

GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

A SERVANT CHURCH IN THE HEART OF THE CITY

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2019 • 10:15 a.m.



Newcomers and visitors, welcome! We are a servant church in the heart of the city. May you find here, by God's grace, that which feeds your soul, and leave here with a heart prepared to serve.

If you are new to us or a guest, we invite you to fill out a WELCOME card, found in your pew, and either place it in the offering plate or drop it by the Connection Corner table during coffee hour in Founders' Hall after the service.

If you need a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher.

Holy Eucharist

SERVICE NOTES

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

Our worship together begins with a musical prelude. Thank you for listening quietly and respecting the needs of those around you for a time of prayer and meditation.

VOLUNTARY: "People, Look East"

arr. Linda R. Lamb

The Word of God

* ENTRANCE HYMN #72: "Hark! The glad sound!"

1 Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior
2 He comes, the pri - soners to re - lease in Sa - tan's
3 He comes, the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come

prom - ised long; let ev - ery heart pre -
bond - age held; the gates of brass be -
soul to cure; and with the trea - sures
shall pro - claim; and heaven's e - ter - nal

pare a throne, and ev - ery voice a song.
fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.
arch - es ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.

Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751). Music: *Richmond*, melody Thomas Haweis (1734-1820); adapt. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816); harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, Revised, 1950; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971). All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

* OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* SONG OF PRAISE #S86: Kyrie Eleison

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e
 e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e -
 le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
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* COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

SENDING OF THE CHILDREN

The children and leaders gather at the chancel steps to be sent to Haden Hall for chapel.

THE LESSONS *All are seated. Meditative silence follows the readings.*

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-16

Lector Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.

Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

O Lord God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?

You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7

Lector Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

* GOSPEL HYMN #66: "Come, thou long expected Jesus"

1 Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
 2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
 3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
 4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
 dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
 born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
 by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

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* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 1:18-25

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

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

Gospeller Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel,"

which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

* NICENE CREED

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.

* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lector O come, Emmanuel,
People Hear our prayer.

CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION

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

People 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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION PRAYER

Those celebrating anniversaries of birth, marriage, and other joyous occasions are invited to come forward for 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 ANTHEM: "E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come"

Paul Manz

Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

—Text: Adapted from Revelation 22 by Ruth Manz

* PRESENTATION HYMN #54: "Savior of the nations, come!"

1 Sa - vior of the na - tions, come! Vir - gin's
 2 Won - drous birth! Oh, won - drous child of the
 3 Thus on earth the Word ap - pears, grac - ing
 4 Come, O Fa - ther's sav - ing Son, who o'er

Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, both
 Vir - gin un - de - filed! Might - y God and
 his cre - a - ted spheres; hence to death and
 sin the vic - tory won. Bound - less shall your

heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.
 Ma - ry's son, ea - ger now his race to run!
 hell de - scends, then the heaven - ly throne a - scends.
 king - dom be; grant that we its glo - ries see.

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* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant *People*
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Presider We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; 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. **Amen.**

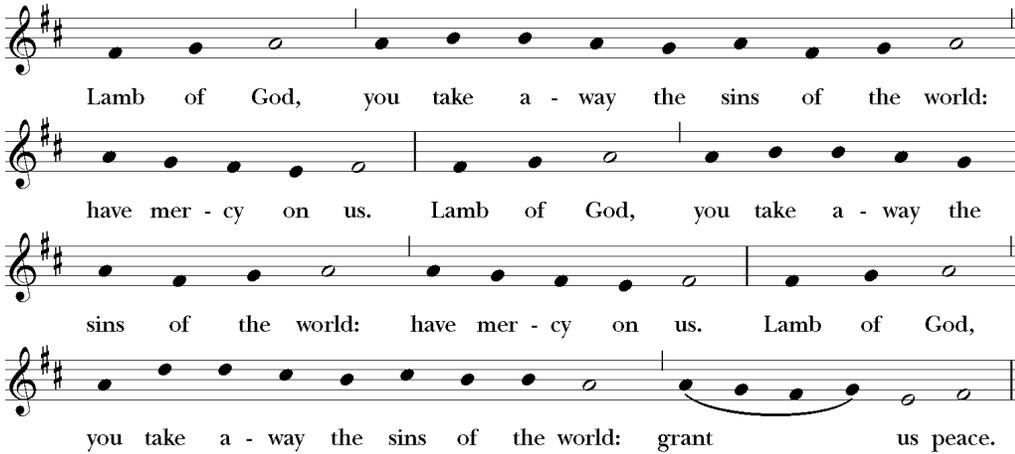
Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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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.*
- *Prayer for healing is offered at the prayer desk until the close of worship.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM: "Lo, how a rose e'er blooming"

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming,
from tender stem hath sprung.
Of Jesse's lineage coming,
as men of old have sung.
It came, a floweret bright,
amid the cold of winter,
when half spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it,
the Rose I had in mind;
with Mary we behold it,
the virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright,
she bore to us a Savior,
when half spent was the night.

Michael Praetorius

O flower, whose fragrance tender
with sweetness fills the air,
dispels with glorious splendor
the darkness everywhere.
True man, yet very God,
from sin and death now save us,
and share our every load.

COMMUNION HYMN: "Creator of the stars of night"



1 Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, your
 2 In sor - row that the an - cient curse should
 3 When this old world drew on toward night, you
 4 At your great Name, O Je - sus, now all
 5 Come in your ho - ly might, we pray, re -
 6 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and



peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light, O Christ, Re - deem - er
 doom to death a un - i - verse, you came, O Sa - vior
 knees; but not in splen - dor bright, not as a mon - arch,
 deem us for, e - ter - nal day; de - fend us while we
 God the Spir - it, Three in one, praise, hon - or, might, and



of us all, we pray you hear us when we call.
 to set free your own in glo - rious lib - er - ty.
 but the child of Ma - ry, blame - less mo - ther mild.
 one ac - cord, like those in hea - ven call you Lord.
 dwell be - low from all as - saults of our dread foe.
 glo - ry be from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

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SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

The Eucharistic Visitor is sent out with these words:

Presider We who are many are one body,
People For we all share one bread, one cup.

* POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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.

* BLESSING

* DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

* SENDING HYMN #56: "O come, O come, Emmanuel"



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
 2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
 3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
 4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to
 5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
 6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
 7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
 8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
 3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
 4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt. Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, Procionale, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890); acc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright: Music: Both accompaniments copyright © 1975, G.I.A. Publications, Inc. All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

VOLUNTARY: "Ave maris stella"

Nicolas de Grigny

You are welcome to take your bulletin home to reference the announcements.

Please join us in Founders' Hall for coffee and refreshments.

Serving Today

Presider	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse	Children's Ministry	Julie Brogno, Bethany Zaiger,
Preacher	The Rev. Canon Christy Dorn		Christine Morrison
Deacon	The Reverend Jerry Grabher	Greeters	Bill Boyd, Connie Boyd,
Director of Music	Dr. Paul Meier		Sandy Bressman, Gary Bressman,
Assistant Organist	Dr. Mark Stotler		Alison Sutton, Sam Sutton,
Lectors	Lenette Johnson, Jackye Finnie		Chase Sutton, Brenda Richarson,
Intercessor	Lisa Thomas		Sharon Cheers
Eucharistic Ministers	Ric Sweeting, Cheryl McDonald, Mike McDonald	Holy Hands	Melissa Atwell, Diane Barker, Tara Bennett, Denny Brisley,
Healing Minister	Janet Sweeting		Jackye Finnie, Linda Martin,
Altar Guild	Sharon Cheers, Catherine Green, Kristy Moore		Mattie Ransom, Clare Shaw, Augusta Willbon
Ushers	Denny Brisley, Bill Colvin, Mark Galus, Ryan Thomas	Bookstore	Ken Stewart
		Musicians	The Trinity Choir;
Acolytes	Theo Elisabeth, Jeff Johnson, John Morrison		The Trinity Handbell Ensemble

The Rt. Rev. Martin S. Field, *Bishop of the Diocese of West Missouri*; The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse, *Dean*; The Rev. Canon Christy Dorn, *Associate*; The Rev. Jerry Grabher, *Deacon*; Dr. Paul Meier, *Director of Music*; Dr. Mark Stotler, *Assistant Organist*; Julie Brogno, *Coordinator for Children's and Family Ministry*; Alexandra Connors, *Youth Minister*; Linda Martin, *Children's Music Director*; Julie Toma, *Cathedral Administrator*; Janet Sweeting, *Office Assistant*; Melissa Scheffler, *Communications Coordinator*; Richard Wolf, *Finance Manager*; Angie Graham, *Property Manager*; Mike Guidry, *Assistant Property Manager*; Kristy Moore, *Sacristan*; Ken Stewart, *Cathedral Bookstore Manager*.

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Announcements for the Week of December 22, 2019

Up Next

College Ministry Christmas Dinner

January 3 • 6:30 p.m.

All college aged young people are invited to gather for fellowship over the holiday break at this year's College Ministry Christmas Dinner. Reservations are held at Buca di Beppo on the plaza. Please RSVP to youthformation@kccathedral.org so we can hold a spot for you!

Installation of Dean Keyse

January 9 • 7 p.m.

Join us for the installation of our new dean, the Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse. The service will be followed by a reception in Founders' Hall. We hope you can attend and show your support!

Annual Meeting

January 26 • 10:15 a.m.

Join us Sunday, January 26 for worship at 10:15 a.m. (that will be the only worship service that day) and participate in the Annual Meeting. At the annual meeting we celebrate some of our amazing ministries, honor outgoing and elect new Vestry members, gather as a parish family of all ages to celebrate Eucharist, and give thanks for the blessings we have known. Nursery care is provided throughout the celebration.

OFFICE SCHEDULE

The Cathedral office will be closed Wednesday, December 25–Wednesday, January 1. If you have a pastoral emergency during this time, contact Dean Andy at 256.762.5889 or Canon Christy at 913.549.7178.

END OF THE YEAR GIVING TIPS

Thank you for your generosity in 2019. The end of the year is a great time to consider giving toward Cathedral ministries. Donations can be given in our Sunday offerings, mailed to the Cathedral office or made at kccathedral.org by clicking the online giving button at the top of the home page. Please note that the Cathedral office will be closed between Christmas and New Year's Day. Donations received by mail, postmarked by December 31, will be included on your 2019 contributions. In order for these gifts to be tax deductible they must be postmarked and/or given by December 31, 2019.

If you have a question about your pledge or other giving, please contact Cathedral Administrator Julie Toma at jtoma@kccathedral.org or 816.214.9936.

Other Activities

Coffee and Conversations—Tuesdays • 7:30 a.m.
Qigong and Tai Chi—Thursdays • 12:45 p.m.
Young Adults—Ongoing

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP



Christmas Eve Pageant and Eucharist Tuesday, December 24 • 5 p.m.

Our children tell the Christmas Gospel story through their pageant. All children are welcome to participate in the pageant. There are no lines to learn, and simple costumes will be provided. Children should meet in the Common Room at 4:30 p.m.

The Eve of the Nativity and Eucharist Tuesday, December 24 • 10 p.m.

Join us as we celebrate the birth of Christ. Traditional, familiar carols and service music will be featured.

The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ and Eucharist Wednesday, December 25 • 10:15 a.m.

Greet the Incarnate Lord on Christmas morning with a celebration of Holy Eucharist with carols and organ music.

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for:

Healing—Ken McCandless; Roberta; Baby Emma; Rudolph White; Gregory Colombe; Rebecca Vincent & family; James; Mike Daniels; Chuck Gordon; Joan Bergstrom; Susan Adams; Thaddeus S. Withers; Matanah Hemingway; Judy Poitier; Stephen Pla; Michael Haight; Jim Royer; Gaele Marchand; Elizabeth; Dan Anderson; Ann Foster; Peggy Morgan; Jan Carson; Rhonda Hawkins; Jim & family; Bishop John Buchanan; Zan Crum; Dave Gaddy-Cox; Ken Bontrager; Joe & Jackye Finnie

Healing & Strength—Jennifer Olson

Peace & Comfort—Lisa Tostevin; Linda England & family; Doyle White's family; Becky Knetter's family; Esther Morton's family; Maxine Sweeting's family; Merideth Sternberg's family; Marilyn Swoboda's family

Safe Travels—Dave Pierson

Our prayers have also been asked for—Jan Frizzle

To place a person on this prayer list, please use a prayer request card found in the pews or contact the church office: communications@kccathedral.org. Requests are held in prayer for 90 days.



Stop by the Bookstore!

If you need some ideas for Christmas gifts, make sure to visit the Cathedral Bookstore. There are lots of great gifts to choose from, so take a moment between or after the services to stop in and see what they have to offer. During Advent, the Bookstore is open Sundays, 8:30–10 a.m. and immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service. If you have any questions, contact Ken Stewart at bookstore@kccathedral.org.

Parking during Christmas Services

The parking garage north of the Cathedral will be available for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship services. Parking in the garage, for those who are physically able, helps with the parking lot congestion we experience during these busy services. **Please enter the garage from the Washington street entrance.** Thank you, we appreciate your help!

FAITH
gratitude
LOVE

Thank you to those who have made their 2020 pledge!

Thus far, we have received 124 pledges totaling \$345,741. We are well on our way towards our goal of \$550,000.

With the arrival of Dean Keyse, we want to ensure that we have the financial resources to grow our congregation, to minister fully to our parishioners and to continue our outreach to the greater Kansas City area. Please prayerfully consider your financial commitment to the Cathedral and turn in your pledge card, or pledge online at app.securegive.com/KCCathedral.

I invite your joyful participation in this year's stewardship campaign and look forward to answering God's call with you.

Yours faithfully in Christ,
Steve Moore
Chair, Stewardship Committee

Birthdays & Anniversaries



December 22

Sharon Hudson
Rob Elliott

December 23

Miles Lewandowski
George Nodler
Steve & Lenette Johnson

December 25

Michael John
Arthur Mullies
Diane Sloan

December 26

John Hornbeck
Chuck & Marsy Gordon

December 27

Doug & Terri
Curran

December 28

Dennis Morgan

Advent Greens

to the Glory of God and ...



- in thanksgiving for our grandson, Frank Carlson Gorsuch—Bob & Linda Carlson
- in thanksgiving for the anniversary of Dean Keyse's ordination—Mrs. Mary Keyse

GIFTS FOR FLOWERS AND GREENS

Gifts of flowers and greens in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one help provide festive decorations from Christmas Eve through the Epiphany. Please use the Gifts for Christmas Flowers & Greens envelope, found at the back of the Nave.

- List the names of those you wish honored or the blessing(s) you wish to name.
- List your name as donor (optional).
- Return the envelope to the office by **Sunday, December 22**. A full list of all donations will be published at Epiphany.

Thank you for your generous gift in celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ!

Please contact the Cathedral office if we have omitted your birthday or anniversary: 816.474.8260 or jsweeting@kccathedral.org.

DONATE

Bring Food for St. Mary's Pantry

Help stock the pantry for the holidays. Bring donations to the large basket in the Tower. Please focus on canned/boxed items appropriate for a holiday dinner, such as French-fried onions, canned sweet potatoes, canned cranberry sauce, canned pie fillings and boxed cake mixes, etc.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday • December 22

8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Nave
9 a.m.	Hospitality Time	Founders' Hall
9:15 a.m.	Adult Forum: <i>Remarkably Bold—Daringly Different</i> : The Saint John's Bible	Common Room
9:15 a.m.	Rehearsal: Trinity Children's Choir	Haden Hall Blue Door Room
9:30 a.m.	Youth Advent Gathering	Haden Hall Youth Room
10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Nave
10:20 a.m.	Children's Chapel & Godly Play	start in Nave, then Haden Hall
11:30 a.m.	Hospitality Time	Founders' Hall
5 p.m.	Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist	Nave

Tuesday • December 24

5 p.m.	Christmas Eve Pageant and Eucharist	Nave
10 p.m.	Christmas Eve Eucharist	Nave

Wednesday • December 25

10:15 a.m.	Christmas Day Eucharist	Nave
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Saturday • December 28

10:30 a.m.	Memorial Service: Bryan England	Nave, Founders' Hall
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Sunday • December 29

8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Nave
9 a.m.	Hospitality Time	Founders' Hall
10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Nave
11:30 a.m.	Hospitality Time	Founders' Hall
5 p.m.	Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist	Nave

Visit kccathedral.org for more calendar information.