

# GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



"Carrying the Cross of Christ" by artist (1904-1996)

## Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2026 • 8 a.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.
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### Service Notes

- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (\*).
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## HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY: Prelude on "The Call"

Robert Lind (b. 1940)

### \* OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

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Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his 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.**

### \* GLORIA

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All  
Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# The Word of God

## \* COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; 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: Genesis 21:8-21

Lector The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Bow down your ear, O Lord, and answer me, \*  
for I am poor and in misery.

**Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; \*  
save your servant who puts his trust in you.**

Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my God; \*  
I call upon you all the day long.

**Gladden the soul of your servant, \*  
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.**

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, \*  
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.

**Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer, \*  
and attend to the voice of my supplications.**

In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, \*  
for you will answer me.

**Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord, \*  
nor anything like your works.**

All nations you have made will come and worship you, O Lord, \*  
and glorify your Name.

**For you are great; you do wondrous things; \*  
and you alone are God.**

Turn to me and have mercy upon me; \*  
give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.

**Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; \*  
because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.**

## Second Lesson: Romans 6:1b-11

Lector      Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

People      **Thanks be to God.**

\* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 10:24-39

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

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

Gospeller      Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

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 Hear our prayers most Holy God and throw open the doors of our hearts as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.
- Intercessor Guide your church into courageous witness on behalf of Christ, whose example shows us the only path that can lead us away from our fears and hatred and into the glory land of love and reconciliation.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Grant wisdom to leaders and open their hearts that they might, in confidence and courage, make decisions that lead to mutual flourishing and true peace.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Open our eyes to injustice in our midst, enliven us so that we may never become numb to the suffering of our neighbors.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Grant us the perseverance and commitment to make difficult choices and to choose sustainable ways of life that honor your creation, provide safety for all people, and lead us into understanding and reconciliation.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Be present and bring your healing power to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. We pray especially for those on the Cathedral's Prayer List, and for those whom we now name silently or aloud.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor Welcome the dying into your loving presence and grant them growth in your love. Comfort the grieving and show us how to honor the legacy of your saints and live into the promise granted us in Christ's death. We pray especially for those we now name, either silently or aloud.  
Lord in your mercy,
- People Hear our prayer.**
- Presider Open our eyes and ears to see your justice unfolding in our midst; grant us wisdom and courage to be agents of your love and fulfill our hopes as may be best for us, but always to your glory. All this we ask through Jesus Christ, our only Lord and redeemer who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and always. **Amen.**

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All Most merciful God,  
 we confess that we have sinned against you  
 in thought, word, and deed,  
 by what we have done,  
 and by what we have left undone.  
 We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
 we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
 We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
 For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
 have mercy on us and forgive us;  
 that we may delight in your will,  
 and walk in your ways,  
 to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

\* THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION PRAYER

All O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

OFFERTORY HYMN: 404 "We will extol you, ever-blessèd Lord"

1 We will ex - tol you, ev - er - bless - ed Lord; your ho - ly  
 2 Age shall to age pass on the end - less song, tell - ing the  
 3 You, Lord, are gra - cious, mer - ci - ful to all, close to your

Name for ev - er be a - dored; each day we live our  
 won - ders which to you be - long, your might - y acts with  
 chil - dren when on you they call; and slow to an - ger,

psalm to you we raise; you, God and King, are wor - thy of all  
 joy and fear re - late; praise we your glo - ry while on you we  
 mer - ci - ful and kind, in your com - pas - sion we your bless - ings

praise, great and un - search - a - ble in all your ways.  
 wait, glad in the know - ledge of your love so great.  
 find. We love you with our heart and strength and mind.

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

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds*

Presider        It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing (say),

All             **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

Presider        We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**All** We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Presider Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with [the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

**All** AMEN.

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

**All** Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

\* BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Presider O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,

**People** have mercy upon us.

Presider O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,

**People** have mercy upon us.

Presider O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world,

**People** grant us your peace.

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.*

*On the first Sunday each month: Prayer for healing is offered at the prayer desk until the close of worship.*

## \* 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

## \* DISMISSAL

*Following the dismissal,*

People      **Thanks be to God.**

\* CLOSING HYMN: 537 "Christ for the world we sing!"

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to

Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and  
 Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward  
 Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the  
 Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born

them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,  
 and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,  
 work to share, with us re - proach to dare,  
 souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,

sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.  
 re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.  
 with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.  
 in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

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VOLUNTARY

*Following the service today, swing by Founders' Hall for coffee and good company.*

## Serving Today

Presider	The Rev. Clare Stern-Burbano
Preacher & Deacon	The Rev. Dr. Richard Liantonio
Organist	Dr. Lucas Fletcher
Lector	Lenette Johnson
Eucharistic Minister	Kelsey Leftwich-Yazell
Usher	Jim Crum
Altar Guild	Michelle Ritter, Jennifer Mason

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

### June 21

Sarah & Ty Gardner

### June 22

Angela & Ron Michka  
Gregory Smith  
Ryan Thomas

### June 23

Jodi & Otis Robinson

### June 24

Rebecca Ballinger Clark

### June 25

Diane & Dave Barker  
Steve King  
Christopher Reed

### June 26

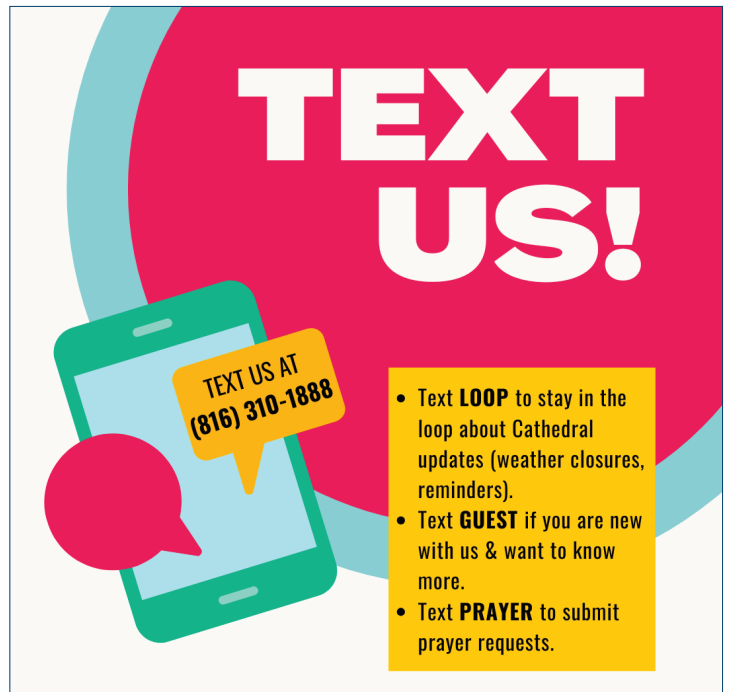
Kathleen & Phil Chaney

### June 26

Barry & Mary Howe

### June 27

Pat & Kay Woolley



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- Text **GUEST** if you are new with us & want to know more.
- Text **PRAYER** to submit prayer requests.

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

in loving thanks for Muriel Elaine Boyd by Devon, Ric & Janet Sweeting.

in memory of Jessica & Kathy Manning by Nick Flowers.

in thanksgiving for Eleanor Nels George and Nigel Jones by Sara Kambouris.

### Sponsor the Altar Flowers

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

## Trusting God through Adversity & The Transforming Grace of Baptism Hagar Listing in "Genealogy of Jesus" Illumination (Matthew Frontispiece)

On this, the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, our readings explore the themes of trusting God through hardships, letting go of fear, and embracing the transformative grace of baptism. The Gospel reading addresses the fears of Jesus' followers, acknowledging the costs of discipleship while admonishing prioritization of God's kingdom above all else. The Epistle reading explains that through baptism believers are united with Christ in his death and freed from the dominion of sin to walk in "newness of life." The narrative of Hagar and Ishmael's banishment in the Genesis reading emphasizes God's protective presence. It reminds us that God hears the cries of the outcasts and provides for the vulnerable in unexpected ways. The Collect of the Day draws upon these readings to ask that God would never fail to help those whose lives are grounded upon the foundation of his loving-kindness.

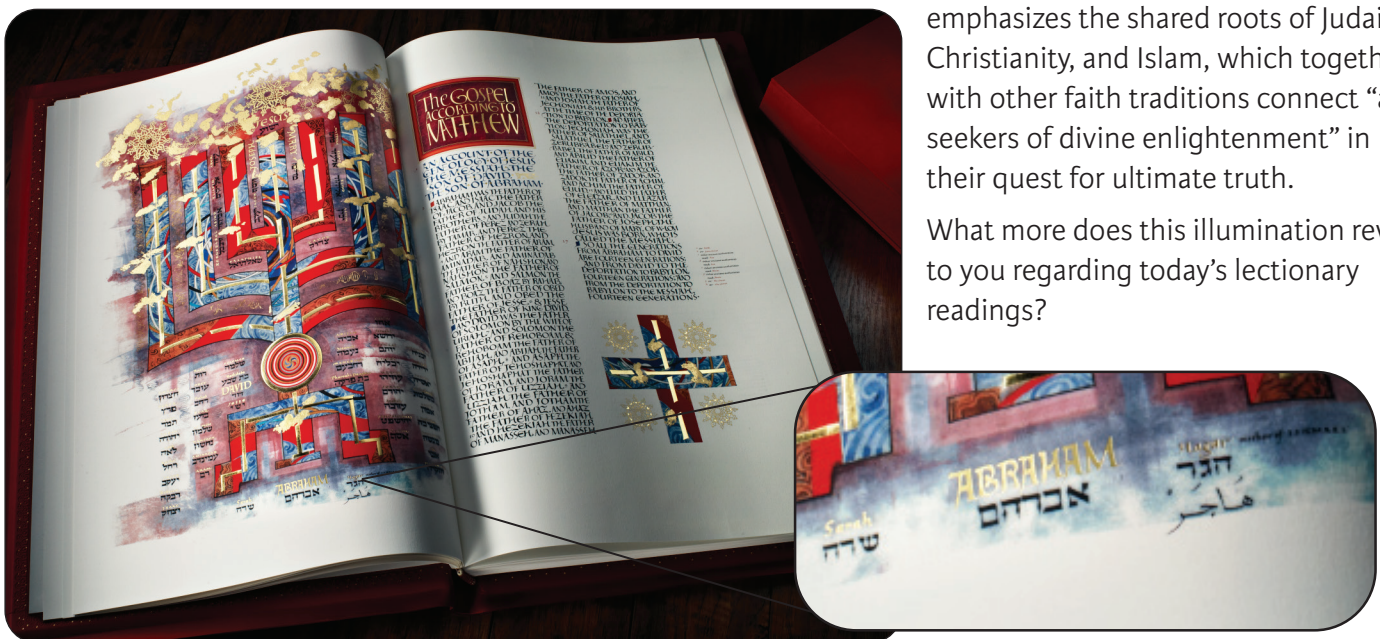
The message of these readings is reinforced in the Jeremiah text provided as a complimentary Old Testament reading. Here we are confronted with the anguish of Jeremiah's prophetic calling, the brutal tensions of speaking divine truth to powers, and the ultimate rescue provided by God's presence. The prophet's experiences remind us of the reality of spiritual struggle for those who would follow God. Discipleship does not guarantee a peaceful, easy life.

The teachings of this Lectio Divina establish the theological context for understanding the significance of the Hagar and Ishmael story in Genesis 21. This story is set amid the larger narrative about Isaac and asserts God's abiding presence with Ishmael as well as Isaac, promising that he too will become a great nation. Here we learn that God also cares for the "other" son of Abraham, the outsider whom many would prefer to exclude, abandon, and forget.

The "Genealogy of Jesus" illumination visually represents the interconnectedness of the Abrahamic faiths (Judaism, Christianity, and Islam) and the breadth of human ancestry. Note that Hagar is placed at the base of the family tree alongside Abraham and Sarah. Her name is written in Arabic and Hebrew, honoring the Islamic tradition in which she and her son Ishmael are revered. The family tree is structured as a menorah to acknowledge Christianity's Jewish heritage. Appearing throughout the tree are strands of DNA representing both Jesus' humanity and the inclusion of the broader "human family." The illumination also includes mandala fragments from Buddhist traditions as well as background depictions suggesting cosmic connections. This design

emphasizes the shared roots of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, which together with other faith traditions connect "all seekers of divine enlightenment" in their quest for ultimate truth.

What more does this illumination reveal to you regarding today's lectionary readings?



# Cathedral Prayer List

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

**Pray for:** Mike Bennett; Matt Bissett; Orin Jones; Shaun Kelly & Family; Amrit Prasad; Zachary Brewer; Wayne Alexander; Carlyle Conley; Steve Sprague; Derek Mattson; Cherry Barthel; Shandell Debroc; Norbert King; Sharon; Cathy Thomas; Jacob and Sophia Purcell; Melanie Boyd; Randal Loy; Sandra Fuhrman; Sandra Brown; Vicki Price; Cheryl Kennedy; Penny Sullivan; Sheila Denton; Ann Ryder; Zachary Pierce; Diego Garcia; Zane Thomas Rhea Reed; Michael DeFeo; Hanah Kizer; Eva Blanco; Heather; Brend; Charlotte Colburn; Families affected by gun violence; First Responders; Gloria Stocks; Immigrants; Iris Parsons; Jeffrey and family; Jim Royer; Joyce Morrow; Larry McMullen; Marcille McCandless; Mike Barzee & Family; Phineas Gitta; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Those fighting chronic illness; Yvonne Kehoe Meier

**Pray for the Departed:** Phil Carroll; Cherry Barthel; Those lost in the San Diego Mosque shooting; Dolly Galus; Phyllis Hart; Loretta Stotts; Gianvito Liantonio; John Graham; Those lost in the shooting tragedy in Shreveport, LA; Keith Matthews; Lt Col Brandon Shah; Military members killed in action; those lost in war; those who have died from gun violence

**For all military members** and their families, especially: Taya Velasco; Ethan Bergeron; Alexandria Puls; Capt. Aryk Bingham; Cpt. Charles Lewis, Jr.; Adam; Anita Feugate Opperman; Brian Chellgren; Charles Braden Fowler; Colin Walker; Connor Spake; James Brown; John K. Baker; Joshua Gordon; Lt. Col. Kevin Thomas; Lexi Puls; Nick; Patrick Williams; Steve Conner; The Rev. Ben Newland

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Excelsior Springs—The Rev. Jonathan Callison, Priest-in-Charge

Standing Committee

# This Week at GHTC

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

## Sunday, June 21

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9 a.m. Coffee Hour
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- 9:30 a.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist\* & Cathedral Kids
- 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 12:15 p.m. Label Containers for Pete's Garden
- 5 p.m. Holy Eucharist

## Monday, June 22

- 6 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

## Tuesday, June 23

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

## Wednesday, June 24

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

## Friday, June 26

- 6 p.m. Game Night: Bunco

## Sunday, June 28

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Formation
- 9:30 a.m. Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
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+On Zoom

\*In person service streamed on YouTube @kccathedral

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# Christmas in July Craft Fair 2026

Saturday, July 11, 2026  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd  
4047 NE Chouteau Dr., Kansas City, MO 64119

Proceeds and donations will support our  
Backpack Shepherd Program.

Backpack Shepherd is a program for elementary students at risk to  
experience hunger.

Loving Hands Catering will provide a sandwich  
selection, salads, etc. for reasonable prices.  
13425 Terrace Park Dr, Kansas City, MO 64152  
816-786-1333  
[www.lovinghandscatering.com](http://www.lovinghandscatering.com)

If you're interested in becoming a vendor, please contact Katy Clapp at [kclapp1951@gmail.com](mailto:kclapp1951@gmail.com).

# Outreach

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

## Donations for our Partners

### Diaper Drive for HappyBottoms: June

Not having a clean diaper can really stink

- Diapers are not covered by government safety net programs like SNAP (food stamps), Medicaid, or WIC.
- 1 in 2 families in KC can't afford diapers
- Families with young children experiencing diaper need report missing an average of 5.1 workdays per month because they did not have the required number of diapers for their child to attend daycare.

Bring diapers to the barrel in the cross hall or to the basket in the Tower or purchase diapers through HappyBottoms (use group name: Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral).

## Volunteer Opportunities



### Help Pete's Garden by Labeling Lids

Today, July 19, August 16 | 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 label upstairs in Founders' Hall at both morning coffee hours. 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, July 18, August 15 | 8 a.m.-noon

We help St. Paul's on Main organize and distribute food as part of TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program). Friendly volunteers are needed to break down pallets of shelf-stable and frozen food from Harvesters and repackage the food into family-sized boxes and bags. Then we 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).

## Diaper Drive

With your support, HappyBottoms, the KC metro area's diaper bank, is able to provide thousands of children each month with clean diapers.

Sizes 4, 5, 6 needed most.  
Open packages accepted.



During June, bring your diapers to the basket in the Tower or donate online at [kccathedral.org/outreach](http://kccathedral.org/outreach).

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# Formation for All Ages

## Adults: Sundays

Sundays in June • 9:15 a.m.

Exile. Wandering. Living as an outsider. The Old Testament is full of people who knew what it felt like to be out of place. Join us this June as we read their stories and ask: what does faithfulness look like when we feel like strangers in a strange land? Each week we'll read and discuss what these stories have to say to us today.



## 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.

### Family Worship Sundays

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.

### Missionpalooza 2026: July 21-26:

Registration link at [kccathedral.org/youth](http://kccathedral.org/youth)

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

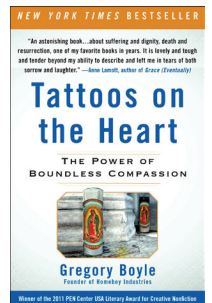
### GHTC's Virtual Cafe • 7:30 a.m. • Zoom

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

Women's Bible Study (WBS) meets by Zoom every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. for about an hour. As we gather we share joys and concerns followed by discussion of the selected topic or Bible study book. 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.

This summer, we are taking a break from our usual scripture-based studies to do a book study. We are studying of *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion* by Fr. Gregory Boyle. *Tattoos on the Heart* is a collection of essays "about kinship and the sacredness of life" drawn from Fr. Boyle's 20+ years of gang intervention ministry in Los Angeles. Boyle distills his experience working in the ghetto into a series of parables inspired by faith. Each chapter/parable stands on its own so members of the group can easily move in and out of the study allowing for altered summer schedules. Books can be found at your favorite bookseller. Don't worry if you haven't had time to do the reading or even if you have the book. We're always happy to see you regardless of what time you have to spend with us.



### 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.

# Upcoming Events | Announcements

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

## Game Night: Bunco

Friday, June 26 | 6 p.m. | Common Room

Gather your family, friends, and fellow game enthusiasts for an evening of thrilling games, fabulous fellowship, and unforgettable memories. Don't know how to play? No worries, we'll teach you. Bring a snack and/or drink to share and join in the fun. Sign up on our website.

## Office Closed: July 3

The Cathedral office is closed Friday, July 3 in honor of Independence Day. If you have a pastoral emergency, contact Canon James at 816-739-2930, Mother Clare at 904-874-1854 or Deacon Barbara at 816.739.8032.

## All Parish Breakfast

Sunday, July 12 | 9 a.m. | Founders' Hall

Rise and shine! Swing by Founders' Hall for some breakfast and good company. We can't wait to see your bright and cheery face there!



**EVERY HAND HAS A PURPOSE**  
**YOU BELONG. YOUR HANDS ARE NEEDED.**

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.

Summer is a great time to try out volunteering or try out a new ministry.

[KCCATHEDRAL.ORG/VOLUNTEER](http://KCCATHEDRAL.ORG/VOLUNTEER)

- bring food for coffee hour
- usher or greet at worship services
- acolyte
- teach/help with children & youth programs
- assist with the Cathedral gardens
- sing or ring bells in one of the choirs
- outreach volunteering

## CELEBRATING FATHER FIGURES



Packets of BBQ rub are available to all who worship with us today in honor of those who told us corny jokes and who showed up every day with unconditional love

### IN HONOR OF FATHER'S DAY, WE SUGGEST:

- Use it on meat, fish or vegetables.
- Share it with anyone who grills or likes to cook.
- Take it in thanksgiving, to celebrate fatherhood and the positive influence of all the men in our lives.