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 place it in the offering plate.

If you need a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher.
Order for Evening & 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. Please silence all electronic devices.

* Opening Acclamation

Cantor

Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord. People

Thanks be to God.

* Prayer for Light

* Phos hilaron #25: “O gracious light”


The Word of God

* Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lesson: Ephesians 1:3–6, 15–19a

Lector Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.
I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84:1–8

Cantor How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;

my heart and my flesh rejoice | in the living God.

All The sparrow has found her a house

and the swallow a nest where she may lay | her young; *

by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,

my | King and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in | your house! *

they will always | be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is | in you! *

whose hearts are set on | the pilgrims’ way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place | of springs, *

for the early rains have covered it | with pools of water.

They will climb from height | to height, *

and the God of gods will reveal himself | in Zion.

Lord God of hosts, hear | my prayer; *

hearken, | O God of Jacob.

Behold our defender, | O God; *

and look upon the face | of your Anointed.

* Alleluia Verse Cantor; then People

Cantor

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

“We have seen his star in the East;* and have come to worship the Lord.”

All repeat the three alleluias.
The Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:1–12

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

People  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller  In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had observed at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Meditation All are seated.

* 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 Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People That we all may be one.
Lector Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People That your Name may be glorified by all people.
Lector We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
Lector We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
Lector Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People That our works may find favor in your sight.
Lector Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People That they may be delivered from their distress.
Lector Give to the departed eternal rest;
People Let light perpetual shine upon them.
Lector We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.
Lector Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

Confession 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.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn #109: “The first Nowell”
Presider  The Lord be with you.

People   And also with you.

Presider  Lift up your hearts.

People   We lift them to the Lord.

Presider  Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People   It is right to give God 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 gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. 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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
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,


Breaking of the Bread

Presider  Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People  Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.


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.

* 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

  Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
  People Thanks be to God.
* SENDING HYMN #119: “As with gladness men of old”

1. As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
2. As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger bed;
3. As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare;
4. Holy Jesus! every day keep us in the narrow way;
5. In the heavenly country bright, need they no created light;

1. as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;
2. there to bend the knee before him whom heaven and earth adore;
3. so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin’s alloy,
4. and, when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last
5. thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:

1. so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.
2. so may we with willing feet ever seek the mercy seat.
3. all our costliest treasures bring, Christ! to thee, our heavenly King.
4. where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.
5. there for ever may we sing alleluias to our King.

Thanksgivings and Memorials
Flowers and Greens

In memory of Ted & Martha Iott, Sabino Bilotta, Nick & Elynor Baresi by Larry & Beverly Bilotta
By Sandra & Gary Bressman
In memory of John M. Brown by Margaret S. Brown
In thanksgiving for our Christmas Blessings by Chip & Deborah Buckner
In memory of Miller & Catherine Nichols by Kay & Jean Callison
In thanksgiving for our grandson, Frank Carlson Gorsuch by Bob & Linda Carlson
In memory of my mother, Ruth Carter, by Sandy Carter
In memory of Steve & Lorraine Cenovich, Frank & Lily Baumann by Eric & Burma Cenovich
In thanksgiving for the Griffins & the Suttons & in Memory of Betty & Millie by Don & Betsy Chase
In thanksgiving for the Cathedral and the art of worship by Emanuel Cooper Jr.
In thanksgiving for the ministry of Dean Keyse, Beth, Siras & Mary Mullis by Aunt Crum & Uncle Doug
By Richard & Jill Fanolio
In memory of Blanche Heider by Sara Gaggens
In thanksgiving for Henry & Margo Galus by Mark Galus & Sara Copeland
In memory of Charles Larry Garrison Sullivan
In thanksgiving for all our blessings of the year by the Gitta family
In thanksgiving for Maddie, Jack, Julia & John by John & Ellen Goheen
In memory of Dorothy Hatteberg & Kiers Rowley by Jeri Hatteberg
In thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren by Paget & Tom Higgins
In thanksgiving for Dean Andy, Beth, Siras & Mary Mullis by Sharon K. Hudson
In thanksgiving for our family by Day & Whitney Kerr
In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Howard W. Keyse, Mr. & Mrs. Siras A. Stocks, Mr. & Mrs. Carl F. Grauer, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph L. Johnson & Dr. Siras Allan Stocks by Andy & Beth Keyse
In thanksgiving of the anniversary of Andrew’s ordination to the priesthood by Mrs. Mary Keyse
In memory of Fred Leive by Patriccia Leive
In memory of Alice Marie Lindquist, Gertrude Lewandowski & Jesse Hockett by Dr. Joseph & Mrs. Tina Lewandowski

In thanksgiving for the anniversary of our wedding by Paula & Benny Lewis
In memory of Charles Lindstrom by the Lindstrom family
In memory of Arthur A. Vogel by Ed & Ann Matheny
By William & Marcille McCandless
In memory of Ron McLeroy and in thanksgiving for the birthday of our son, Brad McLeroy by Carolyn McLeroy
In memory of Marilyn Lacey McMullen by Larry McMullen
In thanksgiving for our daughter, Noel, & grandson, Gordon, & in memory of our parents by Harley & Pat Miller
In thanksgiving for Mila & Avalyn and in memory of Grandpa Bill by William & Valerie A. Miller
In thanksgiving for Abby, Jon & Camille Moore and in memory of Janice Bouterger, Homer & Mary Lou Moore by Steve & Kristy Moore
In thanksgiving for our children & grandchildren by Richard & Anne Morse
In thanksgiving for our grandchildren, Ryan & Brook and their wonderful parents by John & Denise Nelson
In thanksgiving for those we have loved and lost by Page & Bruce Reed
In loving memory of Gerry Reynaud by Barbara, Renee, Geralyn, John and his grandchildren
In memory of Isabel Curdy by Bob Richmond
In memory of John and Grace Obetz by Bob Richmond
In thanksgiving for Celeste and Jon (in honor of their marriage) by Ruth Finet Rinehart
In thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren by Ellen & Brent Spake
In thanksgiving and celebration of Ezra Jack Baker
In thanksgiving for our family & in memory of Howard & Betty Stewart, Karol Stewart Mitko & Dale Sweeting by Ric & Janet Sweeting
In thanksgiving for our children & grandchildren: François-Régis, Hilary & Adélaide Gaboriaux, Kevin, Laura, Aida, Georgia, Judd & Hollis Thomas by Michael & Cathy Thomas
By Lill & Bruce Weeks
In memory of John Weaver, Sarah Weaver, Randy Wesner, & Dale Wesner by Glen & Terri Wesner
In thanksgiving for our children & grandchildren by Jack & Marie Whitacre
Announcements for the Week of January 5, 2020

Up Next

January Diaper Drive
January
During the month of January, we are collecting diapers for HappyBottoms, a local organization that works with partners to provide diapers to low-income families. We accept all sizes (even open packs). Bring your donations to the blue barrel in the cross hall or to the basket in the Tower.

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. For more details, see the invitation on page 15. We hope you can attend and show your support!

Youth Confirmation Classes
Starting January 19 • 9:30 a.m.
Please keep our candidates for Confirmation in your prayers as they engage in prayer and study this spring. Confirmands will participate in the Area Confirmation this spring with candidates from other local parishes. If you are interested in the next season of youth confirmation classes, please contact Alexandra, youthformation@kccathedral.org for more information.

Choral Evensong and Organ Recital
January 19 • 5 p.m.
Evensong is a service of hymns, choral anthems, Bible readings and prayers—it is a time to listen, pray, meditate and sing. Holy Communion will NOT be celebrated at this Evensong. The January recital is by Kurt Knecht. Kurt is a composer, organist and conductor currently living in Kansas City, Missouri. He is the organist at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in KC, MO.

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.

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for:
Healing—Ellie Vitoria Kupec; Pat & Larry Martin; Barbara Liming; Becky Broce; Bill Foley; 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 Potier; Stephen Pla; Michael Haight; Jim Royer; Gaelle Marchand; Elizabeth; Dan Anderson; Ann Foster; Peggy Morgan; Jan Carson; Rhonda Hawkins; Jim & family; Bishop John Buchanan; Zan Crum
Healing & Strength—Jennifer Olson
Peac & Comfort—Lisa Tostevin; Linda England & family; Doyle White’s family; Becky Knetter’s family; Esther Morton’s family; Maxine Sweeting’s family; Meredith Sternberg’s family
Safety & Shelter—Animals in need of homes
Our prayers have also been asked for—Gil Head

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.

Other Activities

Coffee and Conversations—Tuesdays • 7:30 a.m.
Qigong and Tai Chi—Thursdays, resuming Jan. 9 • 12:45 p.m.
Young Adults—Ongoing

Holy Hands Ministry
Do you enjoy food? If so, the Holy Hands Ministry is the perfect opportunity for you! Holy Hands Ministry brings people together each Sunday, following the services, to have conversation and enjoy a snack.

What is expected?
Once each month, September through May you bring 3 or 4 snacks to share. These may be homemade or purchased. Team members arrange their snacks on the tables for everyone to enjoy.

When do you need me?
You can join any of our teams that serve one Sunday a month (or on 5th Sundays) after the 8 a.m. or 10:15 a.m. service.

Special Events Team
This team will plan special hospitality events throughout the year. We need members who like to plan these events and decorate!

Interested? Have questions? Please Contact Leticia Porter at leticiaporter@gmail.com.
Mystical Tradition: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam
Sundays, January 5-March 22
9:15–10 a.m. • Haden Hall Purple Door Room
Mystical experiences and practices—including dramatic visions, direct communication with the divine, intense spiritual quests, and hermetic lifestyles—are commonly associated with Eastern cultures. They are thought to be far removed from the monotheistic traditions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. In Mystical Tradition: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, explore this spiritual, literary, and intellectual heritage in these great faiths as it unfolds over three millennia. The course also offers a thought-provoking perspective on the nature of human spirituality. As Professor Luke Timothy Johnson of Emory University demonstrates, mystical strains of thought have permeated and influenced these three great religions for centuries, despite opposition from—and, in some cases, persecution by—the mainstream religious community. As you come to see, this persistence in the face of persecution reflects something about human nature: the need to pursue ultimate knowledge and union with a transcendent power. Contact class facilitator Deacon Jerry Grabher with questions, j.grabher3@gmail.com.

Women's Bible Study
Tuesdays, resuming January 7
12:30-1:30 p.m. • Haden Hall Purple Door Room
Women's Bible Study has been on hiatus, but the group will reconvene on Tuesday, January 7. At that time it will discuss its next course of study.

Women's Bible Study meets for an hour or so on Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. in the Haden Hall Purple Door Room. At the beginning of each session, members of the group read a passage from the current selected book or study guide and then see where the spirit takes them. Discussions are lively, thought-provoking, and often irreverent. All are welcome. If you have the inclination, but not the book—come anyway and someone will share!

For more information contact Candy McDowell at candyleemc@att.net.

The Wardens, Vestry and People
of
Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral
cordially invite you to a celebration of their new ministry with

The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse,
the Cathedral’s IX Dean

Thursday, January 9, 2020
at 7 p.m.
Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral
415 West 13th Street
Kansas City, Missouri

The Rt. Rev. Martin S. Field, Bishop of West Missouri, presiding

The Rt. Rev. J. Neil Alexander, Dean of the School of Theology,
The University of the South, preaching

Clergy: White Stoles
Reception Following in Founders’ Hall
This Week’s Calendar

Sunday • January 5
- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9 a.m. Hospitality Time
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum: Mystical Tradition: Judaism, Christianity and Islam
- 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 10:20 a.m. Children’s Chapel & Godly Play
- 11:30 a.m. Hospitality Time
- 5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist
- 6 p.m. LGBT+ Gathering

Saturday • January 6
- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9 a.m. Hospitality Time
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum: Mystical Tradition: Judaism, Christianity and Islam
- 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 10:20 a.m. Children’s Chapel & Godly Play
- 11:30 a.m. Hospitality Time
- 5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist
- 6 p.m. LGBT+ Gathering

Monday • January 7
- 7:30 a.m. Coffee & Conversations
- 12:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study

Tuesday • January 8
- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
- 6 p.m. Rehearsal: Tallis Singers
- 6:45 p.m. GHTC Youth Group

Wednesday • January 9
- 12:45 p.m. Tai Chi & Qigong
- 7 p.m. Celebration of New Ministry

Thursday • January 10
- 12:45 p.m. Tai Chi & Qigong
- 7 p.m. Celebration of New Ministry

Sunday • January 12
- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9 a.m. Hospitality Time
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum: Mystical Tradition: Judaism, Christianity and Islam
- 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 10:20 a.m. Children’s Chapel & Godly Play
- 11:30 a.m. Hospitality Time
- 5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist

Visit kccathedral.org for more calendar information.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

January 5
- Whitney Neff
- Jason Munsell

January 7
- Tom Brous
- Kathleen Chaney
- Karla Norris
- Carol Whitehead

January 8
- Donald Fenger
- Alex Neff

January 9
- Jan & Terry Duncan

January 10
- Donald Fenger
- Alex Neff

January 11
- Donald Fenger
- Alex Neff

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

Today’s Flowers

to the Glory of God and ...

- Prayers for all travelers—the Gitta family

To donate toward the weekly flower cost of $225, sign up online at kccathedral.org/flowers or contact the Cathedral office, jsweeting@kccathedral.org or 816.474.8260 ext. 144. Any amount is appreciated.

January 11
- Prayers for all travelers—the Gitta family