



The Angelus

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Celebrating Our Diversity

Growing Our Diversity

"I come here because I see all kinds of people." One of our longtime members, who could easily have worshiped at a church closer to home, is very clear about what makes the Cathedral what it is. On any Sunday morning the people in our pews represent a diversity of age, income, and race. They come from the next block, from all over Kansas City, the suburbs and beyond. It's common to have persons from Osawatomie and Blue Springs, Liberty and Peculiar, Mission Hills and City Union Mission attending the same service.

A church community is both a strong and fragile alliance. The ties that bind us in Jesus' love are both the gift of the Spirit and the result of hard work. It is no light task to be "A House of Prayer for All People." Part of our mission in the coming months must be about finding ways to encompass and encourage the diversity that is part of our living legacy. In particular, our prayer and planning for mission may well include reaching out to a growing Hispanic community, immigrant populations and the new residents of downtown. Our spaces must continue to be open to groups from throughout the city, and to be a gathering place in times of public celebration and crisis.

We invite you to make your commitment of support for our missions in 2016.

(A 2016 Stewardship packet will be mailed to each household.)

You may —

✚ Pledge online at kccathedral.org. ✚ Mail your pledge card to the Cathedral.

✚ Place your pledge card in the offering plate on Sundays.

(Pledge cards are available in the pews.)

Celebrate Our Diversity at the Harvest Fellowship Lunch

Sunday, November 22 • 11:45 a.m.

Come share a hearty meal (not turkey!) and some time to be together the Sunday before Thanksgiving. We'll eat together in Founders' Hall.

Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 25 Sung Eucharist at 7 p.m.

We gather at the Lord's Table to give thanks for the fruits of the earth, and ask God to make us faithful stewards of God's bounty for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of God's Name. The liturgy will include hymns, a homily and a Litany of Thanksgiving.

Blessing Over the Food and the Feast: Bring along foods that you plan to serve for dinner the next day in order to give thanks to God and say a blessing over them.

At the close of the service help box up the vegetables at the Harvest Altar that will be processed and given to Kansas City Community Kitchen.

Treasurer's Report

Income for the month of September exceeded the income received in 2014 due to better pledge receipts and a higher draw on the endowment. At the same time, expenses were below last year's level, partially due to the timing of payments, such as those to the auditors and pension plans. In addition, property and utility expenses were lower than last year. The net result was a much lower monthly deficit in 2015 than in 2014.

Income on a YTD basis in September is also looking better than this time last year, again due to both better pledge receipts and a

higher draw on the endowment. Expenses were down on a YTD basis through September due to lower administrative and property costs than last year. The lower administrative expenses are the result of good cost controls while the reduced property expenses reflect the lower need for emergency repairs so far this year. Consequently, the net result on a YTD basis through September is much healthier this year.

While the financial picture looks better so far this year, obviously emergency repairs to our older facilities can cause a problem at any time. Thus parishioners are asked to prayerfully remember the need to continue supporting the Cathedral's ministry financially.

—Chuck Ritter, Treasurer

September	2015 MTD	2014 MTD
Income	\$ 101,334	\$ 92,240
Expenses	\$ 115,841	\$ 127,722
Net Total	\$ (14,507)	\$ (35,482)

	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Income	\$ 1,284,251	\$ 1,251,475
Expenses	\$ 1,248,682	\$ 1,296,308
Net Total	\$ 35,569	\$ (44,833)

October Flowers, to the Glory of God ...

October 4

- prayer candles for the month of October given by — Bud & Candy McDowell
- in celebration and thanksgiving for our 35th wedding anniversary — Peter & Mary DeVeau
- in celebration and thanksgiving for our 15th wedding anniversary — Bill Hawley & Sally Livengood
- in memory of Jay Montgomery — Pat & Harley Miller
- in thanksgiving for the birth of Alice Winifred DeVeau on September 26 — Peter & Mary DeVeau

October 11

- in thanksgiving for our grandchildren — Pat & Kay Woolley
- in celebration and thanksgiving for our 35th wedding anniversary — Karen & Jim Kissinger
- in loving memory of John Sumpter — Donna Sumpter

October 18

- in thanksgiving for the Cathedral Nursery — Mark Galus & Sara Copeland

October 25

- in memory of my mother, Mary Gentry Shaw — Shawsie Branton
- in celebration of the 30th anniversary of my ordination at the Cathedral on October 28, 1985 — The Reverend Deacon Nancy (Tucker) O'Shea
- in memory of Charles Gaggens — Sara Gaggens
- in thanksgiving — Richard & Anne Morse
- in thanksgiving for the clergy and staff — Marnell Sparks

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.



Family and Children's Ministry News

November 8

Children's Sunday: The children of the Cathedral serve as ushers, greeters, acolytes, oblation bearers and readers during this service. We sing hymns selected by the children and feature some of their artwork.

Family Ministry Lunch: At 11:45 a.m. in Haden Hall, enjoy lunch with other families then lend a hand in assembling hygiene kits to be given to refugee children in Kansas City Public Schools' New Americans program.

Questions? Please contact Julie Brogno, 816-474-8260 or childrensformation@kccathedral.org.

Episcopal & Friends LGBT Fellowship Group

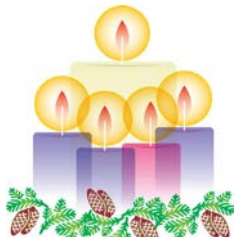
The next get together is Sunday, November 8, at Church of the Good Shepherd in North Kansas City at 6 p.m. The main course will be a make-your-own taco bar. We will fill in with appetizers, side dishes, salads, desserts and beverages. Remember, this group has no agenda other than the three "Fs": fun, food, and fellowship. All are welcome. Contact Jim Robertson, jasBRob@aol.com, for more information.

Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral is a Stephen Ministry congregation. To find out more about this ministry, call 816-474-8260.



Advent Fest: November 29

Join us for a intergenerational Advent Wreath-making event Sunday, November 29, in Founders' Hall, following the 10:15 a.m. service. Make an Advent wreath with live greens for your home as you prepare for Christmas. Supplies will be provided, but if you have forms/rings, please bring them! Please bring clippers to trim greens. A \$10 donation, to cover the cost of materials, is greatly appreciated. In addition to making Advent wreaths, there will be other craft opportunities for the children, such as making an Advent Chain to count down the days till Christmas. Coffee hour refreshments will be available. Sign up at coffee hour beginning Sunday, November 8.



Note: Cathedral offices & buildings will be closed Thursday & Friday, November 26–27.

Hospice House Donations

Donate a **Bible** or **Prayer Book** for St. Luke's Hospice As part of our outreach to the people who make a transitional home at St. Luke's Hospice House on Southwest Trafficway, we are giving Bibles and the Book of Common Prayer to be placed in each room. If you would like to donate one or more books for St. Luke's Hospice, the cost for a Bible is \$10, a Book of Common Prayer is \$15. Checks may be made to Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral and marked "Hospice Books" in the memo. Thank you for your prayers and support for St. Luke's Hospice.

Funeral Reception Ministry

Organizational Meeting
Tuesday, December 1, 2015
4:30 p.m.
Founders' Hall

You are invited to help provide hospitality and a warm welcome for families and those attending funerals and memorial services at the Cathedral. New members Betsy and Don Chase are helping to revive this ministry of caring. Contact Julie Toma, jtoma@kccathedral.org or 816-474-8260.

Dean's Book for Advent

A Hidden Wholeness:

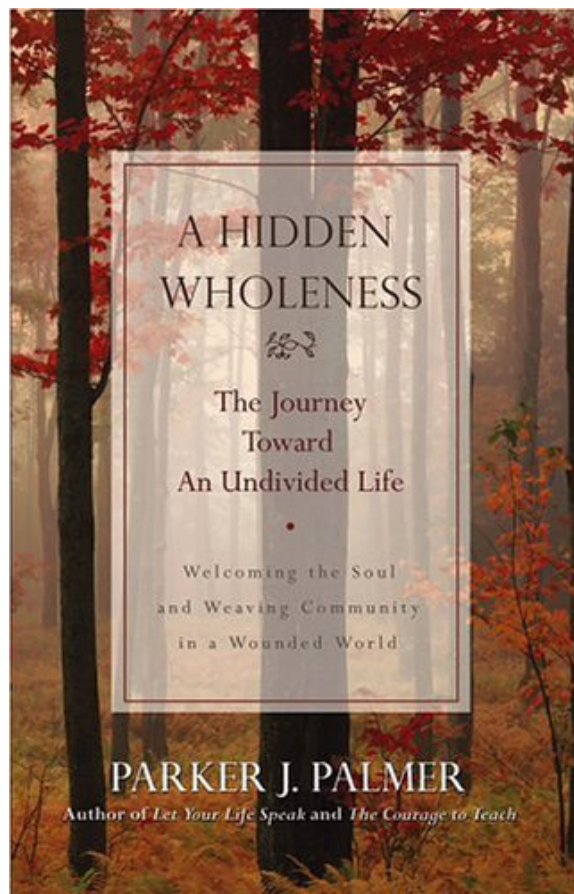
The Journey Toward an Undivided Life

by Parker J. Palmer

Book Discussion: Sunday, December 20, 9:15 a.m.

At the close of the calendar year and the start of a new church year in Advent, I invite you to consider the wisdom and practical counsel Parker Palmer offers in *A Hidden Wholeness*. You may use this book as part of your Advent journey — as an antidote to winter darkness and as a means for quiet reflection in the busiest of months. It makes a good preface for entering a new calendar year.

One review describes *A Hidden Wholeness* as a weaving together of "four themes that its author has pursued for forty years: the shape of an integral life, the meaning of community, teaching and learning for transformation, and nonviolent social change." Parker Palmer is founder and Senior Partner of the Center for Courage & Renewal. He is a world-renowned writer, speaker and activist who focuses on issues in education, community, leadership, spirituality and social change. Other books by Palmer include: *Let Your Life Speak*, *The Courage to Teach*, and *Healing the Heart of Democracy*. He is a member of the Religious Society of Friends (Quaker).



MUSIC News



Musical Offerings This November

November is a good month for beautiful choral singing at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral.

November 1, All Saints' Sunday, 2 p.m.

The William Baker Festival Singers

Included amongst the pieces to be sung at this autumn concert is Gregorio Allegri's setting of "Miserere mei", written for the Sistine Chapel in Rome. It is said that Mozart wrote the music down from memory after he had heard it once. There are other beautiful works to hear; for some, the Allegri will be the crown jewel. Tickets will be available for purchase at the door.

November 8, 2 p.m.

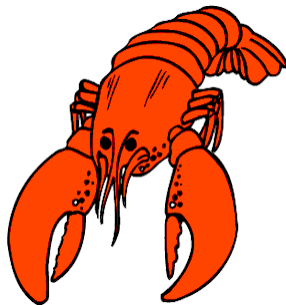
Musica Vocale

Directed by Dr. Arnold Epley, the ensemble presents its autumn concert in the Cathedral nave. The first half will include music from Tudor England; the second is music by Johann Sebastian Bach and his contemporaries. Tickets will be available for purchase at the door.

Fall Lobsterfest

Friday • November 13 • 6 p.m.

Lobsters flown in from Maine that very day — fresher than fresh — for just \$25!



- For taking home for preparation there
- For cooking here and taking home
- For cooking here and sharing at a potluck fellowship

Order forms are available at Coffee Hour after all services through November 8. You may also e-mail your order to lobsterorders@gmail.com or call 816-718-3844. *Deadline for all orders and payments is Tuesday, November 10, at midnight.*



November 14, 5 p.m. The St. Louis Chamber Chorus The Saint Louis Chamber Chorus

This institution was founded in 1956 by Ronald Arnatt, then organist at Christ Church Cathedral. Philip Barnes, English born and trained, was appointed the Director in 1989.

His repertoire choices are wide ranging, from plainsong to music for multiple choruses. Philip has chosen some of the multiple chorus



works for the Chorus to sing here, as well as some recent compositions by Melissa Dunphy, composer in residence whose works have been presented in Kansas City by the Simon Carrington Chamber Singers. Tickets will be available for purchase at the door.

November 15, 5 p.m. Choral Evensong

Dr. Arnold Epley will be the guest conductor of the Trinity Choir and Leora Nauta the guest organist. Included are works by Jeffrey Carter, Michael McCabe, and James Macmillan.

Please contact the Cathedral office for full program information: 816-474-8260.

New Choral Music Staff

Patricia Eccles has been appointed the Director of Children's Music and the Grace Choraliers here at the Cathedral. Patricia brings extensive experience in working with children and adults in a number of churches in the Kansas City area. She will bring new energy to the long established children's music program.



Youth Update

DYG and Bishop's Ball

The Diocesan Youth Gathering and Bishop's Ball will be held at the Cathedral this year, November 6–8! The “social event of the year” offers a place for youth to “dyg” deeper into their faith, experience youth designed workshops and build lifetime friendships! DYG features the Bishop's Ball on Friday evening. Visit youth.diowestmo.org to register.

Fall Service

This month our teens will be engaging in service opportunities within our local community (in addition to their work with the BackSnack program). See the youth bulletin board or email Alexandra for more information on fall service opportunities with the Kansas City Community Kitchen.

Youth Formation

The Trinity Teens Youth Group meets on Wednesday evenings, 7–8:30 p.m., for dinner, fellowship and program. Sunday formation is offered prior to Sunday services, 9:30–10 a.m. Both offerings are for youth in grades 6–12 and are held in the Haden Hall Youth Room.

Volunteer Opportunity

Are you looking for a way to be involved with our youth program? We are always looking for volunteers to prepare and serve dinner at our Wednesday night meetings. If you would be interested in this opportunity, please contact Alexandra at youthformation@kccathedral.org for more information.



Volunteer for Holiday Services

In preparation for upcoming holiday season Altar Guild members are needed before and after services for the following:

- Thanksgiving Eve: November 25, 7 p.m.
- Christmas Eve: December 24, 5 p.m. and 10 p.m.
- Christmas Day: December 25, 10:15 a.m.
- New Year's Eve: December 31, 5:30 p.m.

Not an Altar Guild member? You can still volunteer! If you would like to serve during any of these services, please contact Janet Stewart Sweeting, jsweeting@kccathedral.org or 816-474-8260, ext. 144.

Vestry Nominations Sought

At the Annual Meeting of the congregation on January 31, 2016, new members of the Cathedral Vestry will be elected. The Vestry oversees the temporal affairs of the Cathedral parish. It works closely with the Dean in guiding the life and ministry of the Cathedral. Regular meetings are held 10 times a year, usually on the fourth Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. Attendance at monthly meetings is essential.

Nominees for Vestry should be committed parishioners who

- regularly attend Sunday Eucharist
- participate in the life of the parish
- make a pledge of financial support.

You may nominate yourself or another by contacting the Nominating Committee, either by a letter sent to the Cathedral office addressed “Vestry Nomination,” or, via e-mail to vestry@kccathedral.org. The deadline for nominations is November 30. Nominees will be contacted and invited to respond in writing to several questions and submit a photograph. A list of nominees recommended by the committee will be announced in a January communication sent out to the Cathedral community prior to the Annual Meeting.

It's Autumn Again

And we give thanks to the Lord for the Seasons. He has melted the summer into autumn, giving pleasantness by day and the coolness of the evening air.

The trees are in their glory. Their green has turned to rainbow — a coat of many colors. The leaves will become the dust of the earth, and a blanket of beauty for the landscape.

Soon we will enjoy the fruits of the harvest and the fellowship of family and friends. And we shall give thanks for the goodness of the Lord as we open our hands to the poor and share our blessings with the needy.

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A lamp to our feet —
A light to our path —

Beginning a Year With the Saint John's Bible

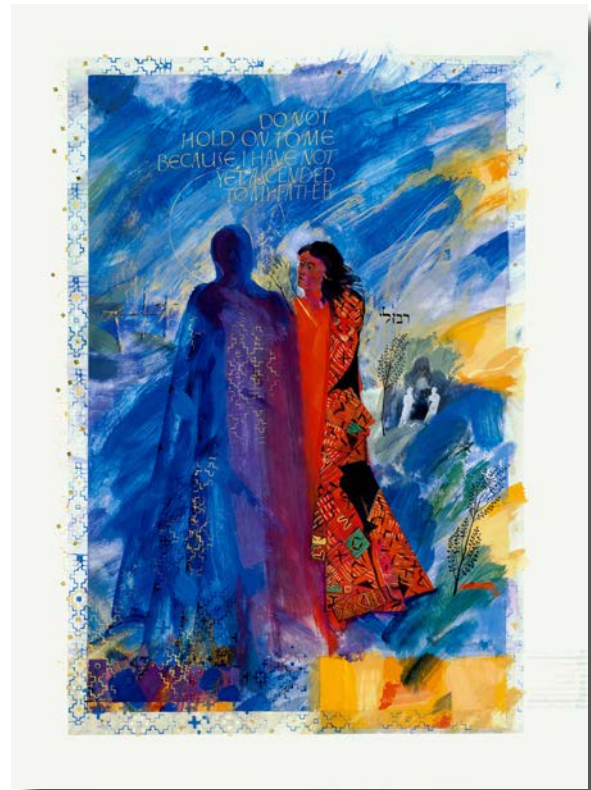
Sunday, November 15

The Saint John's Bible is coming to the Cathedral. From mid-November until the close of 2016 we will be stewards of a remarkable treasure. The Saint John's Bible is a seven-volume illuminated manuscript of the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. It was commissioned by the monks of St. John's Abbey, Collegeville, MN, and was created at the opening of the 21st century. It is the first hand-copied and illuminated manuscript of the entire Bible produced since before the Reformation. The lively artwork or illuminations in the Saint John's Bible depict the Scripture story interpreted in light of contemporary culture.

We are fortunate to be stewards of two exact copy volumes of the Saint John's Bible, the Pentateuch (Genesis through Deuteronomy), and, the Gospels and Acts of the Apostles. We will use these books at worship, in Christian formation, for display to the public, and in ecumenical and educational ventures with the wider community. A late summer art show related to the Bible is planned. The Saint John's Bible exhibit is a gift to the Cathedral and Kansas City community given in loving memory of the late Charles N. "Pete" Seidlitz. Pete served the Cathedral as Senior Warden, 1977-1992.

We welcome the Saint John's Bible, Sunday, November 15. This is the day in the church year when we offer prayer in thanksgiving for Holy Scripture. We'll mark the occasion drawing on lively practices observed at the Jewish feast of Simchat Torah. It is day of joyous celebration that marks the end of the annual cycle of Torah readings, and the beginning of a new cycle. For us it should be a fitting close to our Church Year and the beginning of a new year at Advent two weeks later.

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Collect for the "Second to Last Sunday of the Church Year"

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTAN

Sunday, November 15

The sounds of bagpipes and drums and the colorful plaids of Scotland will again adorn the Cathedral for the annual Kirkin' o' the Tartan. Cathedral members are encouraged to don their Scottish attire.

Get out your favorite shortbread recipe (or one you've been wanting to try) and bring shortbread to share with the parish and our special guests at coffee hour.



Men's Monthly Lunch Bunch

Men of the Cathedral, join us for a monthly lunch get together. The next date is Wednesday, November 4, at Lidia's at the Freighthouse, 12:45 p.m. Our agenda is fun, food, fellowship. All are welcome. RSVP to Jim Robertson, jasBRob@aol.com, as soon as possible.

Advent and Christmas Flower Donations

Now is the time to consider making a donation toward the beautiful flowers that will decorate the church during Advent and Christmas. Help make the Cathedral as stunning as in years past. Contact Janet Stewart Sweeting, jsweeting@kccathedral.org or 816-474-8260, ext. 144, to contribute or for more information.



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Weekly Activities

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Youth Formation
9:15 a.m. Adult Formation
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Children's Chapel
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Monday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
7:15 p.m. Centering Prayer

Tuesday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study
2:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Wednesday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
5:30 p.m. The Tallis Singers
6:00 p.m. The Way
7:00 p.m. Trinity Teens Youth Group

Thursday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
1:30 p.m. Centering Prayer
6:00 p.m. Cathedral Bell Ringers
7:30 p.m. Trinity Choir

Friday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Highlights for November

1 • SUNDAY
All Saints' Sunday

4 • WEDNESDAY
Monthly Men's Lunch Bunch (12:45 p.m.)

6 • FRIDAY
Diocesan Convention

7 • SATURDAY
Diocesan Convention
Diocesan Youth Gathering

8 • SUNDAY — CHILDREN'S SUNDAY
Diocesan Youth Gathering
Family Ministry Lunch (11:45 a.m.)
Concert: Musica Vocale (2 p.m.)

11 • WEDNESDAY
St. Mark's Deanery (7 p.m.)

13 • FRIDAY
Lobsterfest (6 p.m.)

14 • SATURDAY
Concert: St. Louis Chamber Chorus (5 p.m.)

15 • SUNDAY — KIRKIN' O' THE TARTAN
Oblate Deanery (3:30 p.m.)
Evensong (5 p.m.)

19 • THURSDAY
Vestry (5:30 p.m.)

25 • WEDNESDAY
Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist (7 p.m.)

26-27 • THURSDAY-FRIDAY
Church Offices and Buildings Closed

29 • SUNDAY
Advent Fest (11:30 a.m.)

Coming Next Month

Paul Mesner Puppets

City Come Again: William Jewell College

Messiah Sing-a-Long

Moravian Lovefeast

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Eucharists

New Year's Eve Service