# GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Christ Raises the Daughter of Jairus" by Yelena Cherkasova

# The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost June 30, 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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- 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: 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.

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- Give online with the QR code.
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### **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.

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# HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: "Quinto tiento de medio registro de tiple de séptimo tono"

Francisco Corrêa de Araujo

# The Word of God

\* Opening Hymn: 518 "Christ is made the sure 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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#### $^{\ast}$ Collect for the Day

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray. Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. <b>Amen</b> .

#### The Lessons

#### First Lesson: Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Lector	The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:
	God did not make death,
	And he does not delight in the death of the living.
	For he created all things so that they might exist;
	the generative forces of the world are wholesome,
	and there is no destructive poison in them,
	and the dominion of Hades is not on earth.
	For righteousness is immortal.
	God created us for incorruption,
	and made us in the image of his own eternity,
	but through the devil's envy death entered the world,
	and those who belong to his company experience it.
	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30 sung by the choir, chant by Gerald Knight

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up \* and have not let my enemies triumph over me. O Lord my God, I cried out to you, \* and you restored me to health. You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; \* you restored my life as I was going down to the grave. Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; \* give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness. For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \* his favor for a lifetime. Weeping may spend the night, \* but joy comes in the morning. While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. \* You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains." Then you hid your face, \* and I was filled with fear. I cried to you, O Lord; \* I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

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"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \*
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; \*
O Lord, be my helper."
You have turned my wailing into dancing; \*
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \*
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

#### Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Lector As you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

\* GOSPEL HYMN: Voices Found 20 "There was Jesus by the water"



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#### \* The Holy Gospel: Mark 5:21–43

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha cum*," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

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We believe in one God,

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the Father, the Almighty, 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

ayers of the P	PEOPLE, FORM IV page 388
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 <b>People</b>	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 <b>People</b>	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 <b>People</b>	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 <b>People</b>	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 <b>People</b>	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 <b>People</b>	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, strer you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. <b>Amen</b> .	ngthen
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	Providor	The peace of the Lord be always with you	

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

#### Announcements

#### 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 <i>Ephesians 5:2</i>	d.

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servant in thy displeasure; for we confess our sins unto thee and hide not our unrighteousness. For thy mercy's sake, deliver us from all our sins.

\* PRESENTATION HYMN: 493 "O for a thousand tongues to sing"



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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



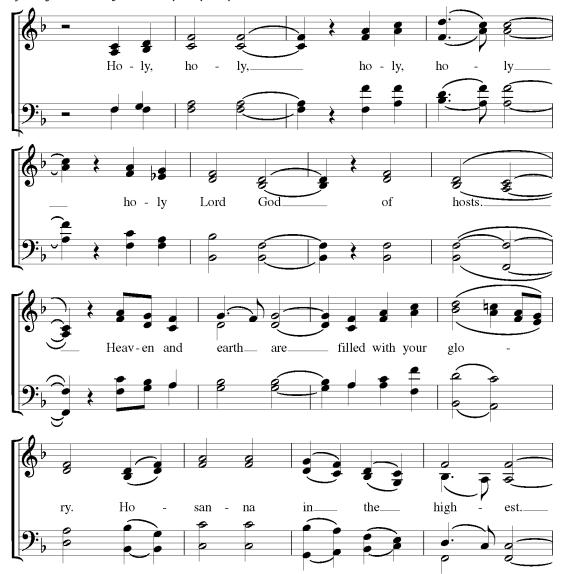
Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

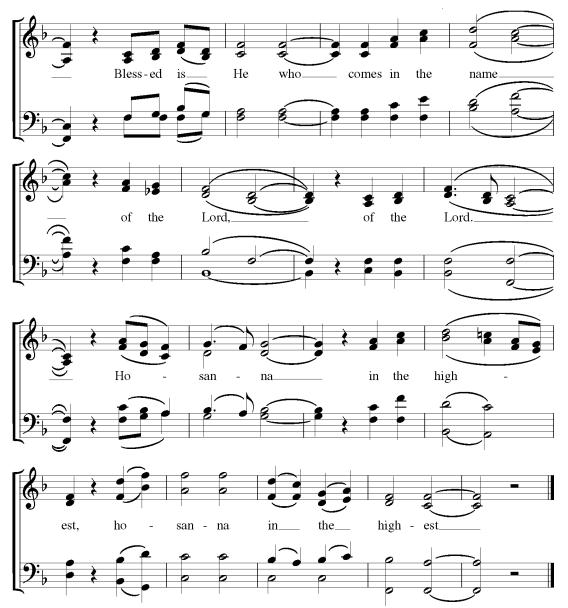
Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

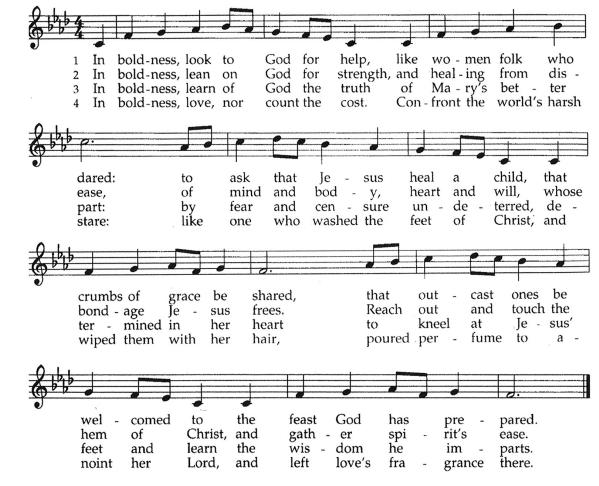
All are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. For gluten-free bread, cross your hands palms down. For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.

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

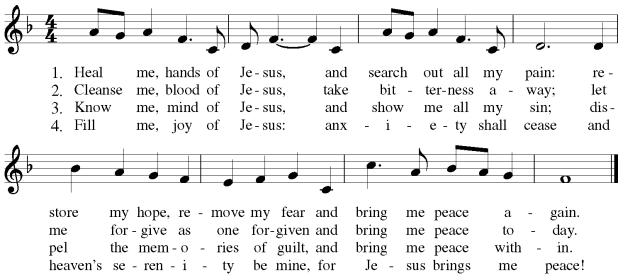


#### Сомминіон Нумн: Voices Found 94 "In boldness, look to God for help"

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COMMUNION HYMN: Wonder, Love, and Praise 773 "Heal me, hands of Jesus"



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#### \* Postcommunion Prayer

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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 Hymn: 718 "God of our fathers"



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#### Voluntary: Toccata Prima

Johann Ernst Eberlin

# Serving Today

Presider	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Preacher	The Rev. W. James Yazell
Deacon	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Musicians	The Trinity Choir, Dr. Lucas Fletcher
Lector	Jonathan Sternberg
Intercessor	LeeAnne Hays
Eucharistic Ministers	Peter Fortner, Ric Sweeting
Acolyte	Susan Ahn, Charles Shipley, Harrison Mattson
Ushers	Beth Keyse, Troy Sorbo, Bill Colvin, Ryan Thomas
Greeter	Joan Bergstrom
Altar Guild	Debbie Marrs, Peg Brown, Leticia Porter, Kristy Moore
Sound/Livestreaming	Janet Sweeting, Chris Morrison
Cathedral Kids	Brenda Colburn, Julie Brogno



The Cathedral Office will be closed July 4 and 5 in observance of Independence Day.

# **Cathedral Prayer List**

**Pray for:** Cliff Mosley; Martha Mitchell; Peggy's Nephew; Sadie Wolters; Lyle Oliver; Lynne Avery; Jodi Robinson; 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; 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 Martha Jane Oakes; the family and friends of Miriam Marrs; 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:** Martha Jane Oakes; 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. Michael's Episcopal Church, Independence—The Rev. Ryan Wiksell, Priest-in-Charge; Clergy Spouses & Surviving Spouses

#### 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 23 Otis & Jodi Robinson

#### June 25

Steve King Christopher Reed Dave & Diane Barker

#### June 26

Barry & Mary Howe Kathleen & Phil Chaney June 27 Pat & Kay Woolley

#### **June 28** Mary Mullis Keyse

Please contact the Cathedral office if we have omitted your

birthday or anniversary: **jtoma@kccathedral.org** or 816.474.8260.

**June 29** Lili Eichman

Becky Johnson

# Today's Flowers

are given to the Glory of God and ...

with heartfelt thanks to the Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral community from Anne & Richard Morse

Donations of any amount toward the weekly flowers can be given by anyone who wants to acknowledge special events or people in their lives.

See **kccathedral.org/flowers** for more information or contact Julie Toma, **jtoma@ kccathedral.org**.



Cathedral Staff: The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse, Dean; The Rev. W. James Yazell, Associate Priest; The Rev. Barbara Wegener, Deacon; Dr. Paul Meier, Director of Music; Dr. Lucas Fletcher, Associate Organist; Clare Stern-Burbano, College, Youth & Children's Minister; Julie Toma, Cathedral Administrator; Melissa Kilpatrick, Communications Coordinator; Holly Campbell, Events Coordinator; Steve Berman, Finance Coordinator; Dr. Joan Bergstrom, Sacristan & Volunteer Coordinator; Angie Graham, Facility Manager; Bianca Jackson, Assistant Facility Manager; The Very Rev. Peter J. DeVeau, Dean Emeritus; Canon John Schaefer, Canon Musician Emeritus

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# Youth & College



Living One Life Spiritual Retreat for Young Adults

Saturday, July 13, 2024 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

This is a spiritual retreat for people who seek God amid a fragmented and at times 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.

# 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.

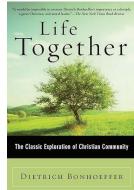
# **Adult Formation**

# Sunday

### A Book Study on Life Together July 7, 21, 28, Aug. 4 • 9:15 a.m. • Common Room

Dean Andy and Fr. James will co-teach a book study on *Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

Based on the common life Bonhoeffer experienced with his seminarians at the Finkenwald seminary before it was closed by the Nazis, we will read and discuss his reflections on the nature of Christian community.



<u>Schedule</u>

July 7: Community

July 14: Attend the All Parish Breakfast in Founders' Hall July 21: The Day Together July 28: The Day Alone and Service August 4: Confession and the Lord's Supper

We have a few copies available for purchase (\$10) or you can purchase your own copy.

# 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.

> Sunday Formation at 9:15 a.m. for children and youth is on hiatus through September 1. Classes will resume **September 8**.

# Announcements

## Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination: "Let Us Lie in Wait" (Wisdom of Solomon 1:16-2:24)

While the Wisdom of Solomon (listed among the Old Testament Apocryphal books) has not been given major attention during most of Christian history, some biblical scholars today think it played a role in the formation of New Testament theology. Among concepts found in the book are a prefiguration of the passion narrative, a preexistent Christ, and a complex set of images contemplating God as Creator, Savior, and Provider (a Trinitarian theology). These convictions inform portions of today's illumination.

The Wisdom of Solomon addresses the same concerns as the Book of Ecclesiastes but does so from the perspective of those who "reasoned unsoundly" rather than that of the "wise person." Instead of enjoying life as a gift from God which Ecclesiastes teaches, the ungodly in the Wisdom of Solomon reason that since life on earth is all there is they should live for pleasure. Based on this thinking they oppress the righteous, allowing "might [to] be our law of right."

This reverse perspective from Ecclesiastes is reflected in today's illumination through use of the backward text: "Let us lie in wait for the righteous man" (2:12). This "colorless" illumination suggests that the ungodly live in a darkened world and do not see God nor God's activity in creation. They bring chaos and violence into the world and are without wisdom.

The words of Wisdom 2:22-23 frame this illumination pointing out the error of those who ignore God: "They did not know the secret purposes of God ... for God created us for incorruption, and made us in the image of his own eternity." Christ's passion, paradoxically, achieved God's "secret purposes."

In contemporary life do you find examples of the Wisdom of Solomon's descriptions of those who pursue folly instead of wisdom? Does the chaos and violence of the world ever tempt you to adopt this reasoning yourself? What influences you to not embrace this philosophy of life? You might try reading the Wisdom of Solomon (18 brief chapters) and see what encouragement you find for living according to "God's secret purposes."







# The Join us for a film screening of **Philadelphia Eleven**

# Thursday, July 25 • 6 p.m.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 6401 Wornall Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64113 St. Andrew's invites you to the screening of the newly released documentary, *The Philadelphia Eleven*.

A panel discussion will follow, with Bishop Diane J. Bruce, our own Deacon Beck Schubert, and other women leading the church in our area.

#### The Philadelphia Eleven

In a defiant act, after two General Conventions failed to authorize the ordination of women as priests, three retired bishops (including West Missouri's Edward R. Welles II) ordained eleven women (including Welles's daughter, Katrina) as priests in The Episcopal Church. The event took place July 29, 1974, at Philadelphia's Episcopal Church of the Advocate, and these brave women — demeaned, threatened, and initially rejected — became known as the Philadelphia Eleven.

> Snacks & beverages will be provided. Admission is free with RSVP to Susan Paynter at sue-and-joe@hotmail.com.

# Announcements

# All Parish Breakfasts



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