GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"The One with the Crumby Dog" by Ally Barret

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 8, 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.

Subscribe to Our Newsletter

Sign up for email news about special events, worship and ways to connect with our community.

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: September 29, October 20.
- 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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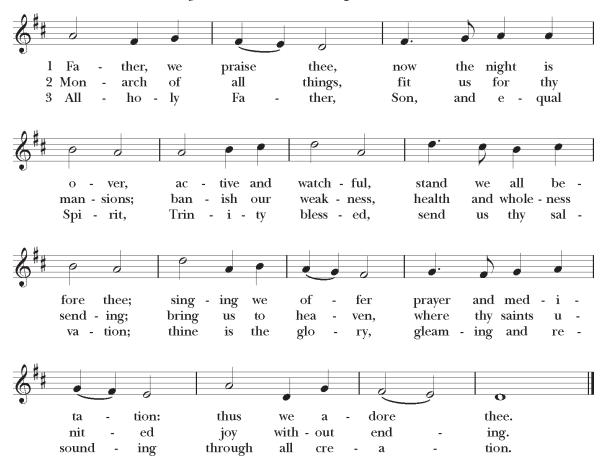
Holy Eucharist

VOLUNTARY: Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren

Johann Gottfied Walther

The Word of God

* OPENING HYMN: 1 "Father, we praise thee, now the night is over"



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* Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

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

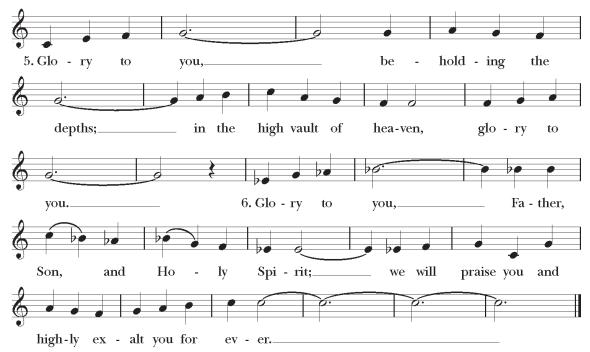
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

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* SONG OF PRAISE: S236 Canticle 13, A Song of Praise: Benedictus es, Domine





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* Collect for the Day

Presider	The Lord be with you.
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People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Lector	Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear!
	Here is your God. He will come with vengeance,
	with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.'
	Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
	then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
	For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;
	the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water;
	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146 sung by the choir, chant by Thomas Norris

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! *
I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.
When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.
Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;
Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.
The Lord shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

Second Lesson: James 2:1-17

Lector

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

* GOSPEL HYMN: 568 "Father all loving, who rulest in majesty"



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* The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

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Comollon	The Hely Comel of our Land Jame Christ according to Mark
Gospeller	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People	Glory to you, Lord Christ.
Gospeller	Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.
	Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."
	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.
Sermon	
The Nicene Ci	REED page 358
All	We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty.

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

> eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,

the only Son of God,

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

and was made man.

he ascended into heaven

he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

in accordance with the Scriptures;

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again

and his kingdom will have no end. $_{page\, 8}$

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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 Pe	OPLE from Hear Our Prayer: Prayers of the People for the Revised Common Lectionary
Intercessor	God calls us today to be open to the word and to one another.
	Let us open ourselves to all the world in prayer saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.
	For the whole church we pray. That we may bring God's word to life in all who are in silence, darkness or despair. Lord in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	For the world we pray. That nations will come to cooperate for the health and well-being of all, Lord in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	For our congregation we pray. That we may grow into the mystery of God's life among and in us, Lord in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	For our community we pray. That it might be a place of health, well-being and personal dignity, Lord in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	For those suffering in any way we pray; especially for all who have asked for our prayer that they may know the healing power of God's love. We especially pray those on our Cathedral prayer list, and for any others you wish to name either silently or aloud, Lord in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.
Intercessor	For all mourners we pray. That all who grieve the coming of death may come to know life in the mercy of God, especially those we now name, Lord in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.
Presider	Into your mercy, O God, we commend all the needy world, trust in your almighty power, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen .

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.

Announcements

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

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

Offertory Sentence

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

Say to them that are of a fearful heart: Be strong, fear not. Behold, you God will come and save you!

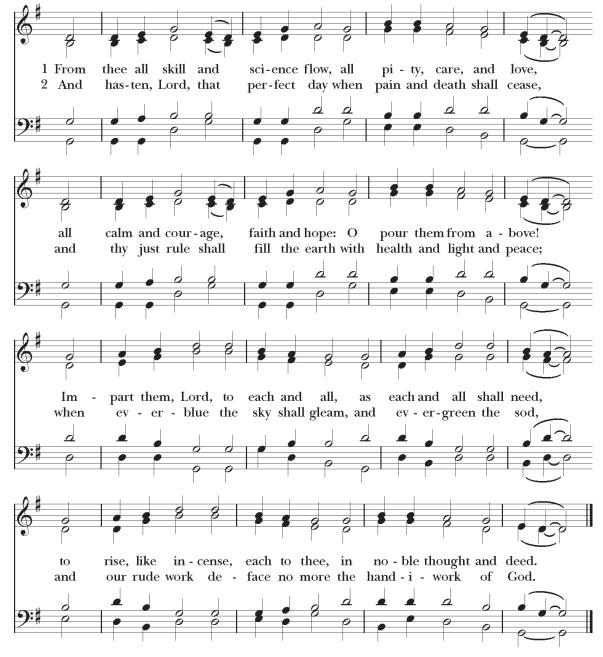
The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad, and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. For in the wilderness shall waters break out and streams flow in the desert,

and the parched ground shall become a pool and the thirsty land springs of water.

A Highway shall be there, and it shall be called the way of Holiness.

The redeemed shall walk there and the ransomed of the Lord shall return with songs and everlasting joy. And sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

* PRESENTATION HYMN: 566 "From thee all skill and science flow"



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* The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

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



Presider

All

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

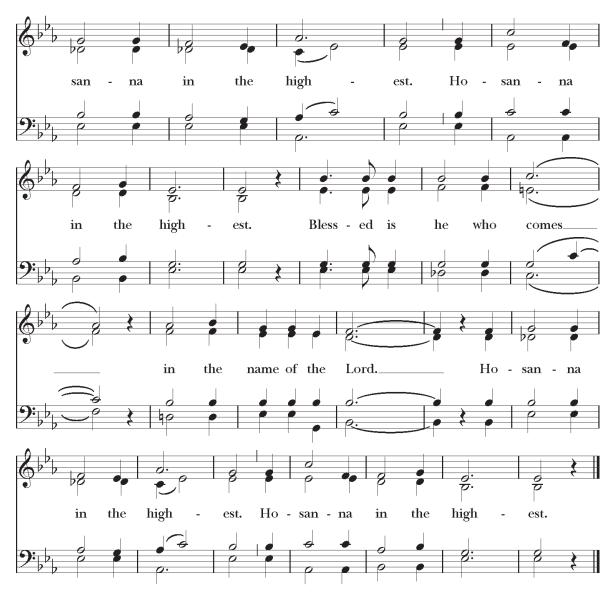
Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

S130: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus



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Presider Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider	We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.
	Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.
	All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

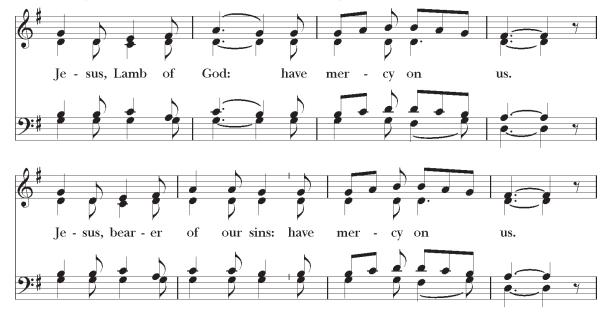
Breaking of the Bread

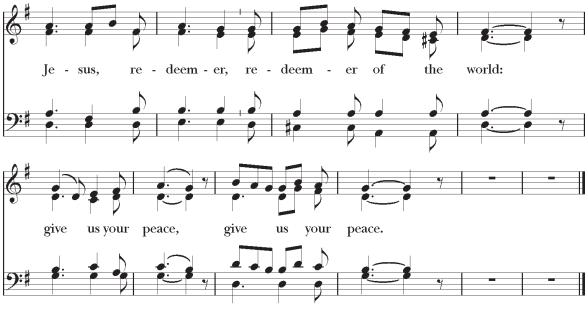
Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All

S164: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei





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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

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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

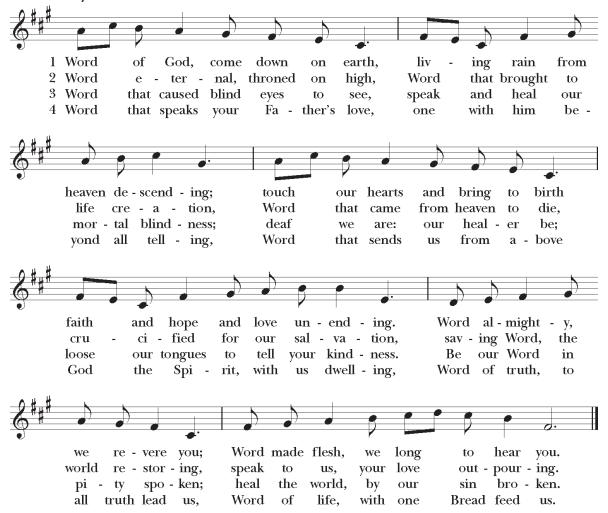
In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today 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

Communion Anthem: "To thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul"

To thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul, my God I put my trust in thee.

Sergei Rachmaninoff text: Psalm 25:1 Communion Hymn: 633 "Word of God, come down to earth"



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* Postcommunion Prayer

PeopleEternal 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;	Presider	Let us pray.
through Christ our Lord. Amen.	People	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

* The Blessing

* DISMISSAL

Following the dismissal,

People Thanks be to God.

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* CLOSING НУММ: 390 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"



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VOLUNTARY: Finale. Allegro con anima from Organ Sonata No. 2, Op. 41

René Louis Becker

Serving Today

Presider	The Rev. W. James Yazell
Preacher	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Deacon	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Musicians	The Trinity Choir, Dr. Lucas Fletcher, Dr. Paul Meier
Lector	Ken Stewart
Intercessor	Henry Galus
Eucharistic Ministers	Christine Morrison, Bob Johnson
Acolytes	Margo Galus, Nora Elisabeth, Ron Michka
Ushers	Troy Sorbo, Oreste Minme, Greg Smith, Colin Chambers
Greeters	Gary Bressman, Sandy Bressman
Altar Guild	Paula Livingston-Lewis, Kay Woolley, Sara Copeland, Candy McDowell
Sound/Livestreaming	Julian Mattson, Chris Morrison
Oblation Bearers	Wayne Alexander, John Braum
Cathedral Kids	Sara Copeland, Clare Stern-Burbano
Holy Hands Hospitality	Tara Bennett, David Kraemer, Colin Chambers, Pat Decker, Maryvec Hemingway



TODAY after the service

Our Ministry Fair is our annual celebration of the Cathedral ministries, recognizing the importance of all volunteer efforts.

The Ministry Fair is a wonderful way for parishioners to meet and gather information about the various ministries, committees, organizations and educational opportunities that are available within the parish community.

If you can't attend but want to know more about getting involved in Cathedral ministries, visit **kccathedral.org/volunteer** or contact Volunteer Coordinator Joan Bergstrom, **volunteers@kccathedral.org**.

Christian Discussions about When Personhood Begins Wednesdays, Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Dr. Gary Armstrong, Professor of Political Science at William Jewell College

The question of when we should say human personhood begins has long been important. We have seen startling technical changes in assisted human reproduction. We are all hearing important discussions about crucial legal changes since the end of Roe v. Wade. Missouri may vote on a constitutional amendment in November. This course will survey some important contemporary Christian thinking about personhood. It will use some of the same discussions from Gary Armstrong's Core Curriculum Capstone "Birth By Any Means? The Ethics of Assisted Reproductive Technology" at Jewell. We will explore a seminal analysis from a Roman Catholic theologian who thinks we cannot say personhood begins at conception for scientific and theological reasons and examine an important response. We will follow a Protestant theologian wrestling with classic Scripture passages that bear on abortion while trying to develop a standard about whether Christians can ever cooperate in good conscience with abortion; we will consider applying the same standard to qenetic screening of early embryos.

Get more details about the partnership: kccathedral.org/william-jewell-partnership.



Registration is required. Use the coupon code **GRACE** to register for free.

JOIN US FOR A SEASON OF DISCERNMENT

THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

We are excited to announce that our cathedral is beginning a discernment period this fall to potentially form a chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King®. This is a wonderful opportunity for all women seeking a deeper Christian community and fellowship.

Starting this fall, we will gather for three months in a study group to explore our faith and learn more about the Order. This time of fellowship and reflection will help us discern if God is calling us to establish a chapter here.

For more information, please visit our table at the Ministry Fair or reach out to Valerie Johnson or Kelsey Leftwich-Yazell.

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for: Sandra Fuhrman; Ann Ryder; Sonya Kittrell; Bennett and Beckett Twenter; Judy Lafferty; Eliza; Necia; Nancy Riley; Kenny Cabean; Joyce Morrow; Wayne Alexander; Theresa Gasper; Jan and John Bacchus; Joyce and Jim Buford; Carolyn and Harold; Joyce Gillespie; Nigel Jones; Claudia Brown; Robert Dean Melton; Lenette Johnson; Flynn; Cliff Mosley; Sally Livengood; Jodi Robinson; Charlotte Colburn; Mike Barzee & Family; Doyle White; All those fighting cancer; Jinny McCoy; Larry McMullen; Phyllis & James Shaffer; Bonita White; Jim Royer; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Gloria Stocks; First Responders; all families affected by gun violence

Comfort and Peace: the family and friends of Lee McCaffree; Janel Mosley and the Kinderman family; the family and friends of Kris Kemper; the family and friends of Pat Leive; the family and friends of Nick Vaughn; the family and friends of Martha Jane Oakes; all families affected by gun violence

Pray for the Departed: Lee McCaffree; Mary Frances Kinderman; Kris Kemper; Pat Leive; Nick Vaughn; Martha Jane Oakes; for all those lost in war; for all who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: St. Peter & All Saints Episcopal Church, Kansas City—The Rev. Jonathan Frazier, Rector; The Rev. Donna Stanford, Deacon; Diocesan Chancellor—Mr. Mark Galus, Vice Chancellor—Mr. David Powell & Chancellors and Attorneys in the Diocese

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

September 8

Melisa Burns Victoria Janky Lill Weekes Tom & Patty Wood Bud & Candy McDowell Mary Lou & Tom Brous

September 9

Larry Martin Nathan Mattson September 10 Paul Schooling

September 11 Lisa Spoonhour

September 13 John Callison

Paul Meier

September 14 Davina Reed

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

Today's Flowers are given to the Glory of God and ...

- in loving memory of Ron McLeroy—Carolyn McLeroy
- in thanksgiving for Jim Shaffer and in celebration of his birthday—Phyllis Shaffer
- in thanksgiving—Bud & Candy McDowell
- in memory of Kris Kemper—her family
- in memory of Mary Lee McCaffree—her family

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



September 8 from 6-8 p.m. is the first official Diocesan Youth event for the fall within the Northwest Metro Deanery! It is a Game Night at St. Andrew's in Brookside. If you are interested in attending, please sign up at **kccathedral.org/youthformation**.



September 27-29, Happening #80 (The registration deadline is September 13, so sign up now!)

Happening is happening once again! The Christian experience presented by teenagers, for teenagers, is coming to The Diocese of West Missouri from September 27–29 at Grace Episcopal Church in Carthage. Teens will be invited to stay at Grace from Friday evening through Sunday afternoon, with many fun activities planned for Christian community building among participants. Register at **kccathedral.org/ youthformation**. Youth must be 9th-12th grade to join.

Youth Group starts September 15! Weekly Youth Opportunities Sundays

Youth Formation at 9:15 a.m. with light breakfast

Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Youth Group at 6 p.m. Dinner is provided!

Questions? Contact Clare, cstern@kccathedral.org

Adult Formation

Sunday

The Path

Sundays, beginning today • 9:15 a.m. • Common Room

In our Adult Formation this year we will take a journey using Forward Movement's *The Path*, an excerpted version of the Bible that covers most of the major stories chronologically. Through *The Path*, we will become familiar with the grand overarching narrative of the entire Bible. We will learn the story of God's extraordinary and unrelenting love for us in its many dimensions. Copies of *The Path* are available in the Cathedral Bookstore if you would like to own a personal copy. Each chapter will be printed out weekly and made available so that everyone can follow along.

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.

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.

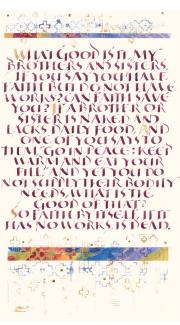
Questions? Contact Clare, **childrensformation@kccathedral.org** for more information.

Announcements

Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination: "Special Text Treatment" (James 2:14-17)

Volume 7 of Saint John's Bible includes all of the New Testament Letters (aka. Epistles) and the Book of Revelation. These 21 Letters include only three illuminations: "Fulfillment of Creation" (Rom. 8:1-39), "At the Last Trumpet" (1 Cor. 15: 5-58), and "The Harrowing of Hell" (1 Peter 3:18-4:11), but they contain numerous special text treatments. The second illumination, "At the Last Trumpet", emphasizes the promise of transformation and is supported by nine special text themes which advance the overarching message of the fulfillment of God's plan. The James 2:14-17 text is the nineth of these treatments and addresses the question, "how should we live in light of God's plan accomplished through the work of Christ".

Today's focal artwork draws attention to the relationship between a person's faith in God and the legitimate expression of that faith in how he or she lives. Romans 8 affirms that through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ God has (1) reconciled humanity, (2) fulfilled the covenant, and (3) demonstrated the power and objective of God's love. There is no separation between God's love and those who possess faith. But can a person misconstrue something else for authentic faith. James suggests that this is possible and offers guidance on how to identify faith that is authentic – it is found in how one's faith



manifests itself in actions. While faith might tend to be an inward and intangible reality between the individual and God, loving actions of service will be outward and visible expressions of a faith that is authentically of Christ.

The James text treatment reminds us that relationship with God motivates us to serve God in the ways we show love to one another. Questions abound concerning whether a particular action is the best one for expressing authentic faith in a given situation. The gold letters among the red ones of the James 2:14-17 text remind us that God is with us even in this struggle. The very fact that a person of faith struggles with how best to put love into action might be an indicator that true faith is at work seeking to express itself in authentic ways which advance God's transformative purpose. We can't assume that a desire to serve others automatically equips us to be able to do so effectively. Service might require training, sensitivity, willingness to listen and to learn, and even to risk making some embarrassing mistakes. But authentic faith can never be satisfied to rest content in is own well-being while other persons are in need.

Calling all ringers!

The Trinity Handbell Ensemble will be meeting for three to four rehearsals before ringing at a service in the fall. If you have ever wanted to ring handbells, this is a great time to try it out! For more information, please contact Paul Meier at **pmeier@ kccathedral.org** or 816.214.9928.



Announcements

Sign up to be an Oblation Bearer



Oblation bearers are members of the congregation who bring forward the gifts of bread and wine that we offer to God at the Offertory. People of all ages, even young children can help with this important liturgical role.

At the Cathedral, oblation bearers serve at the 10:30 a.m. service and at special services.

Sign up at **kccathedral**. orq/volunteer or use the QR code.





New Food Assistance Volunteer **Opportunity**

In partnership with St. Paul's on Main, we have been invited to a new volunteer opportunity once a month on Saturday mornings at St. Paul's from approximately 9:30 a.m. to noon. This is to assist with distribution of TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program).

TEFAP dates the next few months are September 21, October 19 and November 16. For additional information on TEFAP, please visit kccathedral.org/outreach.

To volunteer or for more information, contact Deacon Barbara 816.739.8032 or **bwegener@kccathedral.org**.

Join us Saturday, September 14th at Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral

Volunteer and Player Sign Up » kccathedral.org/upcoming-events







Friday, September 20 • 6-8 p.m.

You are invited to this special event highlighting the good work of Pete's Garden. Sample the typical foods that Pete's Garden distributes and learn about how their food recovery program is helping to reduce food waste and enable family mealtime.

This event will include good food, good wine and good music—and we will be raising funds for Pete's Garden. Music performance by the Tim Reid Jr. Trio and their broad ranging musical style.

Tickets are \$50 for wine and food; \$30 for soda and food. Get your tickets at **forpetessake.eventbrite.com**.

Volunteer: We need help with taking tickets, assisting the sommeliers and more. Sign up at **kccathedral.org**/ upcoming-events.

Pete's Garden gets wholesome meals to hungry families. They collect unserved prepared food from caterers, restaurants and food service operations; then they portion and redirect the donated food to partners who distribute the food to families.

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