

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL

Detroit, Michigan

The Very Reverend Joseph Caldwell Alsay
Dean

The Right Reverend Dr. Bonnie A. Perry
Bishop of the Diocese of Michigan

August 30, 2026

**The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sung Holy Eucharist, 11:00 a.m.**

“Rules” for visiting a Cathedral
a poem by Andrew Rudd, Poet-in-Residence, Manchester Cathedral

Please remember to leave your anxieties in the rack provided.
Light a candle.

Listen to the organ, even if it isn't playing.
Make room for something unexpected to speak.

Find a seat and sit for a while.
The people who came before are here beside you.

If you are very quiet, you might even hear the angels playing their instruments
up there in the ceiling.

Let your eyes walk through a glass garden –
all of these colours are born from one light.

Taste the silence.
Many varieties are available – take a sip of each one.
Take it with you when you go.

WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL

Welcome! Our vision is to be an extraordinary spiritual gathering place where people of all backgrounds and ages are welcome to question and learn, pray, worship and serve; being loved by God in ways that change and improve their lives and the lives of others.

Visitors are encouraged to fill out a Cathedral Connection sheet included with your bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Please ask a clergy person or usher if you have questions. All are welcome—if you are looking for a church home, you have one here.

About Receiving Communion – Please know that this is God’s table and any person seeking to be fed from it will not be turned away. To receive the consecrated bread, extend your hands and it will be placed in your palm. Should you choose to receive the consecrated wine, you may guide the chalice gently to your mouth taking a small sip. Those desiring gluten-free Communion should ask the clergy when coming forward for Communion.

At the 11:00 a.m. liturgy this summer, Communion is distributed in the Great Crossing. Anyone may come forward and receive the blessing instead, by crossing your arms across your chest. When returning to your seat after making your communion, please return to your pew by using the side aisles.

Prayers for healing, for you or another, are offered in St. Barnabas Chapel and Nativity Chapel (at the front of the Cathedral on the right-hand side) during Communion.

About Children and Worship – Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, for to them belongs the Kingdom of God.” We believe that the place of a child is in worship in the Cathedral. We hope you will help them follow the service, sing the hymns, and use the bulletin and Prayerbook. At the back of Grace Chapel, the chapel to the left as one faces the High Altar, there is a soft space available.

Visit our new Welcome Center in the Gallery!

Please sign our online visitor register here:



Please silence all electronic devices.

The 11:00 service is also livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

Hymns are found in the blue hymnal in the pew racks.

Hymn numbers preceded by LEVAS are found in Lift Ev’ry Voice and Sing in the pews.

SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Organ

Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend, BWV 726 and 655
Lord Jesus Christ, be present now

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

At the bell, please stand as you are able. All sing

Hymn 435, vss. 1-4

At the name of Jesus

King's Weston

Words of Welcome Diverse people • Daily relevance • Inspiring space

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People

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

The Collect for Purity

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.*

All sing

Gloria in excelsis

Mass in F, Robert J. Powell (1932-2025)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

Worship is at the heart of Christian life and community. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed. Liturgy, the work of the people, encompasses the movements, prayers, music, and forms that make up a service.

The Collect for Purity is an English rendering of a Latin prayer that began the liturgy in the medieval church.

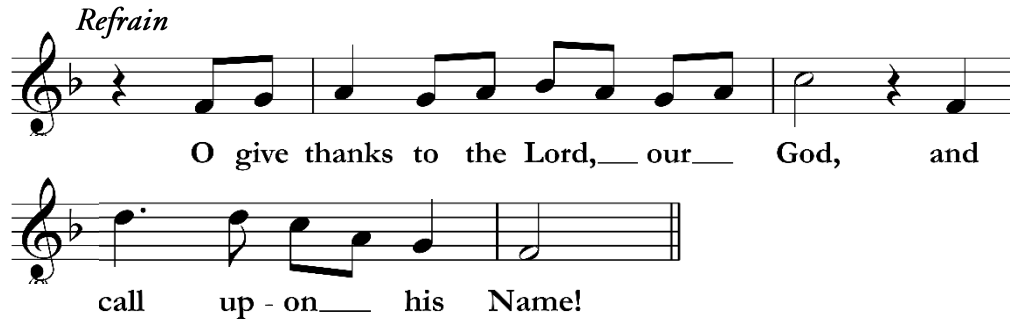
The Gloria in excelsis, or some other song of praise, centers the service on the God we gather to worship.

All sing the refrain as indicated.

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

Confitemini Domino

chant: David Heinze (b. 1996)



GIVE thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; * make known his deeds among the peoples.
2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, * and speak of all his marvelous works. *Refrain*

3 Glory in his holy Name; * let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

4 Search for the Lord and his strength; * continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, * his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, * O children of Jacob his chosen. *Refrain*

23 Israel came into Egypt, * and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.

24 The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful; * he made them stronger than their enemies;

25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, * and dealt unjustly with his servants.

Refrain

26 He sent Moses his servant, * and Aaron whom he had chosen.

45 Hallelujah! *Refrain*

The Epistle

Romans 12:9-21

LET love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able and sing

Sequence Hymn 707

Take my life

Hollingside

The Gospel

Saint Matthew 16:21-28

Gospeler

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

People

Glory to you Lord, Christ.

JESUS began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen

Sung by Jesus and Jewish worshipers, the Psalms highlight many facets of our relationship with God and each other. The entire psalter can be found in the Book of Common Prayer beginning at page 585.

The Epistle, a reading from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

The Sequence Hymn is often chosen to comment on the Epistle reading immediately prior, or the Gospel lesson that follows.

Gospel means “good news.” This reading comes from one of the four Gospels – Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John – recounting the life, work, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon often presents a central theme from the readings as it relates to our daily living.

The word “creed” comes from the Latin “credo” for “I believe.” The Nicene Creed reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship of the Holy Trinity.

to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated for

The Sermon

The Reverend Geoffrey T. Piper

Please stand as you are able. All say together

The Nicene Creed

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

Intercessor

IN peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For all who have been wounded by past experiences in the Church.

For healing and reconciliation among our communities.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel and all who seek the Truth.

For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Bonnie, our Bishop; Joseph our Dean; Mike, deacon in the Detroit Church Partnership; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add petitions silently or aloud.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The Celebrant may add thanksgivings and then continues

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially the faithful witnesses who have gone before us;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Please kneel as you are able. Silence may be kept.

The Prayers of the People address several areas of our lives. We pray for ourselves and on behalf of others. We pray for the Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

The Confession of Sin is an acknowledgment, as in Psalm 51: "Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight," and is followed by the Absolution, a statement of forgiveness, pronounced by the Celebrant.

An ancient Christian practice, sharing The Peace is a sign of reconciliation, love, and renewed relationships in the community. Any appropriate words of greeting may be used in the exchange of peace that follows between individuals.

We are now prepared for the miracle of the Holy Communion. The Offertory gives us a chance to offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, in the money we give, and spiritually in the offering of ourselves.

You can fill out a virtual pledge here:



Donate with E-Giving here:



In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, is a large prayer in four parts. Each of these corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

All say

HAVE mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and says

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The congregation is seated and all sing the hymn found on the back page.

Offertory Hymn

Brother, sister, let me serve you

The Servant Song

Please stand as you are able. The Celebrant continues with

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 sing

Sanctus and Benedictus

Land of Rest, arr. Marcia Pruner

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

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

HOLY and gracious Lord: 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 Creator 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.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Lord, 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 God,

now and for ev- er. A- MEN.

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

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3 and Revelation 4:8.

We recall God's acts of salvation history.

The Celebrant says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper.

At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age.

In the Great Amen, the congregation, with a unified voice, concurs with all that the Celebrant has prayed.

We then say together The Lord's Prayer, the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

The Postcommunion Prayer of thanksgiving after communion seeks God's help for Christian service. The eucharistic community is sent "into the world in peace" to love and serve God as witnesses of Christ. This prayer expresses the transition of the Christian's attention from the mystery of sacramental participation to the engagement of Christian ministry.

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.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread and a period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

After Communion the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

Kneeling, all say
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.

Please be seated for
Announcements and Moments for Mission

Please stand for
The Blessing

All sing
Processional Hymn 488 Be thou my vision

Slane

The Dismissal is given and the people respond
Thanks be to God.

Organ Praeambulum in F Vincent Lübeck (1684-1755)

COFFEE HOUR

Following this morning's liturgy, Coffee Hour in Barth Hall is hosted by Bren O'Connor.

ABOUT OUR GUEST CLERGY



During Dean Alsay's August vacation we have been blessed to welcome a number of visiting clergy to the Cathedral. **The Reverend Geoffrey T. Piper** was ordained in Quebec, in the Anglican Church of Canada. He served first in remote outpost fishing villages along the northern shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. In subsequent postings he has served the Episcopal Church in small town, suburban, urban, and resort settings in Western Massachusetts; West Bloomfield, Detroit (Christ Church, Detroit), and Harbor Springs, Michigan; Marion, Massachusetts; and Boca Grande, Florida. Retired from full-time parish ministry in 2019, he enjoys doing Sunday supply ministry in the western suburbs of Detroit. He and his wife of forty-two years, Leslie (an organist and choir director), now live in Canton. His joys include wrangling five grandchildren, fly fishing, woodworking, and trying to keep fit.

INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

We give thanks for Cathedral parishioners and friends celebrating birthdays this week: Emery, Shelley, Zukie, Prisceila, Charles, Christopher, Ifeoma, and Tuanda.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Louis Schuster, and for the repose of the soul of Edith Delores Douglas.

We lift up those for whom prayers have been requested: Gregory, Ron, Mike, Judy, Nancy, Karen, Terry, Charlene, Anthony, Gwen, Corris, Alan, Lydia, Shirley, David, Richard, Jayasuresh, Prema, Dave, Ralph, Joan, Mary, Dean, Jim & Family, Monica & Family, George, Liam, Karen & Tom, and Wes. *You may add yourself or a loved one to this list by calling 313.833.4409 or e-mailing us: info@detroitcathedral.org.*

We pray for those in uniform serving our country at home and abroad. **We pray for peace** throughout the world. Hasten, O Lord, our commitment to justice and peace for all God's people. **We pray for** an end to the gun violence which plagues our nation. Give solace to grieving communities and bring peace to anxious hearts. Help us to remember that fervent prayer must be coupled with bold action.

We pray for Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, Presiding Bishop; Bonnie, our Bishop; for Yehiel, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Donald and Julie, Lutheran Bishops in Lower Michigan; and for Moisés, Bishop of the Dominican Republic. **In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for The Church in the Province of West Africa. **In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for St. John's Church, Plymouth; the Church of the Redeemer, Southfield; and All Saints' Church, La Romana, in the Dominican Republic.



CATHEDRAL WINDOWS

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Weekday Services

We offer one mid-week Eucharist on Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. in Grace Chapel.

Pastoral Care

Dean Alsay will be away on vacation throughout the month of August. *If you are in need of pastoral care during his absence, please do not hesitate to contact him directly at 405.365.3226.*

Care Fair TODAY, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Our next Care Fair will take place August 30. Full services will be offered for all: laundry, showers, and a hot meal. Care Fair is a partnership between the Cathedral, All.together Ministries, FedUp Ministries, and Wayne State University CHIP Services. If you are interested in volunteering or you would like more information, please reach out to Mimi Lanseur: mlanseur@detroitcathedral.org. If you would like to make a contribution to this ministry, please check "Feeding Hungry People" on your offering envelope, or select the fund from the online dropdown menu. *Can you help by being a Care Fair volunteer? Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Gallery.*

Feeding Hungry People

The Feeding Hungry People (FHP) Committee has been a long-standing committee for the past two decades serving food and providing support and care through acts of service at the Cathedral. It continues to operate to coordinate volunteers and community members interested in serving others through food and supportive services. We are proud to announce that Layla and Brandon King have accepted the roles of Chair and Co-Chair and will help the committee expand, grow, and become a hub of care and support at the Cathedral in Midtown Detroit. If you are interested in joining the FHP Committee and participating in its work to care for our community, please contact Layla King at layla.noor98@gmail.com.

Book on Sale in Barth Hall

In June at our Pride Month events we were blessed to have with us the Reverend Brandon Robertson as guest preacher. Pastor Robertson also gave a talk on his new book, *Queer and Christian – reclaiming the Bible, our faith, and our place at the table*. This volume is on sale this month at the 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour in Barth Hall. Proceeds will benefit our ministry initiatives for the LGBTQ+ community.

The Cathedral Church LGBTQIA+ Ministry presents

Queer and Christian: A Bible Study

Sundays, September 13 through September 27

12:30-1:30 p.m. in the Library (second floor)

This three-week study will allow participants to engage with others about the book, "Queer and Christian: Reclaiming the Bible, Our Faith, and Our Faith at the Table" by Brandon Robertson. Mr. Robertson is an author, activist, ordained minister, and Tik Tok social media personality who challenges us to re-think our understanding of the bible and the so-called "clobber passages." Mr. Robertson joined us at the Cathedral in June for a presentation on his book and was the preacher at the Cathedral's celebration of Pride month. Those wishing to participate in are encouraged to purchase his book through the Cathedral Office, during the 11:00 a.m. coffee hour, or at the beginning of the first bible study session. This bible study will be led by Emery Dumas and Sr. Margaret Ruth. Participants are encouraged to bring a bagged lunch or bring a bite from Coffee Hour! If you'd like more information, please contact Emery Dumas at 231.590.6720 or via email at emeryja21@hotmail.com. Those participating are encouraged to read the Introduction and first few chapters of the book prior to session one.

Upcoming in September and October

Friday, September 11, 12:30 p.m.

The new season of Music at Mid-day kicks off with a recital by Canon Tarrant.

September 13

The Cathedral Choirs return from their summer hiatus. The Cathedral Singers will offer music at the 11:00 a.m. service, and the Schola Cantorum will sing Choral Evensong for the Feast of the Holy Cross at 4:00 p.m.

Evensong on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. – resuming September 13

Evensong is offered each Sunday at 4:00 p.m., alternating with Choral Evensong (sung by one of the Cathedral Choirs) and Cathedral Evensong (sung by Cantors and Congregation). We will also welcome a number of guest preachers to offer the homily throughout the season.

The Blessing of the Animals – October 4

Our celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi will include the Blessing of the Animals at the 11:00 a.m. service. All pets, photos of pets, and stuffed animals are welcome to be blessed!

The Feast of St. Luke – October 18

The Cathedral has a long connection with our medical community and the Detroit Medical Center. We will honor all who work in the medical community, in any capacity, on St. Luke's Day. From doctors and nurses and therapists, to first responders and office personnel – everyone working in the medical field, we wish to honor you. Please reach out and let us know who you are by e-mailing Erin in the Cathedral Office at info@detroitcathedral.org.



Detroit Asthma Event

Celebrate with a fun, family-friendly day focused on breathing easier and living healthier! Join us for free asthma screenings, hands-on inhaler demos, helpful health resources, giveaways, refreshments, and the chance to connect with local health experts and community organizations. Whether you're living with asthma, caring for someone who is, or simply want to learn more, this event is open to everyone — because every breath matters!

FREE Community Event • Open to All Ages • No Registration Required
Breathe better. Live well.

Saturday, September 19, 2026

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Drop in anytime during event hours

Kemeny Recreation Center

2260 S. Fort St, Detroit, 48217

Questions? Call 248.406.4254

Acolyte training

Sunday, October 4, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Current acolytes and interested individuals (including youth entering grade 4 and above) are encouraged to join Emery Dumas, Head Verger, on Sunday, October 4 in the Cathedral for an acolyte training and refresher course. Acolytes play a vital role in the liturgy by ensuring the church is prepared for worship by lighting candles, leading processions, carrying the processional cross, etc. New acolytes are paired with other acolytes for further training.

You are able to choose how often you serve. If interested, please email Emery Dumas at emeryja21@hotmail.com or call/text 231.590.6720.

Eucharistic Minister training
Sunday, October 11, 12:30 -1:30 p.m.

If you are interested in being a licensed Eucharistic Minister here at the Cathedral, please join us for our next Eucharistic Minister training on Sunday, October 11 in the Cathedral. Eucharistic Ministers assist the clergy in administering the sacrament during communion. There are few ministries of our Church inside, or outside, the liturgy which seem so simple or are as fulfilling to those whom God has called to service as the ministry of a Eucharistic Minister. Your ministry of administering the chalice is, at the same time, as simple as offering a sip from a cup, and as holy as giving to our sister or brother the very blood of Christ. To sign up for this training, please email Head Verger, Emery Dumas at emeryja21@hotmail.com or call/text 231.590.6720.

Williams Pavilion Little Food Pantry

A HUGE thank you to each person who is contributing to our Free Little Pantry at Williams Pavilion. The support has been overwhelming and has allowed us to support our neighbors at Williams Pavilion. Your continued support of this ministry helps meet the needs of residents that might not be otherwise met. Please continue to take sticky notes and donate items. This will be an ongoing ministry of the Cathedral!

Williams Pavilion is a senior-housing community in Detroit that provides affordable apartments for low-income seniors, and we are excited to introduce the *Williams Pavilion Little Food Pantry*, which will support residents who live on fixed income and will help to supplement necessary items. Donation items are posted on the bulletin board in the Gallery. Please take a sticky note with the needed item and return the purchased item to the cart under the bulletin board.

Interested in the Cathedral Choir?

Adults desiring to learn more about participation in the Cathedral choirs are invited to contact Canon Tarrant at music@detroitcathedral.org, or by calling 313.833.7547. He will be happy to explore this with you as we prepare to enter a new singing season in September.

Be a Coffee Hour Host

We invite you to consider helping with Cathedral hospitality by signing up to host a coffee hour after an 11:00 a.m. Sunday service. For more information see the bulletin board in the Gallery

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Monday, August 31

Compline, 8:00 p.m. via Facebook

Tuesday, September 1

Cathedral Staff Meeting, 10:30 a.m.

Compline, 8:00 p.m. via Facebook

Wednesday, September 2

Holy Eucharist, 12:15 p.m.

Compline, 8:00 p.m. via Facebook

Thursday, September 3

AA, 5:00 p.m.

Treble Choristers, 6:15 p.m.

Cathedral Choir, 7:00 p.m.

Compline, 8:00 p.m. via Facebook

Friday, September 4

Open Cathedral, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Compline, 8:00 p.m. via Facebook

Saturday, September 5

Motor City Music Together, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Wedding, 4:00 p.m.

Compline, 8:00 p.m. via Facebook

Sunday, September 6

Pentecost XV

Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, 8:15 a.m.

Sung Holy Eucharist, 11:00 a.m.

Coffee Hour, follows 11:00 service

Compline, 8:00 p.m. via Facebook

IN TODAY'S LITURGIES

7:30 a.m.

Officiant Steve Ott

8:15 a.m.

Celebrant / Preacher The Rev'd Geoffrey Piper
 Acolyte Steve Ott
 Lector / Intercessor Wilma McKinney
 Eucharistic Minister Beth Ott
 Technology Eric Herke
 Ushers Don Wiggins
 Harold Youmans
 Altar Guild Eunice Brooks

11:00 a.m.

Celebrant / Preacher The Rev'd Geoffrey Piper
 Acolytes Matt O'Brien
 Emery Dumas
 Cantors Erin McClellan
 Lector Nancy Swearingen
 Intercessor Bren O'Connor
 Eucharistic Ministers Cheryl Currie-Wenskey
 Bren O'Connor
 Healing Minister Dave Baschal
 Technology John LaDuke
 Linda O'Brien
 Ushers Phillip Allmond
 John and Nancy Swearingen
 Linda O'Brien
 Jacey Sanders
 Altar Guild

THE STAFF AND VESTRY

Clergy

The Very Reverend Joseph Caldwell Alsay, *Dean*
 The Right Reverend Dr. Bonnie A. Perry, *Bishop*
 The Reverend Deacon Mike Stutso, *Deacon, the Detroit Church Partnership*

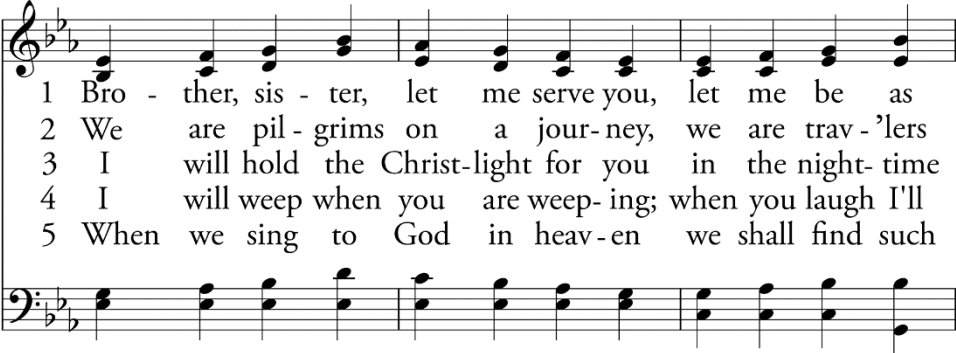
The Staff

Mr. Jeremy David Tarrant, *Canon Precentor / Organist and Choirmaster*
 Mr. David Heinze, *Associate Organist / Succentor*
 Ms. Erin McClellan, *Parish Coordinator*
 Ms. Meriem Lanseur, *Financial Administrator*
 Mr. Marshall Dwyer, *Facilities Manager*

The Vestry

George Swan III, *Senior Warden*
 Joseph Poisson, *Junior Warden*
 Frank Kong, *Treasurer*
 Bren O'Connor, *Secretary / Clerk*
 Phillip Allmond
 Elaine Belz
 Alan Cooper
 James Hooker
 Stephen Ott
 Bob Prout
 Greg Reyner
 Mark Savitskie
 Don Wiggins

OFFERTORY HYMN



1 Bro - ther, sis - ter, let me serve you, let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
 5 When we sing to God in heav - en we shall find such



1 Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to
 2 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
 3 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
 4 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
 5 har - mo - ny born of all we've known to - geth - er



1 let you be my ser - vant too.
 2 walk the mile and bear the load.
 3 speak the peace you long to hear.
 4 'til we've seen this jour - ney through.
 5 of Christ's love and a - go - ny.

6 Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you;
 pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

Words Richard Gillard (b. 1953)

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