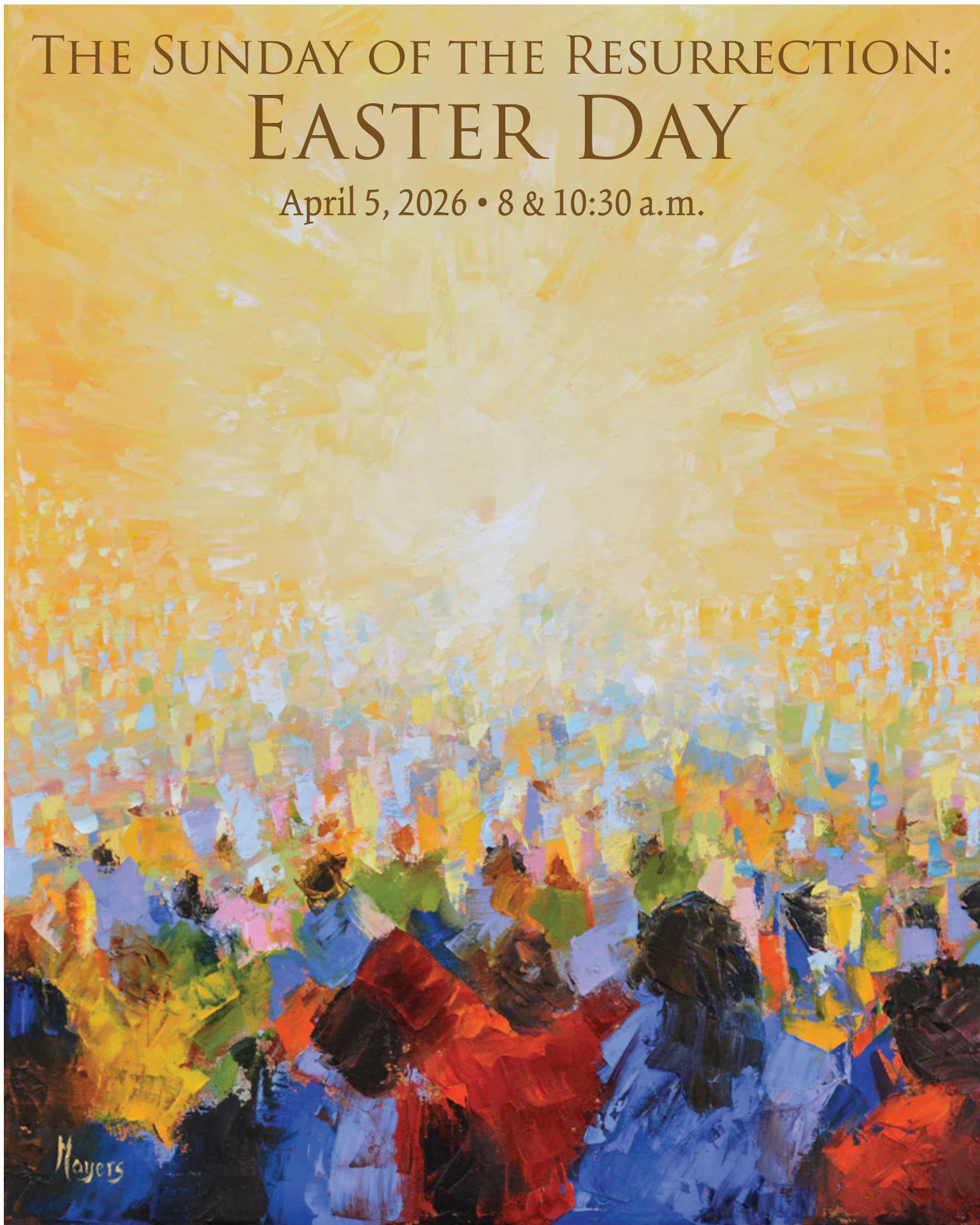


# THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION: EASTER DAY

April 5, 2026 • 8 & 10:30 a.m.



GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

## Welcome to Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral!

I am very glad that you have chosen to join us today to shout Easter Alleluias from all around the greater Kansas City area, the nation, or wherever you may be! We are gathered together both digitally and in-person to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. Light has overcome the darkness, love has overcome fear, and our doors stand open to welcome you to our Cathedral. Christ is risen, Easter is here! May you continue to be blessed in this Holy Season. Alleluia!

Dean Amy T

**ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!  
THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!**

### 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. Use the QR code to sign up for email news about special events, worship and ways to connect with our community.



Email Signup

### 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*.

### Children

Children are welcome in all our services and activities for them are available on a shelf in the back aisle.

The Common Room is available during this service as a nursing & family room; the service is streamed in the room.

The nursery in Haden Hall is open during the 10:30 service. *To get to Haden Hall:* From the Tower entry, go up the stairs and straight ahead to the adjoining building. Follow signs or ask an usher for directions.

### Restrooms

Gendered and accessible restrooms with a changing table are available in Founders' Hall. A non-gendered and accessible restroom with a changing table is available at west end (rear) of the Cathedral.

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### Following the Service

Please join us for a festive reception in Founders' Hall. **After the 10:30 Service:** All families are invited to join us for our children's Easter Day egg hunt. Some of the candy may contain allergens.



Fifty percent of the Easter offering will be donated to the Food Pantry at St. Paul's. For over 40 years, the St. Paul's Food Pantry has been a vital resource for our community. Today, they distribute free groceries to anyone in need—no questions asked. The remainder of the offering is used for the mission and ministry of the Cathedral. Please consider making a generous and sacrificial gift for these ministries.

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Place in the **offering plate**.

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# HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: Canzon Prima à 4 La spiritata

Giovanni Gabrieli (c.1554/7-1612)

Canzon seconda à 4

Canzon Terza à 4

Canzon Quarta à 4

Cantilène (on *Victimæ paschali laudes*), *Symphonie Romane*, Op. 73 Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

## The Word of God

\* OPENING HYMN: 207 "Jesus Christ is risen today"

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Latin, 14th cent.; tr. *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt. St. 4, Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Easter Hymn*, from *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; adapt. *The Compleat Psalmist*, 1749. Brass setting by John Ferguson, © 1992 GIA Publications Inc. All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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 "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.

\* COLLECT FOR EASTER DAY

Presider        The Lord be with you.

People         **And also with you.**

Presider        Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

Lector         Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

People         **Thanks be to God.**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.  
Let Israel now proclaim, \*  
“His mercy endures for ever.”  
The Lord is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.  
There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:  
“The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!”  
I shall not die, but live, \*  
and declare the works of the Lord.  
The Lord has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.  
Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.  
“This is the gate of the Lord; \*  
he who is righteous may enter.”  
I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.  
The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.  
This is the Lord’s doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.  
On this day the Lord has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

### Second Lesson: Colossians 3:1-4

**Lector** If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

The Word of the Lord

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

\* GOSPEL HYMN: 210 "The day of resurrection!"

1 The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;  
 2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right  
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.  
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of re - sur - rec - tion light;  
 the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;

From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,  
 and, lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain  
 let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,

our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
 his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.  
 for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

Words: John of Damascus (8th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: *Ellacombe*, melody from *Gesangbuch...der Herzogl. Wirtembergischen katholischen Hofkapelle*, 1784, alt.; adapt. *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1863; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889). Brass setting by James Biery, © 2005 Birnamwood Publications (ASCAP). All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

\* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10

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

People            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeller      After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

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

\* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Intercessor Gracious God whose love defeated even death, hear and answer our deepest hopes and needs as you did for the women who discovered the empty tomb and hear us as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Your church is the Body of Christ, constituted and empowered to continue to proclaim Christ's resurrection; strengthen and embolden us to be persistent in our proclamation.

Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Our world still falls short of the full blossoming of human potential; open the eyes and hearts of the world's leaders to pursue peace and human thriving for all people.

Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Help us to see the risen Christ in the world around; guide us into the work you have given us to do so that the ministries of Jesus might continue; that the world might know his healing and love through our actions.

Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor You have placed us in a glorious creation and charged us with its care; grant us wisdom and a willingness to protect our environment so that future generations might know the fullness of its beauty and abundance.

Lord in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bring healing and wholeness to our lives and to all who suffer in any way; grant that they might feel Christ's caring touch on their hurts. 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 Christ's resurrection opened to us the way to eternal life; grant that we all may continue on Christ's pathway and enter into your eternal reign and rise again with all the saints who have gone before. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.

Lord in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Presider Glorious Lord, you have promised to be with us always; fulfill now your promises for us and grant our prayers as may be best for us and always in accord with your will. All this we ask through our advocate and redeemer, Christ Jesus, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, eternally one God. **Amen.**

\* THE PEACE

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Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION PRAYER

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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

*We invite you to donate to the Easter Offering today. Fifty percent of the Easter offering will be donated to the Food Pantry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Thank you for your generosity.*

Ways to Give

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Light of the world, we know Thy praise" (from *The Light of Life*, Op. 29)

Edward Elgar (1857-1934); Text: Rev. Edward Capel-Cure

Light of the world, we know thy praise,  
The angels and arch-angels raise,  
And all the host of Heav'n;  
More worthily than our faint hymns,  
Whose jarring sound that glory dims,  
Which God to Thee hast given.

But Thou didst not disdain to take our low estate,  
Or e'en to make the tomb Thy resting place;  
So Thou might bring into our night  
the dawn of Thine eternal Light  
to shine upon our face.

Nor death, nor hell, nor sin is Lord,  
But Thou, O Son of God.  
Thy word is now our sovereign law.  
Therefore we thank Thee and we pray  
Thy light may shine unto the perfect day;  
Thy light may shine on us for evermore.

PRESENTATION HYMN: 212 "Awake, arise, life up your voice" *verse 1*

1 A - wake, a - rise, lift up your voice, let  
 1 Eas - ter mu - sic swell; re - joice in Christ, a -  
 1 gain re - joice and on his prais - es dwell.

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\* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A

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S120: The Holy Eucharist II, Lift up your hearts: *Sursum corda*

*Celebrant* *People*  
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
*Celebrant* *People*  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
*Celebrant*  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*  
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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

S128: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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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. **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

Musical score for the hymn "Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o - ver has been sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!". The score is written in treble clef, G major, and 4/4 time. It begins with a 3-measure rest followed by a forte (f) dynamic. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o - ver has been sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!". The score includes various musical notations such as rests, notes, beams, and dynamics like "poco rit.".

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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.*

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

— From *The Prayer Book for the Armed Services*

COMMUNION HYMN: 186 "Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands"

1 Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands for  
 2 It was a strange and dread - ful strife when  
 3 So let us keep the fes - ti - val to  
 4 Then let us feast this ho - ly day on

our of - fens - es giv - en; but now at God's right  
 life and death con - tend - ed; the vic - to - ry re -  
 which the Lord in - vites us; Christ is him - self the  
 the true bread of hea - ven; the word of grace hath

hand he stands and brings us life from hea - ven;  
 mained with life, the reign of death was end - ed;  
 joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us;  
 purged a - way the old and wick - ed lea - ven;

there - fore let us joy - ful be, and sing to  
 stripped of power, no more he reigns, an emp - ty  
 by his grace he doth im - part e - ter - nal  
 Christ a - lone our souls will feed, he is our

God right thank - ful - ly loud songs of al - le -  
 form a - lone re - mains; his sting is lost for  
 sun - shine to the heart; the night of sin is  
 meat and drink in - deed; faith lives up - on no

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ev - er! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 end - ed! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 o - ther! Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Martin Luther (1483-1564); tr. Richard Massie (1800-1887), alt. Music: *Christ lag in Todesbanden*, melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524; adapt. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750). All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

COMMUNION HYMN: 198 "Thou hallowed chosen morn of praise"

1 Thou hal - lowed chos - en morn of praise, that best and great - est  
2 Come, let us taste the vine's new fruit, for heaven - ly joy pre -

shin - est: fair Eas - ter, queen of all the days, of  
par - ing; to - day the branch - es with the root in

sea - sons, best, di - vin - est! Christ rose from death; and  
re - sur - rec - tion shar - ing: whom as true God our

we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.  
hymns a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: John of Damascus (8th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: *Mach's mit mir, Gott*, melody from *Das ander Theil des andern neuen Operis Geistlicher Deutscher Lieder*, 1605; adapt., att., and harm. Johann Hermann Schein (1586-1630). All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

\* POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

People 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.

Allegro

*f* Introduction

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

For the Lord God om-nip-o-tent reign-eth. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -

lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! For the Lord God om-nip-o-tent reign-eth. Hal - le -

lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! For the Lord  
Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah!

*Soprano*

God om-nip - o - tent reign - eth. Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah!

*Alto*

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

*Tenor*

lu-jah! Hallelujah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hallelujah! For the Lord

*Bass*

Hal-le-lu-jah! For the Lord

jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah!

jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah!

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Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal -

For the Lord God om-nip - o - tent reign - eth. Hal-le-lu-jah!

For the Lord God om-nip - o - tent reign - eth. Hal -

Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu-jah! Hal - le -

le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu-jah!

le - lu-jah!

The king-dom of this world is is be -

is be -

lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah!

is be -

come the king-dom of our Lord, and of His Christ, and of His Christ;

come

And He shall

*Soprano/Alto*

*Tenor*

*Bass*

And He shall reign for ev - er and ev -

reign for ev - er and ev - er, for ev-er and ev - er, and He shall

*Soprano* *And*

*Alto* *f* *And He shall reign for ev - er and ev - er, for ev-er*

*Tenor*

*Bass*

er, *And He shall reign for ev - er and ev - er,*

reign, and He shall reign for ev-er, for ev-er, for ev-er, for

He shall reign for ev - er and ev - er, King of kings, \_\_\_\_\_

and ev-er, for ev - er and ev - er, King of kings, \_\_\_\_\_

*And He shall reign for ev-er and ev - er, for ev-er and*

ev-er and ev-er, for ev - er, for ev-er and ev - er,

\_\_\_\_\_ and Lord of lords. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ and Lord of lords. \_\_\_\_\_

*Tenor*

ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! for ev - er and

*Bass*

\_\_\_\_\_ King of kings, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ for ev - er and

ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!



ev - er, Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! And He shall  
 ev - er, and Lord of lords, Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! And  
 and Lord of lords, And He shall  
 ev - er, and Lord of lords, Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

reign for ev - er, for ev - er and ev - er.  
 He shall reign for ev - er and ev - er. King of kings! and Lord of lords!  
 reign for ev - er, for ev - er and ev - er.

King of kings! and Lord of lords! And He shall reign for ev - er and ev -  
 And He shall reign for ev - er and ev - er, and ev -

er, King of kings! and Lord of lords!  
 er, for ev - er and ev - er, for ev - er and ev - er, Hal - le - lu - jah!

Adagio  
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

\* EASTER BLESSING

Presider      May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and claimed us as children through the resurrection of Christ our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of blessings. **Amen.**

                  May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

                  May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

                  And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

\* DISMISSAL

Deacon        Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People        Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

\* HYMN: 180 "He is risen, he is risen!"

1 He is risen, he is risen! Tell it out with  
 2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and  
 \*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -  
 4 He is risen, he is risen! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;  
 ra - dian - t brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;  
 um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming  
 hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,  
 Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion  
 yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the  
 ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.  
 that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.  
 pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.  
 Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

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VOLUNTARY: Toccata from *Symphonie pour orgue* No. 5, Op. 42

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

*Please join us for a festive reception in Founders' Hall.*

## Serving Today

	<u>8 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
Presider	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse	The Rev. W. James Yazell
Preacher	The Rev. W. James Yazell	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Deacon of the Word	The Rev. Barbara Wegener	The Rev. Dr. Richard Liantonio
Deacon of the Table	The Rev. Dr. Richard Liantonio	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Verger		Glen Wesner
Musicians	The Trinity Choir, Dr. Lucas Fletcher; Dr. Courtney Fletcher, conductor Brass Ensemble: Keith Benjamin, Shea Kelsay, trumpets; Brianna Volkmann, horn; JoDee Davis, trombone; Tom Stein, tuba	

*Easter flowers are  
given to the glory  
of God and ...*

- in thanksgiving for the Mattson Family; the Sander Family and in memory of Eric Cenovich by Burma Cenovich
- in thanksgiving for our children Siras and Mary-Mullis by Beth and Andy Keyse
- in memory of Ron McLeroy by Carolyn McLeroy
- in memory of Angie Brown and Patsy Bridgforth by Chris Bridgforth & Nick Flowers
- in memory of Sue King by Dave King
- in thanksgiving for our family by Day & Whitney Kerr
- in thanksgiving for the Cathedral Staff: Julie, Steve B., James, Clare, Holly, Joan, Barbara, Richard, Lucas, Angie, Bianca, Brian, Farzana, Donae, Elias and John by Dean Andy
- in thanksgiving for Luke & Hannah Woolley and Emma & Ashby Lane by Pat & Kay Woolley
- in thanksgiving for my family by Patti Ryder
- in celebration and loving memory of our families by Ric & Janet Sweeting
- in memory of Lillian and John Knoell, Marie Knoell, Ethel B Woodley, and Florence and Merritt Royer, with joyful celebration of the Resurrection, and in thanksgiving for our many blessings by Donna Knoell and Jim Royer
- in thanksgiving for our grandchildren, Ryan & Brodie and in memory of Col. and Mrs. John M. Brooks by Dr. John & Denise Nelson
- by Eric Elisabeth & Julie Brogno
- in memory of Willie Joe Finnie Jr. by Jackye Finnie
- in gratitude for my children by Joan Bergstrom
- in memory of Mildred & James Kemper, Bettie & Royce Smith and Laura Kemper Fields by Jonathan & Nancy Lee Kemper, and family
- in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. Keyse, Mr. and Mrs. Siras A. Stocks, Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Grauer, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Johnson, Dr. S. Allan Stocks by Beth and Andy Keyse
- in memory of Catherine & Miller Nichols by Kay & John Callison
- in thanksgiving for the life and ministry of the Rev. Melissa Kean by Kelsey and James Yazell
- in thanksgiving for our mother Ermiten Weekes, who will be 104 years old June 2 by Lill M. Weekes & Bruce T. Weekes
- by Mary Martin
- in thanksgiving for our Gaboriau & Thomas children and grandchildren and in memory of Lloyd Liming, Charles & Mary Thomas by Michael & Cathy Thomas
- in thanksgiving for Barb
- in thanksgiving for Melanie Boyd and in memory of Reginald & Fleeda Franklin by Muriel Boyd
- in memory of my parents, Robin & Ann Jones by Nigel R. Jones
- in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren and in memory of our parents by Paget & Tom Higgins
- in memory of Robert Hudson by Sharon Hudson
- in memory of Taloyre Mahoney by Tom Mahoney
- in memory of John M. Brown
- in memory of our parents and in thanksgiving for our family and friends by Kristy & Steve Moore
- in thanksgiving for our parents' guidance of "faith and integrity"; in memory of Howard & Ruby Weaver and Gordon & Thelma Wesner and in memory of our siblings: Robert & Sara Weaver, Dale, Joan & Randy Wesner by Terri Weaver Wesner & Glen Wesner
- in memory of my parents Mr. and Mrs. Albert Quintero and Mrs. Paula Alva Quintero by Carmen Quintero

# This Week at GHTC

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

## Sunday, April 5 • Easter Day

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 9 a.m. Breakfast & Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist\* (Family Worship)
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour & Easter Egg Hunt

## Monday, April 6 • Easter Monday, Office Closed

- 6 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

## Tuesday, April 7

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

## Wednesday, April 8

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

## Thursday, April 9

- 11:30 a.m. Crossroads Academy: Beauty and the Beast
- 6 p.m. Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous Meeting
- 7 p.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir

## Friday, April 10

- 6 p.m. For Pete's Sake Fundraiser for Pete's Garden

## Saturday, April 11

- 2:30 p.m. Concert: Re:Sound presents Unraveling

## Sunday, April 12

- 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\* & 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 service 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:** Hanah Kizer; Eva Blanco; Shandell Debroc; Norbert King; Brend; Heather; John Kennedy; Phil Carroll; Carmen Quintero; Eva Silva; Gail E; Heather Stone; Dan McGrath; Pat Miller; Nancy Guthrie; Patricia Easter; Joe Marvil; Ken, Pam and Carly Courson; Osha Badeau; Terry and Marie Clements; Dane Griffith; Shana; Ken McCandless; Marcille McCandless; Ella; Farzana Farzad; Donna Knoell; Charlotte Colburn; Gloria Stocks; Iris Parsons; Jeffrey and family; Jim Royer; Joyce Morrow; Larry McMullen; Mike Barzee & Family; Phineas Gitta; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Yvonne Kehoe Meier; All those fighting chronic illness; All families affected by gun violence; First Responders; All Immigrants;

**Pray for the Departed:** Military members killed in action; Lt Col Brandon Shah; Kathy Manning; Jane Frances Blando; Deputy Sheriff Michael Hislope; Deputy Sheriff Gabriel Rameriz; Jill Dominick; Bob Huheey; Kevin Sweeney; Bill Stancil; Alex Pretti; Richard Sklar; Renee Nicole Good; those lost in war; those who have died from gun violence

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** Christ Episcopal Church, St. Joseph—Mrs. Cosette Hardwick, Senior Warden

Liturgy & Worship Commission

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

## April 6

Aubrey Nichols

## April 11

Mona Gauer  
Leticia Porter

# Cathedral Office Closed

## Monday, April 6 & Thursday, April 16

The Cathedral office is closed Monday, April 6 for Easter Monday and Thursday, April 16 for a staff retreat.

If you have a pastoral emergency, contact a clergy member on their cell phone.

# Outreach

Learn more: [kccathedral.org/outreach](http://kccathedral.org/outreach)

## Donations for our Partners

April

# TOILETRY DRIVE

Body Wash  
Hand/Body Lotion  
Shampoo & Conditioner  
Deodorant

• Regular size items  
requested •



Bring your donations for the  
Jewish Family Services pantry  
to the basket in the Tower.

## Volunteer Opportunities

### Help Pete's Garden

April 19, May 17 | 9:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

Volunteer with fellow parishioners during coffee hour to put labels on the containers that will be used to package meals for families in need by Pete's Garden. We will label upstairs in Founders' Hall at both morning coffee hours. Please no food or drink at the labeling tables and wash your hands before helping. This is a great opportunity to help at Pete's Garden. All ages are welcome; younger children should have a parent present.

### The Emergency Food Assistance Program

Saturday, April 18 • 8 a.m.-noon

We help St. Paul's on Main organize and distribute food as part of TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program). 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](mailto:bwegener@kccathedral.org).

## Donate Onesies for



## Maison de Naissance

During May, we collect Onesies for Maison de Naissance, a modern maternal health center supporting healthy mothers and healthy babies in Haiti.

- The best sizes are Newborn to 6 months. •
- Short sleeves only PLEASE. It gets HOT in Haiti. •

# TEXT US!

TEXT US AT  
(816) 310-1888

- Text **LOOP** to stay in the loop about Cathedral updates (weather closures, reminders).
- Text **GUEST** if you are new with us & want to know more.
- Text **PRAYER** to submit prayer requests.

# Formation for All Ages

## Adults: Sundays

9:15 a.m. • Common Room

### Episcopal Beliefs & Practices: A Study of the Prayer Book

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

## Children: Sundays

10:30 a.m. • Haden Hall

### Cathedral Kids

Cathedral Kids meets during the first half of the 10:30 a.m. worship service and during this time we weave together our sacred stories and our Episcopal identity with the Weaving God's Promises curriculum. Children attending Cathedral Kids will meet their parents or guardians inside the tower doors during the passing of the peace.

Once a month, we observe **Family Worship Sundays**. These Sundays provide an opportunity for families to worship together. Worship Boxes with resources for children are in cabinet in the back cross aisle.

*Upcoming Family Worship: May 3, June 14, July 5, August 2*

## Youth

Youth in grades 6-12 meet Sundays at 9:15 a.m. for Formation.

Youth Group meetings are at 6 p.m. Sundays, April 12 & 26, May 10 & 24

### Diocesan Youth Events: Registration links at [kccathedral.org/youth](http://kccathedral.org/youth)

#### Junior High Retreat: April 17-19

Youth are invited to try out real worship roles, such as acolyte, lector, usher, and learn why we serve the way we do in church (with some fun mixed into the weekend!)

#### Episcopal Summer Mega Camp:

May 31-June 6

Ready for a week full of fun activities, meaningful connections, and worship? Then sign up for Episcopal Summer Mega Camp; a week-long summer experience for 3rd-12th graders.

#### Missionpalooza 2026: July 21-26

This gathering is all about rolling up our sleeves, putting our faith into motion, and discovering just how much good we can do together. During the week we will spread out across the greater Kansas City area, offering our hands, hearts, and laughter to the places that need us most.

## Adults: Tuesdays

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

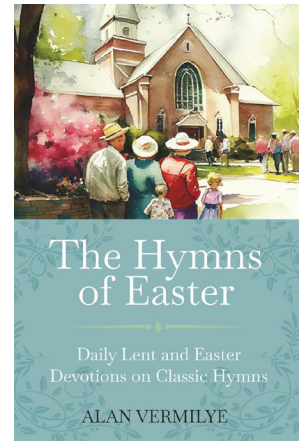
The Virtual Café is open every Tuesday morning for Cathedral members and friends to connect; discuss current topics and activities happening at the Cathedral and in our community; and share what's on your mind. For details, visit [kccathedral.org/other-activities](http://kccathedral.org/other-activities).

### 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.

On April 7 WBS will begin an Easter devotional, *The Hymns of Easter* by Alan Vermilye. *The Hymns of Easter* is a devotional inspired by some of history's most cherished Easter hymns.

Experience a fresh perspective on the hymns you've sung your whole life now set to personal reflections in this 40-day devotional journey. Each week, you begin by reading the history of the hymn, followed by daily readings that reflect on a verse from the hymn along with Scripture and a devotion.

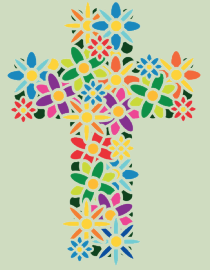


### Lectionary Bible Study • 6:45 p.m. • Zoom

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



A resounding thank you goes out to all the volunteers who helped make Holy Week and Easter services at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral a success. We could not do it without you!



## Make a Difference: Volunteer

You are invited to use your skills and spirit to make a real impact. Whether you have a few hours or want to dive into regularly serving, there are many ways to help: serving in worship services, teaching/helping with children & youth programs, assisting with the Cathedral gardens, singing in the choir and more. Volunteering lets you give back, connect with others, and grow in faith.

For more information, visit [kccathedral.org/volunteer](http://kccathedral.org/volunteer) or contact Volunteer Coordinator Joan Bergstrom at [volunteers@kccathedral.org](mailto:volunteers@kccathedral.org).

## Immediate Ways to Get Involved

- **Holy Hands 1st Sunday & 5th Sunday:** We are building these teams to provide coffee hour treats.
- **Ushers** for 10:30 & special services
- **Acolytes** for 10:30 & special services
- **Lectors** for 8 a.m. & 5 p.m. services
- **Oblation Bearers** at 10:30 services

# Special Holy Week & Easter Offerings

For more info: [kccathedral.org/easter](http://kccathedral.org/easter)

**GOOD FRIDAY OFFERING**  
CELEBRATING A CENTURY OF GIFTS.  
REJOICING IN 2000 YEARS OF GOOD NEWS.

For more than a century, Episcopalians have given generously to the Good Friday Offering, which supports the vital work and ministries of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East. While we pray and work for peace, our siblings in the Holy Land will continue to serve God's people with hospitals, schools, orphanages, and humanitarian aid programs. These ministries serve people of all faiths without distinction, bearing witness to the power of hope and healing across divides. Together, we can support the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East as it turns despair into hope for God's people in the land where our faith was born.

Mark donations "Good Friday" OR give online using the GIVE button on the Cathedral website (choose "Good Friday" from the Fund menu).

# Easter OFFERING

Fifty percent of the Easter offering will be donated to the Food Pantry at St. Paul's. For over 40 years, the St. Paul's Food Pantry has been a vital resource for our community. Today, they distribute free groceries to anyone in need—no questions asked. The remainder of the offering is used for the mission and ministry of the Cathedral. Please consider making a generous and sacrificial gift for these ministries.

## Ways to Give

- Give online with the QR code (or use the GIVE button on the Cathedral website).
- Place in the offering plate.
- Text "GIVetoGHTC Easter" to 73256.



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# Upcoming Music Events

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



Join as Re:Sound presents *Unraveling*, a powerful documentary concert drama exploring the story of Maurice Ravel, artist Anne Adams, and the neurological condition primary progressive aphasia. Through choral music and live narration, this moving performance weaves together music, art, and neuroscience in a deeply human story of creativity and loss.

Members of Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral are invited to receive **30% off** tickets using code TRINITY.

Tickets:

[resoundensembles.org/event-details/unraveling-1](http://resoundensembles.org/event-details/unraveling-1)



## Choral Evensong

Sunday, April 19 | 5 p.m.

Sunday, May 17 | 5 p.m.

Choral Evensong is a centuries-old Anglican musical service of sung Evening Prayer that combines music, prayer, and scripture into a contemplative experience. The Trinity Choir sings composed settings of the psalms, responses, and canticles, providing a peaceful and reflective pause as the day closes.

Following the service, all are welcome to take communion in the Chapel.



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

## Moving from Fear to Empowerment "The Resurrection" Illumination (John 20:1-18)

Today we celebrate Christ's victory over death and hopelessness. But, as today's lectionary texts reveal, coming to terms with Christ's resurrection was no easier for his first-century followers than it is for many today. After the crucifixion, even Jesus' closest friends were traumatized by fear, confusion, ignorance, and disbelief. Women bearing spices and perfumes went out expecting to anoint a corpse, not witness a resurrection. Mary Magdalene thought someone had stolen Jesus' body, not that he was raised from the dead as he had said he would be. The disciples did not believe the women's reports after they had encountered the resurrected Jesus. Their responses were very similar to those of multitudes today - doubt, disbelief, and denial.

But, as we continue the readings, we notice something happening -- the confusion, disbelief, and doubts gradually give way to bold conviction. And this is the story of Easter, both then and now. It is the story of a new beginning, of triumph over death, of life everlasting, of moving from fear to empowerment, of moving from despair to hope. The story is not simply about an historical event, but about a living reality that changes the way believers live in the world.

Today's focal illumination presents a visualization of this resurrection message. Observe how the perspective is reversed from the traditional arrangement. Here Mary Magdalene is the most detailed figure in this portrayal and much of the impact of what is happening is conveyed in her face. Jesus faces away from the viewers meaning we are not direct witnesses of his glory but must contemplate

him from past, present, and future events. Mary's red face, however, reflects the glory she sees in Jesus' face. We hereby recognize our dependence on the witness of other messengers of the resurrection to help comprehend our own experiences of spiritual encounter with the living Christ.

In this portrayal, Jesus is clothed as he was in "The Transfiguration" illumination (Mark 9:2-8) but this time with shades of purple indicating his royalty. In the background are other reminders of pivotal events leading to this moment: the same tree appears in the "Road to Emmaus" illumination (Luke 24a: 13-35), the tomb guarded by two angels in white (Luke 24:4), the three crosses of Golgotha, and the stamped patterns from the carpet page at the end of each gospel. The same stamped patterns are highlighted in the incipit letters of each chapter in the Letters and Revelation volume, visually connecting the resurrection to the beginnings of the Christian community.

Mary's posture in relation to Jesus provides the illumination's focal feature conveying an end and a beginning. Her extended hand reaching to touch Jesus' face is translucent. She wishes to hold on to the Jesus she had known on earth, but he instructs her to embrace the fullness of his resurrected life instead. Following this, the book of Acts begins narration of the new story.

How does the resurrection end the story of Jesus' ministry and mission? How does that ending become the beginning of God's "new thing" (Isaiah 43:19) In what way has this impacted your life during this Holy Week? What new hope does this give you going forward?

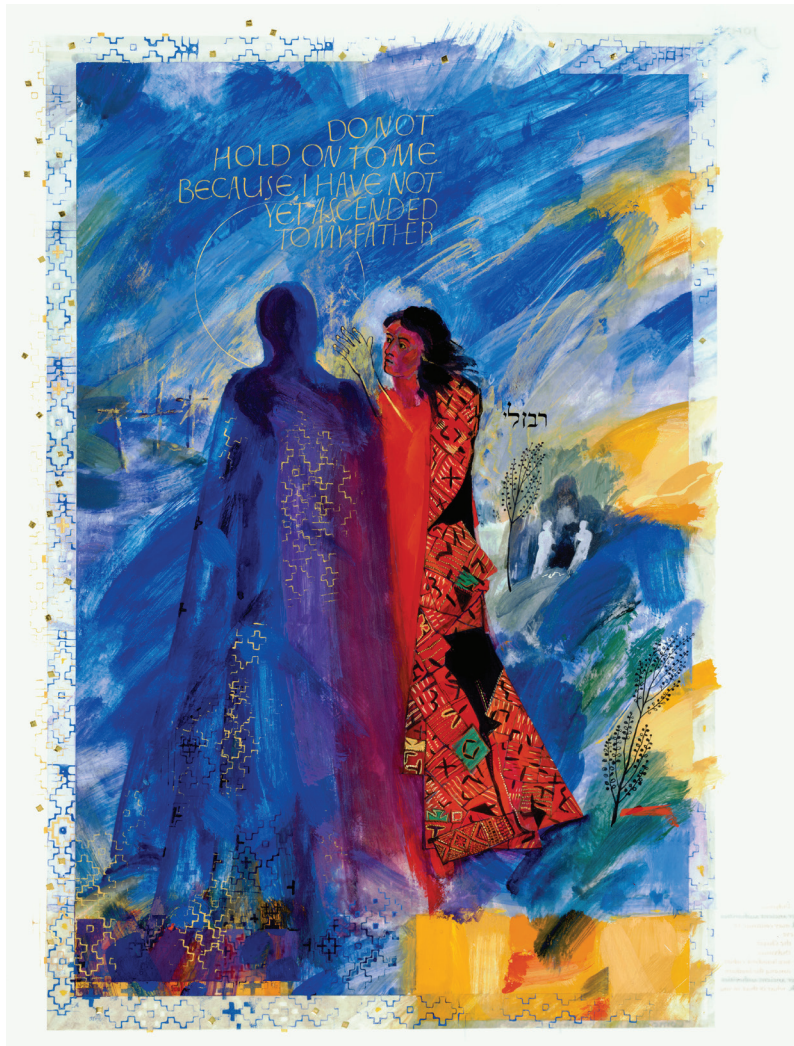


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# Upcoming Events | Announcements

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

## For Pete's Sake: A Fundraiser for Pete's Garden | April 10 | 6-8 p.m.

Join us at our annual event benefiting Pete's Garden for an evening of live music, great food, wine and wonderful company. All to support delivering high quality, wholesome meals to the tables of Kansas City families. In 2026, Pete's Garden's goal is to recover 260,000 pounds of food, providing approximately 217,000 meals to our neighbors in need. Nights like this help make that possible. Come celebrate, connect, and help us grow. We can't wait to see you there!  
Buy your tickets: [kccathedral.org/events](http://kccathedral.org/events).

## Bingo Game Night | April 24 | 6 p.m.

Gather your family, friends, and fellow game enthusiasts for an evening of thrilling games, fabulous fellowship, and unforgettable memories. Bring a snack and/or drink to share and join in the fun. Sign up on our website.

## Eucharistic Practices | April 26 | 11:45 a.m.

Walking through several elements of the Eucharist, we will experiment with devotional practices for deeper engagement in the liturgy. Any who desire to feel more proficient and at ease in worship are invited to join us, both newcomers and long-term members alike.

## Graduate Recognition | May 3 | 10:30 a.m.

We celebrate all graduates as part of our Youth Sunday celebration. If you or a family member is graduating this year, submit their name by Monday, April 27. Graduates will be recognized during the 10:30 a.m. service. Submission link at [kccathedral.org/events](http://kccathedral.org/events)

## Youth Sunday | May 3 | 10:30 a.m.

Our young people take key leadership roles in the service and the Cathedral's youth leadership will preach.

## Newcomer Gathering | May 17 | 12 p.m.

A special gathering just for those who are new to Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral to learn more about our community and how to get involved. Join us after the 10:30 service in the Common Room for coffee, snacks and fellowship! RSVP [kccathedral.org/newcomers](http://kccathedral.org/newcomers)

## Parish Picnic | May 24 | 11:45 a.m.

Join us for our annual Parish Picnic. The Cathedral serves up the main feast, and you're invited to dazzle us with your finest sides and sweetest desserts. We'll have fun activities for kids of all ages. Dress casually and enjoy this time of fun and fellowship! This is a great Sunday to invite a friend or neighbor to worship with you.



## SUMMER SAVE THE DATE



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<div style="background-color: #FF69B4; padding: 10px; border-radius: 10px;"><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div style="text-align: center;"><p><b>14 12 JUN JUL 9 AUG</b></p></div><div style="text-align: center;"><h3>ALL PARISH BREAKFASTS</h3><p>Come by Founders' Hall for a morning of breakfast delights and camaraderie!</p></div><div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px 5px;">9 a.m.</div></div></div>	<div style="background-color: #3CB371; padding: 10px; border-radius: 10px;"><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div style="text-align: center;"><p><b>5-7 JUN</b></p></div><div style="text-align: center;"><h3>PRIDEKC</h3><p>The Diocese of West Missouri will have a booth and be walking in the Pride Parade. Volunteers are needed to help with the booth, serve at the Eucharist and walk in the parade.</p></div><div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px 5px;"></div></div></div>

## FOR YOUTH & CHILDREN

May 31-June 6 Episcopal Summer Mega Camp  
July 21-26 MissionPalooza at St. Paul's KCMO