

# GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Beatitudes" by Joseph Matar

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany  
February 1, 2026 • 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. *Upcoming Family Worship Dates: February 15, March 1, April 5*
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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: Sicilienne from *Sonata in E-flat Major, BWV 1031*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750); arr. Louis Vierne

## The Word of God

\* ENTRANCE HYMN: 398 "I sing the almighty power of God"

1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
2 I sing the good - ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.  
he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;

I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;  
Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,  
while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

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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: S278 Canticle 20, Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the  
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, 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.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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: Micah 6:1-8

Lector Hear what the Lord says:  
 Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
 and let the hills hear your voice.  
 Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord,  
 and you enduring foundations of the earth;  
 for the Lord has a controversy with his people,  
 and he will contend with Israel.  
 “O my people, what have I done to you?  
 In what have I wearied you? Answer me!  
 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,  
 and redeemed you from the house of slavery;  
 and I sent before you Moses,  
 Aaron, and Miriam.  
 O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
 what Balaam son of Beor answered him,  
 and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
 that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”  
 “With what shall I come before the Lord,  
 and bow myself before God on high?  
 Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,  
 with calves a year old?  
 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,  
 with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?  
 Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
 the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 15 *sung by the choir; chant by Herbert Howells*

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Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \*  
who may abide upon your holy hill?  
Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \*  
who speaks the truth from his heart.  
There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; \*  
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.  
In his sight the wicked is rejected, \*  
but he honors those who fear the Lord.  
He has sworn to do no wrong \*  
and does not take back his word.  
He does not give his money in hope of gain, \*  
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.  
Whoever does these things \*  
shall never be overthrown.

**Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

**Lector**      The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

\* GOSPEL HYMN: 474 "When I survey the wondrous cross"

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young  
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the  
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and  
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
 cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that  
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
 of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

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\* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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 blessings hear our prayers and act swiftly to answer them as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.  
Embolden your church, that it may fearlessly accept its mission to bring light and love into the world without judgment.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People      Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor      Keep the needs of the most vulnerable foremost in the minds and in the intentions of our elected leaders and public servants, that the dignity of all may be preserved and the welfare of our whole nation increased.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People      Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor      Help us to ground our choices in our concern for those most impacted by climate change and in the need to preserve the abundance of creation for future generations.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People      Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor      Shower your blessing on this congregation that they might know and feel your presence in their lives and act in the confidence of your love for the good of all.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People      Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor      Bring wholeness and peace to all who suffer, free from their afflictions and instill in them the hope of Christ. 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 in your embrace all those who have died and so guide our lives that we may confidently look forward to our reunion with them and you. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People      Hear our prayer.**
- Presider      God of true wisdom who through Christ has given us the model of human life, so inspire us that we might live always in the joy of our salvation and greet with joy the day of your coming. 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

DEDICATION OF THE *BOOK OF LIFE*

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: "Lord, make us servants of your peace"

Frank W. Boles (b. 1955)

text: para. James Quinn; attr. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make us servants of your peace:  
where there is hate, may we sow love;  
where there is hurt, may we forgive;  
where there is strife, may we make one.

Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek  
to be consoled, but to console,  
nor look to understanding hearts,  
but look for hearts to understand.

Where there is doubt, may we sow faith;  
where all is gloom, may we sow hope;  
where all is night, may we sow light;  
where all is tears, may we sow joy.

May we not look for love's return,  
but seek to love unselfishly,  
for in our giving we receive,  
and in forgiving are forgiven.

Dying, we live, and are reborn  
through death's dark night to endless day;  
Lord, make us servants of your peace,  
to wake at last in heaven's light.

PRESENTATION HYMN: 446 "Praise to the Holiest in the height" *verse 1*

1 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the  
1 depth be praise; in all his words most  
1 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!

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Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

Presider And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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 S165: 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 of the world: Give us your peace.

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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.

*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 ANTHEM: “The Beatitudes”

Benedict Sheehan (b. 1980)

text: Matthew 5:3-12

In Thy Kingdom remember us, O Lord, when Thou comest in Thy Kingdom.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when men shall revile you and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake.

Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven.

COMMUNION HYMN: 656 "Blest are the pure in heart"

1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the  
 2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to  
 3 he to the low - ly soul will still him - self im - part and  
 4 Lord, we thy pres - ence seek; may ours this bless - ing be; give

se - cret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's a - bode.  
 dwell in low - li - ness with us, our pat - tern and our King;  
 for his dwell - ing and his throne will choose the pure in heart.  
 us a pure and low - ly heart, a tem - ple fit for thee.

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\* POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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Presider Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God,  
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
 of the most precious Body and Blood  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
 And now, Father, send us out  
 to do the work you have given us to do,  
 to love and serve you  
 as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

\* THE BLESSING

\* CLOSING HYMN: 556 "Rejoice, ye pure in heart!"

1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing! Your  
 2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of earth, pour  
 3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias loud; while  
 4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go, from  
 5 Still lift your stand - ard high, still march in firm ar - ray, as

1 glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.  
 2 out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
 3 an - swering ech - oes up - ward float, like wreaths of in - cense cloud.  
 4 youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.  
 5 war - riors through the dark - ness toil, till dawns the gold - en day.

*Refrain*

Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks, and sing.  
 re - joice, re - joice,

\*6 At last the march shall end;  
 the wearied ones shall rest;  
 the pilgrims find their Father's house,  
 Jerusalem the blest.

*Refrain*

\*7 Then on, ye pure in heart!  
 Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
 Your glorious banner wave on high  
 the cross of Christ your King.

*Refrain*

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VOLUNTARY: Toccata in F Major, P. 463, 464

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

*There will be a 10 minute recess before the start of the Annual Meeting.*

ANNUAL MEETING

\* DISMISSAL

*Following the dismissal,*

People Thanks be to God.

## Serving Today

Presider	The Rev. Canon W. James Yazell
Preacher	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Deacon	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Assisting	The Rev. Clare Stern-Burbano
Musicians	The Trinity Choir, Dr. Lucas Fletcher
Lector	Scott Anthony
Intercessor	Charles Shipley
Eucharistic Ministers	Peter Fortner, Bob Johnson
Acolytes	Jonah Fahnestock, Brenda Colburn, Harrison Mattson, Athan Nichols
Ushers	Denny Brisley, Beth Keyse, Colin Chambers, Bob Bennett
Greeters	Sheri Packett, Bob Packett
Altar Guild	Phaedra Fahnestock, Paget Higgins, Claudia Risebig, Sharon Hudson
Sound/Livestreaming	Julian Mattson, Chris Morrison
Cathedral Kids	Clare Stern-Burbano, Mariah Kettler
Healing Minister	Janet Sweeting
Oblation Bearers	Diane Barker, David Barker

## This Week at GHTC

Learn more about our weekly services & opportunities for study and fellowship: [kccathedral.org](http://kccathedral.org)

### Sunday, February 1 • Annual Meeting; 10:30 service only

- 9:30 a.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist\* & Cathedral Kids
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

### Tuesday, February 3

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

### Wednesday, February 4

- 10 a.m. Staff Gathering
- 12 p.m. Noonday Prayer\*
- 12 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

### Thursday, February 5

- 6 p.m. Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous Meeting
- 7 p.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir

### Sunday, February 8

- 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\* & Cathedral Kids
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 5 p.m. Order for Evening and Holy Eucharist
- 6 p.m. Youth Group

+On Zoom

\*In person and streamed on YouTube @kccathedral

## 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](mailto:bwegener@kccathedral.org).  
View the prayer list anytime: [kccathedral.org/prayers](http://kccathedral.org/prayers)

**Pray for:** Terry and Marie Clements; Dane Griffith; Shana; Ken McCandless; Marcille McCandless; Ella; Claudia Risebig; Farzana Farzad; Donna Knoell; Fawzia Ziayee and Mohammad Yunus; Jay; Janel Mosley; Charlotte Lipari; Osha; Carolyn McGlothen; Kimberly Bacchus; Ahmed al Ahmed; Gayle Webb; Konan; Zachary Pearce; Ann Ryder; Erin Kalkbrenner; All injured in the Shooting in Stockton, CA; Katie Rose; Gene Easter; Betty Ouverson; Mike Dulohery; Bill Stancil; Gayle Melton Family; The Brunner Family; The Gooch Family; Abby Zwerner; Katie Cummings; Carolyn McGlothen; Lt. Col. Kevin Thomas; Mike O'Neill; 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; Those fighting chronic illness; families affected by gun violence; First Responders; Immigrants

**Pray for the Departed:** Alex Pretti; Richard Sklar; Renee Nicole Good; Larry, Marcia and Gary Wilson; Jonathan Everett Boley; Those souls lost in the Switzerland ski resort fire; Tatiana Celia Kennedy Schlossberg; Ella Cook; Those lost in the Silver Lake Nursing Home Explosion; Joe Bacchus; Mukhammadaziz Umurzokov; Ella Cook; Those lost in the Bondi Beach Shootings; Maliyah Brown; Rev. Barbara Beam; LaGreta Gitta; Faye Brunner; Gayle Melton; those lost in war; those who have died from gun violence

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Kimberling City—The Rev. Anne Cheffey, Priest-in-Charge  
Union of Black Episcopalians

# Paper Drive for Sheffield Place



Sheffield Place assists homeless women and children in making the difficult journey from homelessness to self-sufficiency.

**Bring donations of toilet paper, paper towels and tissues to the basket in the Tower during the month of February.**

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

### February 1

Stan Dibble  
Kelsey Leftwich

### February 3

Connie Boyd

### February 2

Loretta Stotts  
Randal Loy

### February 4

Mark Colburn  
Holly Johnson

### February 6

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## Today's 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](http://kccathedral.org/flowers) for more information.

### Want to setup all of your 2026 flower reservations now?

Contact Julie Toma ([jtoma@kccathedral.org](mailto:jtoma@kccathedral.org)) to arrange the dates now; payment in advance not required.

## 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. No preparation needed, prayer books will be provided in class.

### Cathedral Kids: Sundays

10:30 a.m. • Haden Hall

Cathedral Kids meets during the first half of the 10:30 a.m. worship service. 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**.

### Adults: Tuesdays

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

For details, visit [kccathedral.org/other-activities](http://kccathedral.org/other-activities).

### Women's Bible Study • 12:30 p.m. • Zoom

Conversation is lively, thought-provoking, and often irreverent. All are welcome. Visit our website, [kccathedral.org/adultformation](http://kccathedral.org/adultformation), for the Zoom link.

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

Join the Lectionary Bible Study group in Realm or on our website, [kccathedral.org/adultformation](http://kccathedral.org/adultformation), for more details.

## Youth

Youth in grades 6-12 meet Sundays at 9:15 a.m. for Formation. Youth Group meetings are at 6 p.m. Sundays, February 15, March 1, March 15

# Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination

## Upside Down Kingdom

### "The Beatitudes" Text Treatment (Matthew 5:1-12)

Today's lectionary readings challenge popular definitions of success and power, alternatively emphasizing humility, justice, and the "foolishness" of the cross. The Gospel reading announces a subversion of usual human expectations by declaring those whom "the world" considers weak or unimportant (i.e., the poor in spirit, the mourning, the meek, etc.) as being the ones who are truly blessed. The Epistle reading contrasts human wisdom with divine wisdom and power, asserting that God's "foolishness" (the cross) is wiser than the best of human intelligence. Trusting in the crucified Christ is the foundation for radical humility and unity. The Old Testament reading presents "true religion" as being bound together with doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with God. Psalm 15 explores living a life of integrity, truth-telling, and protecting those who are vulnerable. Collectively, these readings challenge us to embrace a countercultural, cruciform life that prioritizes righteousness over status.

Jesus initiates his ministry with a message to his followers regarding their true identity – they are blessed (i.e., fortunate, favored, privileged). What makes them blessed? The fact that they are loved and accepted by God. Whatever they may learn or accomplish in the future will be an outgrowth of what already is their fundamental condition (their ground-of-being). God has blessed them unconditionally and they are freed thereby to bless others. This means that we don't do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly in order to earn God's blessings. Rather, we do these things as an outgrowth of our condition of already being blessed by God.

In today's featured text treatment, illuminator Thomas Ingmire draws attention to the focal message of the Beatitudes as a new, radical form of wisdom. His treatment employs an abstract artistic style with the word "blessed" repeated, jagged, broken apart, brought back together, then broken apart again. The letters of this word are dispersed randomly in a multicolored pattern. Then they come together occasionally to form the text's focal word. This fractured effect draws upon traditional mosaic artistry used in early Christian depictions to represent the multifaceted nature of Jesus' teachings. The overall effect is to emphasize

the joyful and challenging character of Jesus' words rather than dwell upon lists of virtuous qualities.

In this treatment, Ingmire employs a style that enables the calligraphy itself to become the art. He does this by using color and gold lettering to catch the viewer's eye and then draws them into the challenging meaning of the text. How does this technique highlight the complex and transformative nature of the Beatitudes in ways a straightforward, orderly text might not? Can you articulate ways Ingmire's treatment enhances the message of this reading for you?



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# Upcoming Events & Announcements

For more info and signup links: [kccathedral.org/events](http://kccathedral.org/events)

## Valentine's Day Brunch

**Saturday, February 14 | 11:30 a.m.**

Come one, come all to a heartfelt celebration at the home of Diane & David Barker! It's a great chance to connect, meet new friends, and enjoy community joy. Everyone's invited, from the littlest tots to the young at heart. Bring your favorite Valentine treat and/or drink to share. We look forward to celebrating love and friendship with you!



Sign up at [kccathedral.org/events](http://kccathedral.org/events).

## Shrove Sunday Pancakes

Our annual Shrove Sunday Pancake Breakfast is the perfect way to indulge in some syrupy fun before Lent rolls in!



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15 | 9 A.M. + 11:45 A.M. | FOUNDERS' HALL**

[kccathedral.org/lent](http://kccathedral.org/lent)

## ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 18

7 a.m. + 12:05 p.m. + 7 p.m.



"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Ash Wednesday is a solemn day in the Episcopal Church. We gather to reflect on our mortal nature, confess our sins, and receive God's grace. This day also marks the beginning of Lent, a time of preparation for the great festival of Easter.

- The 7 a.m. service is spoken.
- The 12:05 service includes hymns and organ music.
- The 7 p.m. service includes the Trinity Choir.

Noonday Prayer will be broadcast at noon and the 7 p.m. service will be livestreamed.

LET'S CELEBRATE AND HAVE FUN

## MARDI GRAS Dinner

Tuesday, February 17  
6PM | Founders' Hall

Jambalaya will be provided.  
Please bring cornbread/bread, a salad or a dessert.

LET US KNOW YOU'RE COMING:  
[KCCATHEDRAL.ORG](http://KCCATHEDRAL.ORG)

## Making a Spiritual Assessment & Developing a Rule of Life

**Ash Wednesday, February 18 | 5:30-6:45 p.m. | Common Room**

*"All of Lent is moving towards the passion and resurrection of Jesus, culminating at Easter with baptisms or the renewal of baptism. Lent prepares us for this grace by taking us into the mystery of the cross, our bridge from death to life. It is the season to probe sources of bondage and diminishment: What feels like death just now? What is holding us back from fullness of life in Christ? Our renewing of baptism entails searching self-examination and repentance. We must undergo a death to sin and all forms of resistance to God." -Julia Gatta*

Lent is a time to check in on our spiritual life, to renew our commitment to life in Christ, and to take on new practices to deepen that life. In this workshop, you will be guided through a self-assessment of your current spiritual life and explore the use of a systematic approach to the spiritual life known as a Rule of Life. This workshop is for anyone looking to develop a guide for their spiritual practice or to review and renew their current practice.