

GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"The Sermon on the Mount" by Károly Ferenczy

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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What is Kirkin' of the Tartan?

Welcome to Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral's *Kirkin' of the Tartan* service, a Cathedral annual tradition for more than 40 years. *Kirking*, from the Scottish Gaelic word *kirk*, means church. In this usage, it means "blessing."

While the Kirkin' o' the Tartan service celebrates Scotland and Scottish heritage, it is a truly a Scottish-American custom. If one searches the Internet for information, stories abound of the Kirkin's roots being in days of the Act of Proscription, when the wearing of the kilt was banned in the Highlands. According to the legend, Highlanders hid pieces of tartan and brought them to church to be secretly blessed at a particular point in the service. Ask any Scot or Scottish expatriate about the Kirkin', and chances are you will be met with a questioning look and an admission of ignorance of this supposedly centuries-old Scottish tradition.

In his famous collection of Highland folklore, prayers, charms and omens, the *Carmina Gadelica*, Alexander Carmichael does list a prayer for the "Consecration of the Cloth", but no mention is made of it originating from the days following the '45 or being associated with outlawed tartan. Whilst making for a rather romantic legend, there seems to be no credible source for such a tale. The real history of the Kirkin' service is "All American", with a Scottish "twist."

The Rev. Peter Marshall is believed to be the originator of the Kirkin' o' the Tartan service. Rev. Marshall, originally from Coatbridge, Scotland, was the pastor of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington DC, and served as Chaplain of the United States Senate. During the Second World War, Rev. Marshall held prayer services at New York Avenue to raise funds for British war relief. At one of the services on April 27, 1941 (although a May 1943 date is sometimes mentioned) Rev. Marshall gave a sermon entitled "the Kirkin' o' the Tartans." In 1954, the Kirkin' was moved to National Cathedral (Episcopal) in Washington. Nowadays, the celebration is found across denominational lines and is meant to reflect patriotism, faithfulness and independence. Kirkin' is typically celebrated on Tartan Day (April 6) or on St. Andrew's Day (November 30), the patron saint of Scotland. (*Adapted from Todd Wilkinson as found on www.scottishtartansmuseum.org*)

On this day, we also honor the debt the Episcopal Church owes to the Scottish Episcopal Church. Before and after the American Revolution, there were no Anglican bishops living in the colonies. Those seeking ordination to the priesthood could not be ordained without making an arduous round-trip journey to England. In 1784, Samuel Seabury was elected as first bishop in the American Episcopal Church. Since there were no Anglican bishops in America to consecrate him, and because he refused to pledge allegiance to the King of England, he traveled to Scotland to be consecrated by bishops there. Bishops in the Scottish Episcopal church did not swear allegiance to the crown. When Bishop Seabury returned to the States, he brought with him the Scottish Communion Rite, parts of which are still used in American Episcopal churches today. The American Episcopal church commemorates Samuel Seabury's life and ministry on November 14.



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.*



Today's Offering

- Undesignated offerings received today will be sent to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. Checks may also be made out to GHTC with "Bishop's Discretionary Fund" in the memo line.

HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: *Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren*, BWV 650

Johann Sebastian Bach

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.

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; 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: Joel 2:21-27

Lector Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126 *read by alternating half verse*

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When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, *

then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *

and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, *

“The Lord has done great things for them.”

The Lord has done great things for us, *

and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, *

like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed with tears *

will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *

will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Lector First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all

— this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 6:25-33

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Gospeller Jesus said, “I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

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 Marvelous, glorious God, with sincere thanks for the blessings won by Christ our Lord, we offer to you our deepest prayers, as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

May your Church always look to its head, the Lord Jesus, whose example has given us a template for our lives and commission calls us forward in mission and ministry.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for this congregation. May we share one another's joys and burdens. Bless our family, formed in faith.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Strengthen us to be advocates for justice and peace in our society, that the reign of Christ might be known in our nation's life.
Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Be present to us today so that, with confidence in Christ's promises, we might re-commit ourselves to lives of service in His name and become agents of God's love to all whom we encounter.
Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor You have formed the creation that it might sustain us and help us to thrive, help us to use it responsibly and to work with others to sustain its bounty.
Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor The name of Christ is the only name given for health under heaven, let His healing power enter into the lives of all who suffer that they may be made whole and know peace. 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 Welcome the dead into your glorious eternal presence, that with the saints and angels that may praise you on your throne. Especially we pray for those we now name,
Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider King of kings and Lord of Lords, you are our one true allegiance, and we give thanks for your reign. So lead us that we might welcome your return in confidence and hope. We offer these prayers in the name of Christ the King, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. **Amen.**

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

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* OFFERTORY HYMN: 291 "We plow the fields, and scatter"

1 We plow the fields, and scat - ter the good seed on the land,
 2 He on - ly is the Ma - ker of all things near and far;
 3 We thank thee, then, O Fa - ther, for all things bright and good,

but it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand;
 he paints the way - side flow - er, he lights the eve - ning star;
 the seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food:

he sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,
 the winds and waves o - bey him, by him the birds are fed;
 the gifts we have to of - fer are what thy love im - parts,

the breez - es and the sun - shine, and soft re - fresh - ing rain.
 much more to us, his chil - dren, he gives our dai - ly bread.
 but chief - ly thou de - sir - est our hum - ble thank - ful hearts.

Refrain

All good gifts a - round us are sent from heaven a - bove;

then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS

Presider Almighty God, Source of Life, you place the solitary in families and households: we give you thanks for the ties of blood and adoption that bind us together in love and mutual support, and especially for the redeeming love of Christ that unites us as siblings through the waters of baptism. May those who wear these tartans, with their distinctive patterns and colors, do so with praise and thanksgiving for the blessing of family and clan, that at the last, all may gather with the great multitude that no one can number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing in worship before your throne and before the Lamb, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A

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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: 390 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

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Serving Today

Presider & Preacher	The Right Reverend Diane M. Jardine Bruce, Bishop Provisional of West Missouri
Assisting	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse The Rev. W. James Yazell
Deacon	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Piper	Dorothy May, piper
Organist	Dr. Paul Meier
Lector	Chuck Ritter
Eucharistic Minister	Jennifer Mason
Usher	Jim Crum
Altar Guild	Carol Whitehead, Michelle Ritter

Meet Our New Bishop-elect

At the 135th Annual Convention, the Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux was elected as Bishop Diocesan of The Diocese of West Missouri on the first ballot!

The Very Reverend Amy Dafler Meaux has served as the Dean and Rector of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Little Rock, AR, since her appointment as the first female Dean in August 2020.

During her time at the Cathedral, she has led the Vestry in the creation of a Master Plan to address the needs of their historic property; facilitated a partnership between the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance and the Cathedral to build a community garden on an empty lot; and begun a child-centered midweek Eucharist that draws families from across the community.

Dean Meaux has served parishes in New Orleans, Dallas, and Danville, Kentucky. In all of these, she has made particular effort to get to know people at every level and from every background, whether by washing dishes with sextons at Trinity Cathedral, taking Sunday supply opportunities at small rural churches as a Standing Committee member in the Diocese of Lexington, or digging into Godly Play with Jesus's youngest disciples. Dean Meaux is both a "balcony leader" who takes time to view the big picture, and someone who gets her hands dirty, meeting one on one with those who are too often forgotten.

Dean Meaux holds degrees from Louisiana Scholars' College and Seminary of the Southwest. She met her husband Jared in Louisiana. They have been married for 25 years and are the proud parents of three children. Together, they enjoy the outdoors, especially hiking and traveling. Dean Meaux is an avid knitter and loves good fiction books.

Dean Meaux is excited to witness the ways the Diocese of West Missouri is flourishing: from your missional DNA, to your desire to seek and serve your neighbors, to your commitment to relationships and the holy middle. Like the people of West Missouri, she is committed to the Gospel, loving her neighbor, and overcoming perceived barriers to building community. She hopes that, together, we can explore ministry and empower disciples across West Missouri.



Dear Cathedral Family,

When I gave my Dean's report at our Annual Meeting last January, I spoke about how our place as a Cathedral is unique as our ministry is really expressed in two different ways: as the Cathedral Church of the Diocese, who hosts diocesan events and serves as a home for our Bishop; and as a Cathedral parish, serving the spiritual needs of our members. On one level a close-knit family as a parish and on another level part of an extended family of the diocese. I want to focus on the family part of our life together at the Cathedral, for that is where our main ministry begins. 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. We congratulate one another when we come together to do something good. We say thank you to those who are deserving of our deep gratitude. We are a family, formed in faith. In good times we share much laughter and cheer, we can't wait to see everyone and be together again. In tough times we stand together so we can be strong. We help one another in these times of need with words of encouragement and hands to hold. We pray together knowing that we will persevere and get through tough times, that we will always be there for one another no matter what. We are a family and that's what families do.

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.



The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse, Dean



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.

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 at all three services.



BULLETIN INSERTS

November 17, 2024 – Pentecost 26 (B) Presiding Bishop Sean W. Rowe Investiture

Episcopalians around the world and in various time zones gathered to welcome the Most Rev. Sean Rowe as the church's 28th presiding bishop in a first-of-its-kind virtual investiture service, livestreamed Nov. 2 from the Chapel of Christ the Lord at The Episcopal Church Center in New York City.

Rowe, formerly bishop of the Episcopal Dioceses of Northwestern Pennsylvania and Western New York, was elected and confirmed as the next presiding bishop at the 81st General Convention on June 26.



Soon after his election, Bishop Rowe requested a simpler, scaled-down ceremony of Holy Eucharist and Investiture to encourage wider church engagement and reduce carbon footprint. A limited number of in-person attendees participated from inside the chapel.

The rich diversity within the multinational Episcopal Church was highlighted in several ways. A special “roll call” preceding the 11 a.m. ET ceremony featured video greetings from many of the church's 106 dioceses. Water gathered from various provinces of the church was combined in the baptismal font. The Litany for the Mission of the Church featured 15 intercessors who shared prayers in the following languages: Eastern Shoshone, Mandarin, Juba, German, Arabic, Hebrew, French, Anishinaabemowin, Spanish, English, French, and Xhosa.

The Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, who served as the church's 27th presiding bishop from 2015-2024, presided over the first half of the service, which included a land acknowledgment from the Rt. Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, who served as 26th presiding bishop; a welcome from diocesan and investiture committee representatives and House of Deputies President Julia Ayala Harris; the renewal of baptismal vows; and the presentation of the primatial staff. Bishop Jefferts Schori joined youth presentative Maya Lattimer in offering prayers for the new presiding bishop, whom Bishop Curry presented along with Bishop Rowe's family.

Bishop Rowe presided over the service of Holy Eucharist and delivered a sermon based on the Gospel passage of John 11:32-44. “I believe that it is in our gathered communities across our church where we come closest to glimpsing the real power of the story of Lazarus,” he said. “Every time we feed the hungry, care for the sick, and welcome the stranger, we are reaching for life in the face of death. As we baptize and bury God's people, as we make disciples and proclaim the gospel, as we soothe the suffering and shield the joyous, we are unbinding our congregations and setting our hurting world free.” Find links to the recorded service; worship service booklet; Bishop Rowe's sermon; and more at iam.ec/investiture.

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Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for: Mary Sklar; Robert Boehm; Sherry and Randy Mueller; Melanie Boyd; Diego Garcia; Darvin Weaver; Ralph and Billie; D'angelo and Deondra; Kendal Van Scoyk; 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; 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: All Saints' Episcopal Church, Nevada—The Rev. Dr. Jim Lile, Priest in Charge; Diocesan Consecration Committee

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 17

Nancy Lee Kemper
Julie Mullies

Sara Copeland &
Mark Galus

November 19

Helen Cavanaugh

November 18

Andrew Johnson
Ori Johnson

November 20

Jackye Finnie

November 22

Gordon Kingsley
Sandra Mauro

November 23

Clint Saunders

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 thanksgiving for the ministry of Dr. Paul Meier

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*

The Vestry: Steve Moore, *Senior Warden*, smoore@rdm.law; Valerie Johnson, *Junior Warden*, johnson_jb@hotmail.com; Chip Buckner, *Treasurer*; Blain Lagergren, *Clerk*; Julie Brogno; Sharon Cheers; Sara Copeland; Pat Decker; Nigel Jones; Paula Livingston-Lewis; Mathias Nichols; Charles Shipley; Michael Thomas



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.



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).

The next TEFAP date is 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.

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

kccathedral.org/volunteer

FIND YOUR PLACE TO SERVE
AT GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL



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

Youth
will join the
Bishop's
Q&A.



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CONTACT CLARE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Family Worship Weekend

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 • Adults meet with the Bishop in the Common Room. The Path resumes next week.

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.

The Youth and Children join the Bishop's Q&A in the Common Room.

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

*Join us today, Sunday, November 17 after the 5 p.m.
Evensong service to wish Dr. Paul Meier farewell
and good luck on his journey to Washington!*

Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination: "Hannah's Prayer" (1 Samuel 1:4-20 & 2:1-10)

The Revised Common Lectionary readings for today do something interesting. The Old Testament, track 1 reading features Hannah's prayer of distress (1 Samuel 1:4-20) while one of the two text options for the Canticle accentuates her subsequent prayer of praise and gratitude (1 Samuel 2:1-10). Both texts are needed to give a complete picture of Hannah's spiritual pilgrimage during a traumatic period in her life. Furthermore, these are excellent accompanying texts for the apocalyptic messages of Daniel 12 and Mark 13. Apocalyptic literature engages the very troubling issue of an often faith-disorienting disconnect between God's goodness and life's unfathomable hard realities. Biblical apocalyptic writings imagine how this fracture someday will be made right. Hannah's prayers, while not apocalyptic in genre, do personalize the experience of living through a prolonged period of agony and distress, then receiving God's liberating promise and divine resolution.

Hannah's first prayer expresses her interminable anguish at not being able to have children, a need she feels very keenly. Given the expectations of her culture, she suffers diminished status because of her inability to give Elkanah, her husband, an heir. Mentally imprisoned by this state of affairs, she quietly slips into the tabernacle at Shiloh empty handed and without standing and pours out her anguish in agonizing prayer.

Hannah's second prayer goes beyond gratitude to offer testimony of God's providential action in her life. Enlightened by her soul-transforming encounter with God, she declares God's lordship over her own life and also over all that exists. Through God's action she has triumphed over her troubles, been exalted, and been given status.

In today's illumination, Thomas Ingmire pairs these two prayers, both of which are heartfelt cries to God. The black panel portrays her humility and lack of power as she enters the tabernacle. It is suggestive of an extended "dark night of the soul" that has grieved her for years. The color panel is reminiscent of Mary's prayer "The Magnificat" in its rejoicing over God's gracious actions that enabled her to give birth to a son, Samuel, whom she dedicates to God's service.

Note that this illumination includes the same stamped motif found in Ruth and in many of the Gospels' illuminations. What might this suggest about apocalyptic questions concerning the cosmic order?



Announcements



EVENSONG

Sunday, November 17 • 5 p.m.



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 (csstern@kccathedral.org).



Thanksgiving Day Service

November 28 • 10 a.m.

Join us Thanksgiving Day at 10 a.m. for a service of Holy Eucharist. Come celebrate with your church family and give thanks.



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.



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.



William Jewell College presents *The City Come Again*

Monday, December 9 • 11:30 a.m.

William Jewell College's gift to the city in words and music, features the college's Concert Choir, conductor Dr. Anthony Maglione, and organist Dr. Ann Marie Rigler. This event is free.