GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Sower at Sunset" by Vincent Van Gogh

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 16, 2024 • 10:30 a.m.

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us for worship today at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral. If you are new to the Cathedral, we invite you to fill out our welcome card. Welcome cards are available in the pews or fill out the online form using the QR code.

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Children

Children are welcome in all our services and activities for them are available on a shelf in the back aisle.

- Childcare for those 4 years old and younger is available in the nursery in Haden Hall.
- For elementary age children, Cathedral Kids meets during the first half of the 10:30 a.m. worship service and during this time we weave together our sacred stories and our Episcopal identity with the *Weaving God's Promises* curriculum! Children attending Cathedral Kids will meet their parents or guardians inside the tower doors during the passing of the peace. We observe *Family Worship* one Sunday of each month so there is no Cathedral Kids. Worship Boxes with resources for children are in the back cross aisle. Upcoming Family Worship Sundays: June 16, July 28, August 25
- To get to Haden Hall: From the Tower entry, go up the stairs and straight ahead to the adjoining building. Follow signs or ask an usher for directions.

Restrooms

Gendered restrooms are available in Founders' Hall. A non-gendered and accessible restroom is available at west end (rear) of the Cathedral.

Hearing Assist Devices

Connect your bluetooth enabled devices through the Listen Everywhere app. Detailed instructions are available on the table near the entrance. Other (not bluetooth) hearing assist devices are also available on the table near the entrance.

Ways to Give

- Give online with the QR code.
- Place in the offering plate. Envelopes are available in the pew racks.
- Text "GIVEtoGHTC" to 73256.

Thank you for your generosity.

Service Notes

Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*). Page numbers listed are from red The Book of Common Prayer and hymn numbers are from *The Hymnal 1982*.

Following the Service

Please join us for a cup of coffee or tea in Founders' Hall.

Our Mission

As the Episcopal Cathedral Church in the heart of Kansas City we seek and serve Christ in all people, loving our neighbors as ourselves while striving for justice, peace and respect for every human being. Our worship, prayer and formation support the restorative strength of our community, reconciling all people to God and one another through Christ.



Please be advised that our services are livesteamed to YouTube. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.

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HOLY EUCHARIST

Felix Mendelssohn

The Word of God

* Оремінд Нуми: 525 "The Church's one foundation"



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* Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* SONG OF PRAISE: S280 "Glory to God" Gloria in excelsis



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* Collect for the Day

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray. Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Ezekiel 17:22–24

Lector	Thus says the Lord God:
	I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar;
	I will set it out.
	I will break off a tender one
	from the topmost of its young twigs;
	I myself will plant it
	on a high and lofty mountain.
	On the mountain height of Israel
	I will plant it,
	in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,
	and become a noble cedar.
	Under it every kind of bird will live;
	in the shade of its branches will nest
	winged creatures of every kind.
	All the trees of the field shall know
	that I am the Lord.
	I bring low the high tree,
	I make high the low tree;
	I dry up the green tree
	and make the dry tree flourish.
	I the Lord have spoken;
	I will accomplish it.
	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 92:1-4,11-14 sung by the choir, chant by William Crotch

It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, * and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High; To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning * and of your faithfulness in the night season; On the psaltery, and on the lyre, * and to the melody of the harp. For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; * and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands. The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, * and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon. Those who are planted in the house of the Lord * shall flourish in the courts of our God: They shall still bear fruit in old age; * they shall be green and succulent; That they may show how upright the Lord is, * my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

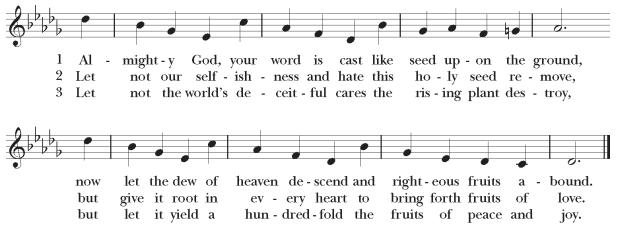
Lector We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

* GOSPEL HYMN: 589 "Almighty God, your word is cast"



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* The Holy Gospel: Mark 4:26–34

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ. People Gospeller Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples. The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

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We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,

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maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* Prayers of the People, Form IV

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Intercessor	Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
	Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.
Silence	
Intercessor People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.
Silence	
Intercessor People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.
Silence	
Intercessor People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.
Silence	
Intercessor People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.
Silence	
Intercessor People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.
Silence	
Intercessor People	Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Confession and Absolution

Deacon	Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
All	Most merciful God,
	we confess that we have sinned against you
	in thought, word, and deed,
	by what we have done,
	and by what we have left undone.
	We have not loved you with our whole heart;
	we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
	We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
	For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
	have mercy on us and forgive us;
	that we may delight in your will,
	and walk in your ways,
	to the glory of your Name. Amen.
Presider	Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.
* The Peace	page 360

Presider	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

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Celebration Prayer

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All O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BISHOP SEARCH PRAYER

All O Creator God, giver of every good gift, look graciously on us in the Diocese of West Missouri and guide us as we discern our call of a new bishop. O Jesus, be present in our discernment, and lead us to a shepherd who will invite us to live out the Gospel every day. O Holy Spirit, inspire us with your wisdom, and kindle our hearts with the fire of your love, that we may be renewed as we prepare to welcome the ministry of our next bishop. This we ask trusting in You. Amen.

The Holy Communion

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Presider	Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to Go	d.
	Ephesians 5:2	

Offertory Anthem: "Ave verum corpus"

Ave verum corpus,	Hail, real body,
Natum de Maria virgine;	born of the Virgin Mary,
Vere passum immolatum	who truly suffered, sacrificed
In crucis pro homine.	on the cross for mankind,
Cuius latus perforatum	whose pierced side
Unda fluxit et sanguine.	flowed with water and blood;
Esto nobis praegustatum	be unto us the foretaste
In mortis examine.	in the trial of death.

* Presentation Hymn: 424 "For the fruit of all creation



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* The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

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S120: The Holy Eucharist II, Lift up your hearts: Sursum corda



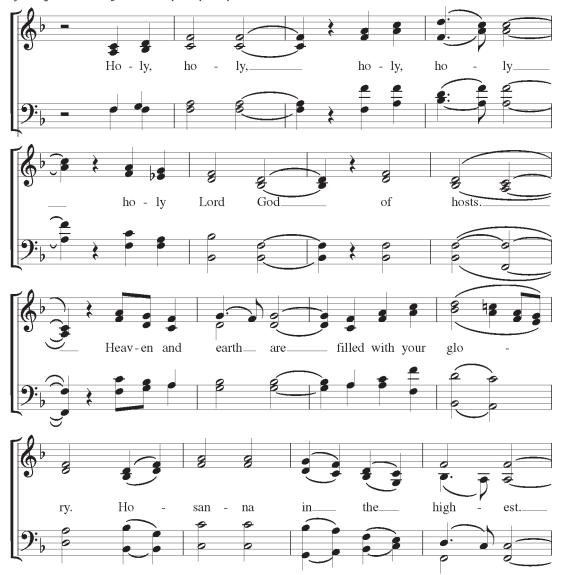
Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

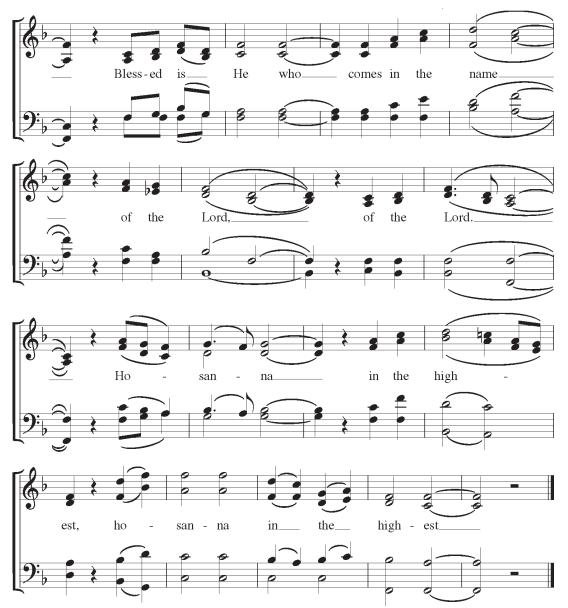
Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All

Lift Every Voice and Sing II 255: Holy, holy, holy Lord





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Presider We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Presider	And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.
All	AMEN.
Presider	And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All	Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.
Breaking c	of the Bread

PresiderAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



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Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion

All are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. For gluten-free bread, cross your hands palms down. For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.

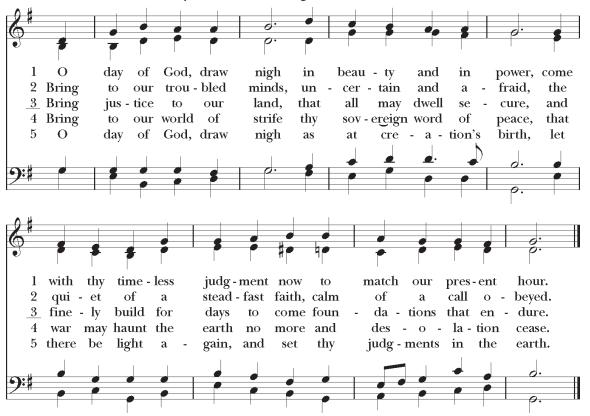
On the first Sunday of each month, prayer for healing is offered at the prayer desk until the close of worship.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

– From The Prayer Book for the Armed Services

* Сомминіон Нумн: 601 "O day of God, draw nigh"



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* Соммилиол Нумл: 302 "Father, we thank thee who hast planted"



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* Postcommunion Prayer

Presider	Let us pray.
People	Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

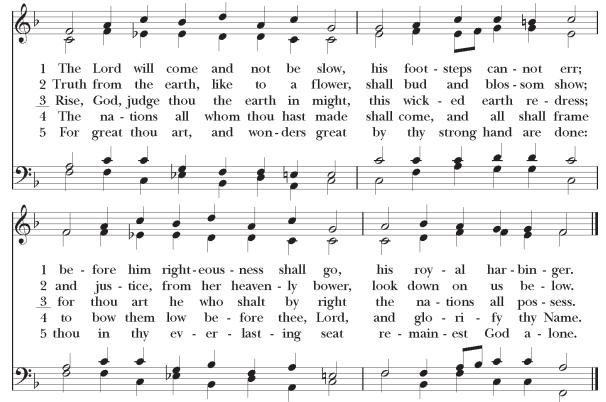
* The Blessing

* DISMISSAL

Following the dismissal,

People Thanks be to God.

* CLOSING НУММ: 462 "The Lord will come, and not be slow"



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Richard Keys Biggs

Serving Today

Presider & Preacher	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Deacon	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Musicians	The Trinity Choir, Dr. Lucas Fletcher, Dr. Paul Meier
Lector	Mark Galus
Intercessor	Anne Morse
Eucharistic Ministers	Charles Shipley, Bob Johnson
Acolyte	Henry Galus
Ushers	Colin Chambers, Denny Brisley, Ric Sweeting, Richard Morse
Greeter	Donna Knoell
Altar Guild	Peg Brown, Debbie Marrs, Leticia Porter, Sharon Hudson
Sound/Livestreaming	Leticia Porter, Chris Morrison

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diapers for families in need

not having a clean diaper can really stink

- Diapers are not covered by government safety net programs like food stamps, Medicaid, and WIC.
- An estimated 21,000 children in our metropolitan area need diaper assistance (US Census 2020)
- Families with young children experiencing diaper need report missing an average of 5.1 workdays per month because they did not have the required number of diapers for their child to attend daycare.

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Bring diapers to the barrel in the cross hall or to the basket in the Tower

OR

Donate diapers directly through the happybottoms.org site



Donate packages of diapers *Sizes 4, 5, 6 needed most*



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frenzied experience of the demanding realty of being alive. Come and spend a day reflecting on the pathway to a more integrated life that fosters wholeness in body, mind and spirit. Explore Christian contemplative practices that assist finding the One who longs for you and calls you beloved whose desire is to bring you abundant life of wonder and curiosity.

Where: Grace Episcopal Cathedral 701 SW 8th Ave Topeka KS Cost: \$25.00 Register: There is space for 15 Led by Clare Stern-Burbano

Registration link at kccathedral.org/young-adults.

Family Worship Weekends

June 16, July 28, August 25

In an effort to get more children comfortable and involved in worship services, we have implemented Family Worship Weekends. This means that rather than having Cathedral Kids, after the formation hour at 9:15 parents/guardians/caregivers will come pick their child(ren) up from Haden at 10:15 and worship together as a family.

Our trial run this spring was very successful, so we are continuing the practice this summer. There are pew boxes at the back of the Nave that contain items to enhance the children's worship experience. Some items may be taken home and others should be left in the box.

If you have any questions, please contact Clare (cstern@kccathedral.org).

Sunday Adult Formation will be on hiatus **May 26–June 30**. Classes will resume **July 7**.

Formation for children and youth is on hiatus from **May 26 through September 1**. Classes will resume **September 8**.

Children

Cathedral Kids • 10:30 a.m.

Cathedral Kids meets during the first half of the 10:30 a.m. worship service and during this time we weave together our sacred stories and our Episcopal identity with the Weaving God's Promises curriculum! Children attending Cathedral Kids will meet their parents or guardians inside the tower doors during the passing of the peace.

Questions? Contact Clare, **childrensformation@kccathedral.org** for more information.

Adult Formation

Sunday

A Book Study on Discipleship • July 7, 14, 21, 28

9:15 a.m. • Common Room

Dean Andy and Fr. James will co-teach a book study looking at what it means to walk in the way of Christ and truly be a disciple. The season of Pentecost is a season of growth, for both the apostles and us. We'll look at various aspects of discipleship such as prayer, discipline, and practice. More information will be coming soon about our book selection and how to get it.

Tuesday

GHTC's Virtual Cafe • 7:30 a.m.

Please join us for our weekly conversation in GHTC's Virtual Cafe! Tuesday mornings from 7:30–9 a.m. For details, visit **kccathedral.org/other-activities**.

Women's Bible Study • 12:30 p.m.

Conversation is lively, thought-provoking, and often irreverent. All are welcome. Visit the WBS page, **kccathedral.org/ adultformation/wbs** for more information.

Lectionary Bible Study • 6:45 p.m.

We study the lessons for the upcoming Sunday. Join the Lectionary Bible Study group in Realm or visit the LBS page, **kccathedral.org/adultformation/lbs** for more details.

Announcements

All Parish Breakfasts



Please join us in Founders' Hall at 9 a.m. for breakfast and fellowship on the second Sunday of each month this summer.

Hope to see you there!



June Social Outreach: Diaper Drive for HappyBottoms

During the month of June, we invite you to bring packages of diapers, even open packs. Sizes four, five and six are the most needed. These diapers are donated to HappyBottoms, the local diaper bank of Kansas City that gives out diapers to more than 70 area social service agency sites.



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Please Volunteer to Pack Family Meals!

In the lower level of Founders' Hall, Pete's Garden is a food rescue committed to less food waste and more family meals. We collect unserved prepared food from caterers, restaurants and food service operations each day.

Volunteers work together every day at 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. except Tuesday and Sunday. Volunteers portion and package donated food so we can redirect it to social service agencies who get meals to families.

Sign up for a shift at **petesgarden.org/volunteer**. Email Jennifer Olson, **volunteer@petesgarden.org**, with questions or help signing up.

Announcements



KC Bass Workshop '24 Friday, June 28 6–9 p.m.

The KC Bass Workshop will be presenting a concert at the Cathedral Friday, June 28. Featured performers will be Lloyd Goldstein, Maxwell Winningham and Andres Martin.

For more details, visit **kcbassworkshop.com** or call 816.305.7559.



Office Closed Wednesday, June 19 in observance of Juneteenth.

There will be no in-person 12:05 p.m. service that day. The Noonday Prayer service will be available online.

If you have a pastoral emergency, contact Dean Andy at 256.762.5889, Father James at 816.739.2930 or Deacon Barbara at 816.739.8032.

Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination: "Sower and the Seed" (Mark 4:3-9)

Today's Gospel reading, Mark 4:26-34 (containing the parables of the growing seed and of the mustard seed), is located within a larger context of teachings addressing the purpose and use of parables. The "Sower and Seed" illumination introduces this theme and invites us to explore the special challenges parables present for illuminators. As a literary form, the parable occupies a space between allegory, metaphor, and narrative, making it difficult to visually portray the multiple layers of meaning a parable intends to convey. The illuminator is challenged to depict the parable in ways that would invite contemplation of paradoxical truth but would avoid guiding the viewer to narrow interpretations and simplistic literalization. St John's Bible seeks to resolve this dilemma through the use of iconography.

Eastern Christianity has developed the visual language of the icon to express theological concepts and doctrines sometimes impossible to capture in written language alone. While the "Sower and Seed" illumination might be approached initially as a literal picture of the story being told, as an icon it invites the viewer to look more perceptively and differently. As such, the portrayal forces us beyond

viewing this simply as a farming scene and requires us to open our understanding to the sacred, symbolic action being conveyed. We are challenged to ask ourselves questions like: Who is the sower? What is the seed being sown? Are we too being called to sow the seed? Are we at the same time being called to become receptive ground for God's seed sown in us? Notice how the seed scatters across the page and into the text. What does that say to you? What other questions does this icon elicit from you?

What does it mean "to have ears to hear"? How does that challenge from Jesus inspire you to engage this visualization of the parable more personally?

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for: Martha Mitchell; Peggy's Nephew; Sadie Wolters; Lyle Oliver; Lynne Avery; Michah Avery; Fr. Richard Rohr; Gloria Quarles; Sally Livengood; Tae & family; Penny Citro; Pat and Larry Martin; Joyce Morrow; Midge Purty; Liliana; Brend; Lynn Schneider; Judy Houtman; Jim Verhague; Tim Allen; Joey; Deacon Donna Stanford; Charlotte Colburn; Pat Lieve; Mike Barzee & Family; Doyle White; Bonita White; Jim Royer; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; all those fighting cancer; Jinny McCoy; Larry McMullen; Phyllis & James Shaffer; Gloria Stocks; First Responders; all families affected by gun violence

Comfort and Peace: the family and friends of Selvaraj Devasagayam; the family and friends of Julia Horowitz; the family and friends of Mary Jane Thomas; the family and friends of those lost from the World Central Kitchen; the family and friends of Anna Marie; all families affected by gun violence

Pray for the Departed: Miriam Marrs; Juan Manuel Gonzalez; Selvaraj Devasagayam (Caroline John's Father); Julia Horowitz; Mary Jane Thomas (Mike Thomas's Mother); those lives lost from World Central Kitchen; Anna Marie; for all those lost in war; for all who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Fayette—The Rev. Susan Kennard, Long-Term Clergy; Mrs. Anne Cook, Bishop's Warden; Church Musicians, Nurses and Sunday School Teachers

For the complete prayer list: kccathedral.org/prayers

To place a person on this prayer list, please contact Deacon Barbara Wegener, **bwegener@kccathedral.org**. Requests are held in prayer for 90 days.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 16

Jack Greenwald Teddy Greenwald

June 17 Tom Mahoney

June 19 Ed Cullumber

June 20 Jan Schoonover Kay Woolley

June 21

Sarah & Ty Gardner

June 22

Gregory Smith Ryan Thomas Angela & Ron Michka

Please contact the Cathedral office if we have omitted your birthday or anniversary: **jtoma@ kccathedral.org** or 816.474.8260.

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- in memory of Wayne Coldsnow & Charles Boomer— Jackye Finnie

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