

GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Lazarus and Dives," Folio 78 from the Codex Aureus of Echternach

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 28, 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.
- If you need a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher. Instructions to connect via Bluetooth are on the back table.
- Gendered restrooms are available in Founders' Hall. A non-gendered, accessible restroom is available at west end (rear) of the Cathedral.

Service Notes

- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
- Donations may be placed in the offering, made through the Cathedral website: kccathedral.org, by scanning the QR code to the right or by texting "GIVEtoGHTC" to 73256. Tap to give using the display in the Tower entrance. Instructions for use are next to the machine. *Thank you for your generosity.*



ORDER FOR EVENING AND HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: Prelude in E-flat

Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

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, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 6:1a,4-7

Lector Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.
Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146



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Cantor Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O | my soul! *
I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.
All Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child | of earth, *
for there is | no help in them.
When they breathe their last, they return | to earth, *
and in that day | their thoughts perish.
Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for | their help! *
whose hope is in | the Lord their God;
Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is | in them; *
who keeps his | promise for ever;
Who gives justice to those who are | oppressed, *
and food | to those who hunger.
The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of | the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those | who are bowed down;
The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the | stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the | way of the wicked.
The Lord shall reign for | ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!

said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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 O righteous Lord, guide us onto the pathway of glory and hear our prayers as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.
Empower your church to fearlessly proclaim the gospel that the whole world might hear and experience your Good News.
Lord in your mercy,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Enter the hearts and minds of our civic and cultural leaders, that their priorities are aligned with the needs and hopes of all people.
Lord in your mercy,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Be present in our parish and in all the places we call home through our witness, that your glory might open eyes and hearts to your transforming love.
Lord in your mercy,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Strengthen our resolve and resilience for the making of hard choices to preserve your abundant creation for all future generations.
Lord in your mercy,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Bring the light and strength of your healing power into the darkness of all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. 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 Welcome the dying, comfort the grieving, strengthen the bereft, and bring us all together again in the glory of your new age. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.
Lord in your mercy,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Presider Loving God, you have brought your word which gives life into our midst again and again; help us be faithful recipients of your grace and bearers of your good news to all whom we encounter. All we ask, we ask in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Redeemer. **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 HYMN: 429 "I'll praise my Maker while I've breath"

1 I'll praise my Mak - er while I've breath; and when my voice is lost in
 2 How hap - py they whose hopes re - ly on Is - rael's God, who made the
 3 The Lord pours eye - sight on the blind; the Lord sup - ports the faint-ing
 4 I'll praise him while he lends me breath; and when my voice is lost in
 death, praise shall em - ploy my no - bler powers. My
 sky and earth and seas with all their train; whose
 mind and sends the la - boring con - science peace. He
 death, praise shall em - ploy my no - bler powers. My
 days of praise shall ne'er be past while life and thought and be - ing
 truth for ev - er stands se - cure, who saves the op - pressed, and feeds the
 helps the strang - er in dis - tress, the wid - owed and the fa - ther -
 days of praise shall ne'er be past while life and thought and be - ing
 last, or im - mor - tal - i - ty en - dures.
 poor. And none shall find his prom - ise vain.
 less, and grants the pris - oner sweet re - lease.
 last, or im - mor - tal - i - ty en - dures.

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* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A

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:

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

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

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.*

* POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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: 437 "Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!"

1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!
 2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!
 3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!
 4 Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of his word!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
 Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
 Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
 Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;
 his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
 Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.
 his ho - ly Name—the Lord, the Might - y One.
 the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
 to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

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VOLUNTARY: Allegretto

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

Serving Today

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Presider & Preacher | The Rev. W. James Yazell |
| Cantor | Dr. Kelli Van Meter |
| Lector & Eucharistic Minister | Patti Ryder |
| Organist | Dr. William McCandless |

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

September 29

Brenda Colburn
Margo Galus
Jonathan Sternberg
Brent & Anya Miller

September 30

Patricia Miller
Ric Sweeting
Vaughn Hemingway
Mike & Cheryl McDonald
John & Vangie Rich

October 2

Nova Kretsinger
Rebecca Rezaei
Charlie Caringer

October 3

Janet & Ric Sweeting

October 4

Gibraltar Hemingway

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



October Food Drive for Shelter KC

During the month of October, we are collecting food for Shelter KC.

Items most needed:

Canned fruits & vegetables
Canned sweet potatoes
Mac & cheese
Stuffing

Gravy Packets
Dinner Rolls
Canned Cranberry Sauce

Cathedral Staff: The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse, *Dean*; The Rev. W. James Yazell, *Associate Priest*; The Rev. Barbara Wegener, *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*

The Vestry: Steve Moore, *Senior Warden*, smoore@sheltonmoore.com; Nigel Jones, *Junior Warden*, redbox712@gmail.com, (405) 747-6550; Chip Buckner, *Treasurer*; Blain Lagergren, *Clerk*; Bill Boyd; Julie Brogno; Colin Chambers; Pat Decker; Paget Higgins; Steve King; Christine Morrison; Mathias Nichols; Charles Shipley

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; 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: The Episcopal Diocese of Texas – Houston, Texas — The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Jeff Fisher, Bishop Suffragan; The Rt. Rev. Hector Monterroso, Bishop Assistant; The Rt. Rev. Kathryn M. Ryan, Bishop Suffragan; The Rt. Rev. Brian Richard Seage, Assisting Bishop

Diocesan Council

This Week at GHTC

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

Sunday, September 28

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9 a.m. Coffee Hour
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
5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, September 30

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

Wednesday, October 1

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, October 2

7 p.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir

Friday, October 3

6 p.m. Concert & Fundraiser with KC Jazz Orchestra

Saturday, October 4

11 a.m. Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 5

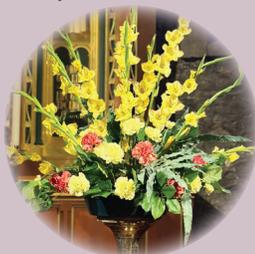
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3:30 p.m. Hymn Sing
5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist

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

Altar Flowers

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

- in thanksgiving for Ric Sweeting by Devon & Janet Sweeting
- in memory of her cousin Jamie by Candy McDowell
- in memory of Phyllis and Alan Ryder by Patti Ryder
- in memory of Marie Knoell and Lillian and John Knoell, and with gratitude for their lives by Donna Knoell and Jim Royer



Sponsor the Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are a great way to commemorate an event near a specific date, or honor/remember someone close to your heart. Donations of any amount toward the weekly flowers can be given by anyone who wants to acknowledge special events or people in their lives. See kccathedral.org/flowers for more information or contact Julie Toma.



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.



Upcoming Events & Announcements

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

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

Jazz Concert & Music Fundraiser

On Friday, October 3, GHTC hosts a fundraiser for our *Messiah Singalong*. The evening will include a raffle, a wine & whiskey pull, and performances by the KC Jazz Orchestra. Doors open at 6 p.m. in Founders' Hall and admission is \$20 per person.

Tickets on sale at kccathedral.org/musicevents.

How YOU can help:

- Donate raffle items
- 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.

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.

October 19 | 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.

October 19 | 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.

Looking Ahead

October 1-31 | Food Drive for Shelter KC

October 7 | Meeting: Buildings & Grounds Committee | 4:30 p.m.

October 13 | Closed: Indigenous People's Day

October 19 | Stewardship Lunch | 11:45 a.m.

October 21 | Meeting: Finance Committee | 7:30 a.m.

October 23 | Meeting: Vestry | 5:30 p.m.

October 24 | Game Night: Halloween Bingo! | 6 p.m.

October 26 | Costume Blessing | 10:30 a.m.

October 26 | Fall Festival | 11:45 a.m.