GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 15, 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.

Email Sign Up

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 quardians 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.

Save the Date

October 5 Blessing of the Animals, 11 a.m.

October 6 Hymn Sing, 3 p.m.

October 20 Healing Service at 8 & 10:30 a.m.

October 20 Evensong, 5 p.m.
October 27 Fall Festival, 11:45 a.m.
November 3 All Saints' Sunday

November 8-9 Diocesan Convention at GHTC & Diocesan Youth Lock-in

November 17 Kirkin' o' the Tartan

November 17 Bishop's Visit
November 17 Evensong, 5 p.m.

November 28 Thanksgiving Day service, 10 a.m.

kccathedral.org/upcoming-events

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. The Order of the Daughters of the King is an order for women who undertake a Rule of Life, emphasizing prayer, service & evangelism.

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 contact Valerie Johnson or Kelsey Leftwich-Yazell.

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, Dr. Paul Meier

Lector Jonathan Sternberg
Intercessor Paget Higgins

Eucharistic Ministers Peter Fortner, Christine Morrison

Acolyte Henry Galus

Ushers Bill Colvin, David Barker, Denny Brisley, Mark Galus

Greeter Donna Knoell

Altar Guild Peg Brown, Debbie Marrs, Leticia Porter, Kristy Moore

Sound/Livestreaming Kristy Moore, Chris Morrison

Oblation Bearer Donna Knoell

Cathedral Kids Sara Copeland, Clare Stern-Burbano

Holy Hands Hospitality Catherine Green, Julie Brogno, Sarah Lagergren, Sara Copeland, Joyce Gillespie

HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: Andante from Symphony pour Grand Orgue

Georges Jacob

The Word of God

* Opening Hymn: 484 "Praise the Lord through every nation"





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* Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

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

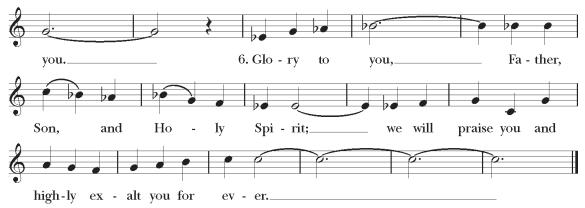
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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: S236 Canticle 13, A Song of Praise: Benedictus es, Domine





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* Collect for the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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 50:4-9a

Lector The Lord God has given me

the tongue of a teacher,

that I may know how to sustain

the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens-

wakens my ear

to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious,

I did not turn backward.

I gave my back to those who struck me,

and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face

from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me;

therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like flint,

and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

It is the Lord God who helps me;

who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *

because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *

I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: *

"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

Gracious is the Lord and righteous; *

our God is full of compassion.

The Lord watches over the innocent; *

I was brought very low, and he helped me.

Turn again to your rest, O my soul, *

for the Lord has treated you well.

For you have rescued my life from death, *

my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord *

in the land of the living.

Second Lesson: James 3:1-12

Lector

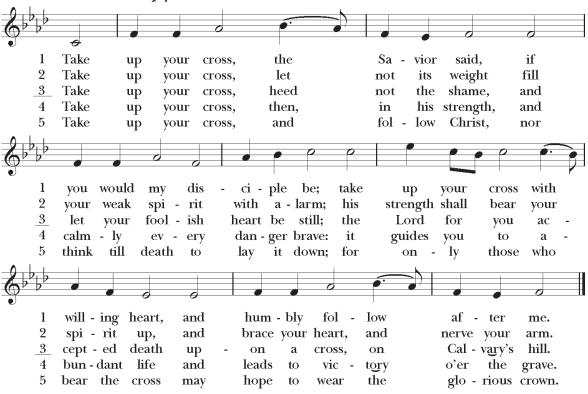
Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

* Gospel Hymn: 675 "Take up your cross, the Savior said"



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* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

* The Nicene Creed 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,

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

from Hear Our Prayer: Prayers of the People for the Revised Common Lectionary

Intercessor Let us cry out to the Lord with our prayers and petitions saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The Lord has given us the beauty of worship and the gift of fellowship with one another.

We thank you Lord, for the church.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

The Lord has given us life in a nation of opportunities and liberty; with public services such as fire and

police protection, ambulances, food pantries, schools, libraries and hospitals.

We thank you Lord, for national life.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor The Lord has given us neighbors, friends, families and coworkers to share the joys and burdens of this

life.

We thank you Lord, for the privilege of loving others.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor The Lord has given us a world full of creatures that crawl, fly, swim and climb. We enjoy a bounty of

flowers and shrubs, grasses and trees, plants and moss, and rocks and hills.

We thank you Lord, for your creation.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor The Lord has given us one another and we thank God for his grace and, offering for his mercy the sick

and suffering. 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 The Lord has given us a promise that where He goes, He will prepare a place for us.

We thank you Lord, for the gift of life and for giving us to one another for safekeeping. Bring us home

when it is time. We remember those who have died, especially those we now name,

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider The Lord has given us permission to pray with the audacity of heirs and the openness of children.

Thank you, Lord, for listening to us today. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

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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

CELEBRATION PRAYER page 830

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 page 376

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

Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Anthem: "Fight the good fight"

John Gardner

text: John S. B. Monsell

Fight the good fight with all thy might, Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right. Lay hold on life, and it shall be Thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace; Lift up thine eyes, and seek his face. Life with its way before us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on thy guide; His boundless mercy will provide. Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near; he changeth not, and thou art dear. Only believe, and thou shalt see That Christ is all in all to thee. Amen.

* Presentation Hymn: 734 "You laid aside your rightful reputation"



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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.

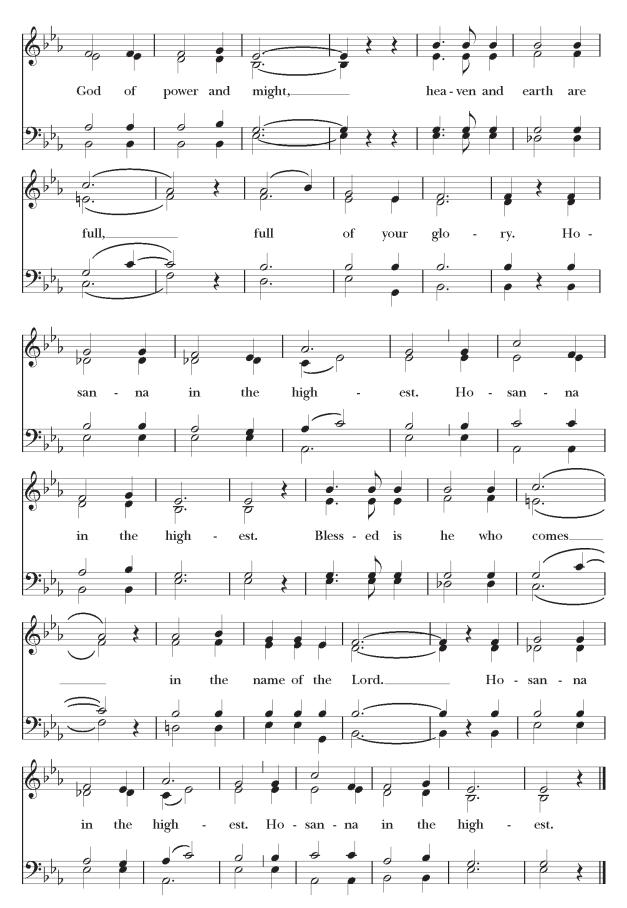
Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

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.



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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 page 365

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: "O for a closer walk with God"

Charles Villiers Stanford text: William Cowper

O for a closer walk with God, A calm and heavenly frame; A light to shine upon the road That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return! Sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, And drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God, Calm and serene my frame; So purer light shall mark the road That leads me to the Lamb.

Communion Hymn: Evangelical Lutheran Worship "Day by day"





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* Postcommunion Prayer

page 365

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: Wonder, Love, and Praise 756 "Lead me, guide me, along the way"



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Voluntary: Processional

Grayston Ives

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for: Jodi Robinson; Cliff Mosley; Sally Livengood; Flynn; Lenette Johnson; Diego Garcia; Nigel Jones; Claudia Brown; Robert Dean Melton; Jan and John Bacchus; Joyce and Jim Buford; Carolyn and Harold; Joyce Gillespie; Joyce Morrow; Wayne Alexander; Theresa Gasper; Judy Lafferty; Eliza; Necia; Nancy Riley; Kenny Cabean; Sonya Kittrell; Bennett and Beckett Twenter; Ann Ryder; Sandra Fuhrman; 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; Charlotte Colburn

Comfort and Peace: the family and friends of Judy Lafferty; the family and friends of Carl Schneider; the family and friends of Larry Kehoe; 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: Judy Lafferty; Carl Schneider; Larry Kehoe; 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. Mark's Episcopal Church, Kimberling City—The Rev. Anne Cheffey, Priest in Residence; Hispanic Ministry & Diocesan Hispanic Missioner, The Rev. Canon Jose Palma

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 15

Karla Kelly Guy Townsend III Cliff & Janel Mosley

September 16

Marsha Beggs Julie Brogno Jeff Johnson Holly & Jeff Johnson

September 17

Linda Hezel & Richard Moore

September 19

Julia Moreno Akins Audrey Ryder

September 20

Elvarea Bennett Ryan Bennett Jim Lyen Marian Philip Eddie & Sandy Carter Bruce & Lill Weekes

Today's Flowers

are given to the Glory of God and ...

- in memory of Tom & Sally Wood—Tom & Patty Wood
- in loving memory of Brad Kilpatrick—Melissa Kilpatrick

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.



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

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

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

Children

Formation Class • 9:15 a.m.

Join us for formation hour and wonder about God with your friends and teachers and hear sacred stores as told with the help of Godly Play resources!

Cathedral Kids • 10:30 a.m.

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



Food & Friends Groups are a great way to better get to know the people in the pews around you in a casual way. Groups meet about once a month at a time and place that is convenient for the members. The group meeting period is November–March. You

will be matched with other parishioners in a group of 6-8 people. Everyone is welcome to sign up to be in a group! Signup sheets are in the back of the Nave or signup online: **forms.office.com/r/FEU3FZQJKc**

Adult Formation

Sunday

The Path

Sundays • 9:15 a.m. • Multipurpose Room

New attendees welcome at any time!

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.



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**.

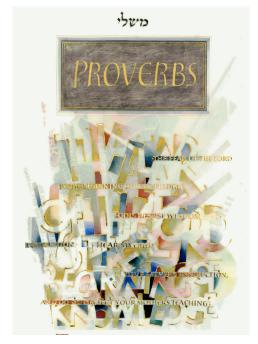
To volunteer or for more information, contact Deacon Barbara 816.739.8032 or **bwegener@kccathedral.org**.

Announcements

Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination: "The Fear of the Lord is the Beginning of Knowledge" (Proverbs 1:17-8)

The Book of Proverbs consists of a series of teachings that an imagined couple shares with their son. They introduce him to the woman Wisdom and commend that he should court and ultimately marry her. Simultaneously, they warn him against getting involved with another woman — Folly.

But companioning with Wisdom may not be so easy as it would seem, and this reality is portrayed by illuminator Thomas Ingmire in a rather complex fashion. The Proverbs 1:7-8 illumination is backed up to the final illumination in the Book of Job — "Out of the Whirlwind — He will wipe away Every Tear". The discordant effect this produces is not easily captured in reproductions, but the original velum copy and the Heritage Edition copy preserve image show-through. That show-through creates the effect of contrast between God's ways and human ways. The parents teach that the person who loves Wisdom, like Job, "will live with ease, without dread of disaster" (Prov. 1:33). But Job's experiences seem to contradict this view. Do the son's experiences also create tensions for him in relation to the advice offered by his parents? Only by entering into relationship with God (fearing God) will he succeed in deciding the veracity of his parents' advice.



Ingmire visually affirms a core teaching found in Proverbs – that much divine truth is conveyed via living through the tensions between God's way and human

experience. This might be seen as an admonition for us to not become too comfortable with what we think we "know", especially about God. Ingmire's elaborate text treatment of 1 Corinthians 13:12 is a further reminder that in our "courtship" of Wisdom we should always bear in mind the fact that as finite mortal beings we can only dimly see God's infinite and superior ways. Knowledge, wisdom, and love contribute to our understanding of God. Yet, that understanding will always remain limited and evolving as long as we live in this world. It remains, however, that underlying all of this is the affirmation that the starting point of any reliable journey into sound knowledge is to trust (fear) God even in the face of the tensions this generates with seemingly contradictory human experiences.

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

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 genetic screening of early embryos.

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

Registration is required.

FAITH CULTURE

Use the coupon code \boldsymbol{GRACE} to register for free.



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.

Six Chandeliers Available

As construction is set to begin in the Common Room, we will have six chandeliers available. Any parishioners who would like them are welcome to give them a new home. They are free to take, although a donation would also be welcome. If interested, please call the office at 816.474.8260 or email Holly at events@kccathedral.org.



