GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
NOVEMBER 27, 2022 • 5 P.M.

"The Two Women at the Mill" by James Tissot
Welcome! We are glad you are here.

- If you are a visitor or new attendee, we invite you to fill out a welcome card, found in your pew, and place it in the offering plate or complete the form online. Use this QR code to access the form.
- If you need a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher.
- Restrooms are available in Founders’ Hall. A changing station is available in the restroom at west end (rear) of the Cathedral.

Service Notes

- Page numbers listed are from The Book of Common Prayer.
- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
- Donations may be placed in the offering, made through the Cathedral website: kccathedral.org, by scanning the QR code to the right or by texting “GIVEmOTHC” to 73256. Thank you for your generosity.

Holy Eucharist

Voluntary: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

Johann Sebastian Bach

The Order for Evening

* Opening Acclamation

Presider

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we give you thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of the vesper light; and we implore you of your great mercy that, as you enfold us with the radiance of this light, so you would shine into our hearts the brightness of your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* Prayer for Light

Presider

Let us pray.

* O Gracious Light Phos hilaron: 25

The Word of God

* Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Isaiah 2:1–5

Lector The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come
the mountain of the Lord’s house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.
Many peoples shall come and say,
‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.’
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.
Psalm 122

Cantor
I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

All
Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself;
To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord.
For there are the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.
Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers.
For my brethren and companions' sake, I pray for your prosperity.
Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do you good."

Second Lesson: Romans 13:11-14

Lector
You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.

People
Thanks be to God.

* Alleluia Verse Cantor; then People

Cantor
Show us your mercy, O Lord; and grant us your salvation.

All repeat the three alleluias.
*The Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44*

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

People  
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller  
Jesus said to the disciples, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People  
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Sermon*

*The 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, Form VI

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
For all people in their daily life and work;
People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;
People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;
People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Diane our Bishop Provisional; and for all bishops and other ministers;
People For all who serve God in the Church.

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence The People may add their own petitions silently or aloud.

Intercessor Hear us Lord;
People For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
Silence The People may add their own thanksgivings silently or aloud.

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;
People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
Silence The People may add their own petitions silently or aloud.

Intercessor Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;
People Who put their trust in you.

Intercessor We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
Silence
All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presider concludes with an absolution.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

* The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Celebration Prayer

Those celebrating anniversaries of birth, marriage, and other joyous occasions are invited to stand or raise a hand as able.

All O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Stewardship Prayer

All Almighty, ever loving and giving God, from whom comes every good and healthful gift, help us through our faithful stewardship to acknowledge that all things come of you, and to learn that it is in giving that we receive; give us grateful hearts and help us to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus creating a good foundation so that we may take hold of the life that really is life. Guide us and strengthen us as we make our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral for the spread of your kingdom; all of which we ask in the name of your greatest gift, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2
* Offertory Hymn: 73 “The King shall come when morning dawns”

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859–1925), alt.

* The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

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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.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:
S124: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus


All

Presider

All

Presider

All

AMEN.
Presider    And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,
S119: The Lord’s Prayer

All


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. Intinction of wafers is offered, if desired. For gluten-free bread, cross your hands palms down.
For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.

* Postcommunion Prayer

Presider
Let us pray.

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

Presider
May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord’s face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May the Lord’s countenance be lifted up to you, and give you peace.
And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

* Dismissal

Presider
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People
Thanks be to God.
* Closing Hymn: 68 “Rejoice, rejoice, believers”

Words: Laurentius Laurentii (1660–1722); tr. Sarah B. Findlater (1823–1907), alt.
Music: Llangloffan, melody from Hymnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghymru, 1865. All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

Voluntary: Nun komm der heiden Heiland, BWV 660

Johann Sebastian Bach

Serving Today

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Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for: Troy, Aiden, and William; Kiah & Johnathan McDaniel; Thaddeus Withers; Johnathan; Marie Kissenger; Joseph York; Doris Biellier; Joanne Repass Jones; Pat Miller; Pat & Larry Martin; Joe Finnie; Tracy Johnson; Elvin Bush; Kemarr Diamond; Peggy Morgan; Jan Frizzle; Jim Nash; Carolyn Brown; Brend & Lilliana; David H; The Rev Kay Bowman–Harvey (Miami OK); Peggy & Ralph Wallace; Dana Porter; Norma Smith; Willard Welch; Pat Leive; Charlotte Colburn; Chris Kemper; Dan Chase; James Hyatt; Joslyn Dawson; John Miller; Missy; Jim Royer; Craig Hager; Dennis & Kathy Meehan; Jean Rau; Emily, Leo & Henry; Joyce Denton; Willard Welch; Amy and Miguel; Kay Cook; Jim & Phyllis Shaffner; Allie Powers & family; Sally Livengood; Joyce Sweeting; all those affected by recent hurricanes; the people of Ukraine; Andrew Rowland; all families affected by gun violence

Comfort and Peace: the Mauro family; the Hamilton family; the Mason family; the Wheeler family; the With family; the Norris & Welch family; the Grabher family; the Brown family; the Pendleton family; the Eilers family; the Brock family; the Burstert family; the Lagergren family

Children’s Prayers: Prayers for the victims and families of Club Q; That we all stay warm and have a happy Thanksgiving!

For the complete prayer list: kccathedral.org/prayers.
To place a person on this prayer list, please contact Deacon Barbara Wegener, bwegener@kccathedral.org.
Requests are held in prayer for 90 days.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

November 27
Isaac Epley
RoseLee Harrison
Carolyn McLeroy
Stephanie Newton

November 29
Eddie Carter
George Helmkamp
Ann & Milt Tootle

November 30
Nicole Winney Williams
Chris & Peggy Morgan
Nan & Paul Schooling

December 1
Zachary Ryder

December 2
Doug Curran

December 3
Shea Spoonhour

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

To help provide flowers for upcoming services, contact Julie Toma, jtoma@kccathedral.org.

Today’s Flowers

are given to the Glory of God and …

• in celebration for the life of Phyllis Ryder—the Ryder family
• in memory of Al Mauro Sr.—by his family

Gifts for Christmas Flowers and Greens

Flowers and Greens will once again adorn the Cathedral as part of our celebrations. Your gift in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one helps provide festive decorations for Christmas Eve through The Feast of the Epiphany. You can donate online from our website or mail your donation to the Cathedral office. For more information, contact Julie Toma, jtoma@kccathedral.org.
**Adults**

**Sunday**

**Journeying the Way of Love**

Sundays, November 27–December 11

9:15 a.m. • Common Room/Zoom

For the season of Advent, Journeying the Way of Love offers four sessions to be explored as we await the coming of Christ by moving through the first two chapters of the Gospel of Luke. Luke’s gospel provides a pattern for understanding how we can live the Way of Love as individuals, as families and friends, as a community and out in the world. Participants are encouraged to read and reflect on these passages in Luke throughout the season of Advent and “try on” the spiritual practices of the Way of Love. To accompany this curriculum, participants should stop by the Advent Resources table and pick up a copy of the Journeying the Way of Love Advent Calendar, which offers daily suggestions for engaging in the seven practices that encompass the Way of Love. When the group gathers each week, participants will reflect with one another on how they experienced taking up the practices in the calendar. This class will be led by Dean Andy and Canon Ryan.

**Tuesday**

**GHTC’s Virtual Cafe • 7:30 a.m.**

Please join us for our weekly conversation in GHTC’s Virtual Cafe! Tuesday mornings from 7:30–9 a.m. For details, visit kccathedral.org/other-activities.

**Women’s Bible Study • 12:30 p.m.**

Our current study series is Hebrews: Grace and Gratitude by David DeSilva. For Advent we’ll be reading God is With Us by Robin Wilson. Visit the WBS page, kccathedral.org/adultformation/wbs for more information.

**Lectionary Bible Study • 6:45 p.m.**

We study the lessons for the upcoming Sunday. Join the Lectionary Bible Study group in Realm or visit the LBS page, kccathedral.org/adultformation/lbs for more details.

**Youth, College & YA**

**Call for Christmas Pageant Readers!**

Pageant is on December 24 at 5p.m

Readers will need to arrive at 4:30p.m

Email Clare (cstern@kccathedral.org) if you would like to be a reader.

**INTERFAITH NEIGHBORING**

*What does it mean to love my neighbor who has a different belief than my own?*

“Differences are not intended to separate, to alienate. We are different precisely in order to realize our need of one another.”

Archbishop Desmond Tutu

**Youth Fall Formation Series**

Sundays

9:15 a.m.

Haden Hall

Youth Room

**Hunger for the Gospel**

Where the odds are in your favor!

Wednesdays

6 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
Collections

Collection: Gallon Jugs

The children’s department is gathering plastic one-gallon jugs for an Advent object lesson. Thanks to those who have brought in jugs. We still need 95 to complete our project. You can leave the gallon jugs in Founders’ Hall. Please ensure that the jugs are cleaned, dried and the caps are left off.

Children

Formation Class • 9:15 a.m.

Children are invited into a time of dynamic storytelling that communicates the story of the people of God and the liturgy of the church.

3rd–5th Graders: Time to build up our faith! Children’s Formation proudly presents—Lego Bible Study. We look at scripture readings and then show what we have learned through Legos. After the work is done, we will post our videos on kccathedral.org. Join us November 6 through December 18 at 9:15 in Haden Hall for fellowship and fun, with a side of learning.

Cathedral Kids • 10:30 a.m.

Cathedral Kids meets during the first half of the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Children attending Cathedral Kids will meet their parents or guardians inside the tower doors during the passing of the peace.

Questions? Contact Brittany, childrensformation@kccathedral.org.
Advent

Assembling Treat Bags for Crittenton Kids
Sunday, November 27 • 9 a.m.
November 27, the first Sunday of Advent, there will be an opportunity to pack treat bags between services in Founders’ Hall for children in foster care at Crittenton for their annual Holiday party.

Advent Workshop
Sunday, November 27 • 11:45 a.m.
All are invited to the Advent Workshop Sunday, November 27 during the 10:30 coffee hour in Founders’ Hall. We will be making Advent candle holders and/or an Advent countdown chain.

Interfaith Series
Thursdays, December 1, 8, 15 & 22 • 7 p.m.
Featuring texts from the Tanakh, Qur’an and Christian Scriptures. Contact Kari O’Rourke, kari.stmhp@gmail.com, for the Zoom link.

The Nativity Puppets
Friday, December 2 • 10 a.m. & 7 p.m.; Saturday, December 3 • 2 & 5 p.m.; Sunday, December 4 • 2 p.m.
This celebrated annual spectacle comes alive with larger than life, seven-foot puppets and live voices, singers, and musicians for this classic enactment. For showtimes, details and to purchase tickets, visit nativitypuppets.org.

Advent Lessons & Carols
Sunday, December 4 • 5 p.m.
The Cathedral will offer its sixth annual service of Advent Lessons and Carols. This service of Bible readings and music provides an opportunity for spiritual reflection and preparation as we anticipate the joy of Christmas and the hope of Christ’s return. This event is free.

The Kansas City Chorale Presents Benedict Sheehan’s A Christmas Carol
Friday, December 9 • 7:30 p.m.
Grammy-nominated composer Benedict Sheehan has created a concert-length story score that weaves familiar Christmas carols and a choral orchestration into the fabric of the Dickens story. For tickets and more information visit, kcchorale.org/concerts.

Altar Guild Workday
Saturday, December 10 • 9 a.m.
Altar Guild members are invited to prepare for Christmas services.

Women of Grace Luncheon
Saturday, December 10 • 10 a.m.
Saturday, December 10 the women of GHTC will be invited to a luncheon in Haden Hall to pack treat bags for the BackSnack children and children in residence at Crittenton. If you are interested in attending please contact Terri Curran, tcurra2@yahoo.com, for a correct lunch count. If you haven’t donated socks for the homeless, please bring them to the luncheon.

Packing BackSnack Family Bags
Sunday, December 11 • 9 a.m.
Sunday, December 11, family bags for BackSnack children will be assembled between services in Haden Hall.

William Jewell College Presents The City Come Again
Monnday, December 12 • 11:30 a.m.
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. This event is free.

Bishop’s Visitation
Sunday, December 18
Bishop Diane Bruce will be visiting the Cathedral Sunday, December 18. She will be presiding and preaching at all three services. Bishop Diane will host a Bishop’s Q & A at 9:15 a.m. in Founders’ Hall.

The William Baker Singers Presents Candlelight, Carols & Cathedral
Sunday, December 18 • 2 p.m.
The William Baker Festival Singers, conducted by William Baker, join with Canon Musician Emeritus John Schaefer and the Raymore-Peculiar High School Treble Chamber Choir, Stephen Rew director, to present this annual concert of beloved carols and traditional classics. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at eventbrite.com.