Service of Worship

July 26, 2020 10:00am

“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

Surgeries/Hospitalizations/Illnesses: Gary Dubois, Carl Blomgren, Shirley Sampson; Gail Harris; Glenna Barnett

Cancer Treatment: Kathy Jonas

Aging Challenges: Shirley Sisk, C.J. Poirier

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: Maya Quiché Presbytery; Deepwater Presbyterian Church, Deepwater, MO; Heartland Presbytery New Worshipping Communities Commission.

(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.)
FRONT PORCH PORTRAITS: We have been brainstorming about creative ways we can connect while we are doing church at home, and have come up with an idea that incorporates “Front Porch Portraits” of our members! Could you snap a photo or selfie of your family OUTSIDE on your porch, front steps, or patio for this project?

Take a classic photo or have fun and be creative. Dress in your best quarantine PJs or crazy quarantine attire; highlight your crazy hair, your stash of TP, or whatever you else you can think of to bring humor and levity to your isolation. Perhaps, even, have a sign displaying an inspiration message or Bible verse to incorporate in the photo.

The caveat...we’d like to ask that all participants agree to let us use your image for a special GCPC faith community project. It is important to include as many members as possible. No matter whether you have family surrounding you, or you are quarantined alone, we would love to include everyone in this project. Visit https://gcpc.org/porch to upload your photo!

If you are unable to take a photo yourself, please contact Sue & Mitch who will come take a photo, at a distance, for you! Contact Rev. Sue, sue.trigger@gcpc.org, or Rev. Mitch, mitch.trigger@gcpc.org.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP DURING THESE CHALLENGING TIMES.

1. Through the generosity of members and the church, we are able to assist those who have lost their jobs, been furloughed, or are struggling due to the COVID-19 pandemic. If you need help, please contact Revs. Sue or Mitch at sue.trigger@gcpc.org or mitch.trigger@gcpc.org.

2. We have members who are making masks. If you need a mask for wearing out in public, please contact Rev. Sue at her e-mail above.

CONTACTING STAFF: A reminder that the GCPC church building is closed to all activities and meetings in response to the current public health emergency. Office staff members are working remotely. The best way to reach a staff member is by e-mail:

Rev. Sue: sue.trigger@gcpc.org
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Tara Hyder (finance admin.): finance@gcpc.org

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.

**ADULTS**

ANNOUNCING THE 15TH ANNUAL REGGIE REYNOLDS GOLF TOURNAMENT AND FUND RAISER! The Scramble will take place on Sunday, August 23, beginning at 1:30pm at the Falcon Valley Golf Course. The entry fee for the scramble will be $42, with a separate donation to the Reggie Reynolds Scholarship Fund (recommended $25). If you are interested, contact Bill Turner either at 99wdturner@gmail.com or 913 515-5994, and he will provide official entry forms. While the focus of the scholarship has changed, this is still a great opportunity to support the youth of our church and to honor the memory of Reggie!

PAGE TURNERS WILL BE SELECTING OUR BOOKS to read for 2020–2021 on Thursday, August 6, at Jo Randolph's home (socially distanced on her patio/yard). Please RSVP to Jo at jrandolph4407@gmail.com. Please send your suggested books including title, author, genre, and a BRIEF summary of the plot to Janice at gcpcpageturners@gmail.com by August 2. It's always a good idea to bring your suggested books with you to the meeting to show the group, but we won't be passing them around this year! Bring a folding tailgate type chair. If you are not comfortable meeting in person, please let Marcia Turner know and we can have a zoom meeting set up for you to follow along, mktopks@gmail.com.

**YOUTH**

COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT THURSDAY, JULY 30: Next Week we will plan to dig potatoes and whatever else in the community garden at Colonial Presbyterian. (95th and Wornall, KC MO) that gives most of its food to those in need. We will start at 8:30am and likely end around 11am. Please RSVP for this one so they can plan ahead for our supplies, etc. Also let me know if you would like to come but Thursday is a bad morning. They do have some flexibility, and I’d like to have as many volunteers as possible.

NUTTER PARK BEAUTIFICATION — THANK YOU! We did end up with a good group for our children’s park cleanup last week — thanks to everyone who came! We spread a whole lot of mulch, pulled huge piles of weeds and unwanted plants, and had fun chasing garter snakes.

EXTREME CROQUET: We played and obstacle course, version of croquet yesterday at the time of the Rosehill donation drive. I’m writing this announcement before the event and you will read it after — but I bet it went great!

**MISSION**

CATHOLIC CHARITIES IS THE RECIPIENT of our July Communion Offering.

NEW COORDINATOR NEEDED FOR UPLIFT MEALS: The Page Turners book group has prepared meals for Uplift, a KC homeless relief agency, for nearly 30 years. Lee Mattix is retiring from her long service as coordinator of those efforts — thank you Lee! — and a new coordinator needs to be identified for GCPC to continue to be involved in this mission work. The coordinator would organize the work of many volunteers to plan, shop for, and prepare a casserole-type meal in the church kitchen, and then deliver it
in thermal containers (provided by Uplift) on the 4th Saturday of each month. The funding is provided as part of the Mission Team budget. Lee would share the benefit of her experience and provide her extensive notes and expertise to the new coordinator, plus many of the members of Page Turners would continue as volunteers (although new volunteers are also needed and welcome). Please contact Mikki Walker at michala.walker@gmail.com if you are interested in this important mission work.