



Service of Worship — January 9, 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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS are provided by Jerel and Kathy Williams, who are celebrating their 51st wedding anniversary today. They brought flowers in honor of the occasion.

ELDER ON DUTY: Katie Hearn **HEAD USHER:** Dave Peck

“Pray for one another” — James 5:15

We encourage you to remember the following in prayer:

All Grieving the Death of a Loved One: Joel Ilten and Family in the death of his father; Pat Wormus and Family in the death of Bob Wormus

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses: Mike Nicholas, Pat Wormus

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: First Presbyterian Church, Liberty, MO; Iglesia Elim, Monte Carmelo, Ciudad Barrios, Retalhuleu (MQP); Maitland Presbyterian Church, Maitland, MO; First Presbyterian Church, Maryville, 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.)

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.



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.

Per Capita Sunday, January 23, 2022

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.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU: Kathy and I want to thank all of you for your continued cards and letters of hope and good wishes we have received. The poinsettias adorn our hearth and add color to a gray world. We continue to keep up the fight, and Kathy's spirit remains upbeat. Here's wishing everyone a happy new year and prosperous 2022. —*Kathy & Rob Jonas*

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. 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. The adult Follow Me class meets in room 3. 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>. This class will meet in Room 4. You can Zoom in at: <https://tinyurl.com/krd5pz84>

YOUTH

JANUARY 9 CONNECT: Exciting news! We are starting our new year 2022 with style with an award-winning Christianity series called *The Chosen*, and we are going to play different games, including Noodle Ball Challenge, soccer targets, etc. Starting time is 6:30pm, and we will go until 8pm. See you there, and do not forget to invite a friend.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES: Classes begin again for 2022 this Sunday at 10:45 in the youth room downstairs.

MLK WEEKEND 17TH OF JANUARY: It is that time of the year again! We are planning for MLK weekend on January 17 and want your input. We are hoping to do a service project and something fun and are open to ideas and suggestions from you. Feel free to bring up some ways you think will make this weekend a memorable one.

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.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: We are collecting non-perishable food items now in the Weekday Entrance and will soon add some barrels from Harvesters. The collection will end on February 6 (when the Chiefs win the Super Bowl!), and we will share our “Souper Bowl” food with others through Harvesters.

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