

FROM THE DEAN Life in the Transitions

A mentor of mine had a habit of saying that "life is in the transitions." These words served as a caring reminder that change is a constant in life and that one must learn to manage it as best one can. It wasn't dissimilar to what my father advised about driving a car with a standard transmission. In teaching me to work clutch, gear shift and accelerator in order to get the vehicle moving ahead smoothly, I can hear him saying, "Go easy and listen to the engine."

At the end of June the Reverend Vicki Davis concludes her ministry at the Cathedral. Her last Sunday with us is June 25. Vicki was the right person at the right time. When I was out on medical leave she stepped in gracefully to assist Christy with the ministry of Word and Sacrament and pastoral care. Her calm presence was needed balm. I am grateful for her service among us in this time. I am exceedingly indebted to Christy, Vicki and our Wardens for their ministries on behalf of all of you.

Recently I announced that the Reverend Evelyn Hornaday has been called to serve as Subdean and Canon for Administration. That long title means that Evelyn will assist me with many of the day-today tasks at the Cathedral while I continue in stroke recovery. I look forward to Evelyn joining our ministry team especially as we live into our strategic plan for ministry. At the same time the Senior Warden and I are convening a group to discern a good way to move ahead in ministry. This is a new normal and we need to approach it creatively with God's help.

Recently when people have asked me about my health and progress, I've responded "I am an extrovert in an introvert body." Mentally, spiritually, and emotionally I am ready as ever to serve as your Dean and pastor. I just can't run around at this time. But, the good part is that I have more time for deep listening and reflection. What is important for us to cherish and affirm is that the heart of the gospel is contained in the enduring witness that new life emerges from brokenness: God's brokenness on a shameful cross. The power and strength of resurrection.

As we experience this together our collective witness as a congregation can only become more credible, and yes, even irresistible. In these days of Easter I have been reciting the Pascha Nostrum canticle in my prayers and at odd times of the day and night. It's words comfort and empower, "Christ being raised from the dead never dies again, death no longer has dominion over him."

Let us keep this ahead of us as we learn to shift into what God would have us do as servants in the heart of the city.

–Peter DeVeau, Dean

Congratulations!

We are pleased to announce that the Reverend Jim Robertson, Deacon at the Cathedral has been made a Postulant for Holy Orders by Bishop Field. After a Cathedral discernment group recommended him to the Commission on Ministry (COM) for ordination to the priesthood last year, the COM approved him for consideration by the Bishop.

Larry Ehren has also recently been made a Postulant for Holy Orders. The Cathedral would like to extend congratulations to both of them.



In observation of Independence Day, the Cathedral

office and grounds will be closed on Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4. There will be no noon Eucharist either of those days.

Treasurer's Report

Grace & Holy Trinity's Financial Status as of April 2017

	2017	2016
Income	\$ 523,161	\$ 502,135
Expenses	\$ 551,419	\$ 537,393
Net Total	\$ (28,526)	\$ (35,258)

April 2017 saw income well above April 2016. Most of the increase can be explained by an increase of \$22,500 in pledges received. April 2017 saw expenses significantly above April 2016 with property and clergy support accounting for most of the \$44,500 increase in expenses.

Year-to-date in 2017 we are \$7,000 better off against the budget than we were in 2016 as income and expense variances have largely off-set each other.

–Doyle White, Assistant Treasurer

Whitney Kerr, Sr. Honored by Saint Luke's



Parishioner Whitney Kerr, Sr. received the Saint Luke's Foundation Fellow Award at the Foundation's Annual Recognition Luncheon held May 17 in Kansas City. Whitney was cited for his half century of vision, leadership and service to Saint Luke's Health System.

Other Cathedral members who have received this award are Shawsie Branton, Dr. Richard Kiene, Jeannette Nichols, Ed Matheny Jr., and Larry and Marilyn McMullen.

Welcome, Marco!

Marco Serrano, the new Young Adult Ministries Coordinator for the Cathedral, will be joining the staff beginning July 1. Originally from Bucaramanga, Colombia, Marco grew up in the Midwest, graduating from St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Overland Park. He holds a B.A. in philosophy from



Bowling Green State University and a J.D. from Yale Law School. Before discerning a call to ministry, he practiced corporate law in New York City. It was there that he married his wife, Corrine, and was confirmed in the Episcopal Church. Marco and Corrine are blessed with two daughters, Elsa, a precocious four year old, and Emilia, a spirited one year old. In his free time, Marco enjoys running, reading and cooking. Marco received his M.Div. from Berkeley Divinity School at Yale in May and he is now very excited to join the staff at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral. A welcome reception will be held in July. Please join us in welcoming Marco and his family.



Upcoming Events

If you are interested in joining the Trinity Choir this summer, please contact Paul Meier, Director of Music, at *pmeier@ kccathedral.org* or 816.214.9928.

This August, we continue the tradition of sharing a series of Sunday afternoon concerts at 2 p.m. with our neighbors at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

August 6: Cellist Ho Ahn takes us on a musical travel journey. (GHTC)

August 13: Baroque Chamber Music. (GHTC)

August 20: Summer Singers of Kansas City performs Handel's Judas Maccabeus. (GHTC) Please visit *festivalsingers.org/concerts* for ticketing information.

August 27: A French Organ Festival (Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception)

–Paul Meier, Director of Music



Thank You Trinity Children's Choir!

There's a large tree in the choir room that has been charting the progress of the children's work in rehearsals. The "Worship and Faith Tree" sprouted a new leaf and occasionally an apple each time the choir learned an anthem, hymn or a part of the liturgy. As the tree developed, their faith grew through the music that they learned. Repertoire was based on the texts and themes used in worship. I'm proud to report that our choir learned six new anthems, seven hymns and liturgical responses, as well as a number of humorous musical warm ups (ask the children about "Rico's Pizza Restaurant"!), seasonal songs and a sung closing prayer. The year's curriculum included proper vocal production, breathing technique, pitch accuracy, musical phrasing, rhythm and melody recognition, and <u>focus</u>.

Thanks to the parents and the GHTC congregation for faithfully encouraging these young singers in this very important ministry.

Forks in the Road

Sunday, June 11 + 12-2 p.m.

Enjoy a beautiful Sunday brunch June 11, 2017 at Grand Street Café by the Country Club Plaza. While you partake in the buffet, bottomless beverages and networking with other Epicsopal Community Services (ECS) supporters, you'll also hear from community members engaged with ECS sharing about their favorite programs, like Kansas City Community Kitchen and Culinary Cornerstones Training Program. You'll then get a sneak peek into some of ECS's new and innovative programs—including Hunger Relief Network Metro-wide Hunger Summits and our new Mobile Market coming to Wyandotte County.

General Admission Tickets: \$45

Includes: Brunch Buffet, Bottomless Mimosas and Bloody Mary's during the two-hour event (12-2 p.m.), Free Parking

VIP Ticket Add-on: \$15

Includes: An extra VIP hour of Bottomless Mimosas and Blood Mary's (11 a.m.-2 p.m.)

Table Sponsors: \$450

Includes 2 VIP Admission Tickets + 8 General Admission Tickets, Name Listed as Table Sponsor on Program, Benefits as Outlined Above

If enough people are interested, everyone could sit at a table together. Please contact Terri Curran at *tcurra2@yahoo.com* if you would like to participate.



Upcoming Outreach Opportunities

June

All month: Diaper Drive for HappyBottoms All month: Bring food for St. Mary's Pantry

- 11: ECS Brunch at Grand Street Cafe
- 17: Dinner at Sheffield Place–volunteers needed
- 20-23: GHTC Hosts Bike and Build-volunteers needed

July

All month: School Supply Drive for Crittenton Children's Center All month: Bring food for St. Mary's Pantry



Tallis Singers 2017

June 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 during June.

Thank you for your continued support of HappyBottoms!



St. Mary's Pantry

School is out for the summer and that means children will not be getting free lunches or breakfasts at

local schools. Please remember to bring food this summer that is easy for children to open, pop top can goods (pastas, soups, canned fruit) peanut butter, granola bars, boxes of cereal, cheese crackers etc. With temperatures rising, please remember bottled drinks like gatorade for those living on the streets.

Outreach Appreciation

Outreach Ministries wants to recognize Dave Pierson as the outstanding volunteer this month. Dave just recently returned from Tegucigalpa, Honduras visiting the students of the



Episcopal School El Hogar. El Hogar provides a home and education for 250 poor and homeless children in Honduras. Dave packed up jeans, hygiene products, socks and games to distribute to the children attending El Hogar, as well as taking part in a fundraising marathon for the school. Dave has always supported children's ministries as he initiated the Foster Care Ministry at the Cathedral as well as the birthday gift cards for foster children through the Crittenton Children's Home and supports refugee children through AFRRME (American Foundation for Relief and Reconciliation of the Middle East). Dave is an active member of the Vestry, and has teamed up with Christine Morrison to go on neighborhood prayer walks praying, engaging and inviting people to visit the Cathedral.

Confirmation 2017



Congratulations Confirmands!

The Cathedral would like to congratulate all the 2017 confirmands.

Brad Amer (Baptized at Easter) Kevin M. Burns, Jr. Brian Cowley (Baptized at Easter) Michael Figueroa Yvonne Figueroa Eliza Johnson Connell McKeown Liam McKeown Johnathan Michka Olivia Michka Emily Morrison Isabelle Morrison David Patt Leticia Porter Natalie Telep

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Introducing the Reverend Canon Evelyn Hornaday

The Reverend Canon Evelyn Hornaday comes to Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral after a successful tenure as Interim Canon for Cathedral Life at St. John's Cathedral in the Wilderness, Denver. While there, the Cathedral was in the final phases of calling a new dean. Canon Evelyn's role in the transition time at St. John's was to lead the creation and development of two important ministry commissions in the life of the Cathedral: Faith-in-Action (outreach) and Pastoral Care, as the parishioners discerned their Gospel life as the face of Christ in the world. A skilled listener and creative partner in ministry, she was able to quiet anxious hearts, even as substantial changes were being made in their common lives.

Canon Evelyn has been an intentional interim rector and/or canon for more than 15 years, helping parishes prepare for the inevitable changes that happen in the life of a parish. Besides the Diocese of Colorado, she served in the dioceses of Arkansas, Texas and West Missouri at St. Peter & All Saints before accepting Dean Peter DeVeau's invitation to join Grace & Holy Trinity.

Canon Evelyn believes that the heart of the Gospel calls all people to be concerned for and involved in the building up of the Kingdom through care and engagement with those whose lives are discomfited in ways that separate them from the apparent love of God. In this, she is a member of Rotary International

May Flowers, to the Glory of God ...



May 7

- in honor of our grandson, Lukas McLeroy–Carolyn & Ron McLeroy
- in thanksgiving for the wedding of Emily Dicus & William Skrobacks

May 14

- in honor of Nancy Smith & Carla McNair–Doug & Cecelia McNair
- in memory of my husband, Edward Gordon, on his birthday–Elizabeth Gordon
- for the Norberg & Finney families—the Gitta family
- in thanksgiving for Betty Frech & Ruth Welch–Mr. & Mrs. Robert Carlson
- in memory of Barbara Seidlitz, Gary McKee & Herman Wallace

May 21

• En la celebración de su 17 cumpleaños, Joel Antonio Lobo Calderón—Con los mejores deseos de su orgulloso Padrino, David Pierson

May 28

- in memory of David Ludwig–Dorothy & Sam Gershman
- in thanksgiving for our daughter, Betsy Leonard–Carolyn & Ron McLeroy
- in thanksgiving for our son & dauther in-law, Brad & Kathleen McLeroy—Carolyn & Ron McLeroy
- in thanksgiving for Peggy Morgan



and is a Paul Harris Fellow. She has served on boards of organizations who missions are to feed and house the hungry. Most recently, she was on the board of Episcopal Community Services, Kansas City. She also lived in a homeless women's shelter in

Washington, DC, in order to more fully understand the plight of women who have no resources to better their lives.

As a priest who also is an accomplished musician and liturgist, Canon Evelyn will take part in the liturgical life of our Cathedral.

"Joining Dean DeVeau, the gifted people and staff of Grace & Holy Trinity is a privilege and honor, as together we continue serving the world in the name of Christ," she said. Canon Evelyn will join us at the Cathedral in early August.

New Head Usher

Yvonne and I are natives of upstate New York where we grew up, went to school and were married. Yvonne is the cradle Episcopalian and I was Received into the church in 2007 while we were living in Texas. We moved to



Brookside in 2011 and have been members of the cathedral for three years now. Our son Nicolas and daughter Natalie love Kansas City and are proud to call it home. I am looking forward to taking a more active role in our church community.

–David Telep, New Head Usher

Summer Helpers

As summer approaches, the Cathedral could use a little help. We have a need for Summer Greeters and Hospitality Hosts.



Greeters - We invite individuals, couples, or families to join our Greeter Ministry during the summer months. Greeters are asked to arrive 20–30 minutes before the service begins, stand near entrances to greet parishioners and guests as they arrive. Greeters should also be prepared to answer questions and give directions. At the close of the service, Greeters also stand by to escort guests to Founders' Hall, if asked by the clergy. We will have a sign-up sheet available at the Welcome desk in the Tower entrance.

Hospitality Hosts - Summer Hospitality Hosts bring food to share after Sunday morning services while our Holy Hands teams are on summer break. What you provide needs to be something simple to go with a cup of coffee—donuts/donut holes, fruit, brownies or cookies (homemade or from the store) or veggies. Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the Nave and in Founders' Hall for you, your family, ministry group or small group to sign up for one or more weeks this summer (June 11 through Labor Day weekend).

For more information on either of these ministries, please contact the Cathedral office at 816.474.8260.

Youth update

Wednesday Youth Group

Youth Group is on summer break! We will resume regular Wednesday youth group in September. Keep an eye on your inbox for "Trinity Teens Summer Updates" for information on youth group fellowship throughout the summer!

Camp WeMO

June 11-16: Ashgrove, MO

Registration is open on the WeMO Youth Website, make sure you're signed up today! Camp WeMO is a time to recenter with God, nature and community. Camp offers enrichment for the mind, body, and soul. Camp is for youth in grades 6-12.

Episcopal Youth Event

July 10-14: Oklahoma

Please pray for the youth of our diocese traveling to and participating in this life changing event that occurs once every three years. Be sure to ask our Cathedral youth about their experience when they return.

MissionPalooza

July 25-30: St. Paul's KCMO

This service-centered event for high schoolers gets youth out into the community working as the hands and feet of Christ. Youth work at metro work sites for a week providing invaluable service to our community. Learn more and register online.

Keep Up to Date

For more information on the Cathedral's Youth Ministry program, please contact Alexandra at *youthformation@ kccathedral.org*. Check out *www.wemoyouth.com* for information on Network and Diocesan events and to register online.

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.



Take Out Church Boxes Starting Sunday, June 4

Check out the "Take Out Church" boxes available in Founders' Hall. They contain activities designed to help your family grow spiritually and have fun as you travel this summer. Traveling light? Individual Flat Jesus figures are available, too.

Summer Children's Formation Sessions

During June, July and early August, children ages 4–5th grade will meet during the 10:15 a.m. service to study Old Testament stories. After a story and prayer, kids will work on a craft or building activity. Regular Children's Chapel and Godly Play sessions will resume in August.

Vacation Bible School at St. Andrew's

"Let There Be Light!" July 17-21, 9 a.m.-noon

Children ages 4—5th grade are invited to St. Andrew's for crafts, music, science, games, stories and more to explore the tremendous gift we received when God put light in the sky, light in the dark places in the world and light in us that shines on others wherever we go. See some familiar faces— Julie will be a volunteer in the craft area—and make new friends! The \$45 registration fee includes all crafts, snacks, activities and t-shirts (after July 1, the fee is \$50). Register online at standrewkc.org/our-services/formation/childrens-ministry.

Summer Events

June 4: Parish Picnic with a bounce house! June 11: Summer Children's Formation sessions start June 25-July 2: Children's Formation Break: No formation sessions July 17-21: Vacation Bible School at St. Andrew's

Questions?

Please contact Julie Brogno at 816.474.8260 or *childrensformation@kccathedral.org*.

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 the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.
- after you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.
- after your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

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.

www.stephenministries.org



Adult Forums

Sundays in June + 9:15-10 a.m. + Common Room

Sunday, June 4, Pentecost Sunday, June 11, Trinity Sunday Sunday, June 18 Sunday, June 25: No Adult Forum. This will be the Reverend Vicki Davis's last Sunday at the Cathedral.

The Adult Forums will be devoted to Bible study, focusing on the scriptures for that Sunday. Hopefully, those who attend both the 8 and 10:15 a.m. services will take this opportunity to come together.

Abiding Prayer

"Abide in me and I will abide in you." John 15:4

The Gift of Life: Life & Living,

Death & Dying

Monday Evenings, through June 26 7:15-8:30 p.m. + Common Room



"Abiding Prayer, when it reaches the full consent to our nothingness, is the perfect preparation for death, because it is death—death to the false self and even the True Self will be transcended."

–Thomas Keating

We will continue the process of discovering *The Gift of Life* through June 26. There will be no classes during the month of July. For more information, contact Jerry Grabher, 816.590.6205 or *j.grabher3@gmail.com*.

Episopal & Friends LGBT

This group will be taking a break over the summer. Watch for information about gatherings starting in September.

Neighborhood Prayer Walk Tuesdays + 7 p.m.

As part of our hands and feet of Christ initiative, we are instituting a Neighborhood Prayer Walk. Every Tuesday, this group will walk the neighborhood near the Cathedral and get to know the people we are called to serve. We will start in the Nave with a small prayer service, and end in the Nave with Compline and prayer for our community. For any questions, please contact Christine Morrison at *cblankstir@gmail.com*. We hope to see you there!



Monthly Lunch Bunch

Men and women of the Cathedral, join us

for a monthly lunch get-together. The next date is Wednesday, June 7 at Fusion Buffet, 4039 Mill St, Kansas City, MO 64111, 11:45 a.m. Let Jim Robertson know you are coming, *jasbrob@ aol.com* or 816-569-5549, or just show up. Invite friends.

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GHTC Y.A.R.N. Has Goals

The GHTC Y.A.R.N.



Ministry has set a goal of 12 prayer shawls, 365 baby hats for Maisson de Naissance and 36 hats for the New Americans program and immigrant children by the end of this year. We meet every Sunday in Founders' Hall after the 8 a.m. service and would love to have people join us. You do not have to be a knitter or crocheter to sit and talk. If you knit and crochet at home and would like to add items to our goals, please feel free to bring them on Sunday and give them to Coyote. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet or revisit these skills we would be happy to help. For more information about the Y.A.R.N. Ministry you can contact Coyote at 816-804-8607 or via email at pschaaf@ kcpublicschools.org.



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