

GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
November 9, 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: Adagio and Allegro (Voluntary I, Op. 5)

John Stanley (1712-1786)

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, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Job 19:23-27a

Lector "O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 17:1-9

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Cantor Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord; give heed to | my cry; *
listen to my prayer, which does not come | from lying lips.

All Let my vindication come forth from your | presence; *
let your eyes be | fixed on justice.

Weigh my heart, summon me | by night, *
melt me down; you will find no im|purity in me.

I give no offense with my mouth as | others do; *
I have heeded the | words of your lips.

My footsteps hold fast to the ways of | your law; *
in your paths my | feet shall not stumble.

I call upon you, O God, for you will | answer me; *
incline your ear to me | and hear my words.

Show me your marvelous loving | kindness, *
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise | up against them.

Keep me as the apple of | your eye; *
hide me under the sha|dow of your wings,

From the wicked who as|sault me, *
from my deadly enemies | who surround me.

Second Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Lector As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

* ALLELUIA VERSE *Cantor; then People*



Be watchful and  ready,* for you know not when the Son of Man  is coming

All repeat the three alleluias.

* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 20:27-38

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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.

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for those on the Cathedral's Prayer List, and for those whom we now name silently or aloud.

Silence.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.

Silence.

Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

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

A PRAYER FOR VETERANS

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: 188 "Love's redeeming work is done"



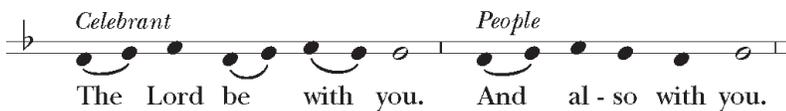
1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
 2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
 3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head;



Death in vain for - bids him rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
 Once he died our souls to save, where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?
 made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

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* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A



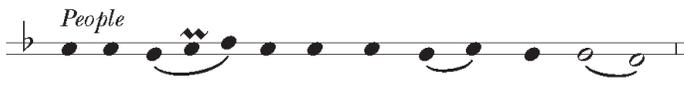
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



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 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.

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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

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Presider Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

* THE BLESSING

* DISMISSAL

Following the dismissal,
People Thanks be to God.

* CLOSING HYMN: 801 "God be with you till we meet again"

Unison *Harmony*

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain; by wise coun - sels
 2. God be with you till we meet a - gain; 'neath bright wings pro -
 3. God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's pe - rils
 4. God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, with the sheep se - cure - ly fold you:
 tect - ing hide you, dail - y man - na still pro - vide you:
 thick con - found you, put strong arms un - fail - ing round you:
 float - ing o'er you, smite death's threat - 'ning wave be - fore you:

Unison

God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 God be with you till we meet a - gain.

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VOLUNTARY: Andante (Voluntary I, Op. 5)

John Stanley (1712-1786)

Serving Today

Presider & Preacher	The Rev. Canon W. James Yazell
Lector & Eucharistic Minister	Janel Mosley
Cantor	Harry Brewster
Organist	Dr. Lucas Fletcher

Love in Action: Growing in Faith and Community

The Season of Pentecost is a season of growth. During this time, we have readings that are meant to teach us about being better people as we grow in faith and in doing all that Christ calls us to do. We hear from prophets and apostles about loving God and our neighbor, and we hear from Jesus about how to be better stewards of all that God has given us.

Growth is vital to us as individuals and as a family of faith. Learning and growing is something we all do together as we hear the words and teachings of Jesus and are supported by the great cloud of witnesses who have come before to show us the way.

You may make your financial commitment and support our continued growth by returning the enclosed pledge card to the Cathedral, by turning your card in at the lunch, home visits, or in the offering plate. You may also make your commitment online through the Cathedral's website: kccathedral.org/stewardship. Thank you for your continued care and support of Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral.



YOU ARE INVITED

Continue in fellowship, conversation, love & growth at casual gatherings with hors d'oeuvres and drinks.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

6-7:30 PM.

Grace and Holy Trinity
Cathedral, Common Room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6-7:30 PM.

Steve & Kristy Moore's house,
Leawood

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

6-7:30 PM.

Andy & Beth Keyse's house,
KCMO Northland

Let us know you are coming: kccathedral.org/stewardship

GLOVES & WARM SOCKS

For men & women at  **Shelter KC**
A Kansas City Rescue Mission

Bring donations of gloves and socks for men or women to the Tower entrance during November & December

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: The Brunner Family; Abby Zwerner; The Gooch Family; Gayle Melton Family; Katie Cummings; Carolyn McGlothen; All affected by Hurricane Melissa; Maison de Naissance in Haiti; Mike O'Neill; Lt. Col. Kevin Thomas; Ellen Spake ; Alan & Mary Simon; LaGreta Gitta; Kim Heitzenrater; Elliott Oliver; Marian Philip; The High Family; Joan and Joe Bacchus; Elaine Karsten; Kathy Manning; Terri Wesner; Norma Brooks; Lenette Johnson; Don Brown; Kay Steiner; Jim Holstein; Sandra Fuhrman; Joel; Brian and Amy Hummell; Diego Garcia; Ken McCandless; Jeremy Oliver; George Helmkamp; Jody Beck; George Nodler; Phineas Gitta; Mike Barzee & Family; Iris Parsons; Larry McMullen; Gloria Stocks; Jim Royer; Joyce Morrow; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Yvonne Kehoe Meier; Jeffrey and family; Charlotte Colburn; All those fighting chronic illness; All families affected by gun violence; First Responders; All Immigrants

Pray for the Departed: Richard Gooch; Sue King; Jay Robert Sherwood; Hunter Simoncic; Rev. Cindy Carter; Margaret Hall; Rev. Elizabeth Phillips; Dr. Robert Toth; Ralph Wegener; those lost in war; those who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: The Episcopal Diocese of West Texas – Austin, TX; The Rt. Rev. Dr. David G. Read, Bishop
Episcopal Veterans Fellowship Committee

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

November 9

Barry Howe
Christine Morrison
George Truex

November 11

Nkolika Obiesie
Jo Kretsinger
Michelle Ritter
Emily McLean

November 12

Claudia Risebig

November 14

Mark McGuire

November 15

Blain & Sarah Lagergren
Joshua Hemingway
Jessa Sparks

This Week at GHTC

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

Sunday, November 9

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9 a.m. Coffee Hour
9:15 a.m. Adult Formation: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices
9:30 a.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist*
10:30 a.m. Cathedral Kids
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
2 p.m. Concert: Cellist Ho Anthony Ahn
5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, November 11 *Veterans Day • Office Closed*

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

Wednesday, November 12

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 p.m. Gathering: Cathedral Stewardship at GHTC
6:30 p.m. Rehearsal: Bell Choir

Thursday, November 13

6 p.m. Gathering: Cathedral Stewardship @ Steve Moore's
7 p.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir

Friday, November 14

6 p.m. Gathering: Cathedral Stewardship @ Andy Keyse's

Sunday, November 16 • Kirkin' o' the Tartan

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9 a.m. Coffee Hour
9:15 a.m. Adult Formation: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices
9:15 a.m. Youth Formation
9:30 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. Choral Evensong
6 p.m. Youth Group

+On Zoom

*In person and streamed on YouTube @kccathedral

Today's altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God.

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.



Outreach Volunteer Opportunities

The Emergency Food Assistance Program

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

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

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

Pete's Garden

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

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

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

Nourish KC

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

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



Gather your loved ones, cozy up, and join us for a heartwarming movie night. Enjoy the magic of the season on the big screen, complete with festive treats and holiday cheer with nachos, popcorn, and hot chocolate.

Don't forget to bring your comfier-than-Founders' Hall-chairs or blankets, and perhaps some beloved movie candy to share with the crew!

Let us know you're coming:
kccathedral.org/events

Friday, November 21
Gather at 6:30 p.m. • Movie starts at 7:30 p.m.

Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination

Resurrection and Hope of Eternal Life

“Raising of Lazarus” Illumination (from John 11 focused for today’s “God of the Living theme”)

Today’s lectionary theme focuses on the resurrection and hope of eternal life. Unfortunately, none of today’s texts are accompanied by artwork that complements a *visio divina* based on these emphases. Yet, resurrection and hope of eternal life are significant topics addressed through the visual teachings of the Saint John’s Bible. For this reason, we turn to a visual found outside our range of lectionary texts for today while interpreting this portrayal in light of today’s Gospel and Old Testament lectionary texts.

A foundational truth addressed in Luke 20:27-38, Haggai 1:15-2:9, and John 11:1-57 is that belief in the resurrection and the hope of eternal life requires an ability to see an alternative reality. In today’s Gospel narrative, the Sadducees who interrogate Jesus are bound by a logic that makes resurrection impossible. Jesus sidesteps their intellectual trap by showing that there is a way of being and perceiving that exists outside of the Sadducees’ paradigms. Those who belong to this alternative way of seeing are children

of the “God of the living.” To be a child of resurrection means being able to see what others cannot.

Similarly, Haggai addresses a remnant of returning Jewish exiles who see a devastated landscape. Efforts to restore the temple are hindered by repeated problems, opposition, and “impossible” obstructions. In order to accomplish what God intends, these exiles must learn to see beyond the present conditions. They need to value their past, acknowledge the challenges of their present situation, but also must see beyond what “is” to what “is to be.” Such perception requires a transformation of the heart.

In the “Raising of Lazarus” illumination, Jesus conveys the same message to Martha. Confronted with the devastating reality of her brother’s death, she is initially only able to see loss, grief, and ending. Jesus challenges her with an alternative perspective – “I AM the resurrection and the life.” Physical death is a reality that no one can escape, but in Christ we are made

alive again – “Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die” (John 11:26).

Reflect for a moment on this illumination. As we sit with Lazarus in the darkness looking toward the opening where Jesus call us forth into light and life, do we choose to remain in the darkness of a devastated reality that fits our familiar paradigms or move into the light of Christ’s transforming alternative?



Upcoming Events & Announcements

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

You're the Boss: Pick the Movie

Get ready for a flick-tastic Friday on November 21—it's movie night! But first, the big question is: what are we watching? Cast your vote at kccathedral.org/events. The polls close TODAY so vote now!

Tuesday, November 11

Office Closed: Veterans Day

The Cathedral office is closed Tuesday, November 11. If you have a pastoral emergency, contact Dean Andy at 256.762.5889, Father James at 816.739.2930 or Deacon Barbara at 816.739.8032.

Sunday, November 16 | 8 & 10:30 a.m.

Kirkin' o' the Tartan

Dust off your kilts and join the tartan-tastic fun at our annual Kirkin' o' the Tartan! We display the tartan banners and enjoy listening to a piper at the 8 a.m. service and the Kansas City St. Andrew Pipes and Drums at the 10:30 a.m. service. The celebration honors the Scottish Church's contribution to the Episcopal Church. So put on your kilt and come celebrate with us!

Coffee Hour after Kirkin' o' the Tartan

Bring your favorite shortbread recipe to share with the parish and our special guests at coffee hour.

Sunday, November 16 | 12:15 p.m.

Volunteer at Pete's Garden

You are invited to volunteer to package food at Pete's Garden Sunday, November 16. To make sure we have enough volunteers, we ask that you sign up at kccathedral.org/events. Located in the lower level of Founders' Hall, Pete's Garden is a food rescue committed to less food waste and more family meals. Volunteers work together to portion and package donated food so it can be redirected to social service agencies who get meals to families.

Sunday, November 16 | 5 p.m.

Choral Evensong

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

Thursday, November 20 | 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, November 21 | 6:30 p.m.

Holiday Movie Night

Get ready for a flick-tastic Friday on November 21—it's movie night! The Cathedral's got your munchies covered with nachos, popcorn, and hot chocolate. Don't forget to bring your comfier-than-Founders' Hall-chairs or blankets, and perhaps some beloved movie candy to share with the crew! Gather in Founders' Hall at 6:30 p.m., movie starts at 7:30 p.m. Let us know you're coming at kccathedral.org/events.

Thursday, November 27 | 10 a.m.

Thanksgiving Day Service

Join your church family to celebrate and express gratitude this Thanksgiving Day at our 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist service. *The Cathedral office will be closed November 26-28.*

Saturday, November 29 | 10 a.m.

Deck the Halls for Advent!

The joyous season of Advent is almost upon us, and we invite you to help make our Cathedral ready for Advent, we hang greenery to spread anticipation as we prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth. All ages are welcome!