



ASH WEDNESDAY

February 14, 2018
Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral
Kansas City, Missouri

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Joel 2:1–2,12–17

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming, it is near – a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness spread upon the mountains a great and powerful army comes; their like has never been from of old, nor will be again after them in ages to come. Yet even now, says the LORD, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing. Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD, your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people. Sanctify the congregation; assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her canopy. Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep. Let them say, “Spare your people, O LORD, and do not make your heritage a mockery, a byword among the nations. Why should it be said among the peoples, Where is their God?”

Psalm 103:8–14

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.
As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.
For he himself knows whereof we are made; *
he remembers that we are but dust.

2 Corinthians 5:20b–6:10

We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

Jesus said, “Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).

ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGY

7 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.

The Word of God

* SALUTATION

Presider Blessed be the God of our salvation:
People **who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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(12:05 P.M.) LESSON *Meditative silence follows the readings.*

Old Testament: Joel 2:1-2,12-17

* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

HOMILY

* INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF A HOLY LENT

[Book of Common Prayer, page 265](#)

IMPOSITION OF ASHES *All are invited to the front to receive the imposition of ashes.*

PSALM 51 *All kneel, as able.*

[Book of Common Prayer, page 266](#)

LITANY OF PENITENCE

[Book of Common Prayer, page 267](#)

* THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

* (12:05 P.M.) OFFERTORY HYMN: "Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church"

[The Hymnal 1982, hymn 149](#)

At communion, you may place your offering in the basket at the head of the center aisle.

As a symbol of the church gathered in the fullness of its baptismal ministry, the deacon and a lay person stand at the Holy Table with the priest for the Eucharistic Prayer.

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[Book of Common Prayer, page 369](#)

The Lord's Prayer

[Book of Common Prayer, page 364](#)

Breaking of the Bread

[Book of Common Prayer, page 364](#)

* THE COMMUNION

At 12:05 p.m., communion will be administered at the head of the center aisle.

You may place your offering in the basket as you come forward for communion.

All those desiring a relationship with Christ are invited to come forward for Holy Communion or for a blessing.

To take communion, receive the bread in your hands (for gluten-free bread cross your hands palms down).

Drink the wine from the cup, or holding the bread in your hands, wait for the minister to dip the bread in the wine and place it onto your tongue.

You may choose not to take the wine by crossing your hands over your chest.

For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.

* POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

[Book of Common Prayer, page 365](#)

SOLEMN PRAYER

Presider Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Following the dismissal, all depart in silence to begin the Lenten journey.

7 a.m. Liturgy

The Very Reverend Peter DeVeau, *Presider*
The Reverend Canon Evelyn Hornaday, *Preacher*
The Reverend Jerry Grabher, *Deacon*

12:05 p.m. Liturgy

The Right Reverend Martin Field, *Presider and Preacher*
The Reverend Jim Robertson, *Deacon*
Paul Meier, *Director of Music*
Julie Brogno, *Lector*
Curtis Hamilton, Janel Mosely, *Eucharistic Ministers*
Sharon Hudson, Vangie Rich, *Altar Guild*
Bud McDowell, Jim Crum, *Ushers*

7 p.m. Liturgy

The Reverend Canon Evelyn Hornaday, *Presider*
The Reverend Canon Christy Dorn, *Preacher*
The Reverend Jerry Grabher, *Deacon*
Paul Meier, *Director of Music*
Brenda Richardson, *Lector*
Bob Johnson, Ric Sweeting, *Eucharistic Ministers*
Linda Carlson, Carol Whitehead, *Altar Guild*
Brian Cowley, David Telep, *Ushers*
Ho Ahn, *Cello*
The Trinity Choir

Labyrinth Available Today

Labyrinth walk for private meditation is available in Founders' Hall all day. A printed guide will be available in Founders' Hall to assist you as you walk the labyrinth. The labyrinth is an ancient pattern found in many cultures around the world. Labyrinths have only one path to the center. You walk (shoes removed!) in by a winding path and exit the same way.



Lent Resources

Lent resources for adults and children are available today in the Tower entry to assist you with your observance of a holy Lent. Additional resources are available for purchase in the Bookstore.

Adult Forum Sundays in Lent

February 18–March 18
9:15 a.m. • Common Room

Perennial Pilgrims: Making the Trip through Holy Week

We are invited annually to hear and experience the story of the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. You are invited to come and get ready for the journey during the Sundays of Lent. The travel log of Egeria, a woman who visited the Holy Land in the late fourth century, as well as the Book of Common Prayer will serve as guides for our preparation to understand our own experience of Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday

and Easter at the Cathedral. The question, “What does this mean for us?” will be a constant theme preparing and propelling us forward as people of faith. The goal of our time together is to share together the actual pilgrimage of Holy Week and Easter. This class will be led by Dean Peter DeVeau, assisted by others.

Lent Workshop

Feb. 18 • 11:30 a.m. • Founders' Hall
Prepare for Lent by picking up Lent in Bag materials, adding to our Lenten mural and painting crosses to be used during Holy Week. Supplies will be provided and coffee hour refreshments will be available.

Lent Madness

In a takeoff of basketball's March Madness, Lent Madness is a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the Church's Calendar of Saints. Visit lentmadness.org to fill out your bracket for a chance to win the “Golden Halo”!

Lenten Wednesday Evenings February 21–March 28

5:30 p.m.

Contemplative Eucharist in the Nave

6 p.m.

Simple Supper in Founders' Hall

6:30–8 p.m.

Learning Opportunities

The Way: 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 Marco Serrano, mserrano@kccathedral.org.

The Creed for Today (Nicene or Apostles’): Each Sunday in worship we recite the Nicene Creed as an affirmation of our faith. Though formulated centuries ago, the Creed summarizes the fundamental beliefs we still consider essential today. This study will delineate those beliefs and explore how they are relevant for contemporary life. The class will be led by Dr. Bill Stancil, Professor of Theology and Religious Studies at Rockhurst University.

Childcare is available for Wednesday evening Lenten programs. To make a reservation, contact childrensformation@kccathedral.org or 816-474-8260 ext. 112.