

GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"The Widows Mite II" by Glenda Skinner-Noble

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2024 • 8 a.m.

Welcome! We are glad you are here.

- If you are a visitor or new attendee, we invite you to fill out a welcome card, found in your pew, and place it in the offering plate or complete the form online. Use this QR code to access the form.
- If you need a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher. Instructions to connect via Bluetooth are on the back table.
- Gendered restrooms are available in Founders' Hall. A non-gendered, accessible restroom is available at west end (rear) of the Cathedral.



Service Notes

- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
- Donations may be placed in the offering, made through the Cathedral website: kccathedral.org, by scanning the QR code to the right or by texting "GIVEtoGHTC" to 73256. *Thank you for your generosity.*



HOLY EUCHARIST

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Robert Schumann

The Word of God

* 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.**

* GLORIA

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All
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

* COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: 1 Kings 17:8-16

Lector The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146 *read by alternating half verse*

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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: Hebrews 9:24-28

Lector Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

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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 pray for the needs of the world, calling to our loving God, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, you called the widow generous and spurned the gifts of those who gave to you only to be deemed holy by others. Give us hearts of generosity that seek ways to give to your church, your missionaries, your people in need, and in lavish delight to those most in need.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Lord, give to this congregation growth in faith and love and to truly love and serve our neighbor. Bless our family, formed in faith.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Lord, give to our national and community leaders a desire to give generosity of their time, their talents, their ideas and their faith. Remind every person in authority that leadership requires a generous spirit but even more, a generous heart.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Lord, give to those who are anxious this day, a sense of your nearness, that they might feel your comfort. Ease our burdens and worries, give us peace and patience and a way forward.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Lord, give to us a reverence for your creation and a keen desire to protect and advocate for the preservation and sustenance of the natural world.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Lord, bless those who are facing long term illness, loss of independence, diagnosis and testing, a hope that, in you, all things are made new, and no life is insignificant in your eyes. We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers. We especially pray for 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 Lord, give to the dying your peace and comfort and bring them to abide with you in your heavenly kingdom. Especially we pray for those we now name,

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider Gracious God, thank you for hearing our prayers. Use us in our turn, to help fulfill the prayers and needs to others. In Jesus' name, Amen.

CONFESSON 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

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Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION PRAYER

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.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

All O God, our loving Creator and giver of all good gifts, you made us in your image and breathed in us a spirit of generosity.

Bless our family, formed in faith, strengthen us and grant us the spirit of Christian stewardship.

Move us, we pray, to give as we have received – abundantly, generously, and joyfully – that our common ministry may ever bear witness to your unfailing grace.

This we ask in the Name of your greatest gift, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

* OFFERTORY HYMN: 656 “Blest are the pure in heart”

1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the
2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to
3 he to the low - ly soul will still him - self im - part and
4 Lord, we thy pres - ence seek; may ours this bless - ing be; give

se - cret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's a - bode.
dwell in low - li - ness with us, our pat - tern and our King;
for his dwell - ing and his throne will choose the pure in heart.
us a pure and low - ly heart, a tem - ple fit for thee.

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Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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 **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

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Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
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.*

* 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: *Lift Every Voice and Sing* II 189 "Great is thy faithfulness"

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
 2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
 3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,
 2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,
 3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

1. As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 2. To thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.
 3. Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!

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VOLUNTARY: Praeludium in E-flat major, BWV 552/1

Johann Sebastian Bach

Serving Today

Presider	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse	Lector	Lenette Johnson
Preacher	The Rev. W. James Yazell	Eucharistic Minister	Kelsey Leftwich-Yazell
Deacon	The Rev. Barbara Wegener	Usher	Jim Crum
Organist	Dr. Lucas Fletcher, Dr. Paul Meier	Altar Guild	Sharon Hudson

We come together as a family to worship, learn, grow, and love. It is here that we ask God to bless our family, formed in faith.

When we live together as a family, we experience many things, both good and bad. We rejoice together in times of celebration, and we mourn together in times of sadness.

It is in this spirit that I ask you to support our family, formed in faith, and pledge to the work and ministry of our Cathedral in 2025. It is through your love and support of this family that we are able to do much good in this place and in this community. Thank you for your support, and for being a wonderful part of this family.

Place your 2025 pledge online (kccathedral.org/stewardship) or by returning a pledge card in the offering or mail.

Pledges will be blessed Sunday, November 24.



O God, our loving Creator and giver of all good gifts, you made us in your image and breathed in us a spirit of generosity.

Bless our family, formed in faith, strengthen us and grant us the spirit of Christian stewardship.

Move us, we pray, to give as we have received — abundantly, generously, and joyfully — that our common ministry may ever bear witness to your unfailing grace.

This we ask in the Name of your greatest gift, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for: Mary Sklar; Robert Boehm; Sherry and Randy Mueller; Melanie Boyd; Diego Garcia; Darvin Weaver; Kurt Brack; Sally Livengood; Betty Loy; Phineas Gitta; LaGreta Gitta; Anne Huston Hayes; Sandra Fuhrman; All impacted by Hurricane Helene; Sunita Williams and Barry Wilmore; Ann Ryder; Donna Knoell; Sonya Kittrell; Beckett Twenter; All families affected by gun violence; Charlotte Colburn; Joyce Morrow; All those fighting cancer; Doyle White; Mike Barzee & Family; Jinny McCoy; Larry McMullen; Phyllis & James Shaffer; Bonita White; Gloria Stocks; Jim Royer; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; First Responders

Youth Prayers: Diocesan Bishop Election; Civic Elections; That Family Moves Closer; Safe and Fair Game for Lincoln Prep Soccer; For Gaza, Israel and Ukraine

Comfort and Peace: the family and friends of The Rev. Tim Murphy; the Welch and Immenschuh families; the family of Bennett Twenter; 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; all families affected by gun violence

Pray for the Departed: The Rev. Tim Murphy; Joann Immenschuh; Bennett Twenter; Judy Lafferty; Carl Schneider; Larry Kehoe; Lee McCaffree; Mary Frances Kinderman; for all those lost in war; for all who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: St. John's Episcopal Church, Neosho—Mr. Karl Hartronft, Bishop's Warden; Diocesan and Parish Staff Members

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

November 10 Barbara O'Hearne	November 12 Claudia Risebig	Blain & Sarah Lagergren
November 11 Jo Kretsinger Emily McLean Nkolika Obiesie Michelle Ritter	November 14 Mark McGuire	November 16 Scott Anthony Jeff Johnson Yvonne Meier Jennifer Obiesie
	November 15 Joshua Hemingway Jessa Sparks	

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

Weekly Flower Donations

Donations toward the weekly flowers can be given by anyone who wants to acknowledge special events or people in their lives. Gifts are accepted in any amount. You can mail a check to the Cathedral office, put your donation in a flower envelope and place in the offering or make a payment through our online payment site.

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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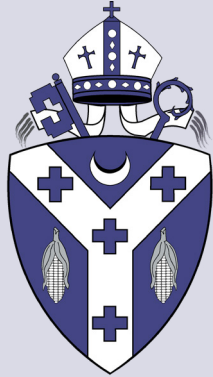


Socks & Gloves Drive

During the months of November and December, Outreach will be collecting warm socks and gloves for both men and women. These will be donated to Shelter KC at both the men's and women's centers.

Bishop's Visitation Sunday, November 17

The Rt. Rev. Diane M. Jardine Bruce, Bishop Provisional of West Missouri, will preside and preach at the morning services at the Cathedral Sunday, November 17. There will be a Bishop's Q&A session between the morning services in Founders' Hall.



— The **Diocese** of —
West Missouri

Tackling hunger, one meal at a time



Nourish KC and The Prospect are continuing the fight against food insecurity in our community! Together, they are rescuing fresh food, and serving up nutritious meals, to create long-lasting change in KC. You can make a real difference, one meal at a time. Whether you donate, volunteer, or spread the word, YOU can help us tackle hunger in KC! Let's feed hope together.

Here's easy ways you can help:

- **Donate.** Every dollar counts in providing meals and education for our community
- **Volunteer.** Lend a helping hand at our community kitchen or events
- **Support the Nook.** Grab your favorite coffee and help us fuel change @thenook_kc
- **Catering Services.** Hosting a party? Let us do the cooking and your even becomes a force for good!

Learn more:

nourishkc.org • theprospectkc.org



The Emergency Food Assistance PROGRAM

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 upcoming dates are November 16, and December 21. 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.

Please support hurricane relief efforts

On Thursday, September 26, Hurricane Helene made landfall in Florida's Big Bend region as a category 4 hurricane. Episcopal Relief & Development is in close contact with the affected dioceses as they assess their communities' needs. Please pray for the people in the wake of Helene – and if you can, rush a donation to our Hurricane Relief Fund today. Your contribution will meet urgent needs by providing critical supplies such as food, water and other basics, and will help provide long-term assistance as needed. Donations made to GHTC for ERD will be forwarded to them or you can donate to ERD online (support.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief).



PLEASE SUPPORT HURRICANE HELENE RECOVERY EFFORTS



Youth

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



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CONTACT CLARE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Family Worship Weekends

November 10

December 15

In an effort to get more children comfortable and involved in worship services, we have implemented Family Worship Weekends. There are pew boxes at the back of the Nave that contain items to enhance the children's worship experience. Some items may be taken home and others should be left in the box.

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

Adult Formation

Sunday

The Path

Sundays • 9:15 a.m. • Common Room • No formation 11/17

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.

Children

Formation Class • 9:15 a.m. • No formation 11/17

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

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: "Ruth, the Gleaner" (Ruth 2:2-23)

Generations of Israelites had evolved a deeply ingrained hatred of the Moabite people long before the Book of Ruth was written. Yet, amid this heritage of longstanding enmity, Ruth emerges as an advocate for inclusivity. To this end, the book highlights the fact that David, Israel's most revered King, was the grandson of a Moabite woman.

Today's illumination signals more than an overflowing basket of grain. The image of Ruth's joyously swirling skirts and lively celebratory spirit speaks to the quality of her being. Her choice to adopt Naomi's people and God as her own restores fertility and confers a future to a family lineage that otherwise would have been extinguished. The challenges of barrenness and of trusting God's promises persist as significant factors in several subsequent narratives sacred to ancient Jewish history. Immediately following the Book of Ruth is the story of Hannah, who through divine promise conceives a son who becomes Israel's stalwart prophet Samuel. Later, the story of Elizabeth and Zechariah and the birth of John the Baptist repeat the same themes. These parallel narratives convey fundamental insights into God's nature and overarching redemptive plan, which also are quietly present in the "Ruth, the Gleaner" illumination. Despite the Israelites' unfaithfulness and rebelliousness, God's messianic plan was accomplished through a singular family line that included Ruth, a despised Moabite woman.



In a world that sometimes may seem to have forgotten God, where do you continue to find seeds of divine activity? Do the locations of those seminal workings ever seem surprising to you?

Announcements



Kirkin' o' the Tartan

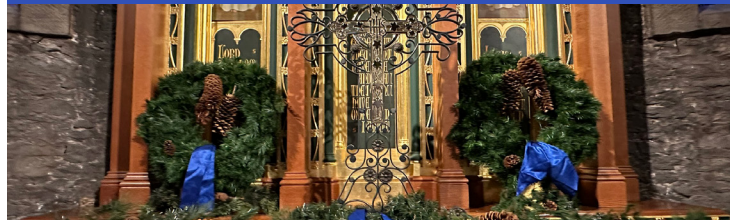
Sunday, November 17

Join us for our annual Kirkin' o' the Tartan! We will display all the tartan banners and enjoy listening to a piper at the 8 a.m. service and the Kansas City St. Andrew Pipes and Drums at the 10:30 a.m. service. So put on your kilt and come celebrate with us!



Advent Decorating

Saturday, November 30 • 10 a.m.–1 p.m.



You are invited to help adorn the Cathedral spaces with greens for all who gather to reflect and celebrate this sacred time. No need to bring anything; just show up. Please contact Joan Bergstrom (sacristan@kccathedral.org) or Julie Toma (jtoma@kccathedral.org) with any questions.



Advent Workshop

Sunday, December 1 • 11:45 a.m.

All are invited for fun, fellowship and crafts at our Advent Workshop. We gather in Founders' Hall after the 10:30 a.m. service. Contact Clare (csfern@kccathedral.org).



The Nativity Puppets

Friday, December 6
10 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Saturday, December 7
2 & 5 p.m.
Sunday, December 8
2 p.m.

The Nativity is comprised of over 40 volunteers, instrumentalists, vocalists and singers from the community. The annual production has been presented to thousands of Kansas City audiences and is a favorite tradition for many. You may purchase tickets at nativitypuppets.org.