahead of time if you want to join via Zoom.

CONNECT: RED BAG SHOPPING EDITION! Tonight for Connect, we will be going Red Bag Shopping! We will ride together to Walmart at 6:30pm, so don't be late! Then we will come back to church to wrap and pack care packages for our college students until 8pm. If you have \$5 or \$10 that you can contribute to our shopping adventure that would help our budget.

NOTES TO COLLEGE STUDENTS: As we prepare to send care packages to our college age students who graduated from high school in 2019 and 2020, we are collecting notes to include in the packages. We would appreciate notes from any and all of you; adults are also encouraged to participate in note writing. We will have a table set out in the concourse, if you would like to write a note before or after service. They can be generic enough for the whole group or specific for individuals.

HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE; NOVEMBER 13: Due to Homeless Night being pushed back, we are moving hayride and bonfire up! We will be going to Heartland Camp. Please join us! We will roast hot dogs and s'mores! We are leaving church at 5:30pm and will return by 8pm. Invite a friend!

HOMELESS NIGHT — NOVEMBER 20–21: Due to a scheduling conflict, we have to push back homeless night by a week. It will now take place November 20– 21. We will be touring and maybe serving at a Tiny House Village created for veterans who are housing challenged. We are also hoping to be joined by youth from Lee's Summit Presbyterian. Expect the unexpected, but plan to spend the night outside in a cardboard box. Please RSVP so we know we have enough supplies. Friends are welcome! Also, please let us know if this date still works for you!

MISSION

THE RED BAG CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS ARE IN THE HALLWAY between the Concourse and Heartland Hall. There are additional kiddos at this sign-up genius link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COF4FAFA92BA0FF2-martiz>

Sign up and help make Christmas brighter for a foster child. To help, simply select the gift(s) you will provide, fill in your name, phone number and e-mail address beside it and take the Post-it Note reminder. (Tip: Take a photo of your Post-it in case you lose it!) If you are signing up online, please make your own Post-it Note including the name, gender, and age of the child as well as what the gift is.

Then, BEFORE Sunday, November 28, bring the wrapped gift back to church with the Post-it Note attached and place it in the large boxes provided. Call Angela Krug, 913-449-3916, for more information (or if you lost your Post-it Note!).

*Our sewers have again made stockings for all our Red Bag children! Feel free to take one from the box under the table if you sign up to provide a stocking for one of the children.

DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, OUR DONATION PARTNER IS THE DUCHESNE CLINIC. A safety net clinic located in Kansas City, KS, the Duchesne Clinic serves our low-income neighbors in Wyandotte County with their health care needs. Typically, we collect over-the-counter medications and hygiene items for the organization. Currently, the clinic is not accepting in-kind donations collected in person because of COVID concerns. However, they do have an Amazon wish list with items at a wide range of price points. If you would like to contribute items to the

clinic, please use the link below to order from their wish list. Amazon will deliver the Items directly to the clinic (so you won't bring them to church). Thank you for helping our KCK neighbors recover their health and well-being!

Wish list link: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2VLHWSMZ7HYCJ?ref=wl_fm_le

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