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May you find here, by God’s grace, that which feeds your soul, and leave here with a heart prepared to serve.
Service Notes

- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
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The Word of God

* Opening Hymn: 59 “Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding”

Words: Latin, ca. 6th cent.; tr. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861, alt.

* Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Presider

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.
* S86 Kyrie Eleison


* Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Isaiah 11:1–10

Lector A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.
The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.
The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.  
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder’s den.  
They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord  
as the waters cover the sea.  
On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and  
his dwelling shall be glorious.  
The Word of the Lord.

People  Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72:1–7, 18–19 sung by the choir; chant by Stephen Elvey

Give the King your justice, O God, *  
and your righteousness to the King’s Son;  
That he may rule your people righteously *  
and the poor with justice;  
That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *  
and the little hills bring righteousness.  
He shall defend the needy among the people; *  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.  
He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *  
from one generation to another.  
He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *  
like showers that water the earth.  
In his time shall the righteous flourish; *  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.  
Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, *  
who alone does wondrous deeds!  
And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *  
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.  

Second Lesson: Romans 15:4–13  

Lector  Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and  
by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and  
courage grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so  
that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you  
that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he  
might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God  
for his mercy. As it is written,
“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”;

and again he says,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”;

and again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”;

and again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.”

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

* GOSPEL HYMN: 64 “O heavenly Word, eternal Light”

1 O heavenly Word, eternal Light, begotten
2 pour light upon us from above, and fire our
3 and when, as judge, thou drawest nigh the secrets
4 O let us not, for evil past, be driven
5 To God the Father, God the Son, and God the

1 of the Father’s might, who in these latter days wast
2 hearts with ardent love, that, as we hear thy truth to
3 of our hearts to try, to compensate each hidden
4 from thy face at last, but with thy saints for ever
5 Spirit, ever One, praise, honor, might, and glory

1 born for blessing to a world forborn;
2 day, all wrong desires may burn a way;
3 sin and bid the saints their reign be gin;
4 more be hold thee, love thee, and adore.
5 be from age to age eternally.
The Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:1–12

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.’”

Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

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.
People For all people in their daily life and work;
Intercessor For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
People For this community, the nation, and the world;
Intercessor For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
People For the just and proper use of your creation;
Intercessor For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
People For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
Intercessor For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
People For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
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.

Parents with children in Cathedral Kids are invited to meet their child at the Tower door.

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 Anthem: “Watchman, tell us of the night”

Watchman, tell us of the night, what its signs of promise are. Traveler, o’er yon mountain’s height: see that glory-beaming star.

Watchman, does its beauteous ray Aught of joy or hope foretell? Traveler, yes; it brings the day, promised day of Israel.

Watchman, tell us of the night; higher yet that star ascends. Traveler, blessedness and light, peace and truth its course portends.

Watchman, will its beams alone gild the spot that gave them birth? Traveler, ages are its own; see, it bursts o’er all the earth.

Watchman, tell us of the night, for the morning seems to dawn. Traveler, darkness takes its flight; doubt and terror are withdrawn.

Watchman, let thy wand’rings cease; hie thee to thy quiet home. Traveler, lo! The Prince of Peace, Lo, the Son of God is come!

—Text by John Bowring
* Presentation Hymn: 54 “Savior of the nations, come!”

1 Savior of the nations, come! Vir-gin’s
2 Won-drous birth! Oh, won-drous child of the
3 Thus on earth the Word ap-pear,s, grace-ing
4 Come, O Fa-ther’s sav-ing Son, who o’er

Son, make here your home. Mar-vel now, both
Vir-gin un-de-filed! Might-y God and
his cre-a-ted spheres; hence to death and
sin the vic-tory won. Bound-less shall your

heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.
Ma-ry’s son, ea-ger now his race to run!
hell de-scends, then the heaven-ly throne a-scends.
king-dom be; grant that we its glo-ries see.


* The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

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:

All

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

Presider  We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All  We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

Presider  And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_________ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All  AMEN.

Presider  And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All  Our Father, who art in heaven,  
    hallowed be thy Name,  
    thy kingdom come,  
    thy will be done,  
    on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
    as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
    and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.
* Breaking of the Bread

Presider  Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People  Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

S161: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei


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.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.
1. Isaiah the prophet has written of old how God's earthly kingdom shall come. Instead of the thorn tree the conflict turns parent from child.

2. Yet nations still prey on the meek of the world. And Your people spoil all the fir tree shall grow; the wolf shall lie down with the lamb. The sweetness of earth; the brier and the thorn grow wild.

**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 Following the dismissal,**

**People**
Thanks be to God.

**Closing Hymn: 65 “Prepare the way, O Zion”**

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December 4, 2022 – Advent 2 (A)
Second Week of Advent: Journeying with Family and Friends

As we continue our Advent walk, we invite you to see the Way of Love as a journey that can expand to include family and friends. Mary said “yes” to the call to birth Jesus, God’s Word, into the world and immediately went in haste to share her good news with her cousin, Elizabeth—a four-day journey into the Judean hills. Isn’t that what happens when we hear good news? We are driven to go and tell others. The Way of Love is good news that demands to be shared.

For more Advent resources related to the Way of Love, visit episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove. There, you’ll find links to the full Advent curriculum Journeying the Way of Love, as well as Living the Way of Love in Community, a nine-session curriculum for use anytime.

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Sunday, December 4

WORSHIP
Read Luke 3:1-6. How does the story of John the Baptist fill your heart with hope?

Monday, December 5

GO
Read or watch your local news. Ask God to open your heart and eyes to ways you can promote reconciliation and healing in your community.

Tuesday, December 6

LEARN
Read Luke 1:45. Share your faith story with one new person this week. It can be someone you have known for a while who has not heard the faith part of your story.

Wednesday, December 7

PRAY
Pray along with the Collect for Advent 2, found on page 211 of The Book of Common Prayer: As you are out and about for the rest of this week, notice the people you pass. Ask God to bless them in their lives and work. See how this changes the way you go about your week.

Thursday, December 8

BLESS
Call or write a letter to a family member with whom you would like to have a closer relationship. Make plans in the new year to chat on the phone or meet over Zoom or in person. Let them know how much you love them and look forward to knowing them better.

Friday, December 9

TURN
Where did you struggle this week? Do you have amends or apologies or adjustments you need to make? Ask God to open your heart and mind to those opportunities for reconciliation and growth. Thank God for the gifts of mercy and love, and the courage to make the changes necessary. And then do your best, with God’s help, to make those changes.

Saturday, December 10

REST
Set aside 30 minutes to spend in silence with your best friend today. Sure, it may feel a little weird to be silent on the phone or while sitting next to each other on the couch or across the table. Just give it a try. Make sure to set aside time after your silence to pray for each other and to say thanks for the time of rest.
**Cathedral Prayer List**

**Pray for:** Linda Aguilar, 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 Shaffer; Allie Powers & family; Sally Livengood; 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:** Thankful for a good meal to share with family and friends; For all people to be able to go to school; For people to love each other and have consideration for others; Extended family visit; Preaching goes well; Puppy & Lilly

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**

**December 4**  
Hampton Hubbard  
Sarah Lagergren  
Johnathan Michka

**December 5**  
Bobby Brown  
Brend Eichman

**December 7**  
Gordon Hansen  
Bill McCandless

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

**December 8**  
Bailey Darr

**December 9**  
Nick Douthat  
Craig Heslop  
Meribeth Risebig

**December 10**  
Luca Janky

Today’s Flowers are given to the Glory of God and ...

• in loving memory of John Brown—Peg Brown

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

**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, through 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 5pm
Readers will need to arrive at 4:30pm

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

College and Young Adults

Board Games and Hot Cocoa Night

Thursday December 22
Founders Hall
6-8 p.m.
Cocoa, dinner, board games provided, laughter and good cheer added bonus!

Youth Group: The Wednesday evening Youth Group gatherings will be on hiatus from December 14 through January 4. Youth Group will resume January 11.

The Cathedral office will be closed Dec. 23 and 26–27 for the Christmas holiday.
Coffee with the Canon

Let's get to know each other! Canon Ryan would like to buy you a beverage at the establishment of your choice, to chat about serious stuff, trivial stuff, religious stuff or personal stuff. Book a time at kccathedral.org/canon.

Collection: Gallon Jugs

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Advent Lessons & Carols
Today, 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.

Interfaith Series
Thursdays, December 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 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 move 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 • 10:30 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
Monday, 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.

Christmas Services
Saturday, December 24, 5 p.m.
Christmas Eve (with Nativity Pageant)
Bishop Diane will be with us.

Saturday, December 24, 10 p.m.
Christmas Eve
Traditional, familiar carols and service music will be featured.

Sunday, December 25, 10 a.m.
Christmas Day
This service includes carols and organ music.