

GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



The Last Sunday after Pentecost
CHRIST THE KING
November 23, 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: Variations on "Coronation"

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Lector Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 46



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Cantor God is our refuge | and strength, *
a very pre|sent help in trouble.

All Therefore we will not fear, though the earth | be moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the | depths of the sea;

Though its waters rage | and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble | at its tumult.

The Lord of hosts is | with us; *
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

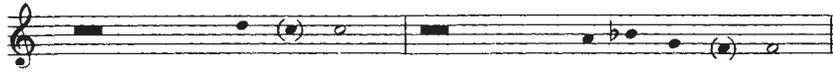
There is a river whose streams make glad the city | of God, *
the holy habitation | of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be o|verthrown; *
God shall help her at | the break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are | shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth | shall melt away.

The Lord of hosts is | with us; *
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

Come now and look upon the works of | the Lord, *
what awesome things he | has done on earth.



It is he who makes war to cease in all | the world; *
 he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns | the shields with fire.
 “Be still, then, and know that I | am God; *
 I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exal|ted in the earth.”
 The Lord of hosts is | with us; *
 the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20

Lector May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*** ALLELUIA VERSE** *Cantor; then People*



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

Cantor



The Lord of hosts is ▲ with us;* the God of Jacob / is our stronghold.

All repeat the three alleluias.

*** THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43**

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

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

Gospeller When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his

chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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

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

* OFFERTORY HYMN: 518 "Christ is made the sure foundation"

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

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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

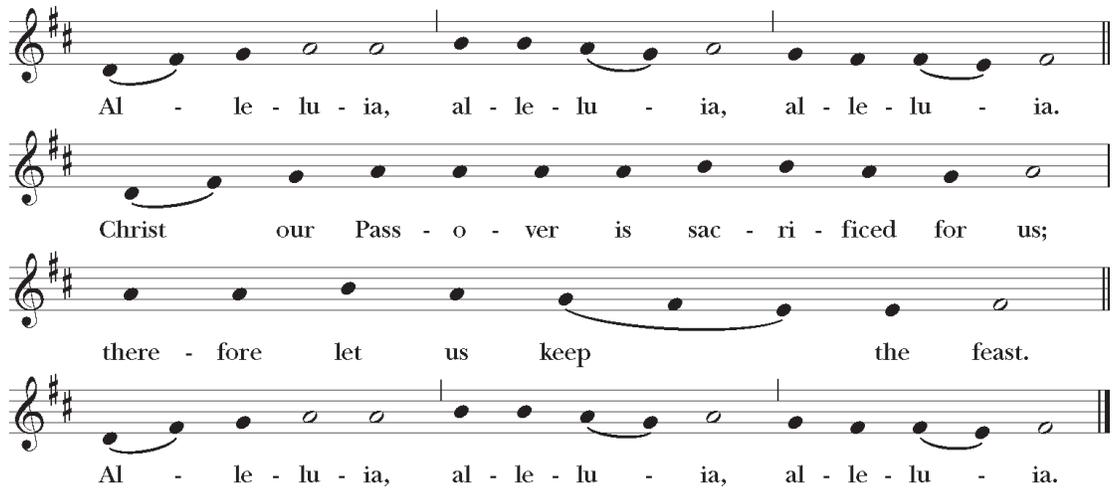
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Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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: 555 "Lead on, O King eternal"



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, the day of march has come;
 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears;

hence - forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home:
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
 for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er thy face ap - pears.

through days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong,
 for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,
 Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light:

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
 but deeds of love and mer - cy, the heaven - ly king - dom comes.
 the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

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VOLUNTARY: Variations on "Coronation"

Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

Serving Today

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

Love in Action: Growing in Faith and Community

As the season of Pentecost once again comes to an end, love never ends. Growth never ends. Our faith remains strong as long as we are actively loving one another. The writer of Hebrews told us a few weeks ago to “let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have...” Paul writes to Timothy and says that the people “are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share...” In keeping with these teachings, we ask that we all continue our commitment to the work and ministry of our Cathedral in 2026.



In-gathering Sunday: November 30

What is an In-gathering Sunday? On Sunday, November 30, at all services we will honor and celebrate our 2026 pledged stewardship commitments as a sacramental sign of our engagement to the work and ministry that's being done here at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral.

Thank you to all those who have already made a pledge for 2026!

Please prayerfully consider making your stewardship pledge on or before November 30 as stewardship season comes to a close.

Thank you for sharing your blessings with this faith community.

You may make your financial commitment and support our continued growth by returning your pledge card to the Cathedral by mail 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.

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: Phineas Gitta; All affected by Hurricane Melissa; Maison de Naissance in Haiti; Jody Beck; Betty Ouverson; Mike Duloherly; Gayle Melton Family; The Brunner Family; The Gooch Family; Abby Zwerner; Katie Cummings; Carolyn McGlothen; Lt. Col. Kevin Thomas; Mike O'Neill; Ellen Spake; Alan & Mary Simon; Joan and Joe Bacchus; Marian Philip; The High Family; Elliott Oliver; Kim Heitzenrater; Norma Brooks; Elaine Karsten; Kathy Manning; Terri Wesner; Lenette Johnson; Sandra Fuhrman; Jim Holstein; Kay Steiner; Brian and Amy Hummell; Joel; Ken McCandless; Diego Garcia; Jeremy Oliver; Don Brown; George Helmkamp; 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: LaGreta Gitta; Faye Brunner; Gayle Melton; Richard Gooch; Sue King; Jay Robert Sherwood; Hunter Simoncic; Rev. Cindy Carter; those lost in war; those who have died from gun violence

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Calvary Episcopal Church, Sedalia; The Rev. Canon Anne Meredith Kyle, Rector
Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

November 23

Clint Saunders

November 24

Troy Sorbo

November 25

Paula Livingston-Lewis &
Bennie Lewis
Anne Morse

November 26

Sharon Chinnery

November 27

Carolyn McLeroy
Isaac Epley
RoseLee Harrison
Stephanie Newton

November 29

George Helmkamp
Eddie Carter

This Week at GHTC

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

Sunday, November 23

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
12:30 p.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist
6 p.m. Youth Group Friendsgiving

Tuesday, November 25

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 26 • Cathedral Office Closed

12 p.m. Noonday Prayer*
12 p.m. AA Meeting in Multipurpose Room

Thursday, November 27 • Thanksgiving Day • Office Closed

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist*

Friday, November 28 • Cathedral Office Closed

Saturday, November 29

9 a.m. Altar Guild Workday
10 p.m. Advent Decorating

Sunday, November 30

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* & Family Worship
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour & Advent Workshop
5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist

+On Zoom

*In person and streamed on YouTube @kccathedral



Flowers and Greens will once again adorn the Cathedral as part of our celebrations. Your gift in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one helps provide festive decorations for Christmas Eve through The Feast of the Epiphany. This visual proclamation of the glory of the Incarnation adds so much to our celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

- Give online using the QR code.
- Text "GIVETOGHTC flowers" to 73256 to give using your mobile device.
- Mail a check to the Cathedral office or place in Sunday's offering.



To have your name appear in the Christmas bulletins, make your gift by Wednesday, December 17. (Gifts received after this date will appear in subsequent bulletins.)

Thank you for your generous gifts in celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ!



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Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination

God's Righteousness, Promise of Salvation, & the Enduring Covenant "The Crucifixion" Illumination (Luke 21)

The church's liturgical year ends with a celebration of the feast of Christ the King. The Sunday afterward marks the beginning of the new liturgical year – the first Sunday of Advent, when the story of God's redemptive activity in the world begins and unfolds anew. As we conclude this liturgical year, it is appropriate that we reflect on God's work in Christ (an operation that subverts the power structures and political systems of the world) and commemorate Jesus as the king of all creation.

Today's readings emphasize the challenge of our ultimate allegiance – whether to the "King of kings and Lord of lords" or to the visible but temporal powers of this age. For God's kingship is not one of worldly power, but of suffering love, sacrifice, and redemption. Jesus is a king who gathers and unites rather than divides and scatters (Jeremiah 23). Instead of waging war, Christ "makes wars cease to the ends of the earth ..." (Psalm 46:9). He welcomes even the worst of offenders (Luke 23:43).

Paul writes that the mission of Jesus is to "reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood" (Colossians 1:20). Thus, the indicators of Christ's reign are the peace and reconciliation of all creation.

Today's focal illumination features an image of the crucifixion based on the Gero Cross housed in Germany's Cologne Cathedral. This cross is distinguished by its elliptical gold panel with rays that radiate outward like the face of a sunflower. It conveys the message that amid all the pain of the crucifixion, this does not diminish God's glory.

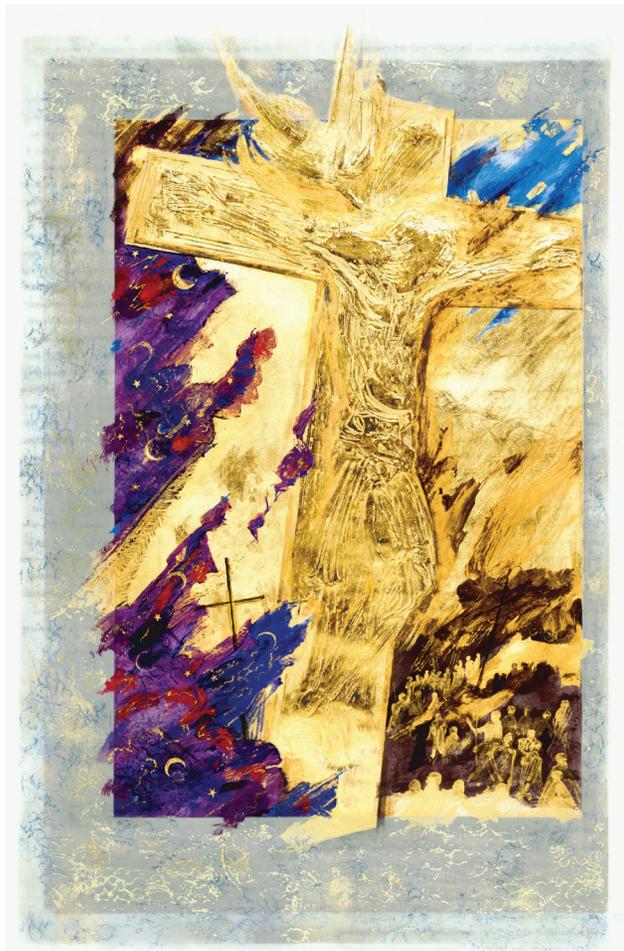
The left-hand side of this depiction portrays the three

hours of darkness accompanying Christ's crucifixion together with multiple moons. This suggests the crucifixion's ultimate termination of time. Night and death are destroyed in this act. The multitude of moons conveys a sense of the Bible's prophetic literature. The purple color suggests the rending of the temple veil – the end of darkness and of separation from God. Purple was a sign of royalty and power in the ancient world. Here it indicates the overthrow of worldly kingship and the establishment of Christ's eternal kingdom. In this kingdom possessions and status are unimportant. Truly significant value rests in attentiveness to God's presence.

The cross at the lower left of Christ's crucifixion represents the thief who was crucified at the same time as Jesus and in his final hours of life found redemption. Across from this on the lower right is the image of a procession, symbolizing the multitudes of people who, like the thief, have found redemption through

the death and resurrection of Christ. The expansion of the images beyond the limits of the frame expresses how the Crucifixion has broken through the limits of human perception and power and even liberated the prison of time itself.

A prayer we pray each Sunday in worship known as "The Lord's Prayer" is a regular expression of subversion against ultimate allegiance to earthly power structures: "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." On this feast of Christ the King, we are invited to consider where we are placing our true allegiance – to Christ's kingdom or some other? What difference does it make?



Upcoming Events & Announcements

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



Sock and Glove drive for Shelter KC in November & December

During the months of November and December, we are collecting warm socks and gloves for both men and women. These will be donated to Shelter KC at both the men's and women's centers.

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, spreading cheer and anticipation as we prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth. All ages are welcome! *Altar Guild Workday begins at 9 a.m.*

Sunday
November 30
11:45 a.m.

Advent Workshop

All are invited for fun and fellowship at our reimagined Advent Workshop in Founders' Hall. We're excited to partner with local organizations to prepare toiletry kits for distribution.

Friday-Sunday,
December 5-7

The Nativity Puppets

This celebrated annual spectacle comes alive with larger than life, seven-foot puppets and live voices, singers, and musicians for this classic enactment. For show time and to purchase tickets, visit nativitypuppets.org. Discounted tickets with code: NPChurch

Saturday, December 6
11 a.m.

Women's Lunch & Outreach Project

The women of GHTC are invited to help pack up food for children to have over the holiday break and treat bags for local school children. RSVP at kccathedral.org/advent.

Sunday, December 7
5 p.m.

Advent Lessons and Carols

Our annual service of Advent Lessons and Carols contains Bible readings and music provides an opportunity for spiritual reflection and preparation as we anticipate the joy of Christmas and the hope of Christ's return.

Monday, December 8
12 p.m.

The City Come Again

Since 1982, William Jewell College has partnered with Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral to present this gift to the city in words and music, featuring the college's Handbell & Concert choirs, conductor Dr. Lawrence Abernathy and organist Dr. Lucas Fletcher. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. This event is free.

Saturday, December 13
5:30-9 p.m.

Mingle and Munch

You are invited to fellowship at the home of Kristen & Mathias Nichols in the KC northland. Bring a beverage and dish (appetizer or dessert) to share and wear your favorite fun holiday sweater/outfit. ALL ages welcome! RSVP at kccathedral.org/advent.

Sunday, December 14
6-8 p.m.

Youth Advent Party & White Elephant Exchange

All 6-12th grade youth are welcome to gather in Haden Hall for Advent fun. Please keep white elephant gifts to a \$20 value.