

Our Vision: A world where people experience God's love and are made whole.

Our Mission: To share the love of Jesus through compassion, inclusivity, creativity and learning.



Prophet Elijah Taken to Heaven on Chariot of Fire (13th century, Italy).

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

11 February 2018 11 a.m. Choral Eucharist

Welcome to Grace Cathedral



Welcome to this sacred house of prayer. Those who built and care for this sanctuary love tradition and feel passionate about engaging with what is new. If you look closely you will find images of scientists, reformers, Jewish rabbis and Roman Catholic popes, statesmen, saints, an astronaut and even animals like pelicans, raccoons, frogs and bears. They remind us of God's love for all creation. We invite you to be part of this joyful community even if your visit is short. Every year we celebrate a theme. This year our theme is truth. We are asking what is the truth about our self, each other, the world and God. Let us know what truth you are coming to know. May God bless you on your journey!

Love.

The Very Rev. Dr. Malcolm Clemens Young, Dean of Grace Cathedral

- If you are new to Grace Cathedral, please introduce yourself and fill out a welcome card so we can be in touch with you. We're glad you're here!
- **Join us for coffee and conversation** across the plaza in the Chapter House Library after the 8:30 a.m. service or in the Dining Room after the 11 a.m. service.
- Find out about our programs for children, youth and families at coffee hour.

about today's readings

2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9

Reading texts can be found at the end of the service leaflet.

On Fourth and Walnut Streets in downtown Louisville, Kentucky is a plaque commemorating an entry in *Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander*, where Thomas Merton describes a sudden spiritual experience as he was waiting to cross this street corner: he realized his connection and immense love for all these other people in front of him. Merton perceived them all as "walking around shining like the sun." Then it was as if he "suddenly saw the secret beauty of their hearts ... the core of their reality, the person that each one is in God's eyes."

The challenge of our gospel reading today is to see and experience our own divinity and holiness as well as those

of others. Christ's Transfiguration, like his Resurrection, suggests and implicates our own. In Christ's Resurrection, we see our own resurrection; through his Transfiguration, we are invited to be immersed in ours.

This year at Grace Cathedral, as we explore the theme of Truth in our programming, may the Gospel story of Christ's Transfiguration encourage us to consciously see each other as we truly are, as God sees us. "If only we could see each other that way all the time," Thomas Merton urges us, "...I suppose the big problem would be that we would fall down and worship each other..."

The cathedral will be closed on Monday, February 12 and Tuesday, February 13 for Carnivale. Peet's will be open until 1 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday. All services both days will be held in the Chapter House Library.

Spacious Grace, the annual free-form arts festival in the cathedral when we remove the pews and invoke the muse, ends today. Look inside to learn about today's final events. See you back in the pews next Sunday!

This reflection was written by Ben P. Miralles Jr., a member of the Congregation since 2010 who currently serves on our Board of Trustees. Ben has been part of the Education for Ministry (EfM) program and participates in a wide range of ministries.

today's highlights



The Forum with Robert Fersh: Draining the Polarization Swamp

Today, February 11 • 9:30 a.m. • Gresham Hall

The president and founder of Convergence will discuss how we can form alliances to solve

seemingly insolvable national issues.



Today, February 11 • after the 11 a.m. Choral Eucharist Gymnasium

All are welcome to join us for pancakes, sausage and fruit on the last Sunday before

Ash Wednesday. This beloved congregation tradition is hosted by the Hospitality Guild.

Pancake Breakfast



50+ Anniversary Evensong

Today, February 11 • 2 p.m. Photos, 3 p.m. Evensong Plaza and Cathedral

Couples who have been married or partnered for 50 years or more are invited to celebrate

at this festive Evensong sung by the Cathedral Camerata.



Organ Recital Series — Susan Jane Matthews

Today, February 11 • 4 p.m. • Cathedral

Grace Cathedral's former Principal Organist, Dr. Susan Jane Matthews, presents a program

of Romantic, modern and contemporary works by women composers, including a West Coast premiere.

The Holy Eucharist

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY • 11 FEBRUARY 2018 • 11 AM

Ask an usher about child care and Sunday school, hearing assistance devices, or large-print leaflets.

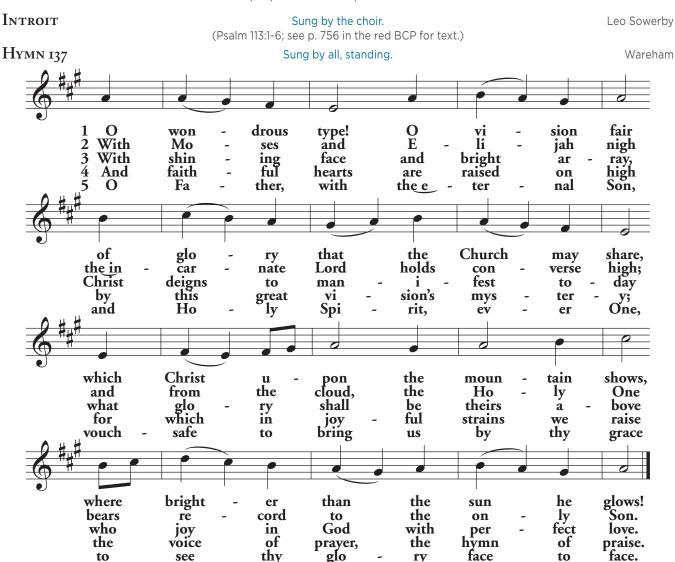
Restrooms are located on the lower level corridor. Please silence any audible electronics

and refrain from taking video or photos during the service.

VOLUNTARYApparition de l'Église Éternelle
Olivier Messiaen

The Gathering

The people stand as the procession enters.



text: Thomas Olivers (1725-1790), alt.; music: Hebrew Melody, harm. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1875, alt.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Gerre Hancock Missa "Resurrectionis"

Choir Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider May God be with you.

People And also with you.

Let us pray.

Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Word of God

Readings can be found at the end of this service leaflet.

THE FIRST READING

The people sit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 50:1-6

The people remain seated. The choir sings the antiphon, then all repeat.

John Renke

2 Kings 2:1-12



Antiphon Out of Zi-on, per-fect in its beauty, God re-veals him-self in glory.

Choir The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; *

he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *

God reveals himself in glory.

All Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence; *

before him there is a consuming flame,

and round about him a raging storm.

He calls the heavens and the earth from above * to witness the judgment of his people.

All Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

"Gather before me my loyal followers, *

those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *

for God himself is judge.

All Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

THE SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.



text: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936); music: Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 9:2-9





Choir This is my son, my beloved;



All repeat the three Alleluias.

Before the Gospel The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

A period of silence may follow.

The Dean invites all to sit.

The Very Rev. Dr. Malcolm C. Young Dean

THE NICENE CREED

The people stand.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition Lord, hear our prayer.

The presider adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

All may greet each other in the name of Christ.

Welcome

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

An offering will be received for the ministries of Grace Cathedral. Thank you for your generosity.

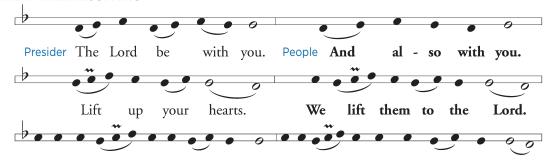
Anthem Jonathan Dove

Choir Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion and turneth the shadow of death into the morning. Alleluia, yea, the darkness shineth as the day, the night is light about me. Amen.

- Amos 5:8; Psalm 139

The people stand as representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread, wine, and money to be placed on the Altar.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider 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:

SANCTUS

Choir 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.

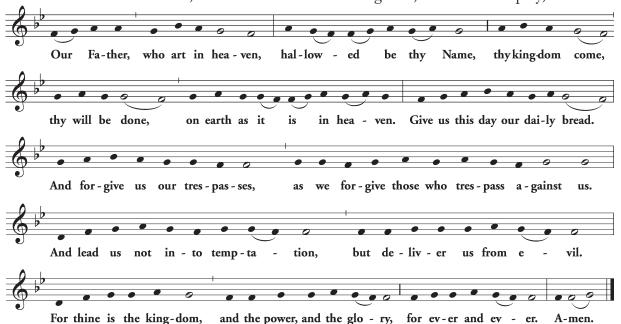
Presider ... we acclaim you, O Christ:

All Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Presider, concluding ...Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **A - MEN.**

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



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Bread is broken. Silence follows.

The choir alone sings the first Alleluia, then the people join in.



Choir Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;



All repeat the three Alleluias.

Invitation to Communion

The presider invites the people to come forward for Communion. All who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome at God's table.

Gluten-free Communion wafers are available at the north altar rail; please ask the Communion minister. It is our custom to consume the Bread and sip the Wine directly from the cup. You are invited to guide the cup with your hands. If you choose not to receive either the Bread or the Wine, simply cross your arms over your chest and respond "Amen" when it is presented.

Ministers are available for shared prayer for healing in the AIDS Interfaith Chapel at the rear of the cathedral.

Agnus Dei Hancock

Choir Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

MOTET Sung in Latin. Olivier Messiaen

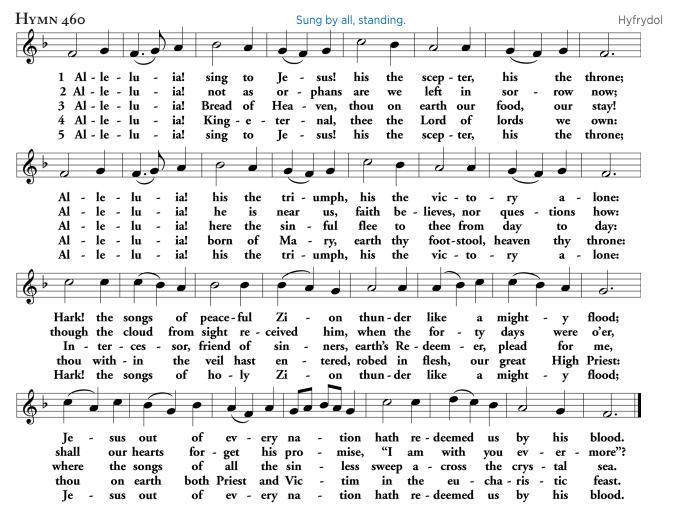
Choir O sacred banquet in which Christ is received, the memory of his Passion renewed, the mind filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory given to us.

Alleluia. - Liber usualis

Postcommunion Prayer After all have received Communion, the people stand.

Presider Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.



text: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898); music: Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL The presider pronounces God's blessing.

All respond Amen.

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Voluntary Laudes Francis Pott

The Readings

2 KINGS 2:1-12

Tow when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father,

father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness", who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Mark 9:2-9

C ix days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Serving the assembly:

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Readers Dorothy Tsuruta
Denny Kern

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new screens in the cathedral



You may have noticed two new screens mounted near the main entrance. Following churches from Westminster Abbey to National Cathedral in Washington, DC we will use these screens to communicate service times,

upcoming events, who we are and what's important to us at Grace Cathedral.

african american history month

In February, we invite you to join us in honoring and exploring African American History Month. See more upcoming events at gracecathedral.org/blackhistorymonth.



Absalom Jones Service

Saturday, February 17 • 11 a.m. • Cathedral

Join us for a special service in honor of the Rev. Absalom Jones, the first African American ordained as a priest in the Episcopal Church of

the United States. A reception will follow the service.



The Forum with Keris Salmon

Sunday, February 18 • 4 p.m. • Cathedral

Filmmaker and journalist Keris Salmon in conversation with our Executive Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Ellen Clark-King, on her exhibit, We

Have Made These Lands What They Are.



We Have Made These Lands What They Are: The Architecture of Slavery

February 17 through March 31 • Cathedral Forum and Opening Reception • Sunday, February 18 4 p.m. • Gresham Hall

See Keris Salmon's new art exhibit documenting antebellum Southern plantations and slave dwellings. All are welcome to the opening reception with the artist and to hear Salmon at *The Forum*.

community



Winter Crab Feed

Friday, February 23 • 5 - 7 p.m. • Chapter House Dining Room

Enjoy an informal, all-you-can-eat meal of freshly cooked crab with the cathedral

community. \$30 registration per person requested. RSVP or sign up to volunteer at **gracecathedral.org/crabfeed**.



Women in Community

Saturday, February 25 • 12:30 - 2 p.m. • Chapter Room

Join women of all walks of life in conversation and community over lunch. A modest donation is requested. To RSVP, contact Joanne Compean at

(415) 819-8003 or joannejcompean@gmail.com.

carnivale online auction



The Carnivale online auction is live! Bid to win special items and experiences before Carnivale even begins. Auction items include box seats for a Giants vs. Dodgers game, a seaplane flight over the Bay and a bounce

house birthday party. Items start as low as \$20! All proceeds from *Carnivale* support the cathedral's mission. Bid at **biddingforgood.com/carnivale**.

P.S. It's not too late to reserve your spot at *Carnivale*. This year, people under 35 years of age can purchase gala tickets at half price! To purchase tickets, a table or make a donation, visit **gracecathedral.org/carnivale**.



spiritual life



Ash Wednesday: The Beginning of Lent

Wednesday, February 14 • 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Cathedral

Observe the beginning of Lent with the blessing and imposition of ashes.



Evening Bible Study with the Dean

Mondays, February 12 through March 26 • 7 - 8:30 p.m. Dining Room

Join a weekly winter-to-spring Bible study, guided by the Very Rev. Dr. Malcolm Clemens

Young, sharing Scripture readings for the next Sunday.



Becoming a Christian at Grace Cathedral

Sundays, February 11 through April 8 (no meeting on April 1) • 9 - 10:30 a.m. • Chapter Room

Our Ancient Faith/Our New Life in Christ is an introduction to a way of life that is spiritual and practical. Open to all for deeper understanding or as preparation for adult baptism. RSVP to caroli@gracecathedral.org.



4:30 Book Study

Today, February 11 • 4:30 p.m. • Wilsey A

Discuss Forgiven and Forgiving by William Countryman to learn the foundational practice of forgiveness. Contact Instrinc@yahoo.com.

cathedral worship

Sundays

Nursery 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Eucharist 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:45 a.m.
Choral Eucharist 11 a.m.
Evensong 3 p.m.
Evening Eucharist 6 p.m.

Monday - Friday

Morning Prayer 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist 12:10 p.m. Evening Prayer 5:15 p.m.

Tuesdays

Yoga 6:15 p.m.

Wednesdays

The Vine

(Contemporary 6:30 p.m. Worship)

ThursdaysHoly Eucharist
Choral Evensong
7:30 a.m.
5:15 p.m.

Saturdays

Morning Prayer 9 a.m. Evening Prayer 3 p.m.

The Forum



The Forum is a series of stimulating conversations about the issues of our day. Events take place at Gresham Hall on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted. For more information on upcoming guests and past visitors, visit gracecathedral.org/forum.

February 11: Robert Fersh, president of Convergence Center for Policy Resolution, on how to create a more collaborative, civil and productive society.



February 18: Keris Salmon, filmmaker and journalist, on her journey through antebellum Southern plantations for her exhibit, "We Have Made These Lands What They Are," at 4 p.m. in the nave.



February 25: Bishop William Swing, the president and founder of the United Religions Initiative, offers a playful reflection on his eventful life.



March 4: Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz, award-winning author, on gun culture, race and power in the United States.

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when we're open

Cathedral: Open daily 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Thursday open 7 a.m.).

Peet's Coffee Kiosk: Open daily 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Columbarium: Sunday 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Docents generally available: Monday - Friday 1 - 3 p.m. • Saturday 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Sunday after the 11 a.m. service (meet at the font).





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or for regular congregation updates at gracecathedral.org.

Listen to sermons and services online

The 11 a.m. Sunday Eucharist and 5:15 p.m. Thursday Evensong are posted on our website for a week after each service. Subscribe to the sermons through iTunes or listen at **gracecathedral.org/listen**.

Prayer Requests

To request prayers of thanksgiving or intercession, email **prayer@gracecathedral.org**. Every day, our prayer team tends to the concerns of the community and remembers those who have died.

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