



# The Angelus

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FROM THE DEAN

## A Stewardship Timeline

**5 Years Old** About this time I got used to a weekly Sunday dole of 10 cents for the collection and 10 cents for penny candy at the news store after church. Those sweet Mercury Head and Roosevelt dimes mostly got to their destination.

**10 Years Old** I tried to fill a “mission” card with quarters for Lent. A full card would equal \$10. My card did not quite weigh in as many of the coin slots were empty. It was a nice thought. A quarter bought a lot in those days.

**15 Years Old** Whenever I went to church I made a point of giving a dollar. It was a nice offering that became my standard for years to come.

**18 Years Old** A local merchant who was a survivor of the Holocaust stretched out his open hand to me and invited me to think on these words, “An open hand is never empty.” Many times I can still hear his words when I am handed change (a rare occurrence these days) or witness an act of generosity.

**21 Years Old** I often attended a church where at the time of the offering anyone who had a need at that very moment could take up to \$10 out of the plate. Those plates were piled high with ones, fives, tens and twenties! The expectation was stated that when one’s fortunes had changed, the Lord would receive the money back and then some. \$10 filled a car with gas and then some in those days.

**26 Years Old** I learned that \$1 a week for the offering was pretty weak. I was at first shocked and shamed (in a good way) when I learned what the woman who would be my wife gave annually to the church. I learned that it was more than some Wall Street bankers in the congregation were giving. It was definitely way more than I was giving. My next step was to give at least \$2 a week?!

**29 Years Old** The pastor father-in-law of the Stewardship Chair in our parish that year shared his faith story and how he had become a tither. I’d heard plenty about tithing by this time. This one hit a spiritual nerve. Mary and I started on the journey to tithing — giving ten percent of our combined income for the work of the church. Like any journey it began with one step. It has not always been easy.

**30 Years Old** Our son was born. We both left good-paying jobs. We moved. I began three years of graduate school. Divinity School expenses would be supplemented by the generosity of individuals and congregations. I learned firsthand the power of community. We learned how to get by, eat well, and have fun on a very tight budget.

**33 Years Old** In my first position on a clergy staff the Rector was a tither. In the Episcopal Church, Authority is gained through example.

**40 + Years Old** The clergyman I worked with handed me a list of several pages. It was a list of givers in the congregation with annual amounts each gave. I was embarrassed to look at it. “You need to know this,” he said. A doctor, banker, or lawyer knows these things.

**50 + Years Old** With no more school costs in sight we could begin to see the possibility of giving beyond a tithe. In time I would meet a bishop who published his annual giving. With fear and trembling I would do the same.

**Present +** We are tithers. We give beyond ten percent for other church ministries. We give to schools and other institutions. We do well.

**Over Time** To this day I can still feel my mother placing a dime in my hand while saying, “Make sure you put this in. It’s what you give to God.” I hear the accented voice of a refugee grateful to be alive say, all the while stretching out his weathered palm to me, “An open hand is never empty.” The unvarnished testimony of that school janitor who preached on weekends still tells his the story of how he got his life together — and how in gratitude he gave his tithe for God’s kingdom. I hear Mary’s voice, no judgment or vanity coloring her words, “That’s what I give.”

*May God use us, our stories, and our resources as we share ministry in this place and time.*

Gratefully,

*Peter*

# Treasurer's Report

Income for the month of August was below last year due to the timing of disbursements from an externally managed trust. Pledge and plate were actually above the 2014 levels. Expenses this August were below last year's, primarily because of lower property expenses, which can vary significantly from month to month as repair costs fluctuate.

The income shortfall and the lower repair costs offset each other, and August net operating income was in line with last year.

August	2015 MTD	2014 MTD
Income	\$ 143,786	\$ 159,434
Expenses	\$ 151,856	\$ 166,778
Net Total	\$ (8,070)	\$ (7,344)

	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Income	\$ 1,182,917	\$ 1,159,236
Expenses	\$ 1,132,870	\$ 1,168,587
Net Total	\$ 50,047	\$ (9,351)

On a YTD basis, income ran above last year's totals as higher pledge, user fees

and endowment income more than offset the temporarily lower distribution from the externally managed trust. In further good news, expenses ran lower than last year, especially in the property and administrative areas. Taken together, the better income and lower expenses mean that the Cathedral has a better cushion as it approaches the higher seasonal expenses usually encountered in the fall.

—Chuck Ritter, Treasurer

# September Flowers, to the Glory of God ...

## September 6

- prayer candles for the month of September given by — Bud & Candy McDowell

## September 13

- in memory of Thomas McNair — Douglas & Cecelia McNair
- in memory of my mother, Ada Liddell Heinz — Jane Vaughn-Williams
- in memory of Addie Jane Flynn

## September 20

- in thanksgiving — Richard & Anne Morse

## September 27

- in thanksgiving for Ric Sweeting — Janet & Devon Sweeting
- in thanksgiving for Hilary Christine Thomas Gaboriau — Michael & Cathy Thomas
- in thanksgiving for healing — Karen Kissinger

To donate toward the flowers to celebrate a special event or remember a loved one, contact the Cathedral office (816.474.8260 ext. 103 or [jsweeting@kccathedral.org](mailto:jsweeting@kccathedral.org)) or sign up (and pay) online: [www.kccathedral.org/flowers](http://www.kccathedral.org/flowers).



## Family and Children's Ministry News

**Family Ministry Lunch**  
**October 11 • 11:45 a.m. • Haden Hall**  
 Families are invited to come together for a time of food and fellowship.

Questions? Please contact Julie Brogno, 816-474-8260 or [childrensformation@kccathedral.org](mailto:childrensformation@kccathedral.org).

## Hold the Date

The 11th Anniversary Celebration for Maison de Naissance is Saturday, October 10. Join the fun at the Lions Gate Club House, 5861 Edgewater Drive, Overland Park, KS, 6–8 p.m. Make your reservation to [development@maisondenaissance.org](mailto:development@maisondenaissance.org). Don't miss it.



Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral is a Stephen Ministry congregation. To find out more about this ministry, call 816-474-8260.

## All Saints' Sunday: November 1

We give thanks for all God's holy ones and remember the faithful departed.

### Book of Remembrance

We gather names and add them to a book started in 2007. It is a lasting memorial of "those we love but see no longer." The book is displayed in the Cathedral on All Saints' Sunday. The names are also be listed in the worship booklet. During the liturgy there is a time when **lectors read aloud the names of those who have died in the past 12 months**, followed by a time when all present say aloud names of those they would like remembered.

Forms for submitting names will be available at services beginning October 11. You can place these in the offering plate or in the basket on the ushers' table. Names can also be e-mailed to [communications@kccathedral.org](mailto:communications@kccathedral.org). The deadline for submitting names is Tuesday, October 27.

### All Saints' Memorial

You are invited to bring photographs of departed loved ones with you to church Sundays, October 18 & 25. Individual snap shots work best, though you may submit framed photographs as well. Please limit the size of photos to 8x10 and smaller. Photos will not be harmed and will be returned. Put photos in the envelopes (provided at the entrances to the Cathedral) then place the envelope in the baskets. Place your name, phone and email on the back of each photo. These will be become part of a display near the baptismal font. We pass by this "great cloud of witnesses" — the Communion of Saints — as we go to the altar for Eucharist. Photos will be available to take home the following Sunday in Founders' Hall.

Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral has a reputation as being a wonderful place to make music and as being extraordinarily hospitable to guest ensembles and soloists. The Friends of Chamber Music's first visit of the new concert season is **Friday, October 2, 8 p.m.** The early music ensemble ATALANTE will perform *Lamenti Antichi*: Ancient laments from Greece, Arabia, Turkey, and the Holy Land as told in 17<sup>th</sup> century Roman musical narratives. You will hear unusual instruments expertly played and music quite unlike any you have heard. There is a pre-concert lecture at 7 p.m. in Founders' Hall. There will be an admission charge. Contact the Friends, 816-561-9999, for details.



On **Sunday, October 4**, William Jewell College's Schola Cantorum will help us celebrate the Feast of St. Francis, singing a special **Choral Evensong at 5 p.m.** The music is essentially from the Tudor period of Church Music. As is the custom, a brief service of Holy Communion will follow the devotional office.

The **Trinity Choir's Choral Evensong on Sunday, October 18**, will include music by Sydney Watson, one time organist of Christ Church Cathedral in Oxford; and Timothy Noon, newly appointed organist of Exeter Cathedral, where the Trinity Choir will be in residence for one week next summer. Barry Richardson will play the voluntaries. Evensong begins at 5 p.m.

—John Schaefer



## Baptism Preparation

Holy Baptism for infants and young children will be administered **November 1, All Saints' Sunday**, at 10:15 a.m., **January 10, The Baptism of Our Lord**, or at another service of your choice. Baptism preparation for parents desiring baptism for their children is **Saturday, October 17, 9:30-11:30 a.m.** in the Haden Hall nursery area. Questions? Contact the Very Reverend Peter DeVeau, [pdeveau@kccathedral.org](mailto:pdeveau@kccathedral.org) or the Reverend Christy Dorn, [cdorn@kccathedral.org](mailto:cdorn@kccathedral.org), for more information.

# Youth update

## Weekly Youth Group

Wednesdays, 7–8:30 p.m.

Youth in grades 6–12 are invited to to the Haden Hall Youth room every Wednesday for dinner, fellowship, and program.

## Kansas City Youth Network Corn Maze Fun

October 23

Save the date for another year of fall fun at the Liberty Corn Maze!



## Halloween Gathering

October 28

Come for a night of fall food, games, and lots of fun during our normal youth group time (7–8:30 p.m.)!

## Diocesan Youth Gathering

November 6–8

This year DYG will be held at the Cathedral! Save the date for this awesome opportunity to join in community with youth from all across the diocese.

Please contact Alexandra at [youthformation@kccathedral.org](mailto:youthformation@kccathedral.org) for more info on Youth Ministry at the Cathedral.

## The Way

### Wednesday Evenings, 6-8 p.m.

Christian Formation for Adults

6 p.m. — Supper and Conversation. Meals are free.

7-8 p.m. — Small group study, discussion and prayer

All are invited to journey along The Way. Questions? Contact Peter DeVeau, [pdeveau@kccathedral.org](mailto:pdeveau@kccathedral.org); or Larry Ehren, [lgehren@yahoo.com](mailto:lgehren@yahoo.com).

## Welcome to the Cathedral: Newcomer Gathering

Sunday • October 18 • 11:45 a.m.

Are you new to Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral? Would you like to learn more about the Cathedral and the many ways you can connect with others? If so, please join us at our next Newcomer Gathering Sunday, October 18, following the 10:15 a.m. worship service. We gather for refreshments and conversation in the meeting room in Founders' Hall. You will have an opportunity to meet other newcomers, ministry leaders and clergy. Regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. We look forward to meeting you and sharing more about GHTC. For more information, please contact the Rev. Christy Dorn, [cdorn@kccathedral.org](mailto:cdorn@kccathedral.org) or 816-474-8260, ext. 152.

# Women's Fall Luncheon

The Women of Grace Fall Luncheon is October 17 at Trezo Mare in Briarcliff Village. This luncheon, including a short program, is an opportunity for the women at the Cathedral to build relationships and friendships with other members. All women of the Cathedral are invited! Make your reservation during coffee hour on Sundays.



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# Men's Monthly Lunch Bunch

Men of the Cathedral, join us for a monthly lunch get together. The next date is Wednesday, October 7, at Californos in Westport, 11:30 a.m. Our agenda is fun, food, fellowship. All are welcome. RSVP to Jim Robertson, [jasbrob@aol.com](mailto:jasbrob@aol.com), as soon as possible.

The Rt. Rev. Martin S. Field, *Bishop of West Missouri*  
The Very Rev. Peter DeVeau, *Dean*  
The Rev. Christy Dorn, *Associate*  
The Rev. Jerry Grabher, *Deacon*  
The Rev. Leslie Hoover, *Deacon*  
The Rev. Jim Robertson, *Deacon*  
The Rev. Dr. Michael Johnston, *Scholar-in-Residence*  
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David Stoll, *Financial Administrator*  
Patrick Bell, *Communications Coordinator*  
Janet Sweeting, *Sacristan*  
Mike Guidry, *Interim Property Manager*

## Christ the Healer Sunday • October 18 8 & 10:15 a.m.

During the celebration of Eucharist the laying-on-of-hands and anointing for healing will be offered for those desiring it.



We observe this sacramental rite annually on the Sunday closest to the feast of St. Luke the Physician, October 18. We welcome guest preacher, in observance of St. Luke's Day, the Reverend Marshall Scott.

## Highlights for October

- 4 • SUNDAY  
Blessing of the Animals (4 pm.)  
Evensong (5 p.m.)
- 8 • THURSDAY  
Vestry (5:30 p.m.)
- 11 • SUNDAY  
Family Ministry Lunch (11:45 a.m.)
- 14 • WEDNESDAY  
Monthly Men's Lunch Bunch (12:45 p.m.)
- 17 • SATURDAY  
Baptism Class (9:30 a.m.)  
Women's Ministry Luncheon (11:30 a.m.)
- 18 • SUNDAY  
Rite of Healing (8 & 10:15 a.m.)  
Newcomer Gathering (11:45 a.m.)  
Evensong (5 p.m.)
- 25 • SUNDAY  
Fall Saints' Festival (11:35 a.m.)

- 28 • THURSDAY  
St. Mark's Deanery (7 p.m.)

## Coming Next Month

- November 1 —  
All Saints' Sunday
- November 6–7 —  
Diocesan Convention
- November 8 —  
Family Ministry Lunch (11:45 a.m.)
- November 14 —  
Concert: St. Louis Chamber Chorus (5 p.m.)
- November 15 —  
Kirkin' o' the Tartan  
Evensong (5 p.m.)
- November 29 —  
Advent Wreath Workshop