GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Jesus Visits His Disciples" by Ed de Guzman

The Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025 • 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. Welcome cards are available in the pews or text GUEST to 816-310-1888.

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Children

Children are welcome in all our services and activities for them are available on a shelf in the back aisle.

- Childcare for those 4 years old and younger is available in the nursery in Haden Hall.
- For elementary age children, 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.
- We observe *Family Worship* one Sunday of each month so there is no Cathedral Kids. Worship Boxes with resources for children are in the back cross aisle. Upcoming Family Worship Sundays: April 27, May 11.
- To get to Haden Hall: From the Tower entry, go up the stairs and straight ahead to the adjoining building. Follow signs or ask an usher for directions.

Restrooms

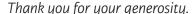
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Ways to Give

- Give online with the QR code (or use the GIVE button on the Cathedral website).
- Place in the offering plate. Envelopes are available in the pew racks.
- Text "GIVEtoGHTC" to 73256.
- Tap to give using the display in the Tower entrance. Instructions for use are next to the machine.





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 cup of coffee or tea and lively conversation 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.



Please be advised that our services are livestreamed to YouTube. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.

HOLY EUCHARIST

Voluntary: Prelude on Erschienen ist der herrlich Tag ("The glorious day has appeared") Ethel Smyth (1858-1944)

The Word of God

* Opening Hymn: 492 "Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness"



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* Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

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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 Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis



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* Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns

with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Acts 5:27-32

Lector

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:14-29 sung by the choir; chant by George Thalben-Ball

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The Lord is my strength and my song, *

and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory *

in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! *

the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"

I shall not die, but live, *

and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me sorely, *

but he did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; *

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; *

he who is righteous may enter."

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *

and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected *

has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, *

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the Lord has acted; *

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! *

Lord, send us now success.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; * we bless you from the house of the Lord.

God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; *
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
"You are my God, and I will thank you; *
you are my God, and I will exalt you."
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4-8

Lector

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

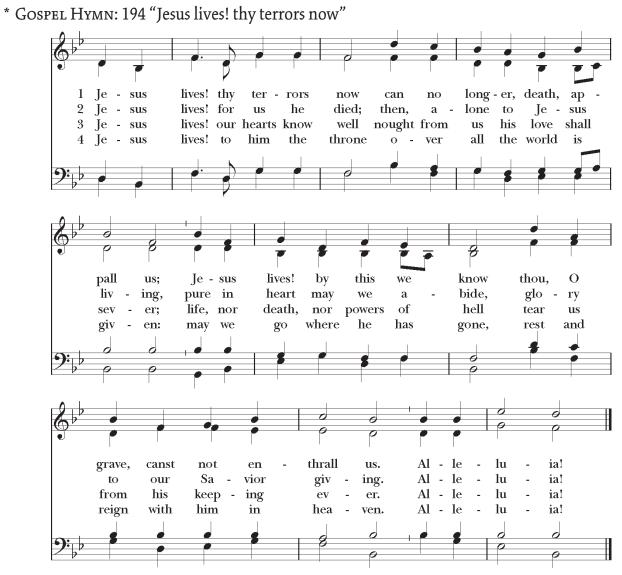
To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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* The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

* The Nicene Creed page 358

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

adapted from Hear Our Prayer: Prayers of the People for the Revised Common Lectionary

Intercessor

Joyful in the light of your love and your invitation to abundant life in Christ, we offer to you now the prayers of our deepest longings and hopes saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, give us hands that reach out to the poor, the imprisoned, the hungry, the homeless, the sinful, the undesirable in the spirit of your love. Help our indifference.

Lord in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

Lord, give us voices to proclaim the good news of your justice to all the persecuted and persecutors of

the world. Help our lethargy.

Lord in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

Lord, give us leaders that work toward justice and life for all people and nations. Help our apathy.

Lord in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

Lord, give us churches that welcome all your beloved and strive to walk your way of love. Help our

desire to change.

Lord in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

Lord, give us open hearts to receive your inspiration and wisdom so that we may joyfully welcome

our next bishop, Amy, and her family into our life and ministry in You. Help our acceptance of new

leadership.

Lord in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Lord, give us bodies, minds, and spirits that are hopeful and healthy. We pray especially for those on

the Cathedral's Prayer List, and for those whom we now name silently or aloud. Help our sickness and

our sin.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Lord, give us the promise of eternal life in you. Help us to be your signs in the world, that we might

impart peace to the dying and comfort to the grieving. We pray especially for those we now name,

either silently or aloud. Help our inadequacy.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider Heavenly Father you desire nothing but life in abundance for us. Give us the courage to claim that life,

and the conviction to proclaim your goodness in all we do. We ask this through you Son, our risen

Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

* The Peace page 360

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION PRAYER page 830

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.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence page 376

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

If we believe that Jesus died and rose again,

* Offertory Anthem: "If we believe"

John Goss (1800-1880)

Text: 1 Thessalonians 4:14, 18

even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Presentation Hymn: 174 "At the Lamb's high feast we sing" verse 4



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* The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

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Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

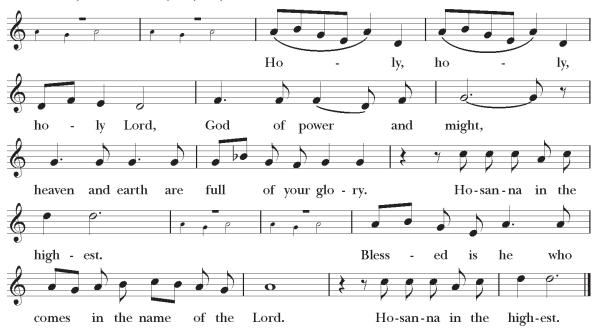
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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.

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

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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



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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.

All

AMEN.

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

All Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

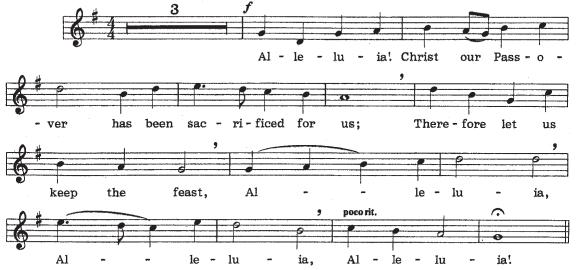
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

* Breaking of the Bread

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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 page 365

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 HYMN: 242 "How oft, O Lord, thy face hath shone"



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* Postcommunion Prayer

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Presider Let us pray.

All 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

Following the dismissal,

People Thanks be to God.

* CLOSING HYMN: 481 "Rejoice, the Lord is King!"



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VOLUNTARY: Christ lag in Todesbanden ("Christ lay in death's bonds")

Georg Böhm (1661-1733)

Serving Today			
Presider	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse	Ushers	Oreste Minme, Troy Sorbo,
Preacher	The Rev. W. James Yazell		John Braum, Steve Moore
Deacon of the Word	The Rev. CJ Duffie	Greeters	Bill Boyd, Connie Boyd
Deacon of the Table	The Rev. Barbara Wegener	Altar Guild	Kristy Moore, Sharon Cheers
Musicians	The Trinity Choir, Dr. Lucas Fletcher,	Sound/Livestreaming	Kristy Moore, Curtis Hamilton
	Dr. William McCandless	Holy Hands Hospitality	Barbara Wegener, Augusta Wilbon
Lector	Bob Johnson		Deborah Buckner
Intercessor	Beth Keyse	Oblation Bearers	Sheri Packett, Bob Packett
Eucharistic Ministers	Kay Woolley, Peter Fortner		
Acolytes	Susan Ahn, Charles Shipley,		
	Theo Elisabeth, Athan Nichols		

Cathedral Prayer List

Pray for: Cathy Hager; Alan Greer; Janet; John Luce; Joyce Bellinghausen; Phineas Gitta; Sally Livengood; Jeffrey and family; Diane Barker; Legal immigrants who are being separated from family and friends; Jonathan; Christine Copeland; Sheri Packett; Carl; Meribeth Risebig; Rebecca Rezaei; Luke "Skippy" Harbur; Penny Sullivan; Ellen Goheen; Bob Sherwood; Charlotte Colburn; Mike Barzee & Family; Larry McMullen; Joyce Morrow; Gloria Stocks; Jim Royer; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Yvonne Kehoe Meier; First Responders; All those fighting cancer; All families affected by gun violence

Comfort and Peace: the family and friends of Bob Richmond; the family and friends of Gabriella Ann Collins; the family and friends of Congressman Wes Watkins; the family and friends of Isaiah Russell III; the family and friends of Jack Whitacre; the family and friends of Doyle White; the family and friends of Ann Spicer; the family and friends of Katherine Reynolds Stamps; all families affected by gun violence

Pray for the Departed: Bob Richmond; Gabriella Ann Collins; Congressman Wes Watkins; Isaiah Russell III; Jack Whitacre; Doyle White; Ann Spicer; those lost in the plane crash in Philadelphia; those lost in the crash in Washington DC; Katherine Reynolds Stamps; those lost in war; those who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Christ Episcopal Church, Boonville — The Rev. Kim Taube

Bishop Kemper School for Ministry

To place a person on this prayer list, please contact Deacon Barbara Wegener, bwegener@kccathedral.org, or text PRAYER at (816) 310-1888.

View the prayer list anytime: kccathedral.org/prayers

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Please contact the Cathedral office if we have omitted your birthday or anniversary.

April 27

Steve McClure Colin Chambers Florence Barnard

April 29

Deborah Buckner Deante Finnie

April 30 Ann Reed Henley Spake

Jordann Ryder

May 1

Kristen Nichols

May 2

Terry Duncan Whitney Kerr Coyote Schaaf

May 3

Kim Watkins Smith

Weekly Calendar

Sunday

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9 a.m. Coffee Hour/Hospitality Time 9:15 a.m. Formation for Adults & Youth

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist* 10:30 a.m. Cathedral Kids

11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour/Hospitality Time5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist

[Choral Evensong, 3rd Sundays]

6 p.m. Youth Group

Monday

9 a.m. Morning Prayer^

Tuesday

7:30 a.m. GHTC's Virtual Cafe+ 9 a.m. Morning Prayer^ 12:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study+ 6:45 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study+

Wednesday

Thursday

9 a.m. Morning Prayer[^] 12:00 p.m. Noonday Prayer^{*}

12:00 p.m. AA Meeting in Multipurpose Room

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

6:30 p.m. Rehearsal: Bell Choir

*In person and streamed on YouTube @kccathedral

+On Zoom

9 a.m. Morning Prayer^
7 p.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir

^In Person and streamed on Facebook @kccathedral

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Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination

Second Sunday of Easter – The Power of Faith

"The Revelation Incipit with the Son of Man" Illumination (Revelation 1:4-8)

The writer of Hebrews declares: "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." Such is the essence of last Sunday's resounding affirmation "Christ is risen!" At the same time, this affirmation also seems counter to the typical human expectation that what is "real" requires "seeing and touching" (e.g., "seeing is believing"). Consequently, early witnesses of God's manifestations of divine reality through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus faced hard struggles to be taken seriously by those who could not or would not believe without "seeing." Today's lectionary texts in varied ways address this theme — the call to believe in God's revelatory works in history without the usual human requirement of physical evidence.

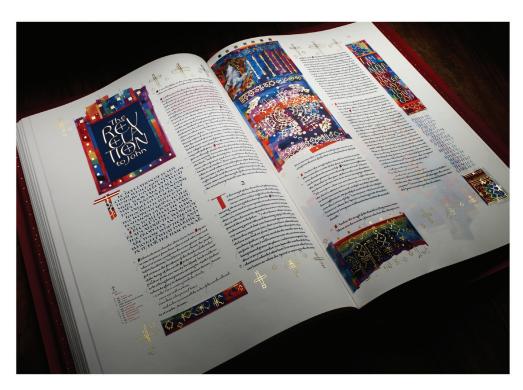
The tenor of today's focal illumination speaks to Christ's transcendent and eschatological nature — "I am the Alpha and Omega ... who is and who was and who is to come (1:8). The primary reference in the illumination is the prophecy of the Son of Man in Daniel 7 as depicted in the "Vision of the Son of Man" illumination (described extensively in the Easter Vigil worship program). Additional elements drawn from other books of the Bible also are included: the lampstands are

from the "Vision of Isaiah" illumination (Isaiah 6); the textile covered with mirrors is from the tree of life in the Wisdom Books (Sirach carpet page); and the fish is from the "Loaves and Fishes" illumination (Mark 6). This integration of images is intended to give visual expression to a fundamental unity of these biblical descriptions concerning a transcendent dimension of reality.

The Book of Revelation was meant to be disseminated among the churches of Asia Minor, a fact that gives it a liturgical quality.

For this reason, illuminator Donald Jackson provides this depiction with a liturgical feel. Here, he creates the sensation of an ornate, incense-filled church. The other-worldly nature of the vision taxed the linguistic capabilities of the writer of Revelation to describe what he saw. Consequently, frequent expressions of comparison or approximation (I saw "something like ...") are used in an attempt to explain what he witnessed. The writer's references to being overwhelmed by what he saw led the illuminator to employ an expansive technique in this portrayal of the scene. The illumination is not limited to any bounded part of the page but spills over, even into the margins and beyond.

One of the messages from today's illumination suggests that faith cannot be limited by human controls. Faith often comes in surprising moments through unexpected means and does not always operate within the confines of familiar conventions. Has faith ever surprised you? Have your faith convictions ever guided you to invest your life in unexpected ways? Do you ever have doubts about your faith? How do affirmations such as those of Daniel and Revelation help you meet the challenges posed by your experiences of doubt?



Formation for All Ages

Children: Sundays

Cathedral Kids • 10:30 a.m.

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Youth: Sundays

Youth Confirmation • 9:15 a.m.

Youth meet in the Haden Hall Youth Room for confirmation preparation with a light breakfast.

10:30 a.m. • Worship

6 p.m. • Youth Group

Join us for dinner and fellowship in the Youth Room.

Adults: Sundays

The Path • 9:15 a.m. • Common Room

April 6: Chapter 21 April 13: Chapter 22

In our Adult Formation this year we are taking a journey using Forward Movement's *The Path*, an excerpted version of the Bible that covers most of the major stories chronologically. Through *The Path*, we will become familiar with the grand overarching narrative of the entire Bible.

Adults: Tuesdays

GHTC's Virtual Cafe • 7:30 a.m. • Zoom

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. • Zoom

Conversation is lively, thought-provoking, and often irreverent. All are welcome. Visit the WBS page, **kccathedral. org/adultformation/wbs** for more information.

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

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.



Join us June 1-7, 2025 for Episcopal Summer Mega Camp!

Mega Camp is a 1-week overnight summer camp experience for young people who have finished grades 3-12. There's boating, horseback riding, archery, climbing tower, hiking, arts & crafts, plus Episcopal worship and formation. The camp community is like nothing else: campers will feel accepted and loved for who they are and be able to build their faith with others their age.

Camp is not restricted to Episcopalians or regular churchgoers. All are welcome, so feel free to invite friends and family.

Contact Clare (cstern@kccathedral.org) for details about registration, cost and scholarship availability.

Easter Flowers are given to the Glory of God and ...

- in thanksgiving for the Cathedral Staff: Julie, Steve B., James, Clare, Holly, Joan, Barbara, CJ, Lucas, Angie, Bianca, Brian, Farzana and John by Dean Andy by Dean Andy
- in memory of Lillian & John Knoell, Marie Knoell and Florence & Merritt Royer by Donna Knoell & Jim Royer
- in thanksgiving for our children Siras and Mary-Mullis by Beth and Andy Keyse
- with thanksgiving by Nigel Jones
- with thanksqiving by Susan & Ho Ahn
- in memory of John M. Brown by Peg Brown
- in thanksgiving for those who we love by Page & Bruce Reed
- in thanksgiving for the life of Cathy Thomas by Michael Thomas
- in memory of Meehan Family by Dennis & Kathy Meehan
- in memory of Peggy Morgan by Chris Morgan & Family
- in memory of Beverly Bilotta by Larry Bilotta
- in thanksgiving for Chip, Chonda and Jon Taylor and in memory of Charles, Augusta and Frank Fanolio by Richard & Jill Fanolio
- in memory of Ira & Josephine Morgan by Dr. Dennis B. Morgan
- in memory of Magie Jacobs Barr by Brent A. Barr
- in celebration and loving memory of our family by Ric
 & Janet Sweeting
- In memory of our friend Doyle White by Richard & Anne Morse
- in memory of Dorothy and Leonard Kagay, parents by Fred & Pat Decker
- with gratitude for my family and many blessings by Dr. Joan Bergstrom

- in thanksgiving for Theo and Nora being confirmed by Julie Brogno & Eric Elisabeth
- with thanksgiving by Candy & Bud McDowell
- in memory of Zan Crum by Jim Crum
- in memory of Liza Townsend & Landon Rowland by Guy Townsend and family (Edward, Marjoire & Harriet)
- in memory of Harley Miller and Hortense Lambert by Patricia Miller and Noël Bishop
- in memory of Willie Joe Finnie Jr. by Jackye Finnie
- in thanksgiving for Meribeth Risebig, my sister, and in memory of Clarence & Dorothy Risebig, my parents by Claudia Risebig
- in thanksgiving for our grandchildren and children, and in memory of our parents by Paget & Tom Higgins
- in memory of William Gordon Buckner by Denny Brisley
- in memory of Robert Hudson by Sharon Hudson
- in thanksgiving for my grandchildren, Lydia & Mason by LeeAnne Hays
- in thanksgiving for our children, grandchildren and great grandson by Diane & David Barker
- in memory of George, Myrtle, Edward, Margaret, Judith, Mary Janes Gillsepie by Joyce Gillespie
- in memory of Howard, Ruby, Sarah & John Weaver;
 Gordon, Thelma, Randy & Dale Wesner by Terri
 (Weaver) Wesner & Glen Wesner
- in memory of Charles, Leona, Warren by Terry & Jan Duncan
- in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. Keyse, Mr. and Mrs. Siras A. Stocks, Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Grauer, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Johnson, Dr. S. Allan Stocks by Beth and Andy Keyse

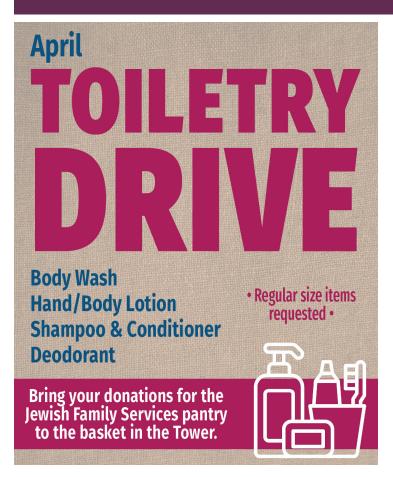
Sponsor the Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are a great way to beautify the sanctuary and remind your fellow worshipers of the new life that Jesus brings. They are also a great way to commemorate an event near a specific date, or honor/remember someone close to your heart.

Donations toward the weekly flowers can be given by anyone and are accepted in any amount. You can mail a check to the Cathedral office, put your donation in the offering or make a payment through our online payment site.

For more information: kccathedral.org/flowers or contact Julie Toma, jtoma@kccathedral.org.

Donations for our Outreach Partners





During May, we collect Onesies for Maison de Naissance, a modern maternal health center supporting healthy mothers and healthy babies in Haiti.

- The best sizes are Newborn to 6 months. •
- Short sleeves only PLEASE. It gets HOT in Haiti. •

Bring your donations of Onesies to the Tower entrance.

Thank you for your kind and generous giving.

Outreach Volunteer Opportunities

The Emergency Food Assistance Program

In partnership with St. Paul's on Main, we have been invited to help organize and distribute food as part of TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program). We meet from about 9:30 a.m. to noon.

St. Paul's receives delivery of several pallets of shelf-stable and frozen food from Harvesters each month. Friendly volunteers are needed to break down the pallets and repackage the food into family-sized boxes and bags. Then we open the doors to those in need and start handing out the food.

Upcoming TEFAP dates: May 17

To volunteer or for more information, contact Deacon Barbara 816.739.8032 or **bwegener@kccathedral.org**.

Pete's Garden

In the lower level of Founders' Hall, Pete's Garden is a food rescue committed to less food waste and more family meals. They collect unserved prepared food from caterers, restaurants and food service operations each day. Pete's Garden meals are then distributed through social service agencies that serve children and their families. Most of the families who receive Pete's Garden meals are headed by single women in low paying jobs, living below federal poverty guidelines.

Volunteers work together to portion and package donated food so it can be redirected to social service agencies who get meals to families.

Sign up for a shift at petesgarden.org/volunteer.

Nourish KC

Volunteers are the heart and soul of NourishKC. Every meal served, every pantry stocked, and every food item redistributed is made possible because of the time, energy, and dedication of our volunteers. Your support ensures that they can continue providing nutritious meals, offering essential pantry staples, and building a hungerfree community. By volunteering with Nourish KC, you become part of a compassionate movement that transforms lives—one meal at a time. Whether it's lending a hand in our Community Kitchen, assisting with pantry distribution, or helping with events, your contribution makes a lasting impact.

Sign up for a shift at theprospectkc.org/nourish-kc.

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Consecration: Bishop-elect Amy Dafler Meaux

On May 3 at 10 a.m., God-willing, Bishop-elect Amy Dafler Meaux will be consecrated as the IX Bishop of The Diocese of West Missouri. The service will be livestreamed on the Diocesan & Cathedral's YouTube channels. The deadline to attend in person has passed.

AED Training

May 4 and May 18 • 9 a.m. & 11:45 a.m.

GHTC member and medical professional Troy Sorbo is conducting training for Automated External Defibrillators. This training will be brief but thorough. Contact Troy at tsorbo@aol.com or John Braum at johnwayne66@ sbcglobal.net to let them know you plan to attend. You only need to attend one session.

Eucharistic Practices, May 18 at 9:15 a.m.Cathedral Nave

Walking through several elements of the Eucharist, in this session we will experiment with devotional practices for deeper engagement in the liturgy. Any who desire to feel more proficient and at ease in worship are invited to join us, both newcomers and long-term members alike.

Graduate Recognition, May 18 at all services

We celebrate all graduates as part of our Youth Sunday celebration. If you or a family member is graduating this year, let us know by Monday, May 12. Graduates will be recognized during the 10:30 a.m. service. Submit names at *kccathedral.org/upcoming-events*.

Youth Sunday, May 18 at 10:30 a.m.

Our young people take key leadership roles in the service and the Cathedral's youth leadership will preach.

Evensong, May 18 at 5 p.m.

A service of Choral Evensong is offered by the Trinity Choir. This contemplative service includes hymns, scripture readings, prayers, chanted Psalms, canticles and a choir anthem. With its origins in Archbishop Thomas Cranmer's Book of Common Prayer (1549), Evensong is one of the most uniquely Anglican liturgies and is sung in cathedrals and parishes throughout the world.

Church Texting Service

Text us at (816) 310-1888

- Text LOOP to stay in the loop about Cathedral updates (weather closures, reminders).
- Text GUEST if you are new with us & want to know more.
- Text PRAYER to submit prayer requests.

You'll then receive a return text with a link to a form requesting your name and email. Once you've completed the form for the first time, the system will recognize you when you text again. *Note: this number is for texts only, not voice calls.*

Volunteers for Children & Youth Ministry

We are currently looking for persons who can offer commitment to help us support our children and youth ministry program. Benefits for you include a way to serve your church community and enrich young people's faith formation experience! We need help with:

- Youth Formation (9:15-10:15 a.m. Sundays) assisting Clare. *No teaching required, unless you would like to.*
- Children's Formation (10:20-11:05 a.m. Sundays)
- Sunday Evening Youth Group *No teaching required,* unless you would like to. Dinner is provided.
- General Youth Event Activities (supervision/ transportation) *This is as needed.*

Prayer for the Transition of Our Next Bishop

Gracious and Loving God, we give thanks for the election of our next Bishop, Amy. Watch over Amy, her husband Jared, and their children Elise, Jacob, and Woodrow as they prepare to leave friends, colleagues, and neighbors to join us here in the Diocese of West Missouri. Open our hearts to receive your inspiration and wisdom so that we may joyfully welcome them into our life and ministry in You. This we ask in grateful thanksgiving. AMEN.

