

# GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Miraculous Draught of Fishes" by John Reilly

## The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 9, 2025 • 5 p.m.

# Welcome! We are glad you are here.

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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


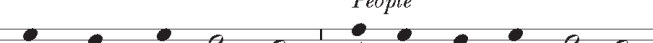
VOLUNTARY: Cantilene (Organ Sonata No. 11, Op. 148)

Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

## The Order for Evening

### \* OPENING ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR LIGHT


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*Cantor*  *People* 


Light and peace, in Je - sus Christ our Lord. Thanks be to God.

*The presider adds a prayer for light.*


### \* O GRACIOUS LIGHT *Phos hilaron*: 25



1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in  
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the  
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O



you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,  
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and  
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through



blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.  
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.  
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

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# The Word of God

## \* COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider        The Lord be with you.

People         **And also with you.**

Presider        Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-13

Lector         In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!” And he said, “Go and say to this people:

‘Keep listening, but do not comprehend;  
keep looking, but do not understand.’  
Make the mind of this people dull,  
and stop their ears,  
and shut their eyes,  
so that they may not look with their eyes,  
and listen with their ears,  
and comprehend with their minds,  
and turn and be healed.”

Then I said, “How long, O Lord?” And he said:

“Until cities lie waste  
without inhabitant,  
and houses without people,  
and the land is utterly desolate;  
until the Lord sends everyone far away,  
and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.  
Even if a tenth part remain in it,  
it will be burned again,  
like a terebinth or an oak  
whose stump remains standing when it is felled.”  
The holy seed is its stump.

The Word of the Lord.

People         **Thanks be to God.**





Cantor I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my | whole heart; \*  
before the gods I | will sing your praise.

All I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise | your Name, \*  
because of your | love and faithfulness;  
For you have glorified | your Name \*  
and your word | above all things.  
When I called, you | answered me; \*  
you increased | my strength within me.  
All the kings of the earth will praise you, | O Lord, \*  
when they have heard the | words of your mouth.  
They will sing of the ways of | the Lord, \*  
that great is the | glory of the Lord.  
Though the Lord be high, he cares for the | lowly; \*  
he perceives the | haughty from afar.  
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep | me safe; \*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your | right hand shall save me.  
The Lord will make good his purpose | for me; \*  
O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the | works of your hands.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

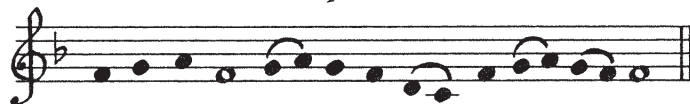
Lector I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

\* ALLELUIA VERSE *Cantor; then People*



Cantor



Come after me and I will make you fishers of men.

All repeat the three alleluias.

\* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 5:1-11

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

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

Gospeller      Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed 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.**

- Intercessor God of promises, we come before you, acknowledging our limitations, but also giving voice to our hopes and needs that your promises might live within us, offering the desires of our hearts as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.
- We pray for the people of God, called to witness and serve; that we might persevere in taking up and continuing Jesus' own earthly ministries.
- 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 those holding the authority of governance over us; that you might inspire and lead them to always choose the greatest good and to respect the dignity of all people.
- Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor We pray for all the places we make our homes; that they might be places where the gospel is known and followed that we might be powerful icons of your love.
- Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor We pray for the created world, for the right and sustainable uses of the earth's resources; that all generations might know your intended abundance.
- Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor We pray for all who suffer and all who tend to their needs; let your healing presence be manifest in their lives. 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 all who have died and for those who grieve. Keep them in your care and let us all rise together in your new age. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.
- Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**

Presider Almighty God, your steadfastness and devotion are beyond our understanding. Help us to see your works in our midst and to accept your invitation to abundant life, and all these we ask through your beloved, Christ Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns world without end. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## \* THE PEACE

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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

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

\* OFFERTORY HYMN: 48 "O day of radiant gladness"

1 O day of ra - diant glad - ness, O day of joy and  
 2 This day at the cre - a - tion, the light first had its  
 3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, his Ho - ly Scrip - ture  
 4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, we walk the pil - grim

light, O balm of care and sad - ness, most  
 birth; this day for our sal - va - tion Christ  
 hear; his liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through  
 way, at length our rest at - tain - ing, our

beau - ti - ful, most bright; this day the high and  
 rose from depths of earth; this day our Lord vic -  
 Bread and Wine made near. We jour - ney on, be -  
 end - less Sab - bath day. We sing to thee our

low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune, sing,  
 to - rious the Spi - rit sent from heaven, and  
 liev - ing, re - newed with heaven - ly might, from  
 prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Son; the

"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God Tri - une.  
 thus this day most glo - rious a tri - ple light was given.  
 grace more grace re - ceiv - ing on this blest day of light.  
 Church her voice up - rais - es to thee, blest Three in One.





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.

**All**  
**AMEN.**

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

S119: The Lord's Prayer

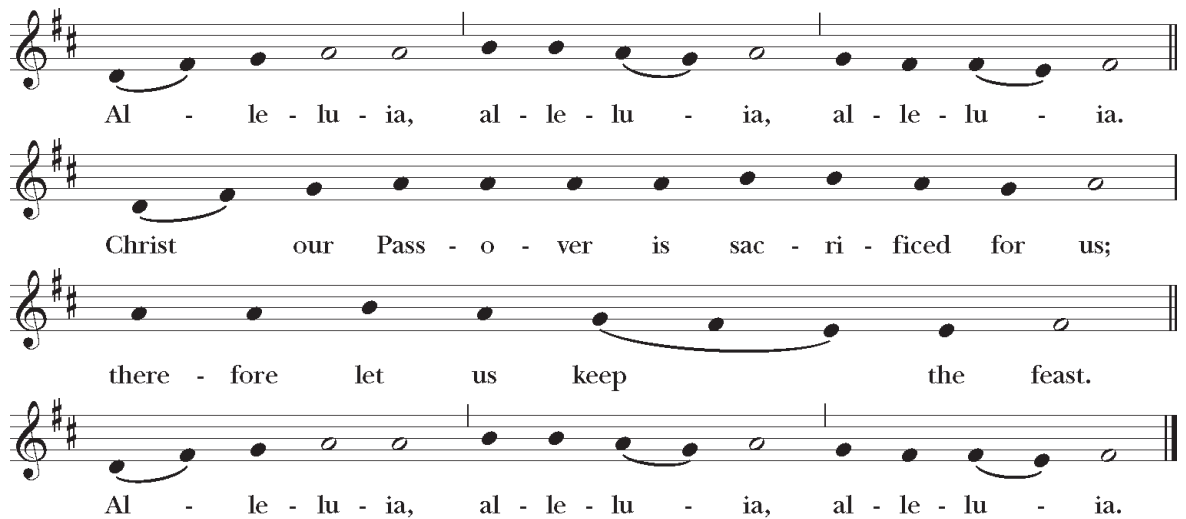
**All**

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

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## Breaking of the Bread

S154: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Presider

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### COMMUNION

*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.*

### \* 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: 537 "Christ for the world we sing!"

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to

Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and  
 Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward  
 Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the  
 Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born

them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,  
 and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,  
 work to share, with us re - proach to dare,  
 souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,

sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.  
 re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.  
 with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.  
 in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

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VOLUNTARY: Prelude: Andante maestoso (Organ Sonata No. 3, Op. 43)

René Louis Becker (1882-1956)

### Serving Today

Presider & Preacher	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Cantor	Dr. Kelli Van Meter
Organist	Dr. Lucas Fletcher

# Cathedral Prayer List

**Pray for:** Phineas Gitta; Sally Livengood; Leesa Fanning; Lisa Helgenkamp; Gail; Diego Garcia; Glen and Terri Wesner; All those impacted by Fire in California; Those injured by gun violence in Queens, NY; Those injured in New Orleans; Eric Anderson; Sandra Fuhrman; Ann Ryder; Juliana Johnson; David Barker; Those injured in the school shooting in Nashville; Rev. Miranda Cully; Those impacted by the apartment fire in Independence; Bob Sherwood; Ellen Goheen; Luke “Skippy” Harbur; Penny Sullivan; All families affected by gun violence; All those fighting cancer; Charlotte Colburn; Doyle White; First Responders; Gloria Stocks; Isaiah Russell III; Jim Royer; Joyce Morrow; Larry McMullen; Mike Barzee & Family; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Yvonne Kehoe Meier

**Comfort and Peace:** the family and friends of Katherine Reynolds Stamps; the family and friends of Martha Taylor Johnson; the family and friends of the McShann family; the family and friends of those lost and injured in the school shooting in Nashville; the family and friends of Roger Kirby; 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; all families affected by gun violence

**Pray for the Departed:** those lost in the plane crash in Philadelphia; all those lost in the crash in Washington DC; Katherine Reynolds Stamps; Martha Taylor Johnson; Dennis Sharkey; Roger Kirby; 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; for all those lost in war; for all who have died from gun violence

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Christ Episcopal Church, Warrensburg—*The Rev. Ron Verhaeghe, Priest in Charge*  
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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.

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# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## February 9

David Pierson

## February 10

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## February 11

Kendall & Jeff McNeil

## February 12

Eric Elisabeth  
Bethany Zaiger

## February 14

Jerry & Barbara Menefee

## February 15

Jeff McNeil

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

## “Vision of Isaiah” Isaiah 6:1-13

“Your sin is blotted out.” (v. 7)

Today's focal illumination portrays the typical human response in the Bible when a person encounters God in his glory – a sense of debilitating fear, sinfulness, and unworthiness. It also depicts God's divine action in response to open and honest confession of one's condition – the admonition to “not be afraid” accompanied by cleansing from sin and guilt.

In the lower portion of this illumination, Isaiah lies utterly vulnerable and powerless (absolutely human) upheld by seraphs (he is completely dependent on divine support). In his condition he is only capable of uttering, “Woe is me ... I am a man of unclean lips ... I have seen the Lord of hosts!” To ancient Hebrews an encounter of this nature meant death, for no one was able to see God directly and live (Exodus 33:20). Note in today's depiction that God is symbolically portrayed (through the use of gold) in the temple attended by seraphim. This portrayal combines the temple and royal court through such images as the three arches and ten lampstands, together with fragments of a palace wall. The color purple dominates the scene as an indication of royalty. Scattered pieces of red cloth are suggestive of the “hem of the divine garment” which Isaiah describes as filling the temple. The throne consists of a golden box



which extends upward to frame the head and shoulders of a human figure (the king). In this vision Isaiah is experiencing the in-breaking of the divine into human history, a reality further emphasized by the blocks of rainbow color derived from Ezekiel 1:28 as indicators of God's glory.

Overwhelmed, Isaiah is surprised to experience new life through this encounter instead of the condemnation he seems to have anticipated. He finds himself cleansed of his sin of unclean speech by a red hot coal taken from the altar by a seraph and touched to his lips. He is declared free of guilt and sin. Consequently, he feels himself capable of accepting God's invitation to be the deliverer of a divine message of judgment to a spiritually deaf, blind, and undiscerning people.

The lesson imparted to us through this illumination is that our human weakness and sinfulness are not impossible barriers to God's love. Like Isaiah, no person is without failings. Therefore, it is by recognizing and acknowledging our brokenness rather than by denying and hiding it that we are rendered usable by God. Also, like Isaiah, it is when we turn to God in honest self-awareness that we become capable of agreeing to do what otherwise would seem impossible — to sincerely volunteer: “Here am I, send me.”

### Connect to the Cathedral in a Deeper Way: Volunteer

*from Dr. Joan Bergstrom, Volunteer Coordinator*

I want to encourage you to connect to our church in a deeper way by joining a Volunteer group, either in worship or in hospitality. The worship services and hospitality are the spark that provides the vitality of our family formed in faith. Our need for more volunteers is real. Please consider supporting these ministries. Don't know how to do it? No worries — we'll train you.

You can find your fit by visiting our website at [kccathedral.org/volunteer](http://kccathedral.org/volunteer). The descriptions of the various ways you can serve are listed there and you can also click the link to contact me for more information or to sign up. Thank you!

## 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.



## Donate to the IX Bishop Gifts Fund

The Diocese of West Missouri is now accepting donations to the IX Bishop Gifts Funds. These funds will be used to procure the gifts for our Bishop-elect Amy Dafler Meaux, which will be presented at her ordination as the Ninth Bishop of West Missouri on May 3rd, 2025. These gifts will include a stole, pectoral cross, ring, cope, mitre, and crozier. Individuals or groups wishing to inquire about covering the cost of a particular item should contact the diocesan office at [info@diowestmo.org](mailto:info@diowestmo.org) for further details.

Donate online at [diowestmo.org](http://diowestmo.org) or send a check made payable to **The Diocese of West Missouri** to 420 West 14th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105. Please include “IX Bishop Gifts” in the memo line.

# Outreach 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 as part of TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program). We meet from about 9:30 a.m. to noon.

St. Paul’s receives delivery of several pallets of shelf-stable and frozen food from Harvesters each month. Friendly volunteers are needed to break down the pallets and repackage the food into family-sized boxes and bags. Then we open the doors to those in need and start handing out the food.

### 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.

Pete’s Garden meals are distributed through social service agencies that serve children and their families. Most of the families who receive Pete’s Garden meals are headed by single women in low paying jobs, living below federal poverty guidelines.

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 [petesgarden.org/volunteer](http://petesgarden.org/volunteer).

## Nourish KC

Volunteers are the heart and soul of NourishKC. Every meal served, every pantry stocked, and every food item redistributed is made possible because of the time, energy, and dedication of our volunteers. Your support ensures that we can continue providing nutritious meals, offering essential pantry staples, and building a hunger-free community.

By volunteering with us, you become part of a compassionate movement that transforms lives—one meal at a time. Whether it’s lending a hand in our Community Kitchen, assisting with pantry distribution, or helping with events, your contribution makes a lasting impact.

Together, we can achieve more. Join us today and help nourish Kansas City!

Sign up for a shift at [theprospectkc.org/nourish-kc](http://theprospectkc.org/nourish-kc).

# Announcements & Upcoming Events

## 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)

## Absalom Jones Service

**Sunday, February 16 • 4 p.m.**

**St. Augustine's Episcopal Church**

The Diocese of West Missouri invites you to join us for the Absalom Jones Service at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, 2732 Benton Blvd, Kansas City, MO.

## Evensong, Organ Recital & Reception

**February 16 • 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.

Immediately following Evensong, stay for a 30-minute organ recital by Dr. Elisa Williams Bickers. Elisa is the Principal Organist and co-director of music at the Mission campus of Village Presbyterian Church.

Following the recital, all are invited to a reception in the Common Room.

## Office Closed: Monday, February 17

The Cathedral office will be closed Monday, February 17 for Presidents 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.

## Paper Drive for Sheffield Place

Bring donations of toilet paper, paper towels and tissues to the basket in the Tower during the month of February. Sheffield Place assists homeless women and children in making the difficult journey from homelessness to self-sufficiency.

## The Last Hurrah before Lent:

### Pancakes & Jambalaya

Signups at [kccathedral.org/upcoming-events](http://kccathedral.org/upcoming-events)

## Shrove Sunday Pancake Breakfast

**Sunday, March 2 • after both morning services**

**Founders' Hall**

What is Shrove Sunday? Well, it involves pancakes, laughter, and fellowship!

Shrove Tuesday is the day before Lent. Lent is a season of simple living, and historically people did not eat rich foods, like milk, butter, or eggs during Lent. The day before Lent, people would clean out their kitchens by indulging in these rich foods. They would make pancakes, which use all of these ingredients plus flour. Some say this tradition is over 1,000 years old and it still continues today!

We celebrate Shrove Tuesday on Sunday at the Cathedral so we can all be together for the pancake feast. Join us for delicious breakfast plus fun events.

## Mardi Gras Dinner

**Tuesday, March 4 • 6 p.m. • Haden Hall**

Join us for a festive Mardi Gras dinner featuring jambalaya, good company, lively music, and the joyous spirit of Fat Tuesday as we prepare for Lent. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Jambalaya will be provided.

Please bring cornbread/bread, a salad or a dessert.

**Both of these events are perfect opportunities to invite friends or neighbors. Grab invite cards at the back of the Nave or find shareable graphics at [kccathedral.org/upcoming-events](http://kccathedral.org/upcoming-events).**