Service of Worship
May 9, 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.

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

All Grieving the Death of a Loved One: Joy Wilson and Family in the death of her sister, Beverly.

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses: Paul Thomas, Mary Sue Thomas, Katie Rickley

Cancer Treatment: Kathy Jonas

Aging Challenges: Shirley Sisk

Military Service: Conner Maynard, David Zak, C.J. Bradley, Seth Lorimer, Mary E. Johnson II, Alanna Funk, Bryce Hearn, Shannon Lorimer, David Minaschek. 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: Stony Point Presbyterian Church, Trimble, MO; Evangel Presbyterian Church, Urich, MO; First Presbyterian Church, Warrensburg, MO

(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.)
WORSHIP UPDATE: The Session has approved returning to in-person worship, beginning Sunday, May 23, 2021. There will be one service at 10am. We will also continue our online broadcast at the same time. Detailed information on the service and how to reserve a seat (reservations will be required to keep the attendance numbers within approved guidelines) is available here. Please be aware that if there are significant negative changes in the pandemic statistics in Johnson County, this date could be altered. Thank you for your continued support and prayers during this time.

CONTACTING STAFF: A reminder that the GCPC church building is open to limited use in response to the ongoing public health emergency. Office staff members are primarily working remotely. The best way to reach a staff member is by e-mail:

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HOW TO PLEDGE DURING THIS TIME: During this time of online-only 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 the "Online Giving" tab.

A NEW ADULT EDUCATION STUDY CONTINUES THIS SUNDAY! Revitalization study April 25–May 16 at 11:15am on Zoom. Join us as we embark on an honest conversation about GCPC, sharing unique stories, confessing our realities and discerning the Spirit’s call. Each week our leaders will guide us through Bible study, reflection and conversation that will help us as we work to revitalize the church on missional action and faithful discipleship in Jesus Christ throughout our neighborhoods, our nation and the world.

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87220845770?pwd=aFc2OURNb1l4ZEtzcEk4NS9SbkxzQT09
Meeting ID: 872 2084 5770
Passcode: GCPC2021

During their summer hiatus, the THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP will be meeting once a month for a book discussion. All the discussions are at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us:

May 20 at Jan Cummings’ house (9815 Broadmoor) to discuss Born a Crime by Trevor Noah Please RSVP to Jan at cjan1950@gmail.com;
June 17 at Lee Mattix’s house (11107 W 132nd Ct) to discuss Holy Envy by Barbara Brown Taylor;
July 15 at Pat Collins’ house (7629 W. 148th Terrace) to discuss Almost Everything by Anne Lamott;
August 19 at Cheryl Johnson’s house (12840 Century St.) to discuss Finding God in the Margins by Carolyn Custis James.

CHILDREN

THE DATE IS SET FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! JUNE 7–11 9AM–12PM. Come to North Castle and join the quest for the King’s Armor. All children age 4–5th grade are invited to be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God’s power by exploring how we put on the armor of God. To register go to: www.gcpc.org/quest.

We need plenty of supplies for VBS. If you would like to donate, please go to our sign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084caea829a0f94-vbsdonations. You may bring your donations to worship on May 23 or during office hours beginning May 17.

Want to volunteer to help during VBS? Contact Rev. Sue at sue.trigger@gcpc.org.

YOUTH

YOUTH AND FAMILY CANOE TRIP — JUNE 18–19! The trip is on and reserved with our outfitters, Living Waters Canoe Ministry! We will travel in separate cars down to Mac’s Creek in the Ozarks on Friday the 18th and will camp overnight, canoe and kayak Saturday, and possibly camp overnight on the 19th. Contact Miles if interested.

NO CONNECT OR SUNDAY MORNING CLASS THIS WEEK. This is a good day to hug your mothers and spend some time with them if possible! Sunday morning class will resume next week but we are taking a break from Connect until summer.

SUMMER DATES: Mark your calendars for June 21–25 for our presbytery-wide local mission experience week. We will likely take a trip to the Montreat Youth Conference for rising high school 9th–12th graders plus college freshmen. At this point July 10–17 and July 17–24 look like our best weeks. We will extend an invitation for other presbyterian churches in our area if they have some students who may want to fill out our group.

MISSION

OUR MISSION COMMUNION DONATION PARTNER FOR MAY IS SHAWNEE COMMUNITY SERVICES, a local food pantry and free clothing resource since 1982. We asked their President Sylvia Terry what their greatest food need is in May. She responded:

- canned fruit
- Knorr pasta sides
- potato side dishes such as mashed, scalloped, or au gratin packets
- rice side packets
- Peanut Butter
Please bring your donations to the Weekday Entrance and place them in the Communion donation bin, or bring them on Saturday, May 15 (PLEASE NOTE CORRECTED DATE), from 8:15 to 9:15am during the KCK Hot Lunch drop-off.

**KCK HOT LUNCH DROP-OFF INFO.:** On Saturday, May 15, we will be gathering the KCK sandwich lunches in the parking lot from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. We are asking the volunteers to come by GCPC on Thursday, May 13, and pick up bagged (12 mustard, ketchup, & mayo) condiments for each dozen they are preparing. By 8am, they will be in a cooler marked for KCK Hot Lunch outside the Weekday Entrance. Please mark your name off the list. Put one of each packet (mayo, mustard, ketchup) in each lunch bag, please. If you can’t come by on Thursday, please contact Mitch Trigger (973-970-5751) or Meredith Watson (816-289-6648), and we will deliver your condiment bag to you on Friday. Also, your assistance in not closing the lunch bags is appreciated. KCK Hot Lunch staff will add a milk if there is a child receiving the lunch. Thanks and see you Saturday!

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