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FROM THE DEAN

To Be Truly Rich

I learned about Christian giving from Muslims. Really. I was in my early twenties and working in Iran (just before the Shah was deposed). In my role as supply manager for a Scandinavian firm building a large housing project, I supervised a group of Iranians and Afghans who delivered supplies to the work site.

Once when I was taking a break with this work group, the local chieftain whizzed by in his gold Mercedes in a cloud of brown dust. I commented, "There goes Afsali. He's a rich man." "No, no, Mr. Peter, Afsali is a poor man!" "What?" I asked incredulously. Afsali had first dibs on the local oil wealth. He was rich and flaunted it. He sent to Germany regularly for fast new cars which he invariably ran into the ground right away. "No," they asserted strongly in answer to my perplexity, "Afsali is not rich man, he is poor man! He keeps all to himself!"

What a concept. To be poor is to be stingy and selfish. To be rich is to give! This learning from another culture opened more fully to me the parable of Jesus, where a rich man wishes to build bigger barns in which to store up a bumper crop. In the story the rich man learns that he will not see another day. To this announcement of imminent mortality this sobering question is added, "And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" The parable concludes, "So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God." Luke 12:21

By the time you read this we will be halfway through "Pray. Serve. Give," our pledge drive to support ministry in 2018. It is our time to be rich people.

There is a common perception that the Cathedral has plenty of money. It certainly appears to be so as you look around at the buildings and their beauty—nice prosperous place, yes? True, we are fortunate to have these unique spaces dedicated to God because of the foresight and generosity of our forebears. We are also able to maintain this downtown campus because of endowments set up by those same forebears. The

prudent management of these resources by our Finance Committee and Vestry make this an enduring legacy.

One calculation suggests that 55 percent of our roughly 1.8 million dollar budget goes for maintenance, property and administration and 45 percent for program, the wider church and outreach.

Sixty-eight point five percent of our budget is funded by endowment income. Twenty-four percent comes from pledges. The remainder is funded by plate giving, user fees and other sources. For 2017 our pledge giving was about \$450,000.

It is time for us to grow our annual pledge giving. We are called to be people rich toward God. With our resources, the ministry and presence we share at the heart of Kansas City can be expanded and strengthened. We can live into the goals of our Strategic Plan.

I invite us all to be rich givers. In the Episcopal Church, the tithe (10 percent of one's income) is the standard for giving. This has deep roots in the Biblical practice of dedicating the first fruits of one's labor to God. Personally, over time I have become a tither. Through this giving discipline of first things to God I have found, without fail, even though I have worried, that there has always been enough for everything else when I tithe.

At critical times in my life both strangers, acquaintances and friends have inspired me to become a generous giver. It started with parents and grandparents handing me nickels and dimes to drop in the offering on Sunday mornings. Later in my development, the personal testimonies of tithers both in and out of church moved my heart. It has come from unlikely places, too. My giving was challenged by a Jewish shopkeeper and Holocaust survivor who said, "An open hand is never empty." It was challenged and expanded by Valliullah, Valli, Mansur, Mahmud and Hakim who taught me what it means to be truly rich.

—Peter DeVeau, Dean

Treasurer's Report

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

	2017	2016
Income	\$ 1,390,857	\$ 1,265,487
Expenses	\$ 1,347,946	\$ 1,264,371
Net Total	\$ 42,911	\$ 1,116

Income for the first nine months of 2017 greatly exceeded that of 2016 partially because some pledge payments arrived earlier this year. Another significant factor was that an externally managed bequest made its annual distribution in September rather than at year end. Without that early distribution, the Cathedral would have shown a modest deficit through September, as expenses for 2017 are also running well above the 2016 level.

Much of the higher expense levels can be attributed to the hiring of additional staff which caused higher salary and benefits as well as the cost of relocating those individuals to Kansas City. For the Cathedral to be all that it can be, the financial support of the congregation is essential.

Cathedral members are asked to prayerfully remember to complete their 2017 pledge and make a new one for 2018.

—Chuck Ritter, Treasurer



Upcoming Music Events

We hope that you can join us for these exciting musical events at the Cathedral.



November 5

2 p.m.

The William Baker Festival Singers opens its 20th anniversary season with *Love Revealed*, a program of modern works, rousing spirituals and Gospel songs. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit festivalsingers.org/concerts.

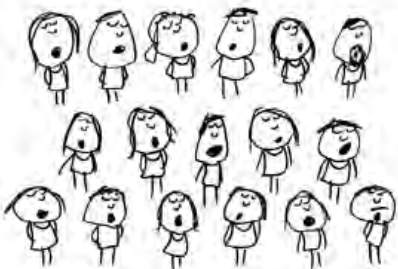


November 12

10:15 a.m.

The St. Andrew Pipes and Drums join us for the annual Kirkin' o' the Tartan service.

HAPPINESS IS



...singing in a choir.

Join the Trinity Children's Choir

Students in elementary and middle school are invited to sing in Trinity Children's Choir. Rehearsals are Sundays at 9:15-10 a.m. in Haden Hall.



November 19

5 p.m.

The Trinity Choir and the Schola Cantorum of William Jewell College present a service of Evensong.



December 11

11:30 a.m.

William Jewell College presents *The City Come Again*. William Jewell College's gift to the city in words and music, features the college's Handbell Choir, Concert Choir, conductor Dr. Anthony Maglione and organist Dr. Ann Marie Rigler.



December 1: 10 a.m. & 7 p.m.

December 2: 2 & 5 p.m.

December 3: 3 p.m.

The Mesner Puppets presents *The Nativity*. A cast of forty puppeteers tell the beloved story with larger-than-life biblical characters and musical accompaniment. For tickets, please visit mesnerpuppets.org.



December 16

4 p.m.

Messiah Singalong. Everyone is invited to join the chorus and sing for this annual presentation of Handel's most celebrated work. Bring your own score, or purchase one here, and join conductor Jack Ergo, professional soloists and the Kansas City Baroque Consortium in what is sure to be a memorable event. Admission is free.



December 10

5 p.m.

The choirs of Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral present a service of *Advent Lessons and Carols*. Join us as we prepare for Christmas with this uniquely beautiful Anglican liturgy of hymns, readings, anthems and carols.



December 17

2 p.m.

The William Baker Festival Singers present *Candlelight, Carols & Cathedral*, a program featuring beloved traditional carols and timeless classics for organ and choir. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit festivalsingers.org/concerts.

—Paul Meier, Director of Music



Adult Forums

Sundays, through December
9:15–10 a.m. ✦ Common Room

Sunday Forums take place during the time between morning services. There is a broad range of topics ranging from Scripture to current local and global concerns. The goal is to link Christian faith and living. These learning sessions are interactive. Questions are encouraged.

November 5

The forum is in recess as we keep the feast of All Saints’.

November 12

The Other Five Volumes: Up Close with Cathedral Treasures

We look over the brilliant illuminations of the five newly donated volumes of the Saint John’s Bible: Historical Books, Wisdom Books, Psalms, Prophets and Letters & Revelation. Don’t miss this opportunity to view, handle and learn about this art produced to present the lively Word for a new millennium.

November 19

Harvesting Abundance: The Church as Good Stewards of the Land

Brian Sellers-Petersen, of Episcopal Relief and Development, speaks about his work and recently published book telling the stories of local initiatives of food and faith. Brian, who is an avid beekeeper, preaches at both morning services.

December 3

Why Read Four Quartets?

Tom Brous, Cathedral parishioner, speaks about his newly published book, *Why Read Four Quartets?*

Tom’s book is written “to encourage readers unfamiliar with T. S. Eliot’s masterpiece to “take up, read and inwardly digest” these beautiful and sacred poems. Commentary is offered to hopefully make the poems more accessible to a general reader. Most critics and commentators do not seem to take Eliot’s own spirituality seriously, or at least they don’t choose to comment on it. Literary analysis is often emphasized to the exclusion of viewing the quartets in a personal or biographical manner. In sharp contrast to these typical studies, this book endeavors to show that the quartets, along with his earlier post-1927 poetry (Ariel Poems and Ash Wednesday), can be read as the story of Eliot’s “own mystical journey to the Divine.” (From *amazon.com*)

Exploring the Saint John’s Bible

December 10

Illuminations in the Gospel of Mark: A Gospel for an Age of Twitter and Sound Bites

We begin Year B of the Common Lectionary, “The Year of Mark” with a look at the unique illuminations for this, the oldest and briefest of the synoptic gospels.

December 17

Incarnation Illuminations in the Saint John’s Bible: A Visual Prelude to Christmas

“And the word became flesh and made a dwelling with us” John 1:14

We will reflect on illuminations in the gospels of John, Matthew, and Luke to engage the mystery of Emmanuel, “God with us.”

Sunday, December 24 & December 31

The forum is in recess for Christmas.



The Way

Wednesday Evenings
6-8 p.m. ✦ Founders' Hall



All who seek to know more about what it means to follow Christ and grow spiritually are invited and encouraged to take part in The Way. Persons new to the Cathedral, persons desiring to know a more generous and inclusive Christianity, and those who know little or nothing about Christian faith and living are invited on the journey.

The Way meets most Wednesday evenings from October through May (only once in December). Breaks are taken at Thanksgiving and the weeks preceding and following Easter. You can find all meeting dates in the Cathedral calendar on the website. Each evening includes:

- 6 p.m. Dinner and conversation: A home cooked meal is served. (Free! No need to cook on Wednesdays.) There is always a "Table Question" related to the evening's topic. These questions often stimulate lively conversation
- 6:30 p.m. Interactive learning: Christian beliefs, ideas and practices are introduced. These give rise to questions, sharing of experiences and reflection within the group. Questions are always welcome at The Way.
- 7 p.m. Bible Sharing: Groups of about seven persons break out to consider the gospel passage from the prior Sunday gospel reading using an ancient method called lectio divina. A table leader leads the group in listening to the passage and sharing what each hears as the gospel is read.
- 7:50 p.m. Compline: All gather to conclude the evening with this service of prayer at the end of the day. Any news concerning scheduling and upcoming events is shared.
- 8 p.m. Dismissal: The Way ends on time in consideration of those who have early mornings.

The main goal of The Way is to provide participants with good practices and sound information for a meaningful life in Christ and Christian journey. Some are prepared for baptism at Easter. Others rediscover and renew their understanding of what it means to be baptized. Persons baptized in different Christian traditions add to their understanding through encountering the depth and riches of the Anglican Christian tradition.

The Way is open to all persons eighteen and older. All who seek to follow Jesus are welcome. Whether one has been around church for a long time or is finding the Christian path for the first time, you are welcome to The Way.

The Way is led by a team of Cathedral persons who themselves have taken part in this process. Primary teachers are Peter DeVeau, Dean, and Marco Serrano, Young Adult Coordinator. Childcare is available upon request.

If you would like to know more about this and have questions, contact Peter DeVeau, Dean, pdeveau@kccathedral.org or Marco Serrano, Young Adult Coordinator, mserrano@kccathedral.org.

Abiding Prayer

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

God, Evolution and the Unfinished Self

Monday Evenings, Nov. 13-Dec. 11

7:15-8:30 p.m. ✦ Common Room



We usually think of the self as a finished product, created once and for all; however, science is showing

us that nature is endowed with creativity and openness to new forms.

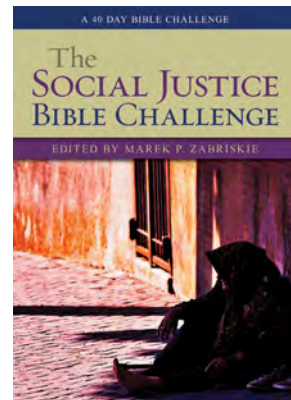
We will explore the unfinished self in light of evolution with a view toward the future and the emerging body of Christ. For more information, contact Jerry Grabher, 816.590.6205 or j.grabher3@gmail.com.

Women's Bible Study

The Social Justice Bible Challenge

Tuesdays ✦ 1:30 p.m. ✦ Common Room

Commencing in November, the Women's Bible Study group will begin to use *The Social Justice Bible Challenge*, published by Forward Movement, as inspiration for its weekly hour of discussion. The book, which is available in the Cathedral Bookstore for \$15, features 40 Bible passages with reflections by spiritual leaders and writers from around the world, along with questions to help initiate discussions and prayers. According to the book cover, "*The Social Justice Bible Challenge* helps bridge the gap between knowing the Bible and living it. For those who are invested in the work of social justice, the meditations connect their compassion to God's Word. For those who are deeply engaged in scripture, the readings, questions and prayers command action."



Each week, members of the group read a passage and reflection aloud at the beginning of the hour...and then see where the spirit takes them. Usually the group completes discussion of one passage/reflection per week. Sometimes more, sometimes fewer. Women's Bible Study meets weekly on Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. in the Common Room. All are welcome. If you have the inclination, but not the book, come anyway and someone will share!

Upcoming

All Saints' Sunday Sunday, November 5

Book of Remembrance

We gather names and add them to a book started in 2007. It is a lasting memorial of "those we love but see no longer." The book is displayed in the Cathedral on All Saints' Sunday. The names will also be listed in the bulletin.

During the liturgy, there is a time when lectors read aloud the names of those who have died in the past 12 months, followed by a time when all present say aloud names of those they would like remembered.

The names of all those who have passed away within the past year will be included in a visual display in the Nave.



Coming Up Next on the Cathedral Treasures Tour November 12 ✦ 11:45 a.m. ✦ Nave

Join us at the back of the Nave immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service to learn about our beautiful pulpit and font. After the tour, head to Founders' Hall for coffee hour treats—don't worry, we'll save some for you!

Save the date for future tours

January 21: Stained Glass

March 11: Altar & Working Sacristy

April 8: Organ & Choir Loft

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTAN Sunday, November 12

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.



Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist Wednesday, November 22 ✦ 7 p.m.

We gather to begin our Thanksgiving feasting at the Lord's Table!

Beau Heyen, Director of Nourish KC (formerly Episcopal Community Services), preaches. A festive reception takes place following the service in the cross-aisle of the Nave. Please bring these food items for the "Shopping Cart Offering:" canned vegetables (16 oz), preference for low sodium; canned fruit (16 oz), preference for items in lite syrup or 100% fruit juice; dry beans/lentils (1-2 lbs); canned tuna/chicken; pasta (16 oz), preference for 100% whole grain; rice (16 oz) preference for whole grain; cereal (12-16 oz), preference for whole grain listed as first ingredient. The offering benefits pantries supported by Nourish KC. Let's fill those carts to overflowing!

The new name for ECS was chosen to reflect the expanding work around food security and nutrition. The Kansas City Community Kitchen, the hub of Nourish KC, had its beginnings in 1983 as the Hot Food Program at the Cathedral. It was located here until 2010.

Events



AdventFest

Sunday, December 3
11:30 a.m. ✦
Founders' Hall

Join us for an intergenerational Advent Wreath-making event on Sunday, December 3, in Founders' Hall,

following the 10:15 a.m. service. Make an Advent wreath with live greens for your home. Supplies will be provided (if you have supplies, such as forms or rings, candle holders or pins, feel free to bring them). Please bring clippers to trim greens. A \$10 donation to cover the cost of supplies 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. Sign up at coffee hour beginning November 5.



Trimming the Tree

Sunday, December 10
11:30 a.m.

Join us in Founders' Hall to make Christmas ornaments for our Founders' Hall Christmas tree—paper stars, woven hearts, paper chains, birds and more!

Christmastide

Sunday, December 24,
Christmas Eve
10:15 a.m. • Advent 4
5 p.m. • Pageant & Eucharist
10 p.m. • Prelude
10:30 p.m. • Festival of the Nativity



Monday, December 25, Christmas Day
10:15 a.m. • Eucharist, followed by a reception in the Nave.

Sunday, December 31
10:15 a.m. • Christmas 1
5 p.m. • Eve of the Holy Name

Sunday, January 7
8 a.m. • Feast of the Epiphany
10:15 a.m. • Feast of the Epiphany with Baptism
5 p.m. • Feast of the Epiphany

The Christmas offerings will be divided, with 40% going to the Cathedral and 60% to be split between a local and international charitable organization.

Please consider volunteering for one of the Christmas services. Many people travel during the holidays and the pool of available volunteers shrinks dramatically. Your help is greatly appreciated! Contact Janet, jsweeting@kccathedral.org, to sign up.

First Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday, January 7

Holy Baptism will be administered on Sunday, January 7, the Baptism of our Lord. Contact Christy Dorn, cdorn@kccathedral.org, for more information.

Children are also invited to dress as kings (we provide the costumes) and process with the gifts during the offertory. After the service, all are invited to enjoy some King Cake at coffee hour.



Youth update

Wednesday Youth Group

Formation and fellowship for youth in grades 6–12 occurs every Wednesday from 7–8:30 p.m. in the youth room. Each Wednesday Youth Group consists of a shared meal, fellowship and community time, program, small group discussion and worship.

Diocesan Youth Event & Bishop's Ball November 3–5

This annual event takes place concurrent to Diocesan Convention every year. This year, youth in grades 6–12 will participate in workshops following Jesus' life in ministry. Saturday night, youth will get dressed up to dance and celebrate at the Bishop's Ball! Register at wemoyouth.com now.

Network Day of Service November 18

All youth in grades 6–12 are invited to join together at St. Mary Magdalene's for a cookout style lunch before dividing into groups to conquer yard work tasks for the elderly in our diocesan community. Sign-ups are live [online](#). This is a great way to give back to our community during this season of thanksgiving.

Save the Date!

Network Skate and Bake Lock-In: December 1–2
Youth Group Advent Potluck: December 20

Keep Up to Date

For more information on the Cathedral's Youth Ministry program, please contact Alexandra at youthformation@kccathedral.org. Check out 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 are 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.

Family and Children's Ministry News



Sundays in Advent

Children in chapel and Godly Play will use an Advent wreath to prepare for the mystery of Christmas. Chapel lessons will follow the lectionary readings. In Godly Play, the children will hear Advent stories that lead toward Bethlehem and the lighting of the Christ candle on the Advent wreath.

One & Only Pageant Rehearsal Sunday, December 17 † 11:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Children are encouraged to come to the One & Only Rehearsal—it helps to have people who know what's happening! Meet in the back of the Nave immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service. Don't worry about missing coffee hour—we'll have snacks for those who participate.



Christmas Eve Pageant & Eucharist

Sunday, December 24 † 5 p.m.

All children are welcome to participate in the pageant. There are no lines to learn and simple costumes will be provided. Children who want to participate should meet in the Common Room at 4:30 p.m.

Questions?

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

Baklava and Coffee

Sunday, November 29 † 11:30 a.m.
† Founders' Hall



The Dialogue Institute of the Southwest hosts a time for coffee, conversation and fellowship. The Institute's mission is to promote mutual understanding, respect and cooperation among people of diverse faiths and cultures in Greater Kansas City, Wichita and Lawrence.



Monthly Lunch Bunch

Men and women of the Cathedral, join us for a monthly lunch get-together. In

November, the date is Wednesday, November 1 at Fusion Buffet, 4039 Mill Street, Kansas City, Mo. 64111.

There will be no Monthly Lunch Bunch in December.

Let Jim Robertson know you are coming, jashrob@aol.com or 816.569.5549, or just show up. Invite friends.

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."

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.

stephenministries.org



Ordination for Larry Ehren

Larry Ehren will be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate November 3 at 5 p.m. at Adams Point Conference Center in Blue Springs, Mo. This will take place during the Opening Eucharist for the Diocesan Convention. Congratulations, Larry!



October Flowers, to the Glory of God ...



October 1

- in celebration of our wedding anniversary—Peter & Mary DeVeau
- in celebration of our 25th wedding anniversary—Janet & Ric Sweeting
- in celebration of Jack Morse & Amber Schaclewald's wedding—Anne & Richard Morse
- in memory of slain police officers & for the safety of others—the Gitta family
- to the glory of God—Lana Batiste

October 8

- in thanksgiving for the wedding of Carly Corbin & Andrew McCann
- in thanksgiving for our mother, Carol Coleman, on her birthday—Kathy Alagna & Karen Kissinger
- with prayers for hurricane victims—the Gitta family

October 15

- in kindness, love & faith—Lana Batiste
- with prayers for victims of violence—the Gitta family

October 22

- in thanksgiving for the wedding of Brook Baker & Shawn Robertson

October 29

- in thanksgiving for our granddaughters, Maya McLeroy & Grace Leonard—Carolyn & Ron McLeroy
- in thanksgiving for Thomas H. Rinehart—Ruth Finet
- in thanksgiving for the wedding of Jenna Keeble & Alex Coday



Advent & 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 Sweeting, jsweeting@kccathedral.org or 816.474.8260, ext. 144, to contribute or for more information. Watch for flower envelopes coming soon.

Outreach Appreciation

Outreach Ministries is recognizing Carol Whitehead as the outstanding volunteer of the month. Carol is a very active back snack volunteer, helping with both packing individual back snacks and delivering to Hazel Grove Elementary



School each week. Every Thursday Carol helps at the Kansas City Community Kitchen and is the back-up driver for Meals on Wheels whenever someone is unable to drive. Each Tuesday morning Carol is an active volunteer for "Reach Out and Read" at various health clinics. She has also helped with the Habitat for Humanity bike groups that the Cathedral has hosted and serving dinner at Sheffield Place. Carol volunteers in the Cathedral Bookstore and is a member of the Altar Guild. During her free time she is an avid Royals fan, runs and is a cyclist. Please congratulate Carol for her dedication and wonderful giving spirit!



Upcoming Outreach Opportunities

November

- All month: Bring food for St. Mary's Pantry
- 19: BackSnack Family Bag Packing—Thanksgiving

December

- All month: Bring food for St. Mary's Pantry
- 17: BackSnack Family Bag Packing—Christmas
- 20: KCKK Christmas Dinner & Free Store



KCKK Christmas Dinner & Free Store

Volunteers are needed for the Kansas City Community Kitchen

Christmas Dinner and Free Store held at the Cathedral on Wednesday, December 20. Volunteer at episcopalcommunity.org under the Get Involved tab or contact Melissa Rock at msrock01@gmail.com to volunteer for the free store. Children are welcome to volunteer!

Women of Grace Christmas Luncheon

Saturday, December 9

10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. ✦ Haden Hall



The Women of Grace Christmas Luncheon will be Saturday, December 9 from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. This luncheon will be held in Haden Hall with the focus on assembling treat bags for the children in the hospital and those in residence at Crittenton's Children's Home and for the 330 BackSnack children served by the Cathedral each week. Admission for the luncheon will be six non-perishable holiday food items for St. Mary's Food Pantry. Registration is required to make sure we have enough lunches for those attending. Contact Terri Curran, tcurreal@yahoo.com, to register. All are welcome!

Holiday Family Bags for BackSnack Children

All are encouraged to help pack family bags for BackSnack children during the holidays. Family bags contain additional food for families over the holidays to supplement either their holiday meal or meals when the children are on their school vacation. Thanksgiving Family Bags will be packed Sunday, November 19 and Christmas Family Bags will be packed Sunday, December 17. Packing will take place in Haden Hall between services. Please consider being part of this holiday tradition.



St. Mary's Pantry



Help re-stock the pantry at St. Mary's Episcopal Church with sack lunch and after-school snack items. Please bring juice boxes or pouches, peanut

butter, jelly, tuna, small bags of chips/snacks, dried fruit, individual cups of applesauce or other fruits, individual small boxes of raisins, non-refrigerated pudding snacks (like Hunt's Snack Pack) and other non-perishables (no glass containers, please). As always, thank you for your support!

Place non-perishable food for St. Mary's Pantry in the big basket in the Tower.



PRAY



SERVE



GIVE

2018 Every
Member Canvas

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*“All things come from you,
O Lord, and of your own
have we given you.”
1 Chronicles 29:14*

The Every Member Canvass invites us to consider how we Pray, Serve and Give as part of raising up a *Servant Church in the Heart of the City*. We give in thanksgiving for all that God has given us and to share our gifts with others. Thank you to those who have already made a pledge to financially support the Cathedral in 2018. If you have not yet made your pledge, you can do so by returning your pledge card to the Cathedral office (by mail or in the Sunday offering plate)

or online at kccathedral.org/stewardship. We will dedicate pledges during services November 19.

Sunday Family Dinner

Sunday, November 19

11:30 a.m. ✦ Founders' Hall

We gather as a church family in thanksgiving for the shared ministry of the Cathedral and to pledge our time, talent and treasure for the coming year at Sunday Family Dinner Sunday, November 19.

You are invited to join us for this time of celebration and fellowship. The meal will be provided.



Vestry Nominations Sought

At the Annual Meeting of the congregation on January 28, 2018, four 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. Meetings are held ten times per year, usually on the fourth Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. Regular attendance is essential. Vestry members will also be expected to serve on at least one committee or Strategic Plan workgroup.

Nominees for Vestry must be committed parishioners who:

- regularly attend Sunday Eucharist;
- participate in the life of the parish; and
- have been pledging members of the Cathedral for at least six months prior to the election.

If you would like to nominate yourself or another parishioner, you may submit that person's name via email to vestry@kccathedral.org no later than November 24, 2017. (Before nominating someone else, please discuss the matter with that person first.) The nominating committee will evaluate potential candidates and publish a slate in late November.

Brahms' Requiem: An Ecumenical Learning Session

Wednesday, November 1 ✦ 6:30 p.m.

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

Join a distinguished panel for an ecumenical evening of scripture and music. The event is free and open to the public. The Kansas City Symphony and Chorus will be performing *A German Requiem* by Johannes Brahms on November 3, 4 and 5. Instead of traditional texts for a Requiem Mass, Brahms chose passages from Martin Luther's translation of the Bible. Learn about the music, the words and biblical art at this special presentation.

Frank Byrne, Executive Director of the Kansas City Symphony, will be a special guest. You will hear pre-recorded excerpts of the *Requiem* along with an explanation of the musical elements. Fr. Paul Turner will be speaking on requiems in the Catholic tradition. Dr. James Brandt will discuss the Luther Bible. Cathedral parishioner Dr. Douglas McNair will speak about the Saint John's Bible.

If you would like to receive a discounted ticket (\$36) to hear the live performance of *A German Requiem* at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 5, visit ksymphony.org and enter the discount code BRAHMS.





New Directory

In the next few weeks, we will be putting together a new Membership Directory for the Cathedral. If your contact information is not current, please update it no later than October 30. You may email the office, office@kccathedral.org, update it in the book on the usher's table in the back of the Nave or by visiting kccathedral.org and clicking on the "Update your contact information" link in the middle of the home page.

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

The Very Rev. Peter DeVeau, *Dean*

The Rev. Canon Evelyn Hornaday, *Subdean*

The Rev. Canon Christy Dorn, *Associate*

The Rev. Jerry Grabher, *Deacon*

The Rev. Jim Robertson, *Deacon*

Dr. Paul Meier, *Director of Music*

Linda Martin, *Children's Music Director*

Julie Brogno, *Children's and Family Ministry*

Alexandra Connors, *Youth Minister*

Marco Serrano, *Young Adult Coordinator*

Joan Bock, *Nursery Manager/On-Site Wedding Coordinator*

Julie Toma, *Cathedral Administrator*

Melissa Scheffler, *Communications Coordinator*

Richard Wolf, *Finance Manager*

Janet Sweeting, *Office Assistant*

Sharon Sprague, *Sacristan*

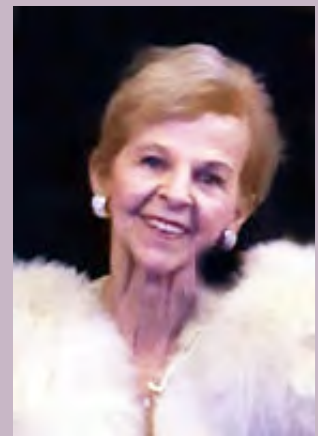
Angie Graham, *Property Manager*

Mike Guidry, *Assistant Property Manager*



The Cathedral has been a sponsor for ten years of the Interfaith Project called "The House of Abraham." Christians, Muslims and Jews work and sponsor the renovation or building of a Habitat for Humanity home with a deserving family.

This year's ground breaking for our 7th House of Abraham occurred Sunday, October 15. Junior Warden Terri Curran presented our sponsorship check at the occasion. Larry Ehren is co-chair of the efforts this year.



Elizabeth Hard-Simms received the Kansas City Ballet Guild's annual Pirouette Award at their recent Diamond Ball. Simms was co-chair of the first Kansas City Ballet Ball in 1968 and the founder of the former Westport Ballet School.

Current event chair Melanie Fenske said, "She's a former dancer and she's done a lot of other things to contribute to the ballet, so it seemed like a good time to honor her."