

# GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



The Second Sunday after the Epiphany  
January 19, 2025 • 8 a.m.

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## Service Notes

- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (\*).
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# HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: Voluntary V, Op. 5

John Stanley (1712-1786)

## 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 God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Isaiah 62:1-5

Lector For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the Lord will give.  
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.  
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,  
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;  
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,  
and your land Married;  
for the Lord delights in you,  
and your land shall be married.  
For as a young man marries a young woman,  
so shall your builder marry you,  
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,  
so shall your God rejoice over you.  
The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 36:5-10 *read by alternating whole verse*

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, \*  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; \*  
you save both man and beast, O Lord.**

How priceless is your love, O God! \*  
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

**They feast upon the abundance of your house; \*  
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the well of life, \*  
and in your light we see light.

**Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, \*  
and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

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## Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

**Lector** Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

The Word of the Lord

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

### \* THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

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

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

**Gospeller** On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## SERMON

### \* THE NICENE CREED

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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

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

Intercessor Gathering our hearts and minds, let us offer God the words of our hearts, saying Lord in your mercy,  
 hear our prayer.  
 We pray for the church, pray for those who serve, those who pray, those who fear to enter its doors.  
 Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for our own clergy, for our bishop, priests and deacons, for our lay leaders and ministers and all  
 who seek to follow God.  
 Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for our next bishop, Amy. Watch over her and her family as they prepare to join us in our life  
 and ministry.  
 Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for our communities. For those who work late shifts and long hours, for those who have no  
 possibility of employment; for those who hunger for food and connection; and for those who respond  
 to emergencies.  
 Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for the needs of all the world's people; for leaders to turn their energies and hearts toward lasting peace, adequate resources, and safety for all people.

Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for those who are anxious and depressed; for those who are addicted and weary; for those who are sick and suffering; for those who are waiting for diagnosis and those who are living with a diagnosis. We pray especially for those on the Cathedral's Prayer List, and for those whom we now name silently or aloud.

Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for the dying; pray for those who wait to meet their savior and for those who mourn the loss of them. Bring all souls into the loving embrace of your angels and into the light of your kingdom. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.

Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Presider We offer all these prayers with confidence in you, O Father of all; and you, O Son who came among us; and you, O Spirit who flows in us and the world. **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.

## 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: 533 "How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!"

1 How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!  
2 To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;

How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!  
their wor - ship and vows shall come to thy throne:

O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?  
thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,

Thou on - ly art ho - ly, thou on - ly su - preme.  
till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess thee their God.

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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 We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

Presider And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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.  
All             Almighty and everliving God,  
                  we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
                  of the most precious Body and Blood  
                  of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
                  and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
                  that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
                  and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
                  And now, Father, send us out  
                  to do the work you have given us to do,  
                  to love and serve you  
                  as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
                  To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
                  be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

\* THE BLESSING

\* DISMISSAL

*Following the dismissal,*  
People         Thanks be to God.

\* CLOSING HYMN: 138 "All praise to you, O Lord"

1 All praise to you, O Lord, who by your might - y power did  
 2 You speak, and it is done; o - be-dient to your word, the  
 3 Oh, may this grace be ours: in you al - ways to live and  
 4 So, led from strength to strength, grant us, O Lord, to see the

man - i - fest your glo - ry forth in Ca - na's mar - riage hour.  
 wa - ter red - dening in - to wine pro - claims the pres - ent Lord.  
 drink of those re - fresh - ing streams which you a - lone can give.  
 mar - riage sup - per of the Lamb, the great e - piph - a - ny.

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**VOLUNTARY: Finale Jubilante, HWC 177**

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

*Reminder: Next week, we all gather at 10:30 a.m. for worship followed by the Annual Meeting. There is no 8 a.m. service.*

## Serving Today

Presider	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Preacher	The Rev. W. James Yazell
Deacon	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Organist	Dr. Lucas Fletcher
Lector	Lenette Johnson
Eucharistic Minister	Jennifer Mason
Usher	Jim Crum
Altar Guild	Michelle Ritter

# Cathedral Prayer List

**Pray for:** David Barker; Sally Livengood; Phineas Gitta; Isaiah Fanning; Leesa Fanning; All families affected by gun violence; Charlotte Colburn; Joyce Morrow; Glen and Terri Wesner; Gail; Mary Sklar; Melanie Boyd; Lisa Helgenkamp; All those fighting cancer; Doyle White; Mike Barzee & Family; Sherry Mueller; Larry McMullen; Gloria Stocks; Jim Royer; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Roger Kirby; Yvonne Meier; Eric Anderson; All those impacted by Fire in California; Those injured by gun violence in Queens, NY; Those injured in New Orleans ; Darvin Weaver; Ann Ryder; Julianna Johnson; Diego Garcia; First Responders; Sandra Fuhrman

**Comfort and Peace:** the family and friends of all those lost in the California fires; the family and friends of Dennis Sharkey; the family and friends of Charlotte, Jeffrey and Zachary Hatcher; the family and friends of those lost and injured in the Wisconsin school shooting; the family and friends of Randy Mueller ; the family and friends of Sandra Hornbeck; the family and friends of Barbara O'Hearne; the family and friends of Lynn Schneider; the family and friends of James Shaffer; the family and friends of Bonita White; the family and friends of Donald Bradley; the family and friends of Robert Boehm; the family and friends of The Rev. Tim Murphy; the Welch and Immenschuh families; all families affected by gun violence

**Pray for the Departed:** all those lost in the California fires; Charlotte, Jeffrey and Zachary Hatcher; Randy Mueller ; those lost in the school shooting in Wisconsin; Sandra Hornbeck; Barbara O'Hearne; Lynn Schneider; Bonita White; James Shaffer; Donald Bradley; Gabriel Kney; Robert Boehm; The Rev. Tim Murphy; Joann Immenschuh; for all those lost in war; for all who have died from gun violence

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** St. John's Episcopal Church, Springfield — The Rev. Ron Keel, Interim Rector

The International Outreach Grant Committee & Diocesan Grant Writers

To place a person on this prayer list, please contact Deacon Barbara Wegener, [bwegener@kccathedral.org](mailto:bwegener@kccathedral.org).

Requests are held in prayer for 90 days. See the prayer list anytime: [kccathedral.org/prayers](http://kccathedral.org/prayers)

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

**January 19**  
Jennifer Orton

**January 20**  
Terri Curran  
Catherine Green  
Caroline John  
Fred Whitehead

**January 21**  
Cecilia Pedroza  
John Braum  
Brian Marrs

**January 22**  
Alexander Fortune  
Phaedra Fahnestock

**January 23**  
Angela Michka  
David Patt  
George Lagergren

**January 24**  
Jae McKeown

**January 25**  
Cindy Richter

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

## Sponsor the Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are a great way to beautify the sanctuary and remind your fellow worshippers of the new life that Jesus brings. They are also a great way to commemorate an event near a specific date, or honor/remember someone close to your heart.

Donations toward the weekly flowers can be given by anyone and are accepted in any amount. You can mail a check to the Cathedral office, put your donation in the offering or make a payment through our online payment site.

For more information:  
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or contact Julie Toma,  
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# Weekly Calendar

## Sunday

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9 a.m. Coffee Hour/Hospitality Time
- 9:15 a.m. Formation for Adults, Youth & Children
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist\*
- 10:30 a.m. Cathedral Kids
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour/Hospitality Time
- 5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist  
*[Choral Evensong, 3rd Sundays]*
- 6 p.m. Youth Group

## Tuesday

- 7:30 a.m. GHTC's Virtual Cafe+
- 12:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study+
- 6:45 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study+

## Wednesday

- 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer\*
- 12:00 p.m. AA Meeting in Multipurpose Room
- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

## Thursday • January 23

- 7 p.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir

\*Streamed on YouTube @kccathedral  
+On Zoom

Learn more about our weekly services and opportunities for study and fellowship:  
[kccathedral.org](http://kccathedral.org)

## National Day of Racial Healing: Tuesday, January 21

The Cathedral Nave will be open for prayer from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Prayer guides are available at the back of the Nave and on our website.

The National Day of Racial Healing is observed each year following the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday to allow us all to further draw upon the life lessons of the venerable civil rights leader.

Why do we want to observe the National Day of Racial Healing?

- Restores individuals and communities to wholeness.
- Facilitates trust & bridges divides.
- Repairs the damage caused by racism.
- Builds authentic relationships.

Racial healing is at the heart of racial equity — the people work that leads to community, organizational and systems transformation.

**RACIAL  
HEALING:  
THE HEART  
OF RACIAL  
EQUITY**

## PRAYER FOR THE TRANSITION OF OUR NEXT BISHOP

Gracious and Loving God, we give thanks for the election of our next Bishop, Amy. Watch over Amy, her husband Jared, and their children Elise, Jacob, and Woodrow as they prepare to leave friends, colleagues, and neighbors to join us here in the Diocese of West Missouri. Open our hearts to receive your inspiration and wisdom so that we may joyfully welcome them into our life and ministry in You. This we ask in grateful thanksgiving. AMEN.





# Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination

## Who is Jesus? (John 2:1-11)

[Utilizing "Call of the Disciples" Illumination (John 1:35-51)]

Providing a visio divina resource from Saint John's Bible capable of helping illumine today's lectionary reading proved to be exceedingly difficult. Not only was artwork specific to these texts lacking, but also efforts to isolate an appropriate theological theme as a basis for selecting parallel artwork was equally challenging (due to scholarly disagreements over how best to interpret today's Gospel text). In the end, adopting the view that John the Evangelist employs the concept of "signs" as a way to elucidate who Jesus is in relation to the Father (as he does with the wedding at Cana narrative), helped guide the writer back to the illumination associated with John 1:35-51 (regarding John the Baptist's declaration of Jesus' identity) as a useful visual entre to today's lectionary text.

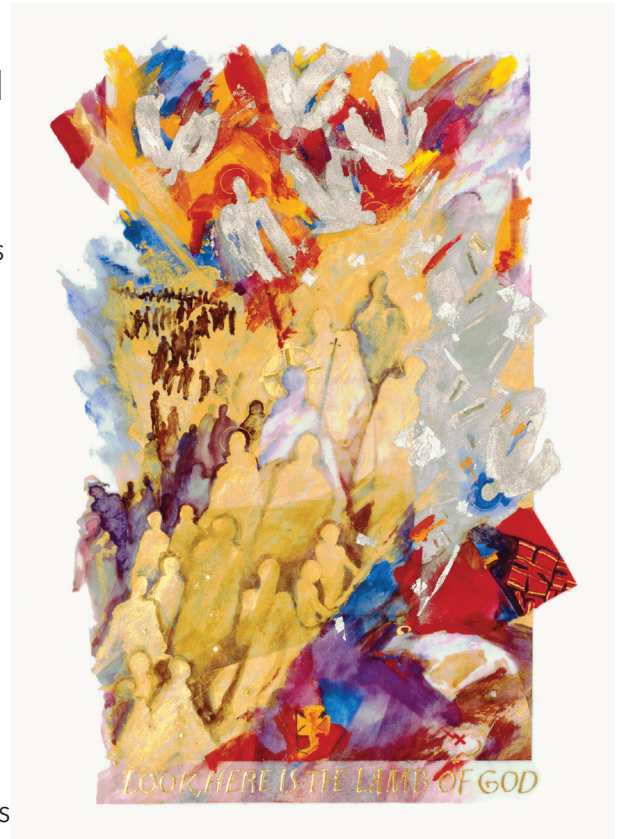
What did those who responded to the emerging identity of Jesus as "the Lamb of God" understand him to be? While the narrative of the wedding at Cana suggests some persons were becoming aware that there was something unique about Jesus, it also seems clear that they did not quite know what to make of this. Only gradually did those who chose to follow him grow to understand his true nature and mission and their posture in relation to this. That progressive process helps connect the invitation to discipleship (John 1:35-51) with the clarifying impact of the "signs" which followed (e.g., John 2:1-11).

Today's focal illumination portrays the crowds, the sense of purpose, and the excitement associated with following Jesus. Yet, the portrayal also captures the confusion many felt over what this meant. Jesus is at the center of this rendering, but he is hard to pick out from the many other figures in the panel. He is portrayed in white, thus linking him with the angels who are hovering about, but he also blends with the people surrounding him. It is also significant that he is the same color as the lamb in the bottom right corner. The Baptist announces him as the Lamb of God, a description found only in the Gospel of John and thereby packed with symbolic and interpretative significance for this text.

At the bottom of the panel are the words of John the Baptist's declaration regarding Jesus: "Look, here is the Lamb of God". Upon hearing this, two disciples immediately decide to follow him. Their understanding of what this meant was likely incomplete, but they sensed enough to recognize that their salvation somehow resided in this person, and they acted upon that early perception.

Hidden among the mix of images in this illumination are the Passover sacrifice, elements of the Eucharist, and liturgical cloth (a piece of which protrudes beyond the border of the panel). Note the many colors and how they are used in identifying Jesus' nature, identity, and mission in these early days of his public ministry.

From previous illuminations you might recollect the calling of Samuel, Isaiah, and Elijah. How is the call to follow Jesus which is portrayed here different from those? Do you see any ways in which they might be similar? In what ways has your own understanding of who Jesus is grown over the years? Can you identify a few things that facilitated that growth for you?





# Formation for All Ages

## Youth: Sundays

### Youth Formation • 9:15 a.m.

Youth meet in the Haden Hall Youth Room for formation with a light breakfast.

### Youth Confirmation

Sundays February 9–April 6 • 9:15 a.m. Youth Room

Contact Clare ([cstern@kccathedral.org](mailto:cstern@kccathedral.org)) to register.

### 10:30 a.m. • Worship

### 6 p.m. • Youth Group

Join us for dinner and fellowship in the Youth Room.

## Adults: Sundays

### The Path • 9:15 a.m. • Common Room

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

*New attendees welcome at any time!*

## Children: Sundays

### Formation Class • 9:15 a.m.

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.

## Adults: Tuesdays

### GHTC's Virtual Cafe • 7:30 a.m. • Zoom

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](http://kccathedral.org/other-activities).

### Women's Bible Study • 12:30 p.m. • Zoom

Conversation is lively, thought-provoking, and often irreverent. All are welcome. Visit the WBS page, [kccathedral.org/adultformation/wbs](http://kccathedral.org/adultformation/wbs) for more information.

### Lectionary Bible Study • 6:45 p.m. • Zoom

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](http://kccathedral.org/adultformation/lbs) for more details.

## Bridge Building Toward a Flourishing Life for All: Deepening Solidarity in the Quest for Social & Racial Justice

Wednesdays, Jan. 22, 29, Feb. 5, 12 • 6:30–7:45 p.m.

*Led by Rev. Dr. Vernon Percy Howard, Jr., Pastor, St. Mark's Church*

Does our faith in Jesus Christ have a role in the quest for social and racial justice? Can the church build bridges and deepen solidarity around crises such as poverty, violence, and equal rights for all? And if so, how do we do it? These questions are explored while examining the theological lenses and Biblical interpretive conclusions which shape our Christian witness and guide us in attempting to partner with God in creating a flourishing life for all.

Registration is required.

Use the coupon code **GRACE** to register for free.



# Announcements



*Mark your calendars!  
Mega Camp Registration  
Now Open!*

**June 1-7, 2025**  
Camp Wood YMCA, Elmdale, KS  
For students in grades 3-12 for 2024-25 school year

## Join us June 1-7, 2025 for Episcopal Summer Mega Camp!

Mega Camp is a 1-week overnight summer camp experience for young people who have finished grades 3-12. There's boating, horseback riding, archery, climbing tower, hiking, arts & crafts, plus Episcopal worship and formation. The camp community is like nothing else: campers will feel accepted and loved for who they are and be able to build their faith with others their age.

Camp is not restricted to Episcopalians or regular churchgoers. All are welcome, so feel free to invite friends and family.

Contact Clare ([cstern@kccathedral.org](mailto:cstern@kccathedral.org)) for details about registration, cost and scholarship availability.

## Volunteer Opportunities

### The Emergency Food Assistance Program

In partnership with St. Paul's on Main, we have been invited to help organize and distribute food directly to clients food delivered to St. Paul's by Harvesters, a regional food bank, as part of TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program). We meet from about 9:30 a.m. to noon.

#### Upcoming TEFAP dates:

February 15

March 15

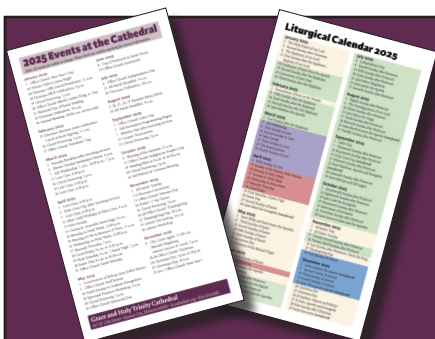
To volunteer or for more information, contact Deacon Barbara 816.739.8032 or [bwegener@kccathedral.org](mailto:bwegener@kccathedral.org).

### Pete's Garden

In the lower level of Founders' Hall, Pete's Garden is a food rescue committed to less food waste and more family meals. They collect unserved prepared food from caterers, restaurants and food service operations each day.

Volunteers work together to portion and package donated food so it can be redirected to social service agencies who get meals to families.

Sign up for a shift at



## Take home a 2025 calendar today.

Keep up to date with Cathedral events and service. The calendar features the liturgical calendar on one side and major Cathedral events on the other side.

# Announcements & Upcoming Events

## Vestry Nominations

We will elect four members of the congregation to the Vestry Class of 2028 at our Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 26. If you are interested in being nominated or have someone you would like to nominate, please contact Dean Keyse, [akeyse@kccathedral.org](mailto:akeyse@kccathedral.org), no later than TODAY. Get more information at [kccathedral.org/vestry](http://kccathedral.org/vestry).

## Evensong: Tonight • 5 p.m.

Choral Evensong is a service offered by members of the Trinity Choir. This contemplative service lasts about 45 minutes and includes hymns, scripture readings, prayers, chanted Psalms, canticles and a choir anthem. With its origins in Archbishop Thomas Cranmer's Book of Common Prayer (1549), Evensong is one of the most uniquely Anglican liturgies and is sung in cathedrals and parishes throughout the world. Following the service, all are welcome to take communion in the Chapel.

## Diaper Drive for HappyBottoms: January Not having a clean diaper can really stink

- Diapers are not covered by government safety net programs like food stamps, Medicaid, and WIC.
- 1 in 2 families in KC can't afford diapers
- Families with young children experiencing diaper need report missing an average of 5.1 workdays per month because they did not have the required number of diapers for their child to attend daycare.

Bring diapers to the barrel in the cross hall or to the basket in the Tower or purchase diapers through HappyBottoms (use group name: Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral).



## Office Closed: Monday, January 20

The Cathedral office will be closed Monday, January 20 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. If you have a pastoral emergency during this time, contact Dean Andy at 256.762.5889, Father James at 816.739.2930 or Deacon Barbara at 816.739.8032.

## Diocesan Ordination: Saturday, January 25

On Saturday, January 25 at 10 a.m., the Bishop and People of the Diocese of West Missouri joyfully invite you to the Ordination of Jennifer Lynn Blevins, Christopher James Duffie and Keith Nathaniel Johnson Jr. to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

## Annual Meeting: Sunday, January 26 Only ONE Service at 10:30 a.m.

- We will gather as a parish family of all ages to celebrate Eucharist, then stay for the meeting.
- Be ready to celebrate some of our amazing ministries, as well as honoring outgoing and electing new Vestry members.
- Formation will still meet at 9:15 a.m.

## Adult Confirmation/Inquirers Class Sundays beginning February 9 • 9:15 a.m. Multipurpose Room

Would you like to formally join the Cathedral and the Episcopal Church? Interested in exploring confirmation, reaffirmation or reception? If so, please prayerfully consider joining us Sunday, February 9 in the Multipurpose Room in Lower Founders' Hall between morning services for an introductory meeting to explore what this might mean for you. Bishop Diane will be with us to Confirm/Reaffirm/Receive at the Easter Vigil on April 19. If you are interested but not able to join us for the first meeting, please let Dean Andy know and then plan to join us as soon as you are able.

## Absalom Jones Fundraiser Luncheon Saturday, February 15 • 11 a.m. • Founders' Hall

The Diocese of West Missouri invites you to join us for luncheon fundraiser and panel discussion in Founders' Hall. This luncheon fundraiser will assist the Diversity and Reconciliation's Juneteenth Trip to southern Missouri in June of this year. After the luncheon, a panel discussion will be held for the book *Black and Episcopalian, The Struggle for Inclusion* by the Rev. Dr. Gayle Fisher-Stewart, who will be attending the luncheon. Tickets are available for the luncheon fundraiser at \$40. Buy your tickets: [diowestmo.org](http://diowestmo.org)