

# GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch" by Herbert Boeckl

The Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 28, 2024 • 10:30 a.m.

## Welcome!

Thank you for joining us for worship today at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral. If you are new to the Cathedral, we invite you to fill out our welcome card and take a Cathedral coffee mug as our thank you for joining us today. Welcome cards are available in the pews or fill out the online form using the QR code.



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## Service Notes

Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (\*). Page numbers listed are from red The Book of Common Prayer and hymn numbers are from *The Hymnal 1982*.

## Following the Service

Please join us for a reception in Founders' Hall.

## Our Mission

As the Episcopal Cathedral Church in the heart of Kansas City we seek and serve Christ in all people, loving our neighbors as ourselves while striving for justice, peace and respect for every human being. Our worship, prayer and formation support the restorative strength of our community, reconciling all people to God and one another through Christ.



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# HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: "A Quaker Reader"

Ned Rorem

IV. "There is a spirit that delights to do no evil..."

VII. A Secret Power

VIII. "... No darkness at all..."

## The Word of God

\* OPENING HYMN: 379 "God is Love, let heaven adore him"

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let  
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in  
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - jice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him  
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,  
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun -  
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are  
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through  
break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that  
nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.  
self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.  
Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

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*

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the  
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of  
God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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## \* COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### First Lesson: Acts 8:26-40

Lector An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.  
Who can describe his generation?  
For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*  
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.  
The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \*  
“May your heart live for ever!”  
All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, \*  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.  
For kingship belongs to the Lord; \*  
he rules over the nations.  
To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*  
all who go down to the dust fall before him.  
My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; \*  
they shall be known as the Lord’s for ever.  
They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*  
the saving deeds that he has done.

## Second Lesson: 1 John 4:7–21

Lector Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, “I love God,” and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

\* GOSPEL HYMN: 489 "The great Creator of the worlds"

1 The great Cre - a - tor of the worlds, the sov - ereign God of heaven,  
 2 He sent no an - gel of his host to bear this might - y word,  
 3 He sent him not in wrath and power, but grace and peace to bring;  
 4 He sent him down as send - ing God; in flesh to us he came;  
 5 He came as Sa - vior to his own, the way of love he trod;

1 his ho - ly and im - mor - tal truth to all on earth hath given.  
 2 but him through whom the worlds were made, the ev - er - last - ing Lord.  
 3 in kind - ness, as a king might send his son, him - self a king.  
 4 as one with us he dwelt with us, and bore a hu - man name.  
 5 he came to win us by good will, for force is not of God.

6 Not to oppress, but summon all  
 their truest life to find,  
 in love God sent his Son to save,  
 not to condemn mankind.

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\* THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 15:1-8

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Deacon Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

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.

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.*

\* THE PEACE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION PRAYER

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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.

BISHOP SEARCH PRAYER

All                O Creator God, giver of every good gift, look graciously on us in the Diocese of West Missouri and guide us as we discern our call of a new bishop. O Jesus, be present in our discernment, and lead us to a shepherd who will invite us to live out the Gospel every day. O Holy Spirit, inspire us with your wisdom, and kindle our hearts with the fire of your love, that we may be renewed as we prepare to welcome the ministry of our next bishop. This we ask trusting in You. Amen.

## The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life"

Thomas Matthews  
text: Harold Friedell

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death.	Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes a guest.	Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can move: such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.
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\* PRESENTATION HYMN: 304 "I come with joy to meet my Lord"

*Unison or harmony*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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\* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A

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S120: The Holy Eucharist II, Lift up your hearts: *Sursum corda*

*Celebrant* *People*  
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
*Celebrant* *People*  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
*Celebrant*  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*  
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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. 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:

All

S128: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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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

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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.  
 For gluten-free bread, cross your hands palms down.  
 For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.*

*On the first Sunday of each month, prayer for healing is offered at the prayer desk until the close of worship.*

#### 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*

COMMUNION ANTHEM: "Sing my soul, his wondrous love"

Ned Rorem  
text: Anonymous

Sing, my soul, his wondrous love,  
who from yon bright throne above,  
ever watchful o'er our race,  
still to us extends his grace.

God, the merciful and good,  
bought us with the Savior's blood,  
and, to make our safety sure,  
guides us by his Spirit pure.

Heaven and earth by him were made;  
all is by his scepter swayed;  
what are we that he should show  
so much love to us below?

Sing, my soul, adore his Name!  
Let his glory be thy theme:  
praise him till he calls thee  
trust his love for all to come.

\* COMMUNION HYMN: 319 "You, Lord we praise in songs of celebration"



1 You, Lord, we praise in songs of cel - e - bra - tion for this  
2 You, Lord, in our stead to the grave de - scend - ed when by



feast of our sal - va - tion. Here at your  
sin our life was end - ed. No great - er



ta - ble ev - ery life you nour - ish; by your grace we  
love than this to you could bind us; dai - ly still your



all may flour - ish. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
mer - cies find us. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.



In the light of your In - car - na - tion all cre -  
Bind our hearts as one we im - plore you, who a -



a - tion knows the love of God, and in  
dore you and con - fess your Name. Thus may



you finds re - lease that we all might  
we ev - er be yours in peace and



live in peace. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
u - ni - ty. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

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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.

\* CLOSING HYMN: 657 "Love divine, all loves excelling"

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to  
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy  
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,  
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

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**VOLUNTARY: Fantasia in F**

Johann Ludwig Krebs

**Serving Today**

Presider	The Rev. W. James Yazell
Preacher	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Deacon	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Musicians	The Trinity Choir, Dr. Lucas Fletcher
Lector	Henry Galus
Intercessor	Mike Bennett
Eucharistic Ministers	Ric Sweeting, Bob Johnson
Acolyte	Jeff Johnson, Harrison Mattson, Theo Elisabeth
Ushers	Richard Fanolio, Troy Sorbo, Oreste Minme, John Braum
Greeter	Bill Boyd, Connie Boyd
Altar Guild	Peg Brown, Sharon Cheers
Sound/Livestreaming	Janet Sweeting, Curtis Hamilton
Cathedral Kids	Bethany Zaiger, Dani Valencia Mortensen
Holy Hands Hospitality	Jamie Cheshier, Barbara Wegener, Augusta Wilbon, David Kraemer, Deborah Buckner

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# Youth & College

## WEEKLY YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

### SUNDAYS

Youth Formation at 9:15 a.m.  
with light breakfast

Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Youth Group at 6 p.m.  
Dinner is provided!



QUESTIONS? CONTACT CLARE,  
CSTERN@KCCATHEDRAL.ORG.

## GHTC YOUTH MINISTRY

### No Youth Group

April 28

May 5

May 19

## Family Worship Weekends

In an effort to getting children more comfortable and involved in worship services, we are starting **Family Worship Weekends**. This means that rather than having Cathedral Kids after the 9:15 a.m. formation hour, parents/guardians/caregivers will come pick their child up from Haden at 10:15 a.m. and worship together as a family. Pew Boxes are in the back of the Nave for these Family Worship Weekends with items that children can use during the service (and some items can go home with them!).

Questions? Contact Clare: [cstern@kccathedral.org](mailto:cstern@kccathedral.org).

April 21 • May 5 (Youth Sunday) • May 12

# Adult Formation

## Sunday

**A Comparison of Easter Themes • April 28, May 5, 12 at 9:15 a.m. • Common Room**

Dean Andy will lead a class looking at and comparing the Easter themes laid out in the lectionary in all three years. What is similar, what is different, and why are particular themes emphasized in particular years? The first reading in all three years is always from the Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel is mostly John with a little Luke mixed in. The Epistle is from 1 Peter in Year A, 1 John in Year B, and Revelation in Year C.

## 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](http://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, [kccathedral.org/adultformation/wbs](http://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](http://kccathedral.org/adultformation/lbs) for more details.

## Children

**Formation Class • 9:15 a.m.**

Join us for formation hour and wonder about God with your friends and teachers and hear sacred stories as told with the help of Godly Play resources! **Youth Sunday is next week, so there will be no formation or Cathedral Kids. Meet in the Nave at 9:15 a.m.**

**Cathedral Kids • 10:30 a.m.**

Cathedral Kids meets during the first half of the 10:30 a.m. worship service and during this time we weave together our sacred stories and our Episcopal identity with the Weaving God's Promises curriculum! Children attending Cathedral Kids will meet their parents or guardians inside the tower doors during the passing of the peace.

Questions? Contact Clare, [childrensformation@kccathedral.org](mailto:childrensformation@kccathedral.org) for more information.

# Announcements

## TOILETRY DRIVE APRIL

Body Wash  
Hand/Body Lotion  
Shampoo & Conditioner  
Deodorant

• Regular size items requested •

Bring your donations for the Jewish Family Services pantry to the basket in the Tower.



### Spring Work Day

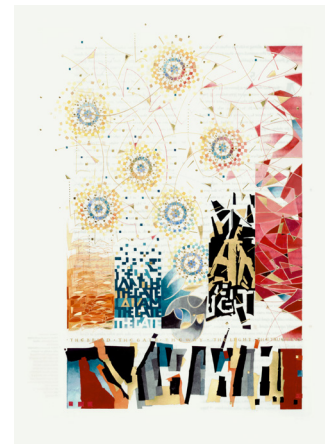
Saturday, May 11 • 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Come help with the gardens and various projects inside and outside the Cathedral. If you can, please bring garden tools from home. Lunch will be provided.



### Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination: "Jesus' I Am Sayings"

Today's focal illumination (see the Bible on display up front) is by Thomas Ingmire who also created the "Ten Commandments" illumination. It focuses on Jesus' identity. The frequent "I AM" declarations in John's Gospel identify Jesus with the heavenly Father, an affirmation central in today's visio divina. These sayings connect to Old Testament metaphors for God. This illumination features five vertical panels, one for each of the five metaphors conveyed by these I AM statements: bread, gate, way, light, and true vine. The base for the panels is the word "YHWH". From that base ascend geometrical sparks, spinning suns, and arcs. What does each of these metaphors say to you about Jesus' identity? How does this expand your perception of today's gospel reading?



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# Announcements

## Youth Sunday & Graduate Recognition

Sunday, May 5

Our youth take key leadership roles in the service and the Cathedral's youth leadership will preach. We celebrate all graduates as part of our Youth Sunday celebration. *If you know of a graduate, send their name to [communications@kccathedral.org](mailto:communications@kccathedral.org) by Sunday, April 28.*



## PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, May 19 • 11:45 a.m.

Join us for a picnic lunch in the Founders' Hall courtyard & north lawn.



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.

# Cathedral Prayer List

**Pray for:** Penny Citro; Pat and Larry Martin; Joyce Morrow; Midge Purty; Brend; Liliana; Jim Verhague; Judy Houtman; Lynn Schneider; Tim Allen; Deacon Donna Stanford; Joey; Bill Crain; Willard Welch; Gordon Hansen; Phineas & LaGreta Gitta; Cathy Davis; Joe & Joan Bacchus; Kenny Cabean; the With family; Annie Benitez; Aiden; Bethany; Mark Bontrager; Ann Ryder; David Hayes; Nelda Leon; the Biellier Family; All those fighting cancer; Bonita White; Charlotte Colburn; Doyle White; First Responders; Gloria Stocks; Jim Royer; Jinny McCoy; Larry McMullen; Mike Barzee & Family; Pat Lieve; Phyllis & James Shaffer; Thaddeus Samuel Withers

**Children & Youth Prayers:** World Central Kitchen; Hamas Israel; Ukraine/Russia; Traveling Mercies; Everyday life in the USA; Housing Search; School; That the Royals, Chelsea and Lincoln Prep win; My Brother

**Comfort and Peace:** the family and friends of Julia Horowitz; the family and friends of Mary Jane Thomas; the family and friends of those lost from the World Central Kitchen; the family and friends of Anna Marie; the family and friends of Francis Grant Jr.; the family of Margaret Brogdon; the family of Robert Van Gorp; the Rich family; the Hatteberg family; the Lopez-Galvan family; the Morrison family; the Sailer family and the friends, families and staff of Operation Breakthrough; Davina and the Reed family; Ellen and the Spake family; the East family; all families affected by gun violence

**Pray for the Departed:** Julia Horowitz; Mary Jane Thomas; Those lives lost from World Central Kitchen; Anna Marie; Donald Dickens; Francis Grant, Jr. ; Cody Allen; Drexel Mack; Margaret Brogdon; Robert Van Gorp; Arthur Ernest Rich III ; Jeri Hatteberg; Lisa Lopez-Galvan; Julia Nucci Kelly; Brent Spake; Grayson O'Connor; Karen Danna; Mtr. Emily Richards; Robert F. East; Sgt. Breonna Moffett; Sgt. Kennedy Sanders; Sgt. William Rivers; Sister Berta Sailer; for all those lost in war; for all who have died from gun violence

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church, Branson—The Rev. Dr. Bob Seney, Priest in Charge; The Rev. Deacon Kathleen Easter, Deacon; Bishop's Search Committee

For the complete prayer list: [kccathedral.org/prayers](http://kccathedral.org/prayers)

To place a person on this prayer list, please contact Deacon Barbara Wegener, [bwegener@kccathedral.org](mailto:bwegener@kccathedral.org).

Requests are held in prayer for 90 days.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### April 29

Deborah Buckner  
Deante Finnie

### April 30

Ann Reed  
Jordann Ryder  
Henley Spake

### May 1

Kristen Nichols

### May 2

Terry Duncan  
Whitney Kerr, Sr.  
Coyote Schaaf

### May 3

Kim Watkins Smith

### May 4

Scott Claasen

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

## Weekly Flower Donations

Donations toward the weekly flowers can be given by anyone who wants to acknowledge special events or people in their lives. Gifts are accepted in any amount. You can mail a check to the Cathedral office, put your donation in a flower envelope and place in the offering or make a payment through our online payment site.

See [kccathedral.org/flowers](http://kccathedral.org/flowers) for more information or contact Julie Toma, [jtoma@kccathedral.org](mailto:jtoma@kccathedral.org).



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