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FROM THE DEAN

Created and Recreated



It was a fit of artistic passion. A kind of self-effacement—her offering to the false god of perfection. Her work wasn't at all what she expected. Imagination, clay, glaze and kiln-firing had failed to achieve what she envisioned.

The artist smashed the large vessel and tossed it into the sea. Pieces of broken stoneware settled on silt and

sand—discarded fragments washed in a sacred flood of wave and tide.

This was to have been a basin for new beginning—for washing in cleansing and renewing water—a baptismal font. The artist again took formless clay in hand to fashion another vessel. This time the sacramental vessel she created pleased her.

But, those many pieces that lay on the sea bottom were not forgotten. They still had a witness to bear. A visionary church member led a band of teenagers in gathering up the fragments and creating something new from what had been cast aside and lost. A living symbol would be arranged from the shards of pottery raised up from the watery floor of the fjord.

I listened to this story as a long-time friend and his wife stood in front of the altar in their new church building in Norway. The last time I visited them, a permanent building for their congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Free Church had been but a dream.

Now we stood near the ceramic baptismal font gazing up at the unusual crucifix that gave focus from its off-center placement in their new sanctuary. A loving Christ formed of broken pieces reached out to embrace an assembly and the world.

With loving artistry and passion Christ gathers you and me into a living symbol. Our gifts and abilities, imperfections and brokenness are formed into the Body of Christ reaching out in loving embrace. Let's delight in that we are created and re-created by the waters of baptism as we move forward as Christ's servant church in the heart of the city.

—Peter



Treasurer's Report

Grace & Holy Trinity's Financial Status
As of July 2016

July	2016 MTD	2015 MTD
Income	\$ 101,004	\$ 94,770
Expenses	\$ 167,947	\$ 149,032
Net Total	\$ (66,943)	\$ (54,262)

	2016 YTD	2015 YTD
Income	\$ 1,043,955	\$ 1,041,381
Expenses	\$ 968,931	\$ 980,597
Net Total	\$ 75,024	\$ 60,784

Income for the month of July 2016 exceeded last year's monthly income due to faster pledge payments. Expenditures in July ran higher than last year due to higher property repairs and utilities, as well as modestly higher expenditures on parish life. The net result was a somewhat bigger deficit in July of this year.

On a YTD basis, Income through July is running very close to last year, as faster pledge receipts are offsetting slower disbursements from externally managed bequests. Expenditures are running below last year's rate primarily in staff expense due to the impact of the calendar on the timing of bi-weekly payrolls. While this staff expense savings will be given up at the end of the year, the overall surplus so far this year is encouraging.

—Chuck Ritter, Treasurer

Women's Bible Study



After two years of not formally studying scripture, this fall the Women's Bible Study group will return to using a study guide to launch its weekly discussions. Beginning Tuesday, September 6, the WBS will begin a new study series using *A Journey with Mark* published by Forward Movement. It divides the Gospel of Mark into fifty scripture readings with meditations, questions and prayers. *A Journey with Mark* is available in the Cathedral Bookstore for \$15.00 and also on Amazon Kindle, Barnes & Noble Nook and at the iTunes Store.

The Women's Bible Study group meets in the Common Room on Tuesdays from 1:30 until 2:30—or thereabouts. All are welcome to come join the lively, intimate and often irreverent discussion. No need to purchase the text to begin with—just bring a Bible and a willing spirit and give it a try!

Contact Candy McDowell at 816-741-0992 or candylemc@att.net.

Compassionate Friends: A Lay Visitation Ministry



Compassionate Friends: A Lay Visitation Ministry

A Visitation Ministry is one of love and compassion extended to members of the congregation, whether it is carried out by clergy or lay members of the congregation. In our commitment to care for all in our congregation, Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral is beginning a new ministry called Compassionate Friends. Compassionate Friends is a lay visitation ministry offering the opportunity to be symbols of God's love to those who are homebound and may be facing circumstances leaving them feeling alone, isolated, or in need of friendship. Lay Visitors will use a listening ear, support, encouragement, prayer and occasional acts of service as tools for ministry.

GHTC will recruit and train members who feel called to this ministry. Training will include those skills most necessary for skilled and caring visitation. Then, matches will be made with lay visitors and church members who need care.

Visitors will meet with their homebound friend regularly (sometimes weekly, sometimes monthly along with regular phone calls, depending on the need).

A Lay Visitor should have the following qualities:

- ~ be a "people person"
- ~ have good listening skills
- ~ have gifts of patience, faithfulness, keeping confidences
- ~ background in elder care helpful
- ~ can accept others as they are

If you are interested in becoming a part of this Lay Visitation Ministry team or if you would like to explore it further, please contact Canon Christy Dorn at 816-474-8260 or by email cdorn@kccathedral.org. If you, a loved one, or someone you know, would like a visit from a Lay Visitor, please contact Canon Dorn. Your referral will be held in confidence.



Trinity Choir Tour

The England Choir Tour in July was a wonderful musical and spiritual experience for the members of the Trinity Choir that were able to go. We made many friends for Grace and Holy Trinity and we sang extraordinarily well. On Sunday September 18, at the Dean's Forum, several of the choir members will share some memories of their experience; and we'll play some excerpts from services we sang.

In the meantime, the Choirs are about to begin the new academic year. The Tallis Singers would be delighted to have some colleagues join them; and there is plenty of room in the Trinity Children's Choir for new singers. There are several openings in the Cathedral Bell Ringers. Please contact Canon Schaefer regarding the Tallis Singers and the Bell Ringers and Patricia Eccles about the Trinity Children's Choir.

The Trinity Choir will sing Choral Evensong on Sunday, September 18 at 5:00 p.m.



—Canon John Schaefer

Staff Transition

Janet Sweeting, who previously served as Sacristan, is working as the Office Assistant to handle administrative tasks such as scheduling the Sunday morning volunteers, managing the Flower Chart and Fund, scheduling weddings and performing associated office tasks and ordering liturgical supplies. We are seeking a new Sacristan and hope to assign the other tasks Janet has done to a new position being developed in the office.



Trinity Children's Choir

Sunday, September 4

The Trinity Children's Choir begins practices Sunday, September 4. All children in kindergarten through fifth grades are invited to join. Preschool-age children are welcome, if they are able to participate. The kids learn how to sing well, read music and become familiar with the liturgy. They sing during church services about every five weeks and for holy days such as Christmas Eve and Easter. Choir practices are in Haden Hall 9:15–10 a.m. every Sunday. Adult volunteers are needed to help during this time. Contact Patricia Eccles for more information: peccles@kccathedral.org.

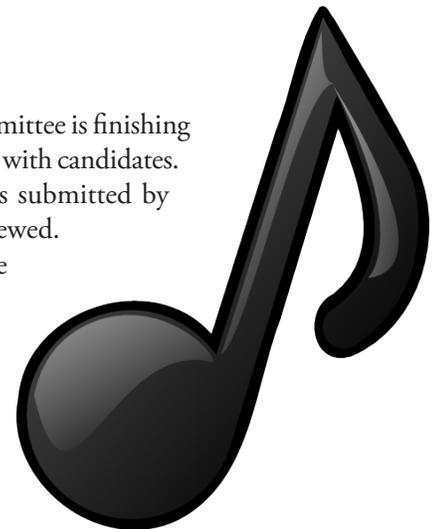
Music Search

Update

The Music Search Committee is finishing up telephone interviews with candidates. Audio/audio visual files submitted by candidates will be reviewed.

By mid-September three to four candidates will be identified and invited to Kansas City for interviews. Thank you to all who completed the music survey. Please keep the search process as well as John Schaefer, our Music Director in your prayers.

Music Search Committee: Diane Barker, Chair, The Very Rev. Peter DeVeau, Jay Carter, Sara Copeland, Joey DeSota, Paget Higgins, Joyce Steeby, Mike Thomas.



July and August Flowers, to the Glory of God ...

July 3

- In thanksgiving for her husband Tom Taylor—Catherine Green
- In memory of Maria Alexandra Mauro—Sandra & Albert Mauro, her sister Rachel & her brother Albert
- In thanksgiving for Barbara & Gary Finnell & their 40 years of friendship—Phineas & LaGretta Gitta

July 10

- In thanksgiving for our daughter & son-in-law, Betsy & Beattie Leonard—Ron & Carolyn McLeroy
- In thanksgiving for Kathryn Celeste Finet—Ruth Finet

July 17

- In loving memory of their daughter, Lynn—Ron & Carolyn McLeroy
- In thanksgiving for the ministry & friendship of Peter DeVeau on his birthday—Vangie & John Rich

July 24

- In thanksgiving for Nancy Cavanaugh on her birthday—Vangie & John Rich
- To the glory of God—Anonymous

July 31

- In thanksgiving for Devon Lee Stewart Sweeting—Ric & Janet Sweeting
- In loving memory of Joy Byer McPhee—Mark McPhee
- In honor of police officers killed while on duty—Phineas & LaGretta Gitta

August 7

- In thanksgiving for Margo Carlson VanSlyke—Bob & Linda Carlson
- In thanksgiving for friends & church—LaGretta Gitta & family

August 14

- In thanksgiving for the Hoffman Family; Larry, Lisa & August—Ruth Finet
- In celebration of their first year anniversary, August 15—Tim S. Brown & Cecilia Bakker-Brown
- In thanksgiving for the Cathedral Choir's safe return—The Gitta family

August 21

- In thanksgiving for her grandson, William Coleman Reed—Shawsie Branton, *posthumously*
- In loving memory of their grandson Max—Ron & Carolyn McLeroy
- In thanksgiving for John & Pat Blank on their 50 years of Marriage—Chris, Christine, Emily & Jack Morrison
- In thanksgiving for Kathy Alagna on her birthday—From her family
- In memory of Muwanjuzi—LaGretta & Phineas Gitta

August 28

- In memory of Richard K Morse—Richard & Anne Morse
- To God's glory and healing—Anonymous

Correction: In the Summer Angelus, June 26 flowers from Shawsie Branton, in memory of her husband, should have read "William Coleman Branton." We apologize for the mistake.



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) or sign up (and pay) online: www.kccathedral.org/flowers.

Flower Memorials and Thanksgivings



To donate toward the weekly flowers to celebrate a special event or remember a loved one, sign up online at www.kccathedral.org/flowers or contact the Cathedral office, jsweeting@kccathedral.org or 816-474-8260 ext. 103.



New to the Cathedral?

Sundays, after the 10:15 service
Please stop by our Welcome Center to learn more about

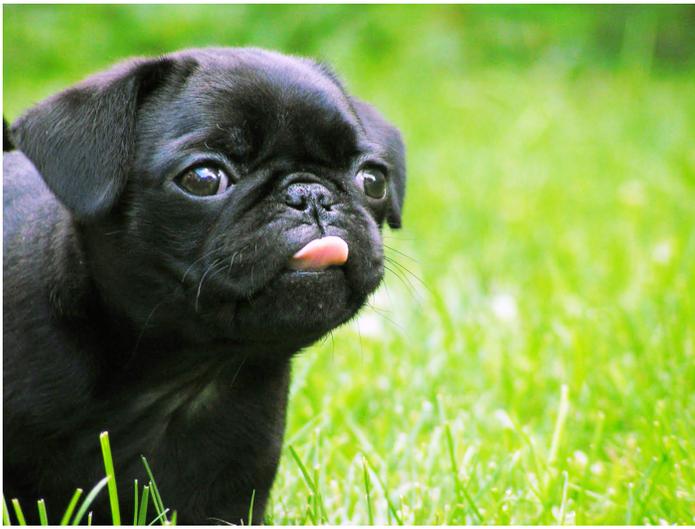
our faith community. First-time visitors will receive a gift. Our Welcome Center is available every Sunday following the 10:15 am Service, in Founders' Hall. We will also host a Newcomer Gathering on Sunday, October 2. QUESTIONS? Please contact our Welcome Ministry staff member, Christy Dorn, 816-474-8260 or cdorn@kccathedral.org.

Episcopal & Friends LGBT

Sunday, September 11

We will gather at the Keystone United Methodist Church Sunday, September 11 at 6 p.m. Keystone UMC is located at 406 W. 74th Street. This is a new location for us and their congregation is eager to host us. Parishioners at the Cathedral will prepare the main course, to be announced, with others filling in with appetizers, salads, sides, desserts and drinks. As always, there is no agenda other than fun, food and fellowship. All are welcome.

Respond to Jim Robertson at jasbrob@aol.com or 816-569-5549.



Blessing of the Animals

Come with your pets for our annual community Blessing of the Animals, Sunday, October 2, at 4 p.m. We gather on the north lawn (corner of 13th and Broadway) for a parade of pets and endangered species, prayers, music and a celebration of all of God's creatures. Animal and people treats will be available. A jazz duo will provide music during the event and perhaps our Children's Choir, too. Our KC Mounted Patrol will join us again this year!

We invite attendees to bring a donation for Wayside Waifs or Great Plains SPCA: canned kitten and cat food (pâté style), canned puppy and dog food, clay kitty litter (non-clumping), hand sanitizer, towels and copier paper are appreciated and monetary donations are greatly appreciated.

Bring your leashed, crated or otherwise secured domestic critters and be part of the holy fun! The tradition of animal or pet blessings is in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all God's creatures. Francis, whose feast day is October 4, wrote a Canticle of the Creatures, an ode to God's living things: "All praise to you, O Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures."



Gracie, the Cathedral cat.

For more information or to help with the event, contact Canon Christy Dorn, at cdorn@kccathedral.org or 816-474-8260.

Ministry Fair

Join us for the 2016 Ministry Fair, Sunday, September 25, following both morning services.

Grace & Holy Trinity

Cathedral is filled with many and varied opportunities for ministry. Where is God calling you to serve? Come—learn how to become involved. Come—receive information about Cathedral ministries. See where your gifts might fit. Share your

gifts of time, talent and faith. Here are a few of the ministries that will be represented:

- Welcome and Hospitality Ministries

- Worship Ministries
- Children, Youth and Adult Formation
- Buildings, Grounds and Gardens
- Social Outreach
- Pastoral Care
- Parish Life
- Office Volunteers
- ...and more!

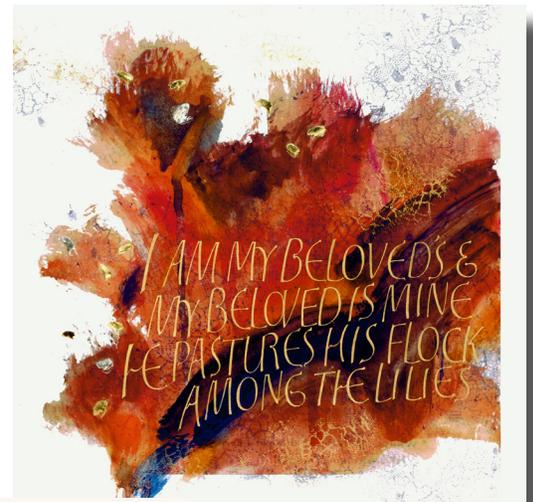
Growing in Faith Together



Our theme this year is Growing in Faith Together: Time, Talent and Treasure.



Merrily Schultz and Dickens with Leslie Hoover at Bishop Spencer Place. They also volunteer regularly with school children, because Dickens is an especially good listener and helps the kids by letting them read to him.



Saint John's Bible

Please take a look at the space opposite the Bookstore that has been renovated for housing the Saint John's Bible. Finishing touches are being put on this exhibit of two volumes of the seven volume Saint John's Bible that continues through the end of the year.

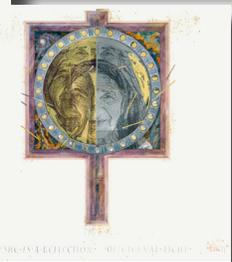
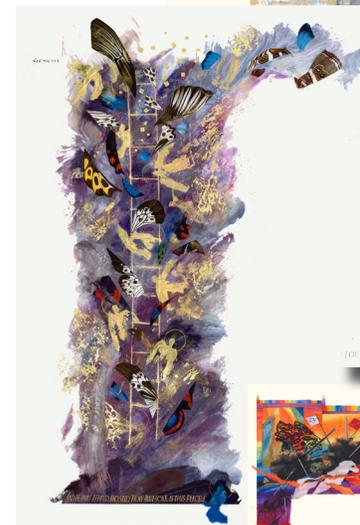
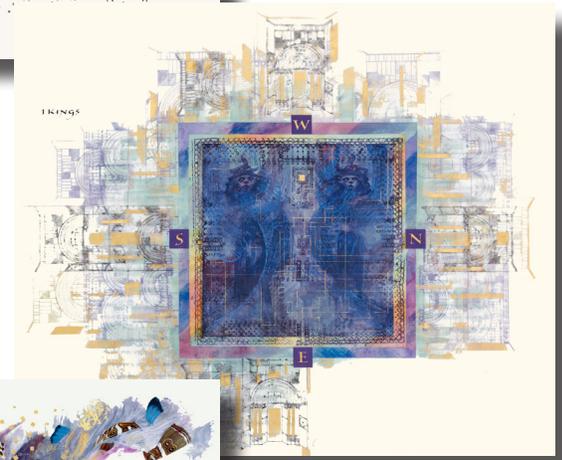


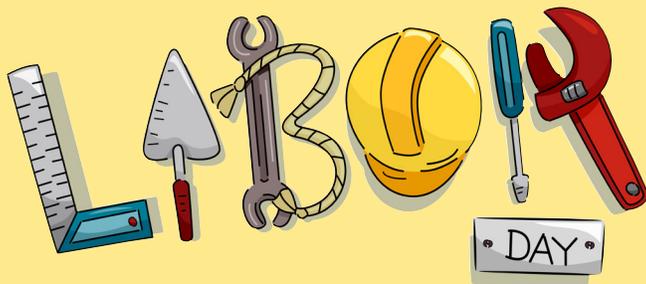
The books are attractively housed in display cases designed and built by Bud McDowell. Vince Alagna, Dave and Diane Barker, Mike Guidry and others have lent a hand and helped manage the project. Recently, the hand-carved Eagle Lectern, one of our Cathedral treasures from the original Grace Church that stood at Tenth and Central Streets, has been added to the display.

A Year with the Saint John's Bible has been made possible through a gift in memory of the late N. Charles "Pete" Seidlitz, Jr., long-time Warden of the Cathedral. Renovations for housing the Bible and renewing adjacent spaces were funded with a grant from the Bebe and Crosby Kemper Foundation.

It is our hope to find donors to purchase the seven-volume Saint John's Bible for use at the Cathedral and in greater Kansas City. This exact replica edition of the illuminated manuscript Bible with Apocrypha was commissioned for the new millennium by the monks of St. John's Abbey, Collegeville, Minnesota. The cost to us would be \$160,000.00 for the entire exquisitely wrought leather bound set. Please speak to the Dean if you are interested in making a gift for this purpose.

At least one of the books is displayed in the nave for Sundays and at other times. In September, Catherine Green and the Dean will present a program on the Bible to residents at Bishop Spencer Place. The books have also been shared with the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Bishop Kemper School for Ministry and a high school in Kansas.





Come, Labor On: Symbols of Labor

September 6 + 8 & 10:15 a.m., 5 p.m.

You are invited to bring a symbol of your work with you Labor Day weekend. You may also write your symbol on a card that day. During the offertory all are invited to come forward with their offerings and symbols of their work as we give thanks and ask God's blessing on our labor.

Dean's Forum

9:15 a.m. + Common Room

Actions that Speak and Heal

Sunday, September 11

Fifteen years after 9/11, we consider the Jewish idea of Tikkun Olam, the performance of "acts of kindness to perfect or repair the world." What are some signs of this happening in the world? What can this mean for a church and community?

Trinity Choir, Two Cathedrals

Sunday, September 18 (Founders' Hall)

Members and friends of the Trinity Choir, Canon John Schaefer and Dean DeVeau share stories, song, pictures and insights from the 2016 Choir Tour to Exeter and Norwich Cathedrals in England.

Embracing Forgiveness: What It Is and What It Isn't

Sundays, September 25–October 23

This practical video series with the Rev. Barbara Crafton, includes time for small group discussion.



The Way

Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m.

Beginning October 5

We invite you to join us for an adult faith formation experience for those seeking to deepen their faith, or know more about the Episcopal Church. The Way is for persons new to the church, those desiring to be baptized, confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church. Each evening includes a meal, a brief presentation, group Bible sharing and concludes with prayer. Please contact Peter DeVeau, Dean, pdeveau@kccathedral.org; or, Larry Ehren, Way Coordinator, lgehren@yahoo.com.



Keep Us Current

Do us a huge favor by making sure the Cathedral has your correct contact information. Has your address or phone number recently changed? <https://secure.accessacs.com/access/memberlogin.aspx?sn=107131>. Your first time logging in, you'll need to click on: *Need a login? Click here for access.* There's also an app (ChurchLife) that you may download for iPhone android or Windows phones. You must create a login on the website before you can access the app. If you are unable to access the site, please e-mail your changes to office@kccathedral.org. Thank you!



Donate Diapers

Help the Cathedral reach our goal of donating 9,000 diapers in 2016 to HappyBottoms, KC's diaper bank! Nineteen percent of families in the metro using the diaper bank reported that in 2015 they used payday loans to help pay for diaper purchases which are not covered by any public aid to families. Drop your diapers in the blue bin in the cross hall. Thank you!

The Cathedral will be hosting a volunteer morning at HappyBottoms from 9–11:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 17 at their warehouse at 14820 W. 107th Street, Lenexa, KS 66215. Let us know if you can help or if you need a ride by emailing Cecelia at ce.mcnair@gmail.com.

Women of Grace Luncheon

Saturday, October 1
The fall Women of Grace Luncheon will be held



Saturday, October 1 at Piropos at the Briarcliff location. The program will be presented by a designer from Nell Hills with shopping to follow. Mark your calendars now to save the date!

Maison de Naissance Anniversary

Please plan to join us for the 12th anniversary of Maison de Naissance.

We have much to celebrate with the resumption of deliveries at Maison de Naissance in June! This year we are excited to have mobile bidding available to anyone in the USA for our silent auction. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged (especially if you want to bid, but cannot attend). Keep watching for the auction item list and updates on the Global Birthing Home Foundation website or Facebook page.

Date
Saturday, September 10, 2016

Location
Lionsgate Clubhouse
5861 Edgewater Drive
Overland Park, KS 66223

Time
6-8 p.m.

Bidding Registration Link
<http://GBHF.cbo.io>

or you can scan the QR code



Monthly Lunch Bunch

Men and women of the Cathedral, join us for a monthly lunch get-together. The next date is Wednesday, September 7 at Los Tules, 1656 Broadway Street, 11:45 a.m. All are welcome and please invite friends! RSVP to Jim Robertson, jasbrob@aol.com, as soon as possible.



Stephen Ministry Introductory Workshop

Saturday, October 22
Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral will host an Introductory Workshop on Saturday, October 22 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. There is

no charge for participants from GHTC. Those attending will catch a vision for lay caring ministry; experience a sample of Stephen Minister training; and learn the basics about Stephen Ministry, how it works and its benefits. Refreshments will be included. To register, please contact the Cathedral office at 816-474-8260. For additional information please contact Jim Robertson or Christy Dorn.

Youth Update

Wednesday Fall Youth Group

Weekly youth group returns this fall on Wednesday, September 14 from 7–8:30 p.m.! Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join in each Wednesday for dinner, great fellowship, meaningful conversation and worship. A Parent meeting accompanies our first youth group meeting.

New Look for Sundays

Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to the Youth Room prior to the 10:15 Sunday service for fellowship in the fall.

Network Back to School Bowling

Join youth from across the Metro Northwest for a back to school bowling outing at Ward Parkway Lanes in the afternoon, Sunday, September 25!

Save the Date for These Fall Events!

September 30–October 2: Happening #74
Sunday, October 9th: Network Acolyte Field Day
October 14–15: Youth Leader Base Camp
October 26: Network Halloween Party
November 4–6: Diocesan Youth Gathering
November 19: Network Day of Service

Keep Up to Date

If you would like more information on our youth ministry programs or to join our weekly email list, email Alexandra at youthformation@kccathedral.org.



Back on Schedule

Children's Chapel and Godly Play are back to their regular schedules. Orange Door Chapel for children in third-fifth grades will meet on the first and third Sundays of the month. Godly Play for children 3-5 years old will meet on the first, second and third Sundays of the month. Green Door Chapel for children in Kindergarten through second grade meets every Sunday. All children are invited to worship in the Green Door Chapel on the fourth and fifth Sundays of the month.

Parent Forum

Beginning September 11 at 9:15 in Haden Hall Join us as we discuss issues related to children's spiritual development and parenting. Check the bulletin for more information about topics to be covered. Parent Forum will meet on the second Sunday of the month.



Abiding Prayer

"Abide in me and I will abide in you." John 15:4

Nurturing the Inner Self: Cosmology, Consciousness and Christogenesis

Mondays, September 12–October 10
7:15–8:30 p.m. † Common Room
While melding science and theology, Sr. Ilia Delio, OSF, takes us on a journey through the cosmos as she shares the evolving philosophical, theological and scientific discoveries that are shaping our outlook of God and nature. Sessions end with Abiding Prayer. Contact Jerry Grabher, j.grabher3@gmail.com or 816-590-6205 to register.

The Cloud of Unknowing: A Loving Search for God

First and Third Thursdays of the Month,
Beginning October 6
7:15–8:30 p.m. † Common Room
This fourteenth-century book called *The Cloud of Unknowing* by an unknown English author inspires us into the kind of loving union with God that *The Cloud* teaches. The author then leads us on a loving search for God. Sessions end with Abiding Prayer. Contact Jerry Grabher, j.grabher3@gmail.com or 816-590-6205 to register.

Coming Soon

SEPTEMBER 4 • 8 A.M. & 10:15 A.M.
Symbols of Labor

SEPTEMBER 7 • 11:45 A.M.
Monthly Lunch Bunch

SEPTEMBER 10 • 6 P.M.
Maison de Naissance Silent Auction

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Happy Bottoms Volunteer Morning

SEPTEMBER 18 • 5 P.M.
Choral Evensong

SEPTEMBER 25 • 9 A.M. & 11:45 A.M.
Ministry Fair

OCTOBER 1
Women of Grace Luncheon

OCTOBER 2 • 11:30 A.M.
Newcomer Gathering

OCTOBER 2 • 4 P.M.
Blessing of the Animals

OCTOBER 16 • 5 P.M.
Choral Evensong

OCTOBER 22 • 9 A.M.
Stephen Ministry Workshop



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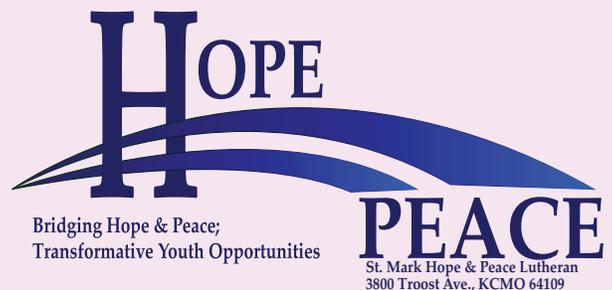
Volunteer! Get Involved!

If you have a few hours per week available, we would like to invite you to be part of something incredible. We seek individuals to help students with homework projects, literacy and math proficiency development and special challenge projects. You will receive training in the methods employed—a strength-based model to build confidence and core competencies. More significant will be the blessing you receive from being part of something sacred: your investment of time will change the course of a student's life forever.

Fall programming includes:

- Filmmaking Tuesdays & Thursdays (writing, acting, directing, & production of short films)
- Homework Life Lines—daily
- Mystery Math & Whacky Word Wednesdays

Contact Kari O'Rourke, kari.stmhp@gmail.com,
816-803-8764 for more information.



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