Welcome! We are glad you are here.

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Service Notes

- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
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Holy Eucharist

Voluntary: Prelude in D major, BWV 532/1

The Word of God

* Opening Hymn: 214 “Hail the day that sees him rise”

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.

* Song of Praise: S278 “Glory to God” Gloria in excelsis


* Outstanding page: 355
* Collect of the Day

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

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Acts 1:6–14

Lector When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 68:1–10, 33–36 sung by the choir, chant by Samuel Wesley

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.
Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.
Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
Yahweh is his Name, rejoice before him!
Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!
God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry places.
O God, when you went forth before your people, *
when you marched through the wilderness,
The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
Your people found their home in it; *
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
sing praises to the Lord.
He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
Ascribe power to God; *
his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.
How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God!

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 4:12–14; 5:6–11

Lector  Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ’s sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time.

Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

People  Thanks be to God.
1. No saint on earth lives life to self alone
   or dies alone, for we with Christ are one.

   So if we live, for Christ alone we live,
   and if we die, to Christ our dying give.

   In living and in dying this confess:
   we are the Lord's, safe in God's faithfulness.

2. For to this end our Lord by death was slain,
   that to new life he might arise again.

   Through sorrow on to triumph Christ has led,
   and reigns o'er all: the living and the dead.

   In living and in dying, him we bless.
   We are the Lord's, safe in God's faithfulness.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

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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 III

Intercessor  Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
People       That we all may be one.

Intercessor  Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
People       That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor  We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
People       That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Intercessor  We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
People       That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor  Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
People       That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor  Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
People       That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor  Give to the departed eternal rest.  
People       Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor  We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
People       May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Intercessor  Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.
Commissioning of a Verger

THE PRESENTATION

The Dean addresses the congregation

Dear friends in Christ, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good and the edification of the Church. We are here to commission Glen in the Name of God and of this congregation to a special ministry to which he has been called.

The candidate may now be presented.

Presenter

Very Reverend Sir, I present to you Glen Wesner to be commissioned as a verger in Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral.

Dean

Do you believe his manner of life to be suitable to the exercise of this ministry?

Presenter

We believe him to be well qualified for this ministry.

THE EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Dean

Has the person you presented been prepared for his office by a commitment to Christ our Lord, by regular attendance at worship, by the knowledge of his duties, all to execute the office of Verger to the honor of God and the welfare of God’s Church?

Presenter

We believe his to be so.

Dean

Glen, the tradition of the Church requires all persons appointed as Verger to bind themselves to a faithful performance of their duties by making a solemn declaration. Are you prepared to do so now?

Candidate

I am.

Dean

You have been called to the ministry of verger at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral. Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with diligence?

Candidate

I will.

Dean

Will you strive to maintain the dignity of this office and to be a witness of God’s call to love and serve?

Candidate

I will.

Dean

Will you respect and be guided by the pastoral direction and leadership of your clergy.

Candidate

I will.

Dean

Will those present do all in your power to support and uphold this person in the ministry of verger?

People

We will.

Dean

V. Do not be negligent, for you have been chosen to stand in the Lord’s presence as a servant.

Candidate

R. I am a servant of God. Grant me humility, that I may know God’s decrees.
Let us pray.

Everlasting God, bless the ministry of Glen, give him understanding and patience to persevere in the fulfillment of his duties; and strengthen us all in our Christian vocation of witness to the world, and the service of others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Commissioning

(blessing the Virge)

Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, bless, hallow, and sanctify this symbol of the office of verger. May it signify to us the holiness of worship, and our calling to serve you faithfully and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(touching the gown):

Glen, accept this vestment and let it be worn with humility in the service of Christ in his church, and accept these emblems of your ministry in this place and let them be signs of your commitment shared with other vergers in this Communion.

VGEC Representatives:

Glen, accept this certificate, and let it be a reminder of the love and support of your colleagues in the Vergers’ Guild of the Episcopal Church as you begin your new ministry.

Dean

In the Name of God and of this Congregation, I commission you to serve as verger in this Cathedral parish. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you from this day forward. Amen.

* The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements

Celebration Prayer

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.
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: “God is gone up”

God is gone up with a merry noise and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.  
O sing praises, sing praises unto our God.  O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.  
For God is the King of all the earth.  O S i n g ye praises with understanding.  
Amen.  
—text: Psalm 46:5-7

* Presentation Hymn: 205 “Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!”

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:

Presider

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All  
Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.

Presider  
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.  
Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.  
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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. 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  
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.

— From The Prayer Book for the Armed Services


Postcommunion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

People: Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.
* Sending Hymn: 460 “Alleluia! sing to Jesus”

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the
#2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the
#5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the
4 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of
5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how; though the
3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day; In - ter -
4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -
5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
1 songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of every
2 cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o’er, shall our hearts forget his
3 intercessor, friend of sinners, earth’s Redeemer, where the songs of all the
4 in the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and
5 songs of holy Zion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of every

Voluntary: Fugue in D major, BWV 532/2
Johann Sebastian Bach


Serving Today

Presider & Preacher  The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Deacon  The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Musicians  The Trinity Choir, Dr. Paul Meier
Lector  LeeAnne Hays
Intercessor  Abbey Mattson
Verger  Glen Wesner
Verger Presenters  Charles Shipley, Paula Carnegie, Terri Wesner
Eucharistic Ministers  Peter Fortner, Bob Johnson
Acolytes  Nick Bennett, Henry Galus
Ushers  Bill Colvin, Richard Fanolio, Bob Bennett, John
Greeters  Braum Jeri Gore, Kay Sloan
Altar Guild  Peg Brown, Debbie Marrs, Leticia Porter
Livestreaming  Janet Sweeting, Curtis Hamilton
Children’s Ministry  Bethany Zaiger, Brittany Sparrow Savage
Hospitality - Holy Hands  Julie Brogno, Sara Copeland, Becky Johnson, Sarah Lagergren
What is a Verger?

Strange sounding word — what does it mean? A unique, front-line lay ministry in the Anglican Communion, and the Episcopal Church. The Office of Verger dates from the 16th century. Then, as the Protector of the Procession, the Verger led the way for the church procession from the Vestry* around the church into the front doors, clearing a pathway with his virge through the crowds of people and animals. As the first person in procession, he cleared the way for the Thurifer, Crucifer, Acolytes, Choir, and Clergy by swinging his virge**.

The original responsibilities of a verger included preparation for liturgy, order and upkeep of the house of worship, grave digging, building/grounds maintenance, and conduct of the laity.

The Verger today is a lay assistant to the clergy, reporting directly to the clergy and carrying out a liturgical style directed by the clergy. This assistance extends to the Altar Guild, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers, Lay Readers, and other lay participants of the liturgy.

This ministry is experiencing a revival in the Episcopal Church today. In essence, a Verger is a committed lay minister within the local congregation who assists the clergy in the conduct of public worship, in either a purely ceremonial fashion or in additional administrative responsibilities.

Differing from the Church of England, where Vergers are often full-time paid employees of the Church, American vergers are more often than not volunteers with a special calling to the ordering and conduct of the Church’s liturgy. Clergy throughout the Church have come to appreciate the Ministry of Vergers within their congregations. Vergers can relieve the clergy of the burden of liturgical detail so that they can concentrate on their priestly duties to preach the Word and administer the Sacraments. No longer found primarily in cathedrals and large parishes, vergers are an asset to any worshipping community.

* The word vestry has two meanings: the governing body of a local church, and the room where the clergy and other lay members of the procession get vested for procession.

** A Virge is the staff of office carried by a Verger in procession.
May 21, 2023 – Easter 7 (A)
Pentecost

Next Sunday, we mark Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit among the apostles and followers of Jesus. Celebrated 50 days after Easter (including the day of Easter itself), the name of the holiday comes from the Greek Pentēkostē, which literally means “the 50th day.”

The events of the day are foretold by Jesus in the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, just before his Ascension. While his followers were with the risen Christ, he tells them, “John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now” (Acts 1:5, NRSV). He goes on to say to them, “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:8).

The followers would not wait long for the promised Spirit. The author of Acts, traditionally believed to be Luke, recounts:

“When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each” (Acts 2:1-6).

We celebrate Pentecost as the inauguration of the Church’s mission in the world. Empowered by the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are to go out into our neighborhoods and the wider world—to Jerusalem, to Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth—witnessing to the risen Christ.

The Day of Pentecost is identified by the Book of Common Prayer as one of the feast days “especially appropriate” for baptism (Book of Common Prayer, p. 312). Because of this, Pentecost is also known as “Whitsun” or “Whitsunday” (“White Sunday”), a term used to describe the white baptismal garments worn by those who were baptized at the Vigil of Pentecost and then worn to church on the Day of Pentecost.

Collect for Pentecost
Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen (Book of Common Prayer, p. 227).
Members of the Campus Ministry Commission have begun reaching out to college students and young adults in a new way with a weekly podcast which launched April 13. The purpose of All Things Episcopal is to create a platform to talk about our faith and to introduce some basics about the Episcopal Church, including why we do some of the things we do that may sometimes be a mystery (or even an obstacle) to those new to our denomination. The intended audience for this podcast is college students and young adults, especially those who may be coming from outside our faith tradition. Sessions include conversations, interviews and even an occasional sermon.

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We want to introduce the Episcopal Church from multiple perspectives and with different voices, utilizing social media to find out what questions students may have about who we are and what we do. Guest speakers, including college students from around our diocese, are already being scheduled for future sessions.

We do not currently have a physical presence on college campuses in our diocese, but we think podcasting offers a great opportunity to meet young adults where they are and share our faith in a way that is personal, comfortable and always accessible. We hope that these sessions will be a bridge to connect college students with local parishes and with other young adults.

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**Cathedral Prayer List**

**Pray for:** Tammy Harvin; Pat Miller; Ann Ryder; Patrick Bennett; Judy Schrocm; Cooper Smith; Mary Jane Thomas; Bonita White; Doyle White; Philipp Wallace Bain; Greg & Nova; Linda Dealey England; Sandra Fuhrman; Phineas & LaGretta Gitta; Diego Ivan Garcia; Jill Gross; Cooper Polokowski; McCarty-Wilson family; Pat & Larry Martin; Nancy Nuss; Debbie Spaulding; Loretta Stotts; Lynnette Flowers; Larry Elmquist; Jim Royer; Lee Sturgill; Brad Kilpatrick; Charles Thomas; Cherie Greene; Kathy Meehan; Dennis Meehan; Thaddeaus Withers; the people of Ukraine; the people of Turkey and Syria; Andrew Rowland; all families affected by gun violence; First Responders

**Comfort and Peace:** the Binford/Creech families; the Mattson family; the Denton family; the Robker family; the Morgan family

**Children and Youth Prayers:** Thankful for my house; Thankful for my pink dress; Thankful for the church where heaven and earth connect; Thankful that Jesus died on the Cross to save me from my sins; For comfort for my sister; For Nick’s stomach pain to end and his healing to be quick; Grateful to do well on my school tests; For my brother; For my aunt and her chemo treatments; For the children, youth, college and young adults in the world, that they know they are loved beyond all measure by our Triune God; For my boyfriend

**Pray for the Departed:** Twila Rosalynn Creech Binford; Ian Mattson; Joyce Denton; Jayden Robker; Peggy Morgan; for all who have died from gun violence

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** St. Thomas à Becket Episcopal Church, Cassville; Mr. Dan Philbrick, Bishop’s Warden; Board of Examining Chaplains

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**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**May 14**
- Terri Wesner

**May 15**
- Cynthia Pennington
- Mike & Toni Bennett

**May 16**
- Andrea Skowronek

**May 17**
- Miranda Schmidt
- Bruce & Page Reed

**May 18**
- Arnold Epley

**May 20**
- Ethan Campbell
- Frank Colburn
- Joseph & Tina Lewandowski

**May 21**
- Ethan Campbell

**May 22**
- Maria Bernicchi
- Jim & Kathy Jennings

**May 23**
- Brad Amer

**May 24**
- Vangie Rich
- Cathy & Kirkland Gates
- Cathy & Tony Carrillo

**May 25**
- Michelle Obiesie

**May 26**
- Paget Higgins

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**Today’s’s Flowers**

are given to the Glory of God and ...  

- in thanksgiving for my daughter, Betsy Leonard—Carolyn McLeroy  
- in loving memory of Leona (Fiona) Schaefer—The Trinity Choir

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

**Sunday**

**Adult Formation • 9:15 a.m.**
Common Room • Led by Dean Andy
Join Dean Andy for a discussion at 9:15 a.m. in the Common Room.

**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.**
Conversation is lively, thought-provoking, and often irreverent. All are welcome. Visit the WBS page, kccathedra l.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.

**Wednesday**

**Learning to Pray: A Guide for Everyone**
**June 7–August 30 • 6:30 p.m.**

Please obtain a copy of the book and prepare to discuss chapters 1-3 and the related questions in the back on June 7. We are planning to have zoom attendance available also.

We will meet in the multipurpose room in Founders Hall on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. from June 7 through August 30. Please contact Dan Welch at welchdanno@aol.com if you are planning to attend the class or if you are unable or prefer to not drive at night, so that arrangements can be made.

**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.

**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.

**Youth & College**

**Sundays • 9:15 a.m.**
Youth meet in the Youth Room at 9:15 a.m. for formation.

**Sundays • 6–7:15 p.m.**
Join us for food and fellowship at 6 p.m. in the Youth Room. The last Youth Group gathering for this school year will be May 28.

Information and signups are often found on our linktree, linktr.ee/ghtcyouthandcollegeministry.

Questions? Contact Clare at cstern@kccathedral.org.
Wear Orange Sunday

On Trinity Sunday, June 4, Bishop Diane invites the churches in The Diocese of West Missouri to observe Wear Orange Sunday during their services in honor of the victims and survivors of gun violence in our country. We will stand united in our call to end gun violence as we come together for Wear Orange Sunday.

However you choose to observe Wear Orange Sunday, the important thing is that we honor and remember in prayer those whose lives have been cut short by gunfire and those survivors whose lives are forever scarred. Our faith compels us to love one another as Christ has loved us.

Get more details on the Diocesan website, spirit.diowestmo.org/2023/05/wear-orange-for-gun-violence-awareness.

KC Pride 2023

The Cathedral will be joining with other churches from the Diocese of West Missouri to support the LGBTQIA+ community at KC Pride 2023 to be held June 9, 10 and 11. Here are three ways you can get involved:

1. **Pride Parade.** Saturday morning, the weekend of Pride, we will step-off the curb at noon—with twice as many Episcopalians as last year! We’ll march and wave and proclaim the love of God to all. And throw stuff! This year we’ll have matching t-shirts for all marchers.

2. **Pride Festival.** This event runs Friday, Saturday and Sunday of Pride Weekend. We plan on securing a large multi-booth presence, to recruit and train volunteers, hand out literature, water, swag and love. Robin Rusconi, robinrusconi@yahoo.com, and the Rev. Jean Long, jean@standrewkc.org, are chairing this team. If you would like to help plan our booth space, please email them.

3. **Pride Mass.** We will gather before the parade steps off on Saturday morning to break, bless and share the story of God’s love for all. Afterwards, those who wish to march in the parade will walk from St. Paul’s to Westport to line-up. Co-Chairing this team are the Rev. Steven King, sking@stpaulskcmo.org, and the Rev. Charles Everson, charleseverson@gmail.com. If you would like to be on the planning team for this liturgy, please let them know.

For all the details, visit the Diocesan website, spirit.diowestmo.org/2023/04/you-are-invited-to-join-the-episcopal-presence-at-kc-pride-2023/.
Outreach: May Onesie Drive

It is spring and now is the time to ask our generous parish family to donate onesies for the babies born at Maison de Naissance in Haiti. The best sizes are newborn to six months. Short sleeves only! The entire month of May is designated for this purpose. You may leave the onesies in the Tower.

Choral Evensong

Today, May 21 • 5 p.m.

A service of Choral Evensong will be offered by the Trinity Choir. This contemplative service lasts about 45 minutes and includes hymns, scripture readings, prayers, chanted Psalms, canticles and a choir anthem. This is our last Choral Evensong of the academic year, and our next Choral Evensong will be offered on Sunday, September 17.

Summer Hospitality Hosts Needed!

Help us continue the hospitality offered at the Cathedral coffee hours during the summer. We invite you to sign up to bring something simple to go with a cup of coffee, like donuts/donut holes, fruit, brownies or cookies (homemade or from the store) or veggies. Sign up online at tinyurl.com/summercoffee. Contact Julie Toma at jtoma@kccathedral.org with questions. Your help is appreciated.

Parish Picnic

Sunday, June 4
11:45 a.m.

• The Cathedral will provide the main course.
• Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.
• We’ll also have fun activities for kids of all ages.

Dress casually and enjoy this time of fun and fellowship! This is a great Sunday to invite a friend or neighbor to worship with you.

GHTC will be hosting a First Friday event June 2 from 5–9 p.m. Plans are underway to display volumes of The Saint John’s Bible, offer tours of the Nave (stained glass windows and liturgical art), as well as an emerging artists showcase, featuring visual art and live music.

Volunteers will be needed. If you are willing to help, please email Melissa at communications@kccathedral.org.

Office closed Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.