

GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"The Shrewd Manager" painter unknown, from the North African Coptic tradition

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 21, 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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- 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.
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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 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.



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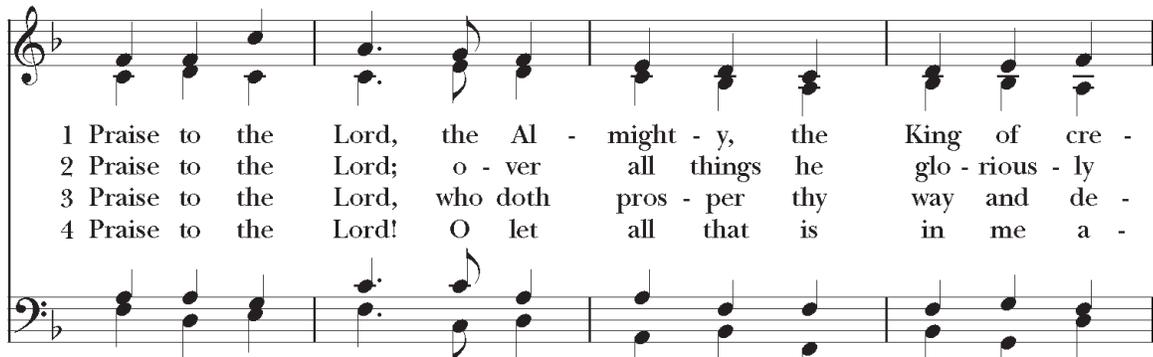
HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: Air

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

The Word of God

* ENTRANCE HYMN: 390 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"



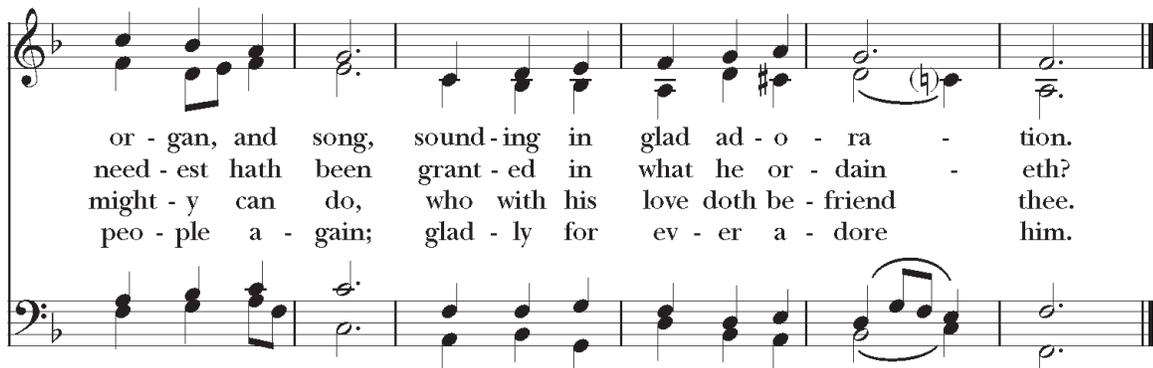
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with



health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

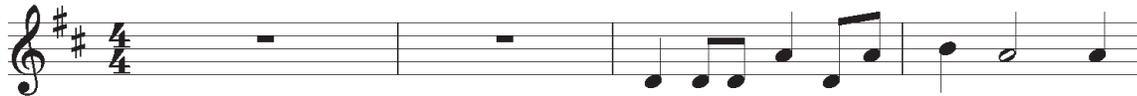
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Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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: *Lift Every Voice and Sing* II 241 "Glory to God" *Gloria in excelsis*



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to His peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther,



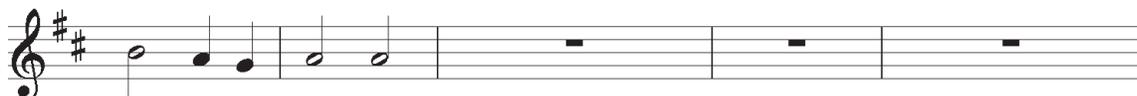
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo-ry.



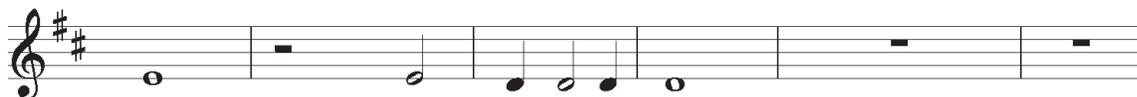
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly



Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world: have mer-cy on us;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our
 prayer. For
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High,
 Je-sus Christ with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the
 glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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* COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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: Amos 8:4-7

Lector Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
 and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
 saying, "When will the new moon be over
 so that we may sell grain;
 and the sabbath,
 so that we may offer wheat for sale?
 We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
 and practice deceit with false balances,
 buying the poor for silver
 and the needy for a pair of sandals,
 and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 113 *sung by the choir; chant by James Turle*

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Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the Lord; *
praise the Name of the Lord.
Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, *
from this time forth for evermore.
From the rising of the sun to its going down *
let the Name of the Lord be praised.
The Lord is high above all nations, *
and his glory above the heavens.
Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high *
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
He takes up the weak out of the dust *
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.
He sets them with the princes, *
with the princes of his people.
He makes the woman of a childless house *
to be a joyful mother of children.

Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Lector

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

* GOSPEL HYMN: 538 "God of mercy, God of grace"

1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness of thy
 2 Let thy peo - ple praise thee, Lord; be by all that live a -

face. Shine up - on us, Sa - vior, shine, fill thy
 dored. Let the na - tions shout and sing glo - ry

Church with light di - vine, and thy sav - ing health ex -
 to their Sa - vior King; let all be, be - low, a -

tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.
 bove, one in joy, and light, and love.

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* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

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

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

Gospeller Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he

had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

* THE NICENE CREED

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All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

- Intercessor God of Justice, let your mercy flow over us that we might experience your grace as we lift our prayers to you as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.
That your church might be known for its love and generosity, we pray,
Lord in your mercy,
People hear our prayer.
- Intercessor That our nation may know peace and justice, we pray.
Lord in your mercy,
People hear our prayer.
- Intercessor That the environment and climate that sustains us may be protected and restored, we pray,
Lord in your mercy,
People hear our prayer.
- Intercessor That our parish might be a refuge for weary souls, and a place to reenergize our faith and compel our participation in Christ's mission, we pray,
Lord in your mercy,
People hear our prayer.
- Intercessor That all who suffer might know your healing love we pray. 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 That the dead might experience your light and love for all eternity and that we may someday join them in your embrace, we pray. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.
Lord in your mercy,
People hear our prayer.
- Presider Almighty God, your way is the way of justice and mercy, of peace and reconciliation, of hope and generosity; hear and respond to the longings of our hearts offered in our prayers this day through the merits and love of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, who with you and Holy Spirit lives and reigns.
Amen.

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 you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

* THE PEACE

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

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Judge Eternal"

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)
 text: Henry Scott Holland

Judge eternal, throned in
 splendor,
 Lord of lords and King of kings,
 with thy living fire of judgment
 purge this land of bitter things;
 solace all its wide dominion
 with the healing of thy wings.

Still the weary folk are pining
 for the hour that brings release,
 and the city's crowded clangor
 cries aloud for sin to cease:
 and the homesteads and the
 woodlands
 plead in silence for their peace.

Crown, O God, thine own endeavor;
 cleave our darkness with thy sword:
 feed all those who do not know Thee
 with the richness of thy word;
 cleanse the body of this nation
 through the glory of the Lord.

PRESENTATION HYMN: 380 "From all that dwell below the skies" *verse 3*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
 him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711). Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?). All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A

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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. *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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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. 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.

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

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All S164: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

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

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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: 488 “Be thou my vision”

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880–1931); tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860–1935), alt. Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927; harm. David Evans (1874–1948). Copyright: Words: This hymn appears courtesy of the Estate of Eleanor Hull and Chatto & Windus Ltd. Music: By permission of Oxford University Press. All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

COMMUNION HYMN: 592 "Teach me, my God and King"

1 Teach me, my God and King, in all things thee to see; and
 2 All may of thee par - take; noth - ing can be so mean, which
 3 A ser - vant with this clause makes drudg - er - y di - vine: who
 4 This is the fa - mous stone that turn - eth all to gold; for

what I do in an - y - thing, to do it as for thee.
 with this tinc - ture, "for thy sake," will not grow bright and clean.
 sweeps a room, as for thy laws, makes that and the ac - tion fine.
 that which God doth touch and own can - not for less be told.

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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.

HYMN: 583 "O holy city, seen of John"



1 O ho - ly ci - ty, seen of John, where Christ, the Lamb, doth reign,
 2 O shame to us who rest con - tent while lust and greed for gain
 3 Give us, O God, the strength to build the ci - ty that hath stood
 4 Al - rea - dy in the mind of God that ci - ty ris - eth fair:



with - in whose four - square walls shall come no night, nor need, nor pain,
 in street and shop and ten - e - ment wring gold from hu - man pain,
 too long a dream, whose laws are love, whose crown is ser - vant - hood,
 lo, how its splen - dor chal - leng - es the souls that great - ly dare—



and where the tears are wiped from eyes that shall not weep a - gain!
 and bit - ter lips in blind de - spair cry, "Christ hath died in vain!"
 and where the sun that shin - eth is God's grace for hu - man good.
 yea, bids us seize the whole of life and build its glo - ry there.

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VOLUNTARY: Postlude

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Serving Today

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|------------------------|--|
| 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; Dr. William McCandless, conductor |
| Lector | Julie Brogno |
| Intercessor | Beth Keyse |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Peter Fortner, Kay Woolley |
| Acolytes | Henry Galus, Susan Ahn, Victoria Porter, Athan Nichols |
| Ushers | Beth Keyse, Troy Sorbo, John Braum, Steve Moore |
| Greeters | Donna Knoell, Julian Mattson |
| Altar Guild | Peg Brown, Debbie Marrs, Leticia Porter, Kristy Moore |
| Sound/Livestreaming | Kristy Moore, Chris Morrison |
| Cathedral Kids | Kelsey Leftwich-Yazell, Sara Copeland |
| Holy Hands Hospitality | Julie Brogno, Sarah Lagergren, Sara Copeland |
| Oblation Bearers | The Lagergren Family |

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: Kay Steiner; Jim Holstein; Sandra Fuhrman; Joel; Brian and Amy Hummell; Diego Garcia; Ken McCandless; Jeremy Oliver; Jody Beck; George Nodler; George Helmkamp; Judith Poitier; Holly; Tom Taylor; Phyllis Biddle; Betty Buck and Family; Cathy Hager; Daylin and Capt Aryk Bingham; Sandie Sorbo; Benjamin Jones Family; Emma Ruth Morestatter; Peg Brown; Keri Kirby; Phineas Gitta; Mike Barzee & Family; Iris Parsons; Larry McMullen; Joyce Morrow; Gloria Stocks; Jim Royer; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Yvonne Kehoe Meier; Jeffrey and family; Charlotte Colburn; Trish Lambert; All those fighting chronic illness; All families affected by gun violence; First Responders; All Immigrants

Comfort and Peace for the families of the departed.

Pray for the Departed: Jay Robert Sherwood; Hunter Simoncic; Rev. Cindy Carter; Margaret Hall; Rev. Elizabeth Phillips; Dr. Robert Toth; Ralph Wegener; Pat Bridgforth; Deputy Elijah Ming; Anupama Vaidya; Warren Sheldon; Scott Johnson; those lost in war; those who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Lee's Summit — The Rev. Meg Rhodes, The Rev. Jennifer Blevins

Diocesan Chancellor – Canon Mark Galus
Vice Chancellor – Mrs. Jen Snider
Chancellors and Attorneys in the Diocese

Altar Flowers

Today's flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in thanksgiving of Amanda, Caroline and Elizabeth's birthdays by Mark and Brenda Colburn.



This Week at GHTC

Learn more about our weekly services & opportunities for study and fellowship: kccathedral.org

Sunday, September 21

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 9:15 a.m. Label Containers at Pete's Garden
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Formation: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices
- 9:50 a.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist*
- 10:30 a.m. Cathedral Kids
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 12:15 p.m. Label Containers at Pete's Garden
- 5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, September 23

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

Wednesday, September 24

- 10 a.m. Staff Gathering
- 12 p.m. Noonday Prayer*
- 12 p.m. AA Meeting in Multipurpose Room
- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
- 6:30 p.m. Rehearsal: Cathedral Bell Ringers

Thursday, September 25

- 5:30 p.m. Meeting: Vestry
- 7 p.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir

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+On Zoom *In person and streamed on YouTube @kccathedral

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

September 21

Carmen Quintero
Terry Meier
Julian Mattson
Everett Newton

September 22

Orion Robinson
Caroline Colburn
Amanda Colburn
Elizabeth Colburn
Carl McCaffree

September 23

Tara Bennett
Wayne Alexander
Emmalynn Waters

September 24

Joan Bergstrom
Gretchen Ryder
Olivia Jones

September 26

Christina Golding
William Reed
Fred & Pat Decker

September 27

Wayne Alexander & John Braum

MUSIC FUNDRAISER: HOW YOU CAN HELP



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- Donate an "experience"
- Donate bottle of wine (over \$40) or whiskey (over \$50)
- Bring an appetizer
- Attend this event and share with others!!

Contact Director of Music,
Dr. Lucas Fletcher to donate items
lfletcher@kcccathedral.org



Tickets on sale at kcccathedral.org/musicevents.

Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost: Spiritual Insight, Transformation, & Recognition of Truth

"Luke Anthology" Illumination

We have made frequent use of the "Luke Anthology" illumination during this lectionary season. This illuminated collection of parables focuses our attention upon some of Jesus' key teachings in Luke – God is not enamored with possessions, status, or pious display, but by the love and grace shown to others. God's grace extends not only to those who share our values, but also to those who are different – such as the social outcasts and persons whose life choices have brought them to dire straits. The "Luke Anthology" invites us to take a panoramic view of Jesus' teachings. Although the parable of the Dishonest Manager is not included within today's illumination, its message fits into the anthology's collective theme of God's surprising and untamable grace.

Today's lectionary texts address themes of discernment, the potential for being misled, and the importance of living in alignment with God's righteousness. They encourage practices that nurture clearer spiritual vision and deeper understanding of God's will.

The Luke 16 text features a manager who has performed miserably in his job. Realizing he is about to be dismissed, he comes up with a post-employment survival plan – he will take steps to ingratiate himself to his clients who will subsequently owe him something when he is without an income. His plan isn't a particularly good one. The reader soon recognizes that this scheme will be for a short duration, and things will likely end unfortunately for him. However, it is the best plan the imperiled manager can come up with on short notice. Perhaps most surprising is the owner's recognition of the dishonest manager's astuteness in this affair.

When viewed from the broader context of the parables featured in this anthology, we might initially feel baffled by what seems to be Jesus' commendation of dishonest behavior. Upon closer reflection, however, we note how Jesus' teaching here serves to frustrate our accustomed posturing in such circumstances.



When reading parables, we are inclined to identify the good people and the bad ones – the good Samaritan, the forgiving father, the prodigal son, the unforgiving brother, the unsympathetic rich man. But in today's parable, with whom are we to identify? Would it be the owner, the manager, the debtors? In this narrative, Jesus deprives us of our familiar black and white categories for assessing.

One perspective we might gain by viewing today's parable from the vantage point of the "Luke Anthology" parables is recognition of our own tendency to employ oppositional thinking to evaluate people and events. We currently live in social and cultural environments that foster such modes of thought. In the Dishonest Manager parable Jesus makes this familiar way of assessing difficult. Perhaps the dominant message here is one of grace. The manager employs grace toward his clients in a bid to save himself. The owner exercises grace in his response to the manager. Jesus seems to tell his listeners that we should stop functioning according to categories of blame and culpability and adopt God's tool of grace.

How might learning to live under the power of God's grace help liberate us from the tendency to live and think of faith in categories of rules by which to live and judge others? In today's parable Jesus doesn't offer us an easy moralistic code for living the Christian life. Rather, he urges us to discover and live according to the ongoing work of divine grace operating in and through us.

Formation for All Ages

Adults: Sundays

9:15 a.m. • Common Room

Episcopal Beliefs & Practices: A Study of the Prayer Book

Through a weekly study of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer we will explore the beliefs and practices of the Episcopal Church. If you are curious about the Anglican way of Christianity, want to better understand familiar prayers and liturgies, or are seeking to engage more deeply in Christian practice and theology then this course is for you! No preparation needed, prayer books will be provided in class.

Children: Sundays

10:30 a.m. • Haden Hall

Cathedral Kids

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 cabinet in the back cross aisle.

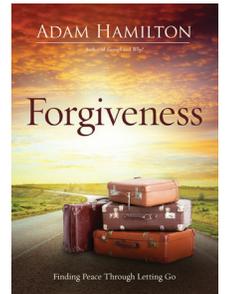
Adults: Tuesdays

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

The Virtual Café is open every Tuesday morning for Cathedral members and friends to connect; discuss current topics and activities happening at the Cathedral and in our community; and share what's on your mind. 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. Currently, we are in a study based on the book, *Forgiveness: Finding Peace by Letting Go* by Adam Hamilton. Visit our website, kccathedral.org/adultformation, for more information.



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

Join us for a discussion of context which will, with God's grace, lead us to a discussion of how an understanding of scripture can restore us to fullness with God and each other in Christ. Join the Lectionary Bible Study group in Realm or on our website, kccathedral.org/adultformation, for more details.

Youth: Sundays

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

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October 13, 2025 | 6-8 p.m.

Rockhurst University, Arrupe Auditorium | 5351 Forest Ave., Kansas City, MO

What role does the faith community have in stemming gun violence?

Surely there is one. Sadly, firearms deaths, whether homicide, suicide or accidents, continue plaguing our country. Firearms are the #1 killer of children 17 and younger.

Faith may give comfort to survivors, but it requires action to prevent even more victims. Join us to learn the tools local faith leaders share to turn faith into action.

The Diocese of West Missouri is proud to be a sponsor of the Grandparents for Gun Safety Community Forum, this year titled "Faith and Firearms: Turning Faith into Action", featuring national activist, pastor, and author John Pavlovitz as the keynote speaker. John is joined by a panel of local Kansas City faith leaders who will lead the discussion on gun violence and gun prevention actions.

Tickets available at grandparentsforgunsafety.org (or scan the QR code above). Reduced rate for groups of 10 or more is available.



Keynote speaker John Pavlovitz, an author and former youth pastor, with nearly one million social media followers, often speaks out about gun violence. As he's posted: "If you pray for victims of gun violence, while doing nothing to stop their proliferation or to make them more difficult to get—your prayers may as well be bullets for the next mass shooting."

Saturday, October 25 | 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Guns to Gardens: Safe Surrender Event

Central Presbyterian Church
3501 Campbell St., Kansas City, Missouri

Central Presbyterian Church is hosting their 2nd annual Guns to Gardens: Safe Surrender Event Saturday, October 25.

Guns to Gardens is a national movement where people can surrender their unwanted firearms safely, responsibly, and anonymously. Based on Isaiah 2:4, "...beat their swords into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks," the movement aims to make the community safer and more richly connected. Grocery store gift cards are offered in appreciation for surrendered firearms, and last year alone saw 81 firearms surrendered from participants, including 34 semi-automatics.

Why We Need Your Support:

To grow our 2025 outreach, we are seeking non-profit donations and gift cards to help cover event costs. Last year, we distributed \$5,225 in grocery gift cards as a token of thanks to those who surrendered firearms. With your support, we can expand this vital work to make our communities safer.

If you'd like to help support or volunteer your time, reach out to Central Presbyterian Church for more information:
centralpreskc.org/guns-to-gardens.



Donations for our Outreach Partners

Diaper Drive for HappyBottoms: September Not having a clean diaper can really stink

Diapers are not covered by government safety net programs like food stamps, Medicaid, and WIC.

1 in 2 families in KC can't afford diapers

Families with young children experiencing diaper need report missing an average of 5.1 workdays per month because they did not have the required number of diapers for their child to attend daycare. Bring diapers to the barrel in the cross hall or to the basket in the Tower or purchase diapers through HappyBottoms (use group name: Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral).

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Diaper Drive

for **happybottoms**
diapers for families in need



Donate packages of diapers
Sizes 4, 5, 6 needed most

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HOW WE FIGHT HUNGER

NOURISH



Free nutritious and delicious meals served daily at our Nourish KC Community Kitchen

TEACH



Culinary job training & mentorship with our Culinary Futures Workforce Development program

EMPOWER



Connecting neighbors with resources through our Pantry Partner Program and other Social Enterprise Initiatives

Hunger Action Month

Healing hunger takes hands, heart, and hustle. We're calling on our community to serve with us in the kitchen, on the front line, or behind the scenes.

Our Culinary Futures students are learning. Our chefs are leading. And you, our volunteers, are the ones making this movement possible.

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

Hunger Action Month isn't about just raising awareness, it's about doing something. Whether it's volunteering in the kitchen, making a donation, or simply sharing the news about us, your action fuels the work we do every day at The Prospect KC.

We'll keep showing up all month long and we hope you will too.

With fierce love and full plates,
Chef Shanita McAfee-Bryant
Founder & Executive Director
The Prospect KC

Donate to help fight hunger: theprospectkc.org/donate
The Prospect KC (EIN: 84-4576270)
11 E. 40th Street
Kansas City, MO 64111

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Upcoming Events & Announcements

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

TODAY | 9:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

Help at Pete's Garden

Volunteer with fellow parishioners at Pete's Garden to put labels on the containers that will be used to package meals for families in need. Meet Deacon Barbara and Colin Chambers in Founders' Hall and head downstairs to Pete's Garden. This is a great opportunity to help at Pete's Garden. All ages are welcome; younger children should have a parent present.

TODAY | 5 p.m.

Choral Evensong

Choral Evensong is a centuries-old Anglican musical service of sung Evening Prayer that combines music, prayer, and scripture into a contemplative experience. It features our own Trinity Choir singing composed settings of the psalms, responses, and canticles, providing a peaceful and reflective pause as the day closes. Following the service, all are welcome to take communion in the Chapel.

Thursday, September 25 | 5:30 p.m.

Vestry Meeting

You are welcome to attend and observe the meeting in the Common Room or on Zoom. For Zoom information: kccathedral.org/vestry. Non-Vestry members must have prior arrangement to be included on the agenda to address the meeting. To be placed on the agenda for the meeting, please contact Dean Keyse, akeyse@kccathedral.org, no later than noon on the Monday before the meeting.

Friday, October 3 | 6:30 p.m.

Jazz Concert & Music Fundraiser

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Saturday, October 4 | 11 a.m.

Blessing of the Animals

Round up Fido, Fluffy, and the whole furry, feathery gang and bring them to the Cathedral for our annual Blessing of the Animals. Join us on the north lawn for a paws-itively divine day of prayers and a tail-wagging celebration for all of God's creatures!

Sunday, October 5 | 10:30 a.m.

Blessing of the Stuffed Animals

Children are invited to bring their loved and adored stuffed animals and lovies for a blessing during the 10:30 a.m. service.

Sunday, October 5 | 3:30 p.m.

Hymn Sing

Come for our annual Hymn Sing! Whether you're a pro vocalist or just love basking in the harmonious glory of hymns, everyone's welcome! Choose your favorite hymn(s) to submit: kccathedral.org/events. We will compile the list and sing our way through it. (Only hymns from *The Hymnal 1982* and *Wonder, Love, and Praise*, please.)

Sunday, October 19 | 8 & 10:30 a.m.

Rite of Healing

During both morning services, the laying-on-of-hands and anointing for healing will be offered for those desiring it. We observe this sacramental rite annually on the Sunday closest to the feast of St. Luke the Physician, October 18.