#### **Our Vision**

We envision a church that proclaims the liberating Gospel of Jesus Christ by identifying itself as a church of and for our community.

We envision a church that, following the example of Jesus, prays, welcomes people of every race, class or human condition, and encourages everyone to fulfill his or her ministry.

#### **SESSION**

Letha Chadiha
Clerk of Session
Jim Albers, Treasurer
Paul Backer
Lori Davis
Glen Dunmore
Candi Moss
Sandi Moss
Florence Reavis
Linda Scott
Sherry Templeton

### **DEACONS**

Anita Briggs
Will Burks
Anne Durant
Karen Gentry-Strickland
Donna Lenhart
Betty Lynk
Paul Maddox
Cindy Perucca
Carol Thomas



## **Kirk News**

When 2020 began we had no idea what was in store for us. We didn't know that Coronavirus pandemic would take over 330,000 lives, and that over 18 million cases would occur. We didn't know that worship would be by Zoom, and those of us who had digital access would be connected. We didn't know of the economic crisis that so many have endured.

With 2021 arriving we have prayers of an effective vaccine, a smooth (and legal) Presidential transition, health and protection for you, and a return to normalcy for all.

The vaccine will make a tremendous difference and bring us much farther along the road to normalcy. As you know I was a participant in the Moderna vaccination trial and have had no complications, other than chills after the booster shot and some fatigue for a couple of weeks.

Until we have the vaccine, we will have to wear masks, social distance, and wash our hands frequently.

In this coming coldest of months please do whatever you need to do to care for yourself and others. We can see the light at the end of the tunnel and know that we will get there.

We are here for you, please call or text me at (913) 486-7010 or email at <a href="mailto:kirkperucca@gmail.com">kirkperucca@gmail.com</a>. Let's stay connected and close until we can be together in person.

I'm thinking (and this is just my thoughts) that we may be back in person in the spring. Easter would be lovely, but we'll have to see how the trends are going. But until then we will be Zooming, and even when we're in person we will continue to have the on-line streaming. We will make it as interactive as possible.

Our Martin Luther King, Jr. Service will be online on Sunday, January 17 at 7 P.M. via our Zoom Sunday Worship link.

My prayer is that the Presidential transition goes smoothly and that the President will accept the results of the election and respect the rule of law. Our prayers are with the President and Vice-President elect for wisdom in their leadership.

PER CAPITA is what our church sends per member to the presbytery to support the administrative work of the governing bodies of the Presbyterian

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## **Kirk News**

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Church (U.S.A.). So, we receive a bill from the presbytery for each member of \$43.07. If you are able and can provide that amount we would be grateful.

Total per capita for 2021: \$43.07

\$31.19—Presbytery

\$2.90—Synod of Mid-America

\$8.98—General Assembly

We have received 27 pledges totaling \$89,856 from our members. There are still a number of you who have not pledged, now some of you may not want to pledge and that's ok, just send an email to office@covenantpreskc.com and simply write, "we choose not to pledge" and we'll know that you don't plan to pledge. We have set a goal of \$105,000 for our pledge drive. We're close, so if you would help us to get there we would be grateful.

We still have a few "Black Lives Matter" yard signs left. They are \$10 each. It's an important statement we make!

God bless you in this coming month.

Rev. Kirk P. Perucca, Pastor

# Happy Birthday!

January 01 Osric Reavis
January 01 Montel Williams
January 07 Barbara Bever
January 14 Chuck Eklund
January 16 Andrew Krenzel
January 22 Candi Moss
January 24 Cathy Hill

January 30 Sherry Templeton

January 30 Paul Maddox

# **Worship Leaders**

January 03 Lori Davis
January 10 Kathy Naatz
January 17 Laura Hyland
January 24 Carole Thomas
January 31 Niki Krenzel

# **Zoom Church Links**

Children's Sunday School (10:00 A.M.) https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74959493530? pwd=ZWpxdEY3b0FTaGt5N0tiQ2tYMzY4dz09 Meeting ID: 749 5949 3530 Password: K98CYE Mobile:

+13017158592, 81888319596# (Germantown) +13126266799, 81888319596# (Chicago)

Sunday Worship (10:30 A.M.)
Bible Study (Wednesday 7:00 P.M.)
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/719607151?
pwd=eFNDd0F2eHArL2t3NUIXUjY3VTJoZz09
Meeting ID: 719 607 151 Password: 058879
Mobile:

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## **Food Pantry**

In December we fed 390 households, comprised of 707 adults, 570 children, and 49 seniors. This year we fed 4,160 households; In 2019 we fed 4,283 households.

Our food pantry adopted six households to help with Christmas gifts, breakfast, and dinner. The smiles, and social distance hugs were heartfelt at Christmastime.

Thank you to our Angels who purchased gifts for these families from their heart:
Orlandra Brown, Niki Krenzel, Tommie Wright,
Nancy Henry, Tommy & Crystal Robinson,
Masterson Family, and Braden Family.

