



## Service of Worship — June 25, 2023

*"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.

**ELDER ON DUTY:** Katie Hearn

**HEAD USHERS:** Berdine & Richard Eby

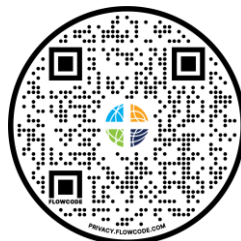
**HEARING ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE.** Please ask at the sound booth.

**RECORD YOUR ATTENDANCE AT TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE WITH OUR VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE**

**PAD:** Click this link: <https://bit.ly/GCPCattendance>, or scan the QR Code below, and it will take you to the link.



## Pledge Portal



**CONTACTING STAFF:** The office is open 8am to 4pm, M–F. To reach a staff member by e-mail:

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*“Pray for one another” — James 5:15*

We encourage you to remember the following in prayer:

**All Grieving the Death of a Loved One:** Ginny Wirtz and family in the death of Paul Wirtz.

**Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses**

**Cancer Treatment:** Pam Kelly, Harold Farren

**Aging Challenges**

**Military Service:** David Zak, C.J. Bradley, Seth Lorimer, Mary E. Johnson II, Alanna Funk, Shannon Lorimer, Clara Frye. **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:** Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church, Blue Springs, MO; Heartland Presbytery-Presbyterian Urban & Immigrant Ministry Network.

(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**

**TODAY FOLLOWING WORSHIP:** The Summer Session on biblical foods has been cancelled; however, Sue and Mitch will be available in Heartland Hall following worship for questions and conversation regarding their leaving. Please join them for refreshments and conversation.

**MEMBERS OF SCHENDEL, HAMPTON, BLANKERS AND MASON COVENANT GROUPS:** We hope to see you right after church today at our picnic at Meadowbrook Park shelter house, 92nd & Nall. Hotdogs, brats, lemonade, iced tea, and table service provided. Bring a side dish or dessert

if you can but if you can't come anyway! There is always plenty of food. Excellent playground. Fun and fellowship awaits!

**TACTILE LAP QUILT WORK DATES:** We will have an upcoming gathering to sew notions into 6-1/2" fabric squares on July 8, 10am–12pm in Room 3. All you need to bring is your machine, thread and scissors, or just a needle if you are a hand sewer. If you would like to participate, or if you would like to sew from home, contact Donna Heer, [taxdheer@gmail.com](mailto:taxdheer@gmail.com).

## ADULT

**DURING ITS SUMMER HIATUS, THE THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP** meets once a month in a member's home to share fellowship and hold a book discussion. (In other words, come even if you haven't read the book!) Here are the books for this summer:

- July 20: *The Red Tent* by Anita Diamant at Jan Cummings' house (9815 Broadmoor) at 9:30 a.m.
- August 17: *The Light We Carry* by Michelle Obama at Glenda Johnson's house (11712 W. 108th Street) at 9:30 a.m.

Please contact Cheryl Johnson, [agathatoo@gmail.com](mailto:agathatoo@gmail.com), with any questions.

**THE AS THE PAGE TURNS BOOK GROUP WILL MEET JULY 5** at 1:30 pm in Room 3 at the church. The book selection is *The Next Ship Home* by Heather Webb. Please join the group for discussion and fellowship.

**PAGE TURNERS WILL MEET ON THURSDAY, JULY 6,** at 7pm at Cindy Schendel's home, 11654 Grant Dr. We will discuss *The Ride of Her Life* by Elizabeth Letts. Please come even if you haven't read the book, it's always a great time! RSVP to [cschen56@hotmail.com](mailto:cschen56@hotmail.com) or 913 451 2709.

## MISSION

**THE JUNE COMMUNION OFFERING RECIPIENT** will be directed to Johnson County Christmas Bureau. JCCB is a long-time partner of GCPC; every year, they run a 9–10-day Holiday Shop during the month of December. At the Holiday Shop, pre-qualified, low-income Johnson County residents can shop for groceries, personal care items, toys, books, coats and hats, and other items for their families' needs. JCCB also provides packages for low-income nursing home residents, including items such as pajamas, slipper socks, twin bedding, lap quilts, tool belts and walker bags. Find your Christmas spirit in the middle of summer and help JCCB achieve their mission!

**UPLIFT IS OUR JUNE MISSION DONATION PARTNER.** Uplift provides food and necessities to the Kansas City Homeless by sending four hot-food trucks out Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings each week. GCPC has provided hot meals and high-need items for Uplift distribution on the fourth Saturday of each month for nearly 20 years. Each month we truly have fun preparing, cooking and delivering to the UPLIFT distribution teams two large casseroles which feed 60–90 people on that Saturday evening.

Donate High-Need Items: Take a look around your house or clean some closets. Perhaps you'll find some of these current high-need items:

- hygiene items (the homeless don't always have a place to store their stuff, so before you donate that large container of shampoo, think "hotel-sized" bottles of shampoo, lotion, etc.)
- gently used or new seasonal clothing (underwear, shirts, pants, caps, socks)
- camping essentials (tents, sleeping bags, flashlights, batteries, playing cards, etc.)
- EZ open canned food (fruit, spam, ravioli, spaghetti, soups, etc.)

Place your donation in the Weekday Entrance labeled UPLIFT. If you have any questions or if you are thinking that you might be interested in being included in the monthly GCPC Uplift email: contact Kevin Johnson at [krpj01@gmail.com](mailto:krpj01@gmail.com).

**THIS TUESDAY, JUNE 27, GCPC WILL HOST A COMMUNITY BLOOD CENTER DONATION DRIVE.** This is the Center's Royals' promotion week. This means two tickets for everyone who comes in to donate! New donors are always welcome! We'll be making appointments between 2 and 6pm. Book at [savealifenow.org/group](https://savealifenow.org/group) and enter Group Code: IM. For questions, contact Sarah Byrd, 913-909-1559 or [swbyrdks@gmail.com](mailto:swbyrdks@gmail.com).

**CAN RECYCLING = (ALMOST) FREE MONEY FOR YOUR FAVORITE GCPC TEAM OR MISSION:** With our Youth Director's departure, we need a new system for getting the aluminum cans in the can shed to the scrap metal recycler. The good news is, taking cans to the recycler is a source of easy money! The bad news is, we need volunteers to do it. The scrap metal recyclers are located in KCMO, and you need a large vehicle like a truck or van to do it efficiently. (Taking a trunkful of cans in a sedan isn't worth the time it takes to get there and back.) We need to keep up with the cans as they come in so that the volume doesn't become overwhelming.

For the next two months, we'd like to try a pilot program where any interested church member can sign up to take a load of cans each month. Whoever takes the cans in a given month gets to decide where the money for that load goes — you can direct it to your favorite GCPC Ministry Team (like Facilities Team or Children's Team) or to your favorite GCPC mission partner (like IHN or Uplift). The price of aluminum varies, but normally it is from \$50 to \$100 per truckload of cans. At the end of July, we'll determine the success of the pilot program and decide how to move forward. Contact Mikki Walker at [michala.walker@gmail.com](mailto:michala.walker@gmail.com) if you're interested in getting more details and/or taking the cans in June or July.

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