Grace and Holy Trinity Episcopal Cathedral



"Beatitudes" by Joseph Matar

All Saints' Day

November 1, 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.
- If you need a hearing assistance device, please ask an usher. Instructions to connect via Bluetooth are on the back table.
- Gendered restrooms are available in Founders' Hall. A non-gendered, accessible restroom is available at west end (rear) of the Cathedral.

Service Notes

- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
- Donations may be placed in the offering, made through the Cathedral website: **kccathedral.org**, by scanning the QR code to the right or by texting "GIVEtoGHTC" to 73256. Tap to give using the display in the Tower entrance. Instructions for use are next to the machine. *Thank you for your generosity.*

Holy Eucharist

Voluntary: Ricercar (*In Memoriam*), Op. 61 — Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

* Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity page 355

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

People — **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Presider — Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* Gloria page 356

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.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

Lector After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

> "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
> and thanksgiving and honor
> and power and might
> be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

> "For this reason they are before the throne of God,
> and worship him day and night within his temple,
> and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
> They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
> the sun will not strike them,
> nor any scorching heat;
> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
> and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
> and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:1-10,22 *read by alternating **half** verse* page 627

I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his Name together.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!
Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.

Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3

Lector See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

* The Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

* The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Presider Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,**
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

* Prayers of the People

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

Intercessor Immersed in the loving cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers with joy and hope as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

May your church pursue its ministry and proclaim the good news with integrity, humility and courage, that the whole world may come to know the love of Christ. We pray especially for those on this week's Diocesan Cycle of Prayer.

Hear us, O God,

People **and answer our prayer.**

Intercessor May our nation be a place of peace and opportunity where all people might thrive and be free to pursue their potential, and be blessed with leaders who pursue the common good and work for the health of the whole nation.

Hear us, O God,

People **and answer our prayer.**

Intercessor Kindle hope and courage in the hearts of this assembly that we might continue the good work of those who came before and someday pass on our mission to generations to come, that we might be an unbroken link in the chain of faith.

Hear us, O God,

People **and answer our prayer.**

Intercessor Give us courage to face our global challenges with open hearts, open minds, and a willingness to take on new and sustainable ways of living in your creation.

Hear us, O God,

People **and answer our prayer.**

Intercessor Mend what is broken, heal what is amiss, and bring wholeness and peace to all people that we might live the abundant life of Christ. We especially pray for those on our Cathedral prayer list, and for any others you wish to name either silently or aloud,

Hear us, O God,

People **and answer our prayer.**

Intercessor We are surrounded by the love of those who have entered already into your eternal care, grant us to one day join them in that great cloud of witnesses and to be an inspiration today to those who will be your church on earth tomorrow. Especially we pray for those we now name,

The Intercessor will read the Necrology, the list of those who have died since last All Saints' Day.
You may speak, aloud or in your hearts, other names of those who have died.

Hear us, O God,

People **and answer our prayer.**

Presider God, you have cared for us since we first drew breath and walked the earth, continue to be with us and to lead us into an ever-greater awareness of you that our lives may reflect your loving glory into the world. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

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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

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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: 287 "For all the saints, who from their labors rest"



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* The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

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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 God thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All **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.

Presider Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Presider We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN.**

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.

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: 618 "Ye watchers and ye holy ones"



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VOLUNTARY: Placare Christe servulis (*Le Tombeau de Titelouze*), Op. 38 Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

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

Serving Today

Presider	The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew C. Keyse
Preacher	The Rev. Canon W. James Yazell
Deacon of the Word	The Rev. Barbara Wegener
Deacon of the Table	The Rev. Robin Rusconi
Organist	Dr. Lucas Fletcher
Lector	Joan Bergstrom
Eucharistic Minister	Jennifer Mason
Usher	Dave Patt
Altar Guild	Vangie Rich, Jennifer Mason
Healing Minister	Joan Bergstrom

All Saints' Day.

1 November

Mary Kay Anderson
Barbara Beam
Wessels "Sonny" G. Bennett
The Rev. Sidney Breese
Anne-elena Buckner
Philip Carroll
The Rev. Bill Crain
Amanda Foresman
Lavonne Marie Roland Fortune
Dolly Galus
LaGretta Gitta
Richard Gooch
John Graham
Sammy Hammock
Phyllis Hart
Sue King
Randal J. Loy
The Rev. Mark McGuire
Larry McMullen
James Moffett
David Niven
Patricia Simmons
Dolores Stolte
Loretta Stotts
Haywood Walker Jr.
Jonathan Webster

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ.

Cathedral Prayer List

To place a person on this prayer list, text PRAYER to (816) 310-1888 or email Deacon Barbara Wegener, bwegener@kccathedral.org. View the prayer list anytime: *kccathedral.org/prayers*

Pray for: Jessica Knox; Ralph Wallace; Kevin Cavil; Ellen Spake; Peg Brown; Pope Leo; Sarahi; Rose Wrede; Mary Margaret Saxon; Mary Breese; Brend; The family and friends of Mary Martha Stevens; Barbara Liming, Kerry Rush, Vick Ross & families; Sherry Candillo; John Manley; Mike Bennett; Joyce; Katie Lienemann; Debbie Kerr; Mary Kerr; Charlene Thomas; Ysidro Quintero; Sakue Ide; Willard Welch; Greg Smith; Larry Bilotta; George Parry; Rick Jordahl; Marcille McCandless; Mike Barzee & Family; Phineas Gitta; Those fighting chronic illness; Iris Parsons; Wayne Alexander; Gloria Stocks; Jim Royer; Joyce Morrow; Thaddeus Samuel Withers; Yvonne Kehoe Meier; Jeffrey and family; Charlotte Colburn; Those affected by gun violence; First Responders; Immigrants

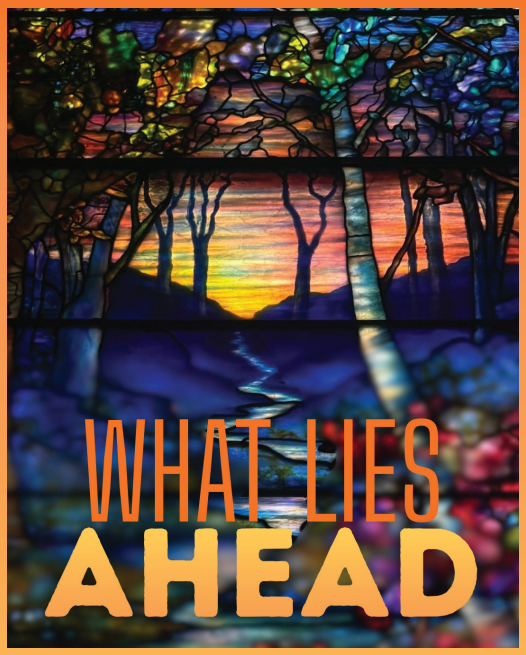
Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Central States Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Kansas City—The Rev. Donna Simon, Bishop
The 137th Annual Convention of The Diocese of West Missouri

Pray for the Departed: The Rev. Mark McGuire; Rhegan Spiegel; Jim Leuthold; Haywood Walker, Jr.; Robert Dean Melton; Randal Loy; Joshua Lewis; The Rev. Murray Trelease; The Rev. Sidney Breese; Brennan P. Younger; Drew Ross; those lost in war; those who have died from gun violence; Military members killed in action

For all military members and their families, especially: Russell Neice; Col. Brian Chellgren (retired); Ensign Brock Chellgren; Jonathan Wegener; for all military members and their families; Taya Velasco; Ethan Bergeron; Alexandria Puls; Capt. Aryk Bingham; Cpt. Charles Lewis, Jr.; Adam; Anita Feugate Opperman; 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

STEWARDSHIP 2027

GRATEFUL FOR THE PAST, FAITHFUL FOR THE FUTURE



On this All Saints' Sunday, we give thanks for all that has brought us to this moment: the prayers of those who came before us, the ministries that have shaped us, and the faithfulness that continues to sustain this parish. At the same time, we know that God is not finished with us yet. We honor their witness not only by remembering them, but by pressing on in hope toward God's future.

Learn more, make your pledge or signup for a Cathedral Gathering at *kccathedral.org/stewardship*.

We are offering opportunities to gather as a community for fellowship, conversation, and reflection on our shared life and ministry. Signup at kccathedral.org/stewardship.

Wednesday, November 11
6-7:30 p.m.
Andy & Beth Keyse's house, KCMO Northland

Thursday, November 12
6-7:30 p.m.
Steve & Kristy Moore's house, Leawood

Wednesday, November 18
6-7:30 p.m.
Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, Common Room

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

November 2
Andy Rhoads
Richard Morse
Joe Ungashick
Hildy & Steve Davis

November 5
Jim Jennings
Candy McDowell
Bob Johnson
Cecilia Bakker-Brown
Falcon Caringer

November 6
Richard Fanolio
Blain Lagergren

November 7
Molly Atherton
Meredith Sternberg
Francine & Scott Dreiling

Today's altar flowers

Today's flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joanne Repass Jones, Roger Sweeting and Howard L Stewart by Ric and Janet Stewart Sweeting and in memory of Sue King by Dave King.



Altar flowers are a great way to beautify the sanctuary and remind your fellow worshipers of the new life that Jesus brings. They are also a great way to commemorate an event near a specific date, or honor/remember someone close to your heart. Donations toward the weekly flowers can be given by anyone and are accepted in any amount. You can mail a check to the Cathedral office, put your donation in the offering or make a payment through our online payment site.

For more information: *kccathedral.org/flowers* or contact Julie Toma, jtoma@kccathedral.org.

This Week at GHTC

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

Sunday, November 1 • All Saints' Day

8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9 a.m.	Coffee Hour
9:15 a.m.	Adult Formation: Celebrating the Saints
9:15 a.m.	Youth Formation
9:30 a.m.	Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist* (Family Worship)
11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour
5 p.m.	Holy Eucharist

Monday, November 2

6 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

Tuesday, November 3 • Election Day

12:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study+
6:45 p.m.	Lectionary Bible Study+

Wednesday, November 4

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

Thursday, November 5

6 p.m.	Rehearsal: Bell Choir
7 p.m.	Rehearsal: Trinity Choir

Friday, November 6

5 p.m.	Diocesan Convention Eucharist

Sunday, November 8

8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9 a.m.	Coffee Hour
9:15 a.m.	Adult Formation: Celebrating the Saints
9:15 a.m.	Youth Formation
9:30 a.m.	Rehearsal: Trinity Choir
10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist*
10:30 a.m.	Cathedral Kids
11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour
5 p.m.	Holy Eucharist

+On Zoom

**In person service streamed on YouTube @kccathedral*

Formation for All Ages

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Adults: Sundays
9:15 a.m. | Common Room

Celebrating the Saints

Join us as we explore the riches of God's glorious inheritance made real in the lives of the saints who have gone before us. We will trace the development of the Church over time through the lives of some of its most faithful followers and learn how the love of God has been made manifest in different times and places by vastly different people.



Youth: Sundays
9:15 a.m. | Youth Room

Youth in grades 6-12 meet Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Haden Hall Youth Room with Dean Andy & Deacon Barbara.

Diocesan Youth Gathering at Convention
November 6-7 • GHTC

Youth in 5th-12th grades across the diocese are invited to gather for this year's Youth Gathering during Annual Convention. This event will include an overnight stay and opportunities to serve at Convention in various ways.

A weekend designed to help youth dig deeper into faith, community, and creativity, the Diocesan Youth Gathering (D.Y.G.) offers a vibrant, welcoming space for youth to grow, reflect, and have fun together. Breakout sessions include prayer through art, living faith outside the church, music, meditation, games, and community service.

The fee to attend is $25. *Register at diowestmo.org/events*.

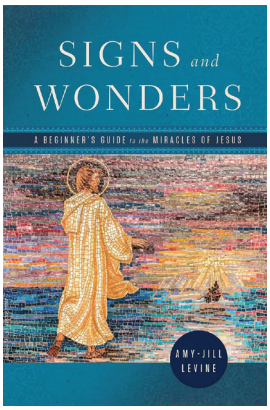
Please contact Meredith Seaton, Discipleship Youth Missioner, at youth@diowestmo.org for questions or concerns about D.Y.G.

Adults: Tuesdays

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. Zoom link: *kccathedral.org/adultformation*

We are studying *Signs and Wonders: A Beginners Guide to the Miracles of Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine. We'll be exploring selected miracles of Jesus in their historical and theological context, with a focus on the "why" of the miracles instead of the "if." Dr. Levine looks at how the past witnesses would have understood the events while looking at how modern readers can draw meaning from Jesus's acts and words.



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*, for more details.

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.

Today's Focal St. John's Bible Illumination

True Humility

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

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost coincides with All Saints' Day producing an overlap of themes centered on true humility, authentic spiritual leadership, and God's faithfulness. In the Gospel reading Jesus contrasts the religious posturing of leaders who are motivated by positions of honor with his call to radical equality (e.g., "all of you are brothers.") In the Epistle reading, Paul models spiritual leadership characterized by sincere pastoral care as opposed to those who serve for profit or status. The Old Testament reading from Joshua reminds us that leadership and deliverance ultimately belong to God's activity rather than being a product of human power. These values are exemplified in the lives of both the ordinary and extraordinary saints we remember on this All Saints' Day. Their lives are celebrated because they reflect Christ's servant heart rather than the pursuit of worldly wealth and recognition.

The Gospel reading assigned to All Saints' Day (Matthew 5:1-12) highlights the central identity of Jesus' followers (i.e., saints) – they are blessed. This blessedness resides in the fact that they are loved and accepted by God. Whatever they might learn or accomplish in the future will be an outgrowth of what already is their condition. God has blessed them unconditionally and they are freed thereby to bless others. This means that Jesus' followers don't do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly in order to attain God's blessings. Rather, they do these things as an outgrowth of the condition of already being blessed by God.



In "The Beatitudes" text treatment illuminator Thomas Ingmire draws our attention to the focal message of the Beatitudes as a new and radical form of wisdom. His treatment employs an abstract artistic style in which the word "blessed" is repeated, broken apart, drawn back together, then broken apart again leaving jagged-edged fragments. The letters of this word are dispersed randomly in a multicolored pattern, then they come together occasionally to form the text's focal word -- blessed. This fractured effect is derived from a traditional mosaic artistry used by early Christians to represent the multifaceted nature of Jesus' teachings. Its effect highlights the joyful and challenging qualities of Jesus' words rather than dwelling upon exhausting lists of virtues.

Ingmire uses a technique in this treatment that enables the calligraphy itself to become the art. He accomplishes this by using color and gold lettering to catch the viewer's eye, then draws them into the challenging meaning of the text. Take a moment to reflect on the impact of this technique. How does it accentuate the complex and transformative nature of the Beatitudes? Do you find this more effective than a straightforward, orderly listing? What does this visual depiction communicate to you about God's blessings?

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JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL OBSERVANCE!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15



Kirkin' o' the Tartan

Tartans
Bagpipes
Drums

WEAR YOUR COLORS, PUT ON YOUR KILT AND CELEBRATE WITH US!



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



BISHOP'S *Visitation*

The Rt. Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux, Bishop of West Missouri, will preside and preach at the morning services at the Cathedral Sunday, November 15.

Bishop Amy will also lead the 9:15 a.m. formation class.



We're putting on our first-ever Cathedral Family Feud on November 20, and we need your help gathering answers.

We're hoping for a fun mix of (family-friendly) answers, so feel free to keep things light and a little silly. The more responses we get, the better the game will be on the day!

Complete the survey at kccathedral.org/events or scan the QR code.



Happy
THANKSGIVING

Holy Eucharist
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26
10 A.M.

Outreach

Learn more: kccathedral.org/outreach

Sock and Glove drive for Shelter KC in November & December



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

Help Pete's Garden by Labeling Lids

November 15, December 20
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. 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, November 21, December 19 | 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, repackage the food into family-sized portions and then hand out the food. To volunteer or for more information, contact Deacon Barbara 816.739.8032 or bwegener@kccathedral.org.

Backsnack Drivers

We are looking for volunteers to drive once a month to two schools in the NKC school district; the schools are only blocks apart. The Harvesters BackSnack program provides a weekly backpack filled with nutritious, child-friendly food for schoolchildren at elementary and some middle schools to take home over the weekend.

What would you do? Load boxes into your vehicle at the Cathedral, then drop off the boxes at the assigned schools. Each box weighs about 20 pounds. Interested? Contact Ric Sweeting at ricsweeting@gmail.com or phone the Cathedral office.

Upcoming Events | Announcements

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

Canceled: Safe Church Training Seminar

The in-person Safe Church training scheduled for Saturday has been postponed until early 2027.

Safe Church, Safe Communities trainings are intended to aid in creating safe and welcoming communities for all people, and to communicate adopted policies of the church that protect all people, especially those most vulnerable or susceptible to power imbalances in our communities. Safe Church training can be completed online. These trainings are encouraged for everyone and mandatory for all clergy, staff, and volunteer leaders of any church, institution, or ministry associated with The Diocese of West Missouri. If you would like to take the training online, contact Julie Toma (jtoma@kccathedral.org).

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Kirkin' o' the Tartan

Sunday, November 15 | 8 & 10:30 a.m.

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

Coffee Hour after Kirkin' o' the Tartan

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

Choral Evensong

Sunday, November 15 | 5 p.m.

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

Family Feud Game Night

Friday, November 20 | 6 p.m.

Get ready for the grand debut of Cathedral Family Feud! Bring a snack for sharing and dive into the fun to find out what the survey has to say!

Thanksgiving Day Service

Thursday, November 26 | 10 a.m.

Join your church family to celebrate and express gratitude on Thanksgiving Day at our 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist service. *The Cathedral office will be closed November 25-27.*

Deck the Halls for Advent!

Saturday, November 28 | 9 a.m.

The joyous season of Advent is almost upon us, and we invite you to help make our Cathedral ready for Advent, spreading cheer and anticipation as we prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth. All ages are welcome! The Altar Guild will also meet for their pre-Christmas workday. For any questions or further details, please reach out to Joan Bergstrom at sacristan@kccathedral.org or Julie Toma at jtoma@kccathedral.org.

Save the Date

November 11 | Office Closed: Veterans Day
November 11 | Stewardship Gathering, 6 p.m.
November 12 | Stewardship Gathering, 6 p.m.
November 15 | Kirkin' o' the Tartan
November 15 | Bishop's Visitation
November 15| Outreach: Pete's Garden Lid Labeling
November 15 | Choral Evensong, 5 p.m.
November 18 | Stewardship Gathering, 6 p.m.
November 20 | Family Feud: GHTC Edition, 6 p.m.
November 26 | Thanksgiving Day, 10 a.m.
November 25-27 | Office Closed: Thanksgiving
November 28 | Advent Decorating & Altar Guild Day, 9 a.m.
November 29 | Advent Workshop, 11:45 a.m.