

GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



Ask and it will be
given you;

Search
and you will find;

Knock
and the door will be
opened for you

Luke 11:9

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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 2025 • 5 p.m.

Welcome! We are glad you are here.

- 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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Service Notes

- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
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ORDER FOR EVENING AND HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: "Vater unser im Himmelreich"

Georg Böhm (1661-1733)

The Order for Evening

* OPENING ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR LIGHT

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Cantor  *People* 

Light and peace, in Je - sus Christ our Lord. Thanks be to God.

The presider adds a prayer for light.

* O GRACIOUS LIGHT *Phos hilaron*: 25



1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O



you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through



blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

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The Word of God

* COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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: Genesis 18:20-32

Lector The Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Cantor I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my | whole heart; *
before the gods I | will sing your praise.

All I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise | your Name, *
because of your love | and faithfulness;
For you have glorified | your Name *
and your word | above all things.
When I called, you | answered me; *
you increased | my strength within me.
All the kings of the earth will praise you, | O Lord, *
when they have heard the | words of your mouth.
They will sing of the ways of | the Lord, *
that great is the | glory of the Lord.
Though the Lord be high, he cares for the | lowly; *
he perceives the | haughty from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep | me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand shall save me.
The Lord will make good his purpose | for me; *
O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the | works of your hands.

Second Lesson: Colossians 2:6-19

Lector As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

* ALLELUIA VERSE *Cantor; then People*



Al-le-lu-ia, al - le-lu-ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Cantor



The Lord is faithful in all ▲ his words; and merciful in / all his deeds.

All repeat the three alleluias.

* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

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

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

Gospeller Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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.

* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Intercessor God of mercy whose care and compassion for us is beyond imagining. Hear us as you heard Abraham and answer our prayers as may be best for us and always to your glory as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Guide your church as it might be bold and fearless champion of the dignity of all people and the place of welcome and respite for the weary, the oppressed, and the marginalized.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Open the eyes and hearts of all in authority. Grant them wisdom and compassion in the exercise of their responsibilities that they might always pursue the path of greatest good.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Allow us to see the good in our neighbors that we might be forceful advocates for human thriving in all the places we call home.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Remind us of our call to be the caretakers of creation and embolden us to demand urgent action to ensure environmental sustainability.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bring your healing presence into the lives of all who suffer from any distress. We pray especially for those on the Cathedral's Prayer List, and for those whom we now name silently or aloud.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Hold the dead in your loving care and grant us also to enter into your eternal love on the day of our death. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Presider Creating and sustaining Lord, you know before we ask the longings of our hearts. Look upon us with compassion and lead us ever deeper into relationship with you so that we might more fully be the people you created us to be. All these we ask in the name of our Lord and savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

* THE PEACE

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Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION PRAYER

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

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Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

* OFFERTORY HYMN: 709 "O God of Bethel, by whose hand"



1 O God of Beth - el, by whose hand thy peo - ple still are fed;
2 Our vows, our prayers, we now pre - sent be - fore thy throne of grace;
3 Through each per - plex - ing path of life our wan - dering foot - steps guide;
4 O spread thy shel - tering wings a - round, till all our wan - derings cease,
5 Such bless - ings from thy gra - cious hand our hum - ble prayers im - plore;

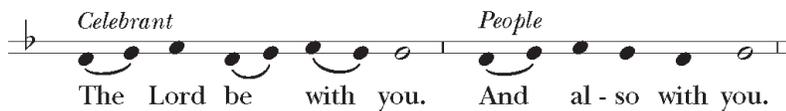


1 who through this earth - ly pil - grim - age hast all thine Is - rael led:
2 O God of Is - rael, be the God of this suc - ceed - ing race.
3 give us each day our dai - ly bread, and rai - ment fit pro - vide.
4 and at our Fa - ther's loved a - bode our souls ar - rive in peace!
5 and thou shalt be our cov - enant God and por - tion ev - er - more.

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* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer B

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The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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.

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

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

All

S125: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

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

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Presider

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

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

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

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All

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

Presider

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

All

AMEN.

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
 All Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

* BREAKING OF THE BREAD

S154: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: *Christ our Passover*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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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.*

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.

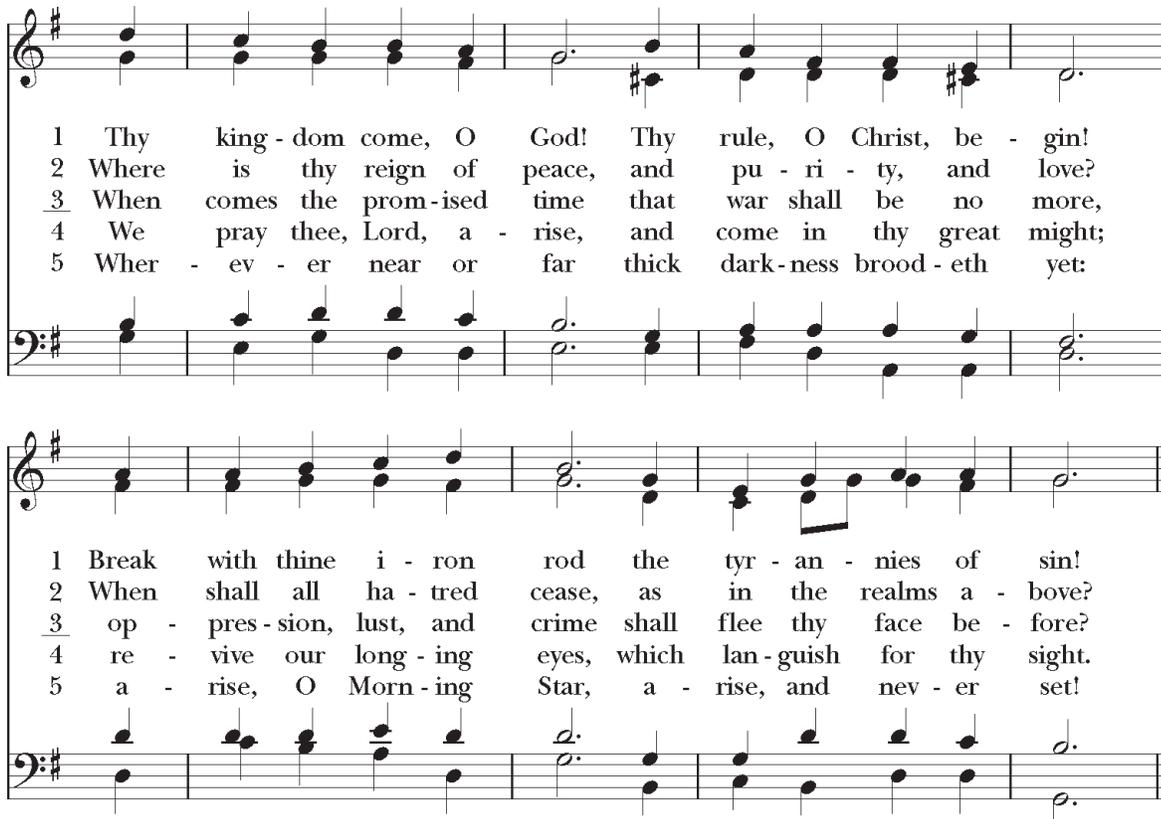
DISMISSAL

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us
 all evermore. Amen.

Following the dismissal,

People Thanks be to God.

* CLOSING HYMN: 613 “Thy kingdom come, O God!”



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VOLUNTARY: Preambulum in C Minor, LubWV 6

Vincent Lübeck (c. 1654-1740)

Serving Today

Presider & Preacher The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
 Cantor Dr. Kelli Van Meter

Lector & Eucharistic Minister Janel Mosley
 Organist Dr. Lucas Fletcher

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

July 27

John Goheen
Susan Sifers
Richard Gooch

July 28

Sharon Chinnery
Mike Maiden

July 29

William Verschelden

July 30

Haywood Walker
Ellen Spake
Stan Dibble & Craig Heslop

July 31

Kathy Jennings

August 1

Larry Bilotta

August 2

Diane Barker
Tiger Pennington
Nkolika & Manni Obiesie

Cathedral Prayer List

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

View the prayer list anytime: kccathedral.org/prayers

Pray for: Daylin and Capt Aryk Bingham, Sandie Sorbo, Emma Ruth Morestatter, Keri Kirby, Juliana Johnson, John and Yvette Hoffman, Donna Knoell, Ron Letson, Tom Taylor, Jeremy Oliver, Jim Holstein, Peg Brown, Jody Beck, Cliff Mosley, Janet, Sally Livengood, Sandra Fuhrman, Cathy Hager, Alan Greer, Phineas Gitta, Ralph, Mike Barzee & Family, Iris Parsons, Larry McMullen, Joyce Morrow, Gloria Stocks, Jim Royer, Thaddeus Samuel Withers, Yvonne Kehoe Meier, Jeffrey and family, Charlotte Colburn, All those fighting chronic illness; All families affected by gun violence; First Responders; Legal immigrants who are being separated from family and friends

Comfort and Peace for the families of the departed.

Pray for the Departed: Anupama Vaidya, Warren Sheldon, Scott Johnson, Benjamin Jones, Victoria Meredith, Patrick Gaboriau, Melissa and Mark Hortman, Cecil Neal, Fran Brunner, Yaron Lischinsky, Sarah Milgrim, those lost in war, those who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: The Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas, Lubbock, TX—The Rt. Rev. James Scott Mayer & Staff
The Diocese of West Missouri's Newly Ordained Priests

Today's flowers

Today's flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and

- in memory of Ann Matheny by Ed Matheny
- in thanksgiving for the ordinations of Mark Andrew Bowers, Christopher James "CJ" Duffie and Keith Nathaniel Johnson, Jr.

Join Us in Making a Difference! Volunteer at Our Church

You are invited to use your skills and spirit to make a real impact. Whether you have a few hours or want to dive into regularly serving, there are many ways to help: serving in worship services, teaching/helping with children & youth programs, assisting with the Cathedral gardens, singing in the choir and more.

Volunteering lets you give back, connect with others, and grow in faith. For more information, visit kccathedral.org/volunteer or contact Volunteer Coordinator Joan Bergstrom at volunteers@kccathedral.org.

FIND YOUR PLACE TO SERVE
AT GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL



Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost – God's Love, Reconciliation & Glory The "Lord's Prayer" Text Treatment of Matthew 6:9-15 (addressing Luke 11:1-13 lectionary text)

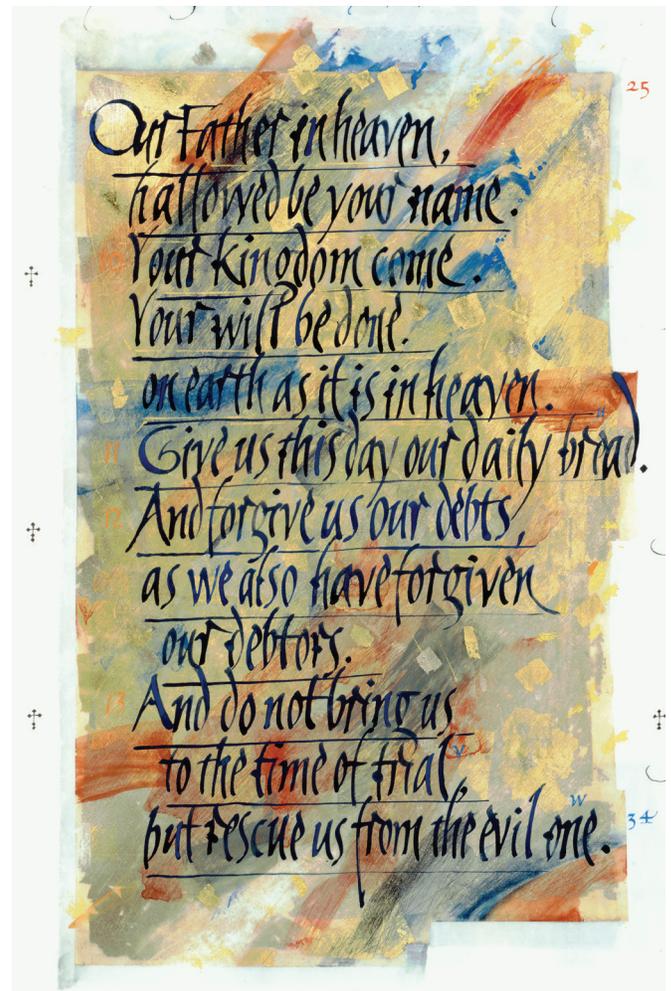
Today's lectionary readings focus on the themes of divine love, reconciliation, and the presence of God's glory in the world. Since Saint John's Bible has no artwork specific to today's lectionary texts, a text treatment from a parallel Gospel reading found in Matthew 6:9-15 has been selected as the focus of today's visio divina. This treatment highlights the "Lord's Prayer."

When the disciples request that Jesus teach them the practice of prayer, he doesn't offer them techniques or regimens. Rather, his model suggests that genuine prayer grows out of knowing the character of God and not from the intensity of human effort. The "Lord's Prayer" text treatment visually highlights qualities of God's nature that encourage us to pray.

In this special treatment, artistic director Donald Jackson approaches the Lord's Prayer in a visually striking and artistically rich manner. He employs a combination of calligraphy and illumination to highlight the prayer's significance. The text is presented as a work of art with detailed attention given to letterforms, spacing, color, and imagery intended to enhance the meaning and impact of key words and concepts. The visual emphasis utilized focuses the viewer's attention by the use of vibrant colors, gold leaf, and intricate patterns that complement the words. Through calligraphic detail, Jackson forms each letter to convey reverence and beauty. Illumination (decorative artwork) provides additional depth of meaning through the incorporation of symbols and images related to the prayer's themes. This treatment is not simply a copy of the text, it uses art to interpret the text, creating a unique and powerful visual representation.

Saint John's Bible uses text treatments to highlight some of the most cherished prayers and wisdom teachings of the Bible. Each treatment features unique calligraphy and colorful embellishment to convey the highlighted text's meaning. This brings life to the texts whose meaning they are chosen to reveal.

The text treatment which immediately precedes the "Lord's Prayer" is the "Beatitudes." In foundational ways the "Lord's Prayer" draws together all of the Beatitudes. How do the Saint John's text treatments of these readings help portray this connection? Where do you find indications of God's love in this treatment? Where do you find reconciliation? Where do you see expressions of God's glory?





BULLETIN INSERTS

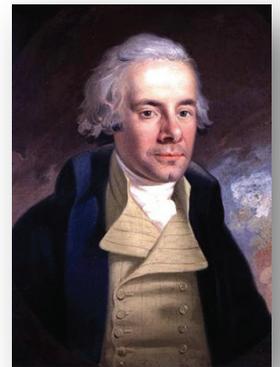
July 27, 2025 – Pentecost 7 (C) The Feast of William Wilberforce

On July 30, the Episcopal Church remembers William Wilberforce (1759 – 1833), along with Anthony Ashley Cooper (1801-1885), prophetic witnesses of the Gospel of Christ. Wilberforce was a British statesman and evangelical Anglican who used his position as a Member of Parliament from the Yorkshire area to advocate for the abolition of the slave trade throughout the British Empire.

Noted for personal charm and great eloquence as a public speaker, Wilberforce was elected to Parliament from his home town and district of Hull at the age of 21. After a conversion experience in 1784, he joined the evangelical wing of the Anglican church and became interested in social reform movements.

Lady Margaret Middleton, the wife of another Member of Parliament, approached Wilberforce as a likely person to work within the government for the abolition of the slave trade. The enormity of the task was daunting to Wilberforce, who wrote, “I feel the great importance of the subject and I think myself unequal to the task allotted to me.”

But Wilberforce accepted the mission. “God Almighty has set before me two great objects, the suppression of the slave trade and the reformation of manners,” he wrote in his journal in 1787. His health, however, had never been good, and illness prevented him from immediately taking on the challenge. It was May 1789 before he made his first speech in the House of Commons on the subject of the slave trade.



When Wilberforce formally proposed abolition of the trade in 1791, his fellow members voted against his motion by nearly two to one. Wilberforce continued to press the matter, making similar proposals some nine times by 1805. During that time, due to the efforts of many reformers, the British people learned about the horrific conditions endured by enslaved Africans, and public opinion gradually turned against the slave trade.

It took longer to convince Parliament, but the Abolition of the Slave Trade bill was eventually passed in both the House of Commons and the House of Lords by large majorities and took effect in March 1807. Although the successful bill was introduced by another Member of Parliament, Wilberforce received full credit — and a rare standing ovation from the House of Commons — for his untiring efforts. Unfortunately, the 1807 bill did not immediately stop the slave trade. Seafaring traders flouted the law, sometimes covering this illegal commerce by throwing their captives overboard to drown when ships of the British navy approached. Many people became convinced that only the abolition of slavery would stop the trade.

Wilberforce at first resisted calls for outright abolition, writing in 1807, “It would be wrong to emancipate [the slaves]. To grant freedom to them immediately would be to insure not only their masters’ ruin, but their own. They must [first] be trained and educated for freedom.” But he eventually came to support full emancipation and worked to bring public opinion and political will together to that end. He continued to serve in Parliament, supporting a variety of causes, including overseas Christian mission, increased education, and greater freedom for Roman Catholics. He retired in 1825 due to ill health but continued to campaign for an end to slavery.

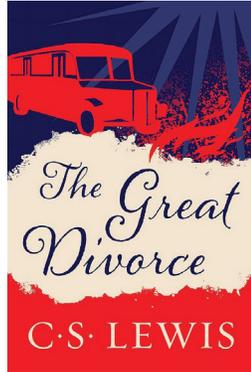
Wilberforce saw his efforts rewarded when Parliament passed a law in July 1833 outlawing slavery throughout the British Empire. He died three days later at age 73. In honor of his service to the nation, he was buried in the north transept of Westminster Abbey.

Formation for All Ages

Adults: Sundays

Summer Book Study: *The Great Divorce* by C.S. Lewis • 9:15 a.m. • Common Room

In this fable from the imagination of C.S. Lewis readers are invited to reflect on the nature of heaven and hell, grace and judgment, and on the choices that shape our souls. All are welcome to join us, no prior experience with Lewis required!



Schedule

Today – Chapters 4-6

August 3 – Chapters 7-9

August 17 – Chapters 10-12

August 24 – Chapters 13-14 & Epilogue

Copies of the book are available.

Children: Sundays

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.

Once a month, we observe **Family Worship Sundays**. These Sundays provide an opportunity for families to worship together. Worship Boxes with resources for children are in the back cross aisle.

Upcoming Family Worship Dates: August 24

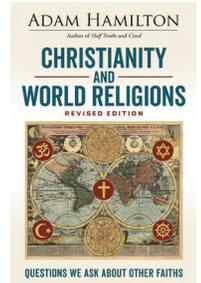
Adults: Tuesdays

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

WBS is currently study *Christianity and World Religions*. We'll be focusing on Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam and Judaism and how their beliefs compare to Christianity. This study by Adam Hamilton is designed to help us build bridges with others to "grow in faith, seek peace in our world, love our neighbors, and find positive ways to share the gospel." Visit our website, kccathedral.org/adultformation, 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 on our website, kccathedral.org/adultformation, for more details.

Youth: Sundays

Youth meetings are on summer break. Stay tuned for updates on when they will resume.

Sunday Formation • 9:15 a.m.

Formation study with light breakfast options.

Youth Group • 6 p.m.

Study, fun and dinner.

Cathedral Staff: The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse, *Dean*; The Rev. W. James Yazell, *Associate Priest*; The Rev. Barbara Wegener, *Deacon*; The Rev. CJ Duffie, *Deacon*; Dr. Lucas Fletcher, *Director of Music*; Julie Toma, *Cathedral Administrator*; Holly Campbell, *Events Coordinator*; Steve Berman, *Finance Coordinator*; Dr. Joan Bergstrom, *Sacristan & Volunteer Coordinator*; Angie Graham, *Facility Manager*; Bianca Jackson, *Assistant Facility Manager*; The Very Rev. Peter J. DeVeau, *Dean Emeritus*; Canon John Schaefer, *Canon Musician Emeritus*

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Upcoming Events & Announcements

For more info and signup links: kccathedral.org/events

Farewell Coffee Hour for The Rev. CJ Duffie Today, 11:45 a.m.

We bid CJ farewell following the 10:30 a.m. service and wish him luck as he transitions to his next call to be the Priest-in-Charge at Church of the Holy Family in Park Forest, Illinois, Diocese of Chicago.

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 kccathedral.org/events. Your help is appreciated.

Save the Date

August 10 | All Parish Breakfast | 9 a.m.
August 22 | Game Night: Trivia | 6 p.m.
August 24 | Family Worship Sunday
August 28 | Meeting: Vestry | 5:30 p.m.
September 7 | Back-to-School Blessing | During 10:30 service
September 7 | Ministry Fair | Morning coffee hours
September 12 | Concert: Olsen/Peng Duo, 7 p.m.
September 13 | Croquet Tournament
September 14 | Formation year start for all ages
September 14 | Newcomer Gathering | 11:45 a.m.
September 21 | Evensong | 5 p.m.
September 25 | Meeting: Vestry | 5:30 p.m.
September 27 | Volunteer Appreciation Lunch | 11 a.m.

Donations for our Outreach Partners

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

for Saint Luke's Hospital Crittenton Children's Center

DUE BY JULY 31

Supply List:
kccathedral.org/outreach

Backpacks
Expo dry erase markers (4 count)
Highlighters (yellow, pink, green, blue)
Spiral notebooks
Composition notebooks (fun colors & designs appreciated)
5-tab dividers (for 3-ring notebooks)
1 inch 3-ring binders
Pocket folders w/brads
Pens (black, blue and/or red ink)
Colored pencils

Crayola markers (10 pack)
Crayola washable markers (fine line)
Crayons
Pink erasers
Black sharpies
Rulers
Elmer's glue bottles and sticks
Scissors - blunt and point
Wood Pencils
Mechanical pencils
Pencil pouches
Index cards w/lines

Help Us Keep Cooking The Future of the Nourish KC Community Kitchen Depends on You

According to Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap 2024 report:

- 1 in 7 neighbors in our region are food insecure
- 1 in 6 children don't know where their next meal will come from

Meanwhile, recent cuts to TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program) have wiped out 15,000 pounds of food per month a critical loss to our community kitchen and the neighbors we serve.

Donate now
and help
fight hunger:

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