Advent Lessons & Carols
Grace and Holy Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

Sunday, December 4
Service Notes: Hymn numbers are from The Hymnal 1982, unless otherwise noted.

Voluntary: Nun komm der heiden Heiland, BWV 659

Johann Sebastian Bach

Matin Responsory

I look from afar:
And lo, I see the power of God coming,
and a cloud covering the whole earth.
Go ye out to meet him and say:
Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?
High and low, rich and poor, one with another,
Go ye out to meet him and say:
Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel,
Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep,
Tell us, art thou he that should come?

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come:
To reign over thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
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Carol “Come, thou redeemer of the earth” verse 1: choir; verses 2–4: all

Beloved in Christ, in this season of Advent, let it be our care and delight to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the Angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem, to see the Babe lying in a manger.

Let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious Redemption brought us by his holy Child; and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise.

But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world; for peace and goodwill over all the earth; for the mission and unity of the Church for which he died, and especially in this country and within this city.

And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us at this time remember in his name the poor and the helpless; the hungry and the oppressed; the sick and those who mourn; the lonely and the unloved; the aged and the little children; and all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love.

Lastly, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven, in the words which Christ himself has taught us:

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.

The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and into the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. Amen.
Lesson 1: Genesis 3:1–22, Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden of Eden

Reader

A reading from Genesis.

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."

He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."

The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

To the woman he said, "I will greatly increase your pangs in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you."

And to the man he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree about which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

The man named his wife Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

And the Lord God made garments of skins for the man and for his wife, and clothed them.

Then the Lord God said, "See, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever."

Thanks be to God.
Lesson 2: Isaiah 40:1–11, God comforts his people and calls on them to prepare for redemption.

Reader A reading from Isaiah.

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord’s hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: “In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.” A voice says, “Cry out!” And I said, “What shall I cry?” All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever.

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, “Here is your God!” See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Thanks be to God.
Lesson 3: Baruch 4:36–5:9, The Scribe Baruch urges the people to look East because salvation is at hand.

Reader A reading from Baruch.

Look toward the east, O Jerusalem,
and see the joy that is coming to you from God.
Look, your children are coming, whom you sent away;
they are coming, gathered from east and west,
at the word of the Holy One,
rejoicing in the glory of God.

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem,
and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God.
Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God;
put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting;
for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven.
For God will give you evermore the name,
“Righteous Peace, Godly Glory.”

Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height;
look toward the east,
and see your children gathered from west and east
at the word of the Holy One,
rejoicing that God has remembered them.
For they went out from you on foot,
led away by their enemies;
but God will bring them back to you,
carried in glory, as on a royal throne.
For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low
and the valleys filled up, to make level ground,
so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God.
The woods and every fragrant tree
have shaded Israel at God’s command.
For God will lead Israel with joy,
in the light of his glory,
with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Thanks be to God.

Carol: Wonder, Love, and Praise 724 “People, look East”

1. People, look East. The time is near of the crowning of the
2. Fears, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, guard the nest that must be
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall
5. Angels, announce with shouts of mirth Christ who brings new life to

1. Year. Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the
2. there: give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flour may
3. filled. Even the hour when wings are frozen God for fledgling time has
4. brim, shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon to
5. earth. Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is

1. table. People, look East and sing today: Love the guest is on the way.
2. flour-ish. People, look East and sing to-day: Love the rose is on the way.
3. cho- sen. People, look East and sing to-day: Love the bird is on the way.
4. geth-er. People, look East and sing to-day: Love the star is on the way.
5. com-ing. People, look East and sing to-day: Love the Lord is on the way.
Lesson 4: Isaiah 7:10–15, God promises that a child shall be conceived who will be known as “God with us.”

Reader  

A reading from Isaiah.

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven.

But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test.

Then Isaiah said: “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also?

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn: 56 “O come, O come, Emmanuel”

Lesson 5: Zephaniah 3:14–18, The Lord will be among us; we are summoned to rejoice and sing.

Reader
A reading from Zephaniah.

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;
shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem!
The Lord has taken away the judgments against you,
he has turned away your enemies.
The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;
you shall fear disaster no more.
On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Do not fear, O Zion;
do not let your hands grow weak.
The Lord, your God, is in your midst,
a warrior who gives victory;
he will rejoice over you with gladness,
he will renew you in his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing
as on a day of festival.
I will remove disaster from you,
so that you will not bear reproach for it.

Thanks be to God.

Carol: “E’en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come”

Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!

E’en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

—text: adapted from Revelation 22 by Ruth Manz
Lesson 6: Luke 1:26–56, The Angel Gabriel announces to the Virgin Mary that she will bear the Son of the Most High.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. And he came to her and said, “Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.” But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.” Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.”

And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.” And Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

Thanks be to God.
CAROL: “Ave maris stella”

Ave, maris stella,
Dei mater alma,
atque semper virgo,
felix cali porta.

Solve vincla reis,
profer lumen caecis,
mala nostra pelle,
bona cuncta posce.

Vitam praesta puram,
iter para tutum,
ut videntes Jesum
semper collatemur.

Sit laus Deo Patri,
summo Christo decus,
Spiritui Sancto
tribus honor unus. Amen.

Hail, star of the sea,
Dear mother of God
And always a virgin,
The blessed gate of heaven.

Loose the chains from sinners,
Hold out light to the blind,
Drive our ills away,
Ask all good things for us.

Grant us a pure life,
Prepare the way to you,
So that, seeing Jesus,
We may always rejoice with you.

Praise be to God the Father,
Glory to Christ on high,
And to the Holy Spirit --
One honor to the three.

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VESPER RESPONSORY

Officiant Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be dismayed;
Choir Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.
Officiant Stand ye still, and ye shall see the salvation of the Lord.
Choir Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.
Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
Choir Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.

COLLECT

Officiant We wait for your loving kindness, O Lord,
People In the midst of your temple.
Officiant 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.

BLESSING
**Hymn: 57 “Lo! he comes, with clouds descending”**

1. Lo! he comes, with clouds descending, once for all to Judah's King; 
   Ye nations, make the scene resounding, with your deep, adoring cry.

2. Every eye shall now behold him, robed in the purple gay; 
   Dreadful majesty; those who set at naught and sold him, pierc'd and nailed him to the tree.

3. Those dear tokens of his passion still his throne; Savior, take the train: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
   Our salvation slain; thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his power and glory; claim the kingdom for thine own: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

4. Ye men! let all adore thee, high on thine external throne; Savior, take the train: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
   Al-le-lu-ia! Christ the Lord returns to reign.


**Voluntary: “Le monde dans l'attente du Sauveur” (The World awaiting the Savior)**

from Symphonie-Passion, op. 23  
Marcel Dupré

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**Serving Today**

**Officials**  
The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse, The Rev. Canon Ryan Wiksell

**Musicians**  
The Trinity Choir, Dr. Bill McCandless, Dr. Paul Meier

**Lectors**  
Janet Sweeting, George Helmkamp, Chip Buckner, The Rev. Barbara Wegener

**Acolyte**  
Ric Sweeting

**Livestreaming Team**  
Chris Morrison
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 Meihan; 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.

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

December 8
Bailey Darr

December 9
Nick Douthat
Craig Heslop
Meribeth Risebig

December 10
Luca Janky

• 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.

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**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.

**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.**
Announcements

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

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

Don’t miss the Bishop’s visitation! She will be at all three services Sunday, Dec. 18.

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.

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Advent

The Nativity Puppets
Today, 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 details and to purchase tickets, visit nativitypuppets.org.

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.