



# The Cathedral chimes

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## From the Dean



Dear friends,  
I've been a dad for 20 years now, and in those two decades time seems to have accelerated. Things like helping our

children grow up and taking care of my mom the last few years have considerably sped up the clock.

Every so often I get a call reminding me that it's time to treat my lawn. Usually the name of the season is invoked: e.g., "It's time for the spring treatment," or "It's time to winterize." These communications never fail to amaze me, because I always have the same reaction: "Didn't we just talk about this a month ago?" No, says the person on the other end, and I am assured that they only call four times a year. Do I have to tell you I don't always get around to those tasks?

You know this from your life as well. It seems it was only yesterday you put out the fern for the summer, and you're bringing it inside already? The winter clothes you just put in the front of the closet are now rotating back? What happened? Where did that time go?

I wonder if, like me, you ever have a sense of shame or regret when your priorities for the seasons in your life aren't brought to completion. Inside the whirlwind

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## INDEPENDENCE DAY

Service & Celebration 2024



Grace Cathedral was thrilled to offer the return of our 4th of July service this summer, complete with a community choir, patriotic music and hymns, prayers for our nation, and a packed house. The hour-long service was topped off by a brass concert and ice cream reception in All Saints Hall. Special thanks goes to Cathedral Organist Donald Livingston for taking the lead in bringing this special event back to life!

## From the Dean continued

of our lives, we can't get to everything we want to tend to. As time appears to speed up, so too the number of missed opportunities and unchecked to-do-list items.

My counsel is to give yourself a break from that. As St. Benedict wrote, "Always we begin again."

Every moment brings a fresh opportunity to start over. We often set goals or have aspirations for ourselves that we do not bring to completion within the seasons of life. Just because we didn't reach them doesn't mean we failed.

New phases of life demand that we let go of old paradigms and programs for happiness and be open to new ways of hearing the truth. As Christians, we can add two more tasks: to love God in whatever way makes the most sense now, and to be content with simple means.

Here's that quote from St. Benedict in its proper context: "It is for us to train our hearts to live in grace, to sacrifice our self-centered desires, to find the peace without want, without seeking it for ourselves; and even when we fail, always we begin again."

Wishing you peace,  
Dean Torey+

## About the window...

Each month, we feature a small portion of a Cathedral stained glass window on the front cover of *The Chimes*.

The Gospel lesson from John read on July 28 told the story of Jesus feeding the crowd of 5,000 with five loaves of bread and two fish. This miracle is depicted in a stained glass window located in the East clerestory of Grace Cathedral. *John 6:1-14*

## Thank you Cathedral Choir!

As the Cathedral Choir takes a well-deserved break in August, we offer them this message: *For the beautiful music on Sunday mornings as well as on many special occasions, for your dedication in attending weekly rehearsals, for inspiring us to lift our hearts, minds and voices in singing praises to our Lord, Choir, we thank you!*

The choir will return to their ministry on Sunday, September 8.

## August Senior Saints luncheon, Wednesday, August 14

Join us for social time at 11 a.m., followed by a catered lunch at 11:30 in All Saints Hall. The guest speaker will be Curate Sarah Shipman on Episcopal Migration Services.

A \$10 donation is appreciated for the lunch. You can RSVP to the office at 785-235-3457. The deadline is August 12.

Just a reminder that if you sign up and later find out you can't attend, please notify the office before noon on Monday. The caterer plans their meals and charges us based on the number of reservations we submit on Monday prior to the lunch. If we don't receive your cancellation in time, then the church is responsible for the cost. Thank you!

## Prayer Books Needed

From time to time our pew editions of the *Book of Common Prayer*, need to be replaced. If you are interested in giving a BCP as a special gift or memorial to a loved one, we are requesting your help in updating old and worn books in the pews.

We have bookplates to commemorate either a gift, or memorial, or thanksgiving. Please provide this information with your payment.

The cost from Church Publishing Inc. for each is \$25.00. We look forward to your donations so we may restore our pews with new books.

## Cathedral photo directory update

This is a reminder to either submit or update your photo in our online photo directory of active Cathedral members. If you don't have a photo, please contact the office and we will be happy to take your picture on any Sunday. If you would like to submit a new photo, please email a digital copy to [info@gracecathedralatopeka.org](mailto:info@gracecathedralatopeka.org).

Our photo directory is available online. Call the office for a password, then go to our website at [www.GraceCathedralTopeka.org](http://www.GraceCathedralTopeka.org) and scroll to the bottom on the page for a link. We will also print copies on request.





# Happenings this summer



Cathedral Justice Ministers  
at the NEHEMIAH Action Assembly, May 13.



It was a beautiful day for our Pentecost Picnic May 19, and we had a full house!  
Thanks to our hospitality team and everyone who participated.



Sarah Shipman's Ordination to the Transitional Deaconate, Saturday, June 15  
(Pictured with Sarah on the far right is her family, Scott, El and Jeremiah.)



4th of July Service and Celebration  
with Guest Speaker The Honorable Evelyn Wilson, Kansas Supreme Court





# GOD-GIVEN GIFTS and MINISTRIES

By Ruth Ohm

If I could play background music for this article, it would be *Who are You?* - by *The Who*

Who are you?

Who, who, who, who?

I really wanna know (who are you?)

Who, who, who, who?

Come on, tell me, who are you?

(Who are you?)

Who, who, who, who?

'Cause I really wanna know (who are you?)

Who, who, who, who?

One way to answer this question would be to consider yourself in terms of the God-given gifts of ministry.

*Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith; if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. (Romans 12:6-8)*

According to this passage from Romans, seven gifts are graced to us by God: prophecy (perceiver), server, teacher, exhorter (encourager), giver, leader (administrator), and mercy (compassionate person). Most people have more than one gift; for many of us, four or five of these gifts predominate. In this article, we will look at the qualities that suggest each gift, and then explore ministries that may be a good fit to share your gifts and bring you joy.

## Prophet or Perceiver

According to Fortune and Fortune, the perceiver is “one who readily perceives, prays about, proclaims and promotes the will of God: (2009, p. 55). Perceivers tend to see

the world in sharp contrast (right vs wrong); strongly promote the spiritual growth of others; are drawn to intercessory prayer; have strong opinions and strict personal standards; view the Bible as the basis for truth, belief, action, and authority; and are often introspective. Perceivers tend to be outspoken and speak persuasively.

Ministries that may be particularly well suited for this gift include the Altar Guild, prayer ministry, reading scripture (lector), JUMP (Justice, Unity, & Ministry Project), Eucharistic Visitor, Eucharistic Minister, altar server, acolyte, and Daughters of the King.



## Server

A server is a helper and a “doer.” The server often prefers hands-on tasks, and is eager to help with any need. The server often gravitates to the kitchen to help clean, weeds the garden, and looks for ways to be helpful. Servers enjoy showing hospitality. They recognize needs and acts to meet them. They are detail-oriented people who have a hard time saying no and tend to do more than asked. They are orderly, avoiding clutter, and stay with a task until completed.

Opportunities for servers are abundant at Grace Cathedral: greeters, ushers, childcare workers, construction (painters, handyman,

carpenters, etc.), gardeners, seasonal decorators, security, kitchen workers, meal providers, snack and treat servers, table decorators, office helpers, sandwich ministry workers, Altar Guild team members, ticket sales...

Participation with the Ukrainian Refugee ministry, pictorial directory, fellowship events, and other special events also benefit from the help of servers.

## Teacher

Teachers share information and give instruction; participate in research and writing; and offer logical, understandable presentations of information.

Teachers tend to enjoy studying and doing research. Context matters, and teachers rely on proper context when scripture is used. They tend to be more objective (data-based) rather than subjective.

Christian educator, librarian, researcher, technology designer, bible study leader, Sunday school teacher, youth ministry, small group leader, VBS planning/teacher, stewardship, writer of newsletter articles, and publicity are some of the ministries ideally suited for a person with the gift of teaching.

## Exhorter (Encourager)

The exhorter brings comfort, encouragement and counsel to others. As a cheerleader and motivator, the exhorter wants to help others reach their full potential. While a teacher targets the mind, the exhorter aims for the heart. Joy comes with working with people, encouraging application of truth and supporting the development of gifts of others. An exhorter is non judgmental, a good communicator and typically has a positive attitude.

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The gift of exhortation is a good match for the roles of greeter, childcare director, host/hostess, church directory designer, ministry appreciation coordinator, phone worker, promoter/advertiser, receptionist, public relations, volunteer recruiter, and much more!!

### **Giver**

The giver shares generously with time, talent, money, help and love. Consistent with Matthew 6:3-4 “But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret”, the giver prefers to give anonymously. The giver handles finances wisely, volunteers to help where a need is witnessed, believes God is the source of his or her supply, and likes to practice hospitality.

Similar to the gift of server, there is an abundance of ministries for the giver, including making donations to the blessing box and sharing table, hospitality committee, audio/light/recording technician, altar guild, prayer room attendant, usher, Eucharistic Visitor, home visitor, prayer counselor, prayer group leader, carpenter, contractor, security assistant, hostess, Sunday coffee hour snack provider, kitchen helper, meal provider (Food for Friends), and more...

For those gifted with musical talent, sharing vocal or musical instrument talents to praise God is a gift indeed!!

### **Leader (administrator)**

A leader has vision and enthusiasm for the project. The leader typically has strong organization skills, communicates clearly, enjoys long-term as well as short-term planning and is effective at delegating tasks so that

goals are achieved.

There are several opportunities for those with the gift of leadership: Participation in the vestry, altar guild, sandwich ministry, hospitality, ushers, greeters, special events/projects, snacks and treats coordinator (Sunday Coffee Hour) and more.



### **He who shows mercy (Compassionate Person)**

The compassionate person aides persons in need with cheerfulness and joyful eagerness. A compassionate person shows love, tends to be optimistic, looks for good in people and is a crusader for social justice.

The Pastoral Care Ministry has several opportunities for the compassionate person - Daughters of the King, Eucharistic Visitors, Food for Friends, home visitors, prayer ministry and Stephen Ministry. In addition, participation in the sandwich ministry, JUMP (Justice, Unity, & Ministry Project), the sharing table, and the Ukrainian Refugee Ministry need compassionate people to participate.

The presented personal qualities associated with each gift are a distillation of the information in the book *Discover Your God-Given Gifts*, by Don and Katie Fortune. For more information, to sign up for a ministry, or to explore which ministries might be a good fit for you, please contact Ruth Ohm ([rohms@gracecathedraltopeka.org](mailto:rohms@gracecathedraltopeka.org)).

*As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. (1 Peter 4:10)*

### **Ministries at Grace Cathedral that are acutely in need of help:**

#### **Sandwich Ministry and Head Start for Sandwich Ministry.**

Participants are assigned a team and work one day each month. All supplies are furnished. The Sandwich Ministry meets on Saturday mornings, from 8-11:30; the Head Start teams make approximately 120 sandwiches on Friday morning or afternoon (times vary according to weeks, but it is approximately a 1-1/2 hour commitment monthly) to help the Sandwich Ministry. For Head Start, contact Vanessa Hill ([hill.vanessa.1924@gmail.com](mailto:hill.vanessa.1924@gmail.com)); you may select the Fridays with a time that best suits your schedule.

**Ushers** serve on Sunday mornings. For the 8:30 service, ushers sign up for particular Sundays to serve (contact Ed Carter - [recarter@ku.edu](mailto:recarter@ku.edu)).

Ushers for the 10:30 service commit to work every Sunday two months/year (for example, August/February). With larger team sizes, there would be more flexibility in scheduling for all.

**The Altar Guild** has four teams that serve monthly. Currently there are 3 members of each team. The goal is to have at least 4 members to provide flexibility for each person involved. Duties are performed on the Sunday assigned; the member typically arrives 1/2 hour prior to the service to prepare the altar; after the service, the member cleans and puts away items for the following week. Linda Gallaway is the director of the Altar Guild ([lmbg805@outlook.com](mailto:lmbg805@outlook.com)).

## Summer birthdays

### JUNE

- 1 Tom Leucht
- 4 Bill Hamm
- 5 Hurst Coffman  
Ben Vogelsberg
- 6 Carolyn Jones  
Chris Waugh
- 7 Anne Wilson
- 8 Jan Irby
- 9 Rick Backlund  
Don Taylor  
Chris Wright
- 12 Terrilyn Fairbank
- 13 Judea Shannon
- 15 Jane Myers
- 20 Barry Bray
- 21 Patty Miller
- 22 Melissa Weikel
- 23 Cyndi Langston
- 24 Judith Donovan  
Keith McKibben
- 27 Mike Godfrey
- 28 Chris Shermoen
- 30 Karri Quintana

### JULY

- 3 Judy Stone
- 4 Torey Lightcap
- 5 Kay Dagg  
Wesley Holthaus
- 7 Kelly Wingerson
- 12 Ron DeWeese
- 13 Kathy England  
Jim Hood  
Barbara Nuss  
Karol Rice
- 14 Dick Edington
- 17 James Reid
- 18 Bob Pfuetze
- 19 Sam Carkhuff
- 21 Jan Slagle  
Devlin Reid
- 25 Reeta Akins  
Scott Shipman
- 26 Steve Page
- 29 Sarah Shipman  
Bob Wright
- 30 Lance Royer
- 31 Annie Lightcap  
Kevin Wadsworth

### AUGUST

- 1 Amanda Vogelsberg
- 4 Linda Frick
- 5 George Phelps  
Jill Dykes
- 8 Margaret Carkhuff  
Linda Gallaway

- 9 Michael Deibler
- 11 Rhonda Babb  
Judy Edington
- 12 Shelle McCoy
- 18 Jim Hamilton
- 20 Penny Lumpkin
- 21 Janet Ohlemeier
- 21 Arceile Ridgeway
- 22 Curtis Cowell
- 28 Ken Alexander  
Larry Wolgast
- 30 Colleen Dougan  
Ed Larson
- 31 Hallie Shermoen  
Marti Wright

## Summer Flower Memorials

### JUNE

- 1 Dorothy S. Meade  
Christ Hospital Nurses
- 3 Holmes Meade
- 4 William J. "Bill" Williamson
- 5 Lawrence L. Miller
- 7 Marguerite Strotz  
Ralph E. Love Jr.
- 8 Margaret N. Garhart
- 9 Katherine Peters Davison
- 10 Augusta M. Laing
- 11 Andrew James Grooms  
Alice Meade
- 12 Ellen Amy Betts  
Edward Kirkpatrick Cleveland  
Billye June Bray Bradley  
Charles Sterling Bray
- 13 Thomas Frank Ellis
- 15 Frances Louise Hogueland  
Frank F. Hogueland  
William Gottlieb Reuter
- 16 James Bruce Davis
- 17 Celeste Vedder McComas  
Dr. Marmaduke D. McComas, Jr.  
Margaret Eagan Salisbury
- 18 Louise Smith Sallee
- 21 Hermon E. Van Laer
- 22 Henry John Crow  
Flora S. Morton
- 24 Rosemary Massey
- 25 Henrietta M. Snyder
- 27 Eveleen White West  
Dorothy Wilhelmina Sinel
- 28 John C. McClintock
- 29 Eva Skerry Olsen  
Hans Christopher Olsen  
Jane M. McGrew
- 30 Ethelyn M. Cole  
Capitola M. Vernon  
Leland F. Gordy

### JULY

- 1 David Emory Palmer
- 4 Ronald J. Snyder
- 5 Virginia Dodge Johnson  
James Graves Stewart, MD
- 6 Mary D. Hambleton
- 10 James Philip deBeveris Kaye  
Channing John Brown
- 12 Paul N. Bell  
Ernest Dibble
- 14 Henry G. Goss  
Rose Hite Pierce
- 16 Eleanor Wheeler Meyer  
John Arlin Shahan
- 18 John and Ruth Price
- 19 Mary Dillon Holliday
- 20 Nellie Millspaugh Copeland  
Rollin Wheeler Meyer
- 21 Oscar Bentley DeVaul, Jr.
- 22 Harry Kirk Coe  
William Clyde Glenn  
Barbara O. Lane
- 25 Cynthia Hill Gentry
- 26 Jean Nicol Bolmar  
Robert Crarey  
Sarah Crarey  
Dana W. Killinger, Sr.
- 28 Mary Meade Ewart
- 31 Samuel Wheadon Crow  
Frank Scott Davis

### AUGUST

- 2 John M. Hardman  
Ida Layton Ellis
- 4 Floy Hill Hancock
- 6 Kemp Harris Hill
- 8 Carl A. Vernon, Sr.  
Jose A. Morales
- 9 Lola LaVere Ward
- 12 J. Byron Price, Jr.  
Carol L. Sommers
- 13 William James Barnett
- 14 Carl Pierce Bolmar  
Charles R. Harrison
- 15 Everette O. Royer  
Robert W. Whitehead
- 16 Elizabeth Low Hopkins
- 17 Emma K. Harrison
- 22 Florence Elizabeth Greer  
Henry Wesley Roby
- 23 Olivia C. Aurbrey
- 25 Josephine H. Sterling
- 27 Odette Cope Gibbs
- 29 Gertrude H. Stephens
- 29 Katie M. Batten
- 30 John Byron Price  
Jerry Holley



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## Summer 2024

### Sunday Services

8:30 a.m. – Holy Communion,  
Rite I  
9:30 a.m. – Adult Forum  
(Sept.-May)  
10:30 a.m. – Club Jesus  
10:30 a.m. – Holy Communion,  
Rite II

### Morning Prayer

9 a.m. each Tuesday and  
Thursday in St. Mary's Chapel

### **GRACE CATHEDRAL CLERGY**

The Right Reverend Dr. Cathleen Chittenden Bascom,  
*Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas*  
The Very Reverend Torey Lightcap, *Dean*  
The Reverend Jody Carroll, *Canon*  
The Reverend Sarah Shipman, *Curate*  
The Reverend Donald Chubb, *Deacon*  
The Reverend Carl Edwards, *Deacon*

### **CATHEDRAL STAFF**

Kent Wingerson, *Cathedral Verger/Finance and Facilities Manager*  
Connie Vosburgh, *Office Administrator*  
Donald Livingston, *Organist*  
Eduardo García-Novelli, *Choirmaster*  
Zachary Cope, *Associate Choirmaster*  
Kathy Smith, *Director of Youth and Children's Ministries*  
Ruth Ohm, *Ministry Coordinator*  
Michael Godfrey, *Sexton*

### **VESTRY OF GRACE CATHEDRAL**

Vanessa Hill, Alan Johnson (Senior Warden), Mark Quintana  
LeRoy Dagg, Arceile Ridgeway, David Woods (Junior Warden)  
Vanessa Evans, Norman Nellis, Evelyn Wilson  
Lance Royer, *Treasurer*,  
Cynthia Sheppard Langston, *Chancellor*