



**Service of Worship
August 8, 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 worshipping 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

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses: Bond Faulwell

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. **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, Gardner, KS; Iglesia Espiritu Santo, La Cumbre (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

THE ROSE ON THE COMMUNION TABLE is in honor of John “Jack” Seth Lorimer, born July 30. Seth and Sarah Lorimer, parents; Mike and Regie Lorimer, grandparents.

STAY AFTER WORSHIP TODAY FOR A CONCERT BY GCPC’S DIXIELAND BAND! Bob Dover conducts this ensemble. Buy a shaved ice treat from the Kona Ice Truck, which will arrive in the parking lot at 11am. The cost is \$3–\$7 per treat. Visit kona-ice.com for information on their shaved ice flavors. Set up a lawn chair or stand and enjoy the concert in the west parking lot

NEW TIME FOR WORSHIP! Beginning on August 22, Sunday morning worship at Grace Covenant will begin at 9:30am, with Christian education classes starting at 10:45am. This schedule will be in effect through the rest of 2021, after which it will be re-evaluated.

RED BAG STOCKING ASSEMBLY PROJECT: Join us on Saturday, August 28, in Rooms 3 and 4 to sew stockings for our Red Bag Santas, who will then fill them with donations this December. We will have an assembly line of folks who can iron or cut out or sew 20 simple stockings. All in 2 hours — 10am–12pm! RSVP to Donna Heer, taxdheer@gmail.com, or 913-485-5812. If you have Christmas-themed or solid colored fabric you would like to donate, we’d love to add it to the collection — at least ½-yard increments, please. Thank you!

CONTACTING STAFF: A reminder that the GCPC church building has returned to normal operations. The office is open from 8am to 4pm, Monday through Friday; however, some staff members are continuing to work part of the time from home. The best way to reach a staff member is by e-mail:

Rev. Sue: sue.trigger@gcpc.org

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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 gcpc.org and clicking "Online Giving."

ADULT

THE THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP will meet on August 19 at 9:30am at Cheryl Johnson's house (12840 Century St.) to discuss the book *Finding God in the Margins* by Carolyn Custis James. **The group will resume regular meetings on September 9.** We meet from 9:30 to 11am in Room 3. There will be a Zoom option too. This year, we will be using a Kerygma study called *The Bible in Depth* (<https://kerygma.com/products/bible-in-depth>). The cost of the book will be about \$35. Please let Cheryl Johnson, agathatoo@gmail.com, know by August 19, if you'd like to order a book.

RACHEL/RUTH CIRCLE HAS SWITCHED TO A DAYTIME EVENT. We will continue to meet on the 4th Monday but at 1:30pm. We will begin with Lesson 1 on August 23 in Room 3 at the church. There has been no review other than at the National Gathering. Please let Chelly King know if you need a book: *What My Grandmother Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*, 913-634-4450 or chelly41rn@gmail.com.

CALENDAR UPDATES: Second Thursday Bunco is returning! We play Bunco on the second Thursday of each month at the church from 6:30 to 8:30pm. August 12 will be our late summer kick-off. If you are looking for a fun evening of laughter and fun, please come join us. **Third Monday Bridge is commencing!** We are going to be dealing the cards again on Monday, August 16, at 1pm at Grace Covenant. We would love to have you at one of our tables. Bring your own drink. We are signing up players and substitutes for our monthly games. *Please contact Jane Knoche, jeknoche@att.net, to join either of these groups.*

YOUTH

RE-CONNECT AUGUST 15: We are going to have a Connect gathering at church on Sunday evening, August 15, and it will be the first one including rising 6th graders. I'm planning for a bunch of fun things to kick off the year so try to be there if possible! We will resume regular Sunday Connect gatherings on that date. On the 15th, we will meet from 6:30 to 8pm, but our Sundays are much more flexible this fall, so we might push it earlier to give you all some homework time in the evening, let me know what works best for you.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES START AUGUST 22 — SNEAK PEEK, AUGUST 15: The 22nd is the official date when we adjust our worship time to 9:30am and start classes at 10:45 in the youth space downstairs. On the 15th, we still worship at 10am, but please come down after worship to hang out in the youth lounge, eat doughnuts, play foosball, etc., and meet with our leaders and each other. We expect to have separate middle school and high school groups this fall.

YOUTH AND FAMILY PARTY AT MILES' HOUSE AUGUST 22: We will celebrate the end of summer and beginning of fall with a youth party at Miles' house, 5750 W. 69th street, Overland Park, 66204, 6–8pm. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Hotdogs, hamburgers, and drinks will be provided. We will have some 9-square-in-the-air going on and who knows what else.

MISSION

COLLECTIONS FOR A GATHERING OF FRIENDS CONTINUE IN AUGUST! Our plans for an August donation partner fell through, so we're going to continue collecting for A Gathering of Friends (the July donation partner). A Gathering of Friends a grassroots organization serving those experiencing homelessness and food insecurity in Johnson and Wyandotte counties. Please see the list below for what you can donate to support their mission, or the link below to their Amazon Wish list for more items. (Items ordered from the Wish List will be delivered directly to AGoF — not brought to church.) Donations can go in the Weekday Entrance bin anytime you're at church. Please note there will NOT be a Saturday morning collection event in August — contact Mikki Walker if you have any difficulty with dropping donations off at church, and we'll make alternative arrangements.

Current needs include:

Body/Baby wipes
White athletic socks (both short & long)
Bug Spray
Mosquito deterrent coils
1 LB Propane Bottles
Individual oatmeal packets

Pop Tarts
Flashlights, handheld
Bic Lighters
Keebler sandwich crackers, 3 flavor variety packs
QT Gift cards for gasoline, \$5, \$10, \$20

[Amazon wish list: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/DO2I2FHFWHD?ref=wl_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/DO2I2FHFWHD?ref=wl_share)

16TH ANNUAL REGINA REYNOLDS MEMORIAL GOLF SCRAMBLE — SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

- **Falcon Valley Golf Course, Lenexa, KS**
- **9-Hole Golf Scramble**
- **1:30 PM**
- **\$42.00* covers green fee, riding cart, and prizes**

We are holding our golf scramble for the sixteenth year in memory of Regina Reynolds, a loving member who was very active in our church and who enjoyed playing in our GCPC golf outings. The Scramble was created as a way to enjoy the company of fellow GCPC Golfers and their friends in a friendly scramble event. *While the \$42.00 covers green fee, a cart and prizes there are a few extra fees.

- A contribution to the Scholarship Fund of at least \$25 is encouraged from each player.
- Falcon Valley will charge an additional \$10 to a player that requests a private golf cart. If a player wants to drive alone, they need to notify me and include an extra \$10 in their entry fee.

Interest is already greater than last year when we were in the depths of COVID restrictions. To reserve your spot in the field, just fill out the entry form (hard copies are available at the church, or [click here](#)), enclose your check of \$42.00 (made out to Bill Turner) and mail to his address on the entry form. Your entry form and check need to be received by Bill no later than August 8 (TODAY!), to allow enough time to set up the start times and teams.

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