

Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral

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Newcomer Gathering

Sunday, September 10 ✦ 11:30 a.m. ✦ Founders' Hall

If you are new to us, we hope you will join us for one of our upcoming Newcomer Gatherings. Our next gathering will be on Sunday, September 10, following the 10:15 a.m. service. We will meet in the room near the windows in Founders' Hall. This is a time to meet other newcomers as well as members of the Cathedral and clergy, in a relaxed, informal setting. It's also an opportunity to learn more about Grace and Holy Trinity, to ask questions and to enjoy refreshments and fellowship. For more information, please contact Canon Christy Dorn, (cdorn@kccathedral.org or 816.474.8260).

Events

Youth Events

Network Back-to-School Bowling

Sunday, September 10 ✦ 3–5 p.m. ✦ Ward Parkway Lanes

Youth in grades 6–12 are invited to kick off the school year with friends from across the Metro Network! Look for Trinity Teen Update emails with a registration link or visit wemoyouth.com.

Wednesday Youth Group

Wednesday Night Youth Group is for all youth in grades 6–12. Youth Group meets every Wednesday evening (beginning September 13) and consists of a shared meal, fellowship, community, program and worship. All youth are welcome to join us in the Haden Hall youth room from 7–8:30 p.m.

Happening #76

September 22–24 ✦ St. Paul's Kansas City

Happening is a spiritual retreat weekend for high school youth that is led BY high school youth. This Happening will be held in the Kansas City area at St. Paul's. Registrations are open on the WeMO Youth website, wemoyouth.com. Please keep the Happeners and staff in your prayers during this spiritual weekend!

Dinner Volunteers

Sharing a meal at Wednesday Youth Group is at the center of our community's fellowship! Dinner each week is provided by volunteers. If you are looking for a way to engage with our youth, please consider volunteering for a dinner spot. Contact Alexandra, youthformation@kccathedral.org, for more information!

Cathedral Events



Cathedral Treasures Tour

September 17 ✦ 11:45 a.m. ✦ Nave

Have you ever wondered what the Nave looks like from the choir loft? Or why you need to take your shoes off to play the organ? Join us at the back of the Nave immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service for a quick tour of the choir loft and organ with Paul Meier, Director of Music. After the tour, head to Founders' Hall for coffee hour treats—don't worry, we'll save some for you!

Save the date for future tours

- October 15: Stained Glass
- November 12: Pulpit & Font
- January 21: Stained Glass
- March 11: Altar & Working Sacristy
- April 8: Organ & Choir Loft

Heal your body.

Find your breath.

Quiet your mind.



Qigong & Tai Chi Classes

Thursdays ✦ 12:45 p.m. ✦ Common Room

People with diverse levels of mobility welcome.

BE PRESENT



PRAY



GIVE



SERVE

Ministry Fair

Sunday, September 24

9 & 11:30 a.m. ✦ Founders' Hall

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.

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Monthly Lunch Bunch Wednesday, September 6

This month's lunch will be on Wednesday, September 6 at Taj Mahal, 7521 Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114, 11:45 a.m. Let Jim Robertson know that you are coming, jasbrob@aol.com or 816.569.5549 or just show up. Invite friends.



Trinity Children's Choir!

Elementary and middle school kids please join us!
Rehearsals begin September 17, 9:15 a.m., Haden Hall Blue Room.
Need more info?
Please call Linda Martin at 816.444.8774 or email at lmartin@kccathedral.org.



Social Media Sunday Sunday, September 24

Ever wanted to live-tweet a sermon? Invite your Facebook friends to church? Social Media Sunday is the perfect time to try!

Now an annual tradition in churches around the world, the 2017 edition of Social Media Sunday is scheduled for September 24. Join other Christians as we show how social media can help us be and do church online.

You can participate in ways that make sense for you. You don't even have to join any new social networks! You could tweet your Sunday morning thoughts, check in at your church on Facebook, share a photo or video. Don't forget to use the #SMS17 and #kccathedral hashtags!



Community Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 1 ✦ 4 p.m.

Join us on the North Lawn for a joint service with the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception as we bless the animals! There will be music, treats and tons of fun. Bring your pet for a blessing and celebrate the animals St. Francis loved.

Hope to see you there!

Formation

Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays
1:30–2:30 p.m. ✦ Common Room
*Conversations With Scripture:
The Parables*
By William F. Brosend II

"I love to tell the story,
'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story,
Of Jesus and his love."



Since before Aesop and beyond Garrison Keillor we humans have loved to tell and listen to stories. And Jesus loved to tell stories, too. His stories—the parables—were told to make his listeners think and learn about their relationships with each other and God. But neither the reference points nor the settings Jesus used are familiar to us. With the help of the historical and cultural background and scholarly detail in *Conversations with Scripture: The Parables*, members of the Women's Bible Study attempt to make sense of talents and mustard seeds, shepherds and Samaritans and to explore the relevance of the parables in the twenty-first century.

Adult Forums

9:15–10 a.m. ✦ Common Room
*A Christian Response to Human
Trafficking: with Marco Serrano, Young
Adult Coordinator*

As many of you may know, before discerning a call to ministry I worked as an attorney in New York with an emphasis on international law. One issue in particular that has been close to my heart for several years now is the scourge of human trafficking, which is the forced transfer of persons, often across international borders, for the express purpose of exploitation—most commonly forced labor, slavery and/or sexual exploitation. And so, beginning Sunday, September 10, I will be leading a three-part 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum in the Common Room that will explore both the recent rise of human trafficking and possible strategies for helping to bring it to an end. My hope is that it is an informative and challenging time of learning about an ongoing issue that is relevant to Christians everywhere. Questions? Email mserrano@kccathedral.org. I hope to see you there!

God, Evolution and the Unfinished Self



Monday Evenings,
Sept. 11-25 and Nov. 6-Dec. 18
7:15–8:30 p.m. ✦ Common Room

We usually think of the self as a finished product, created once and for all; however, science is showing us that nature is endowed with creativity and openness to new forms.

We will explore the unfinished self in light of evolution with a view toward the future and the emerging body of Christ. For more information, contact Jerry Grabher, 816.590.6205 or j.grabher3@gmail.com.

The Way Begins Oct. 11 Wednesdays

6–8 p.m. ✦ Founders' Hall

The Way is a process for faith formation, or catechumenate. For all the details, visit kccathedral.org/theway or email theway@kccathedral.org.

Events Outreach

St. Mary's Pantry

Help stock St. Mary's Pantry with shelf staple breakfast items during the month of September. Needed items include cereal, boxed individual oatmeal packets, pop tarts, cereal bars, granola bars, etc. As always, thank you for your support!



September Diaper Drive



Thirty percent of low income mothers report they cannot afford enough diapers to change their babies as frequently as needed (about 70 diapers/week for an infant) and that diaper need is even more stressful than food insecurity.

You can help ensure babies have access to clean, dry diapers that keep them healthy and happy by bringing new or already opened diapers to the blue bin in the cross-tower. Thank you for your continued support of HappyBottoms!

Birthday Gift Cards for Foster Children

Help a child in the foster care system by donating \$25 for a birthday gift card. These gift cards are given to children who do not receive any other gifts to celebrate their birthdays. In the past we have donated 40 gift cards each year, but with the growing number of children in the system 40 gift cards is not enough anymore. Please consider this very special ministry of making children feel special on their birthdays. You may mail your donation to the office or place in the offering plate.



College Care Packages

Do you have a student in college? Send us their contact information so we can send them a care package! Help us let them know they are loved and missed. Send their name, college name and college address to volunteer@kccathedral.org or dknoell@sbcglobal.net. Thanks for your help!

Stephen Ministry: The "After People"

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the After people.



Stephen Ministers are there:

- after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.
- after the divorce papers are served and the bottom falls out of your life.
- after the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.
- after the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."
- after the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."
- after the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away — and the house suddenly seems empty.
- after the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.
- after you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.

Stephen Ministers are the "After People." They are ready to provide comfort and support for as long after as needed. GHTC is a Stephen Ministry congregation and we are here for you. Please contact Canon Christy Dorn, 816.474.8260, or Karen Kissinger, 816.210.0302, to learn more about Stephen Ministry. All calls are confidential.

stephenministries.org

Compassionate Friends:
A Lay Visitation Ministry



Cathedral Caregivers Visitation Ministers

Our Visitation Ministers are available to respond to pastoral needs, home visits, hospital

visits, to offer prayer and a listening heart. Contact Canon Dorn, cdorn@kccathedral.org, for more information.

FIRST FRIDAY

First Friday Open House

October 6 ✦ 5:30–8:30 p.m. ✦ Founders' Hall/Nave

Illuminated Manuscripts, Stained Glass, Art Treasures, Local Artists, Music and Finger Food: The Saint John's Bible, the masterworks of Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, and the creative work of Culinary Cornerstones are featured in this open house of one of Kansas City's architectural gems. Please join us.