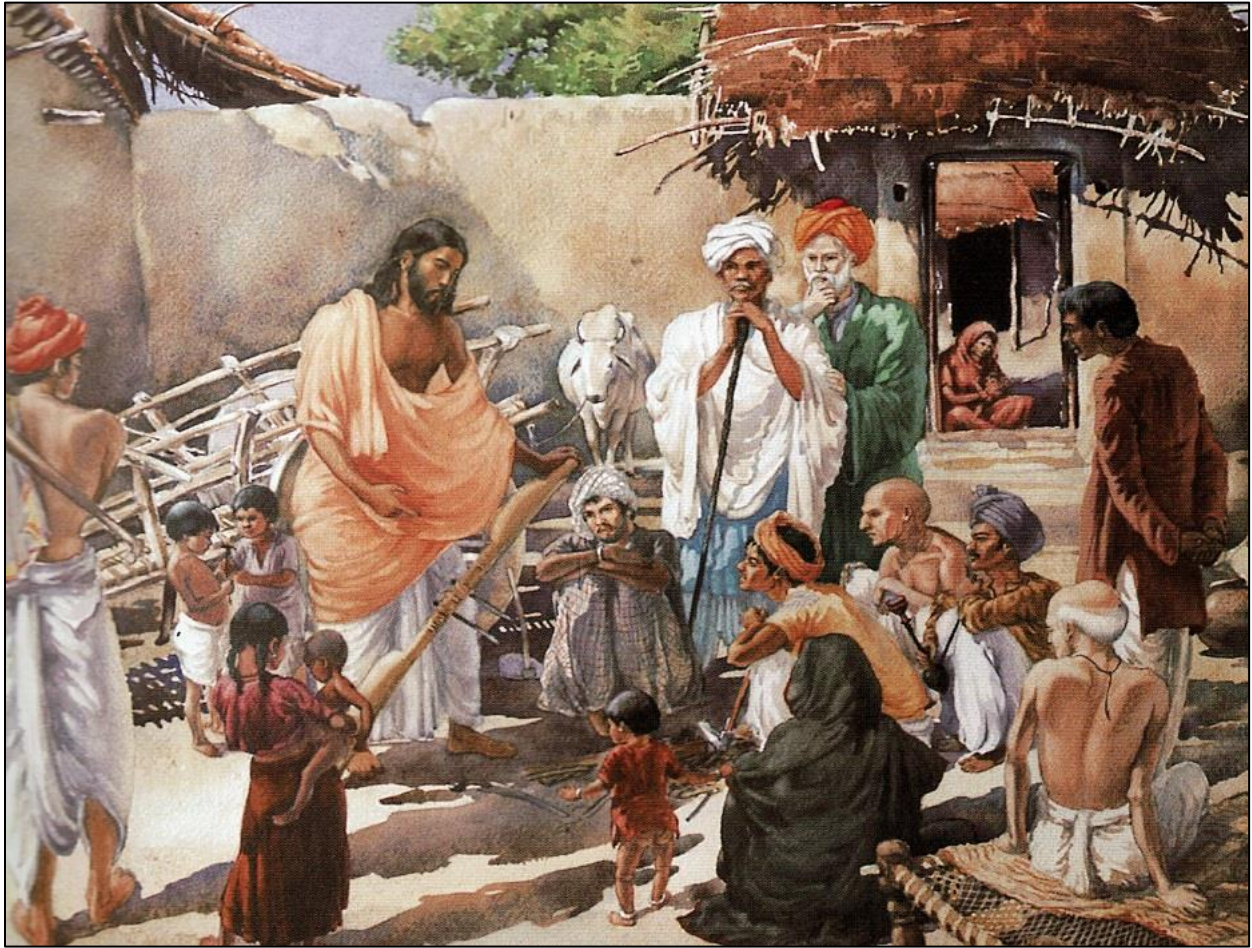




# St James Cathedral

CHICAGO

Forged in Fire: From Age to Age



*"Jai Krist" by Frank Wesley*

Holy Eucharist  
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 5, 2026 at 8 a.m.

# Welcome to St. James Cathedral

Whether you are visiting or are a regular worshipper, you're not just welcome at St. James – you belong! This booklet contains everything you need to worship with us today. If you would like to learn about the mission and ministry of the cathedral, please complete one of the visitor cards available in the rear of the chapel and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a clergy person.

## HOLY COMMUNION

We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest know if you would need a gluten-free wafer or alcohol-free wine. We are also happy to bring Communion to you if you are unable to come to the altar rail. Please let an usher know if this would be helpful for you.

## PARKING

On Sundays, reduced-rate parking is available at R.O.W. Parking Garage (50 E. Ohio) for \$2 for up to six hours from the time of entering the garage. Discounts are also available for all-day parking at Ohio Ontario Self Park (33 W. Ontario) for \$11. To receive a reduced-rate parking voucher, please go to the welcome table in the narthex or the reception desk in the Welcome Center.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Restrooms are in the Welcome Center connected to the east end of the cathedral and below the front entrance of the cathedral.

## GET INVOLVED

There are a variety of ways to become involved, whether you are a committed follower of Christ, an occasional visitor who appreciates our programming, or fall somewhere in between.

Refreshments are available after the service, where we look forward to getting to know you and helping you connect with this vibrant and historic community!



The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James,  
*Dean of the Cathedral*



THIS WEEK'S E-NEWS

# Gathering

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

*The presider welcomes the people to the service.*

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

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

*The presider pronounces God's forgiveness.*

## GLORIA

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.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

# Liturgy of the Word

## FIRST READING

A Reading from the book of Genesis. (24:34–38, 42–49, 58–67)

So he said, “I am Abraham’s servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master’s wife bore a son to my master when she was old, and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, ‘You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites in whose land I live, but you shall go to my father’s house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.’

“I came today to the spring and said, ‘O Lord, God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, “Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,” and who will say to me, “Drink, and I will draw for your camels also”—let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master’s son.’ Now please tell me if you are willing to do the right thing for my master. Will you treat him fairly, or do I have to look for another young woman?

They called her and asked, “Are you willing to leave with this man at once?”

“Yes,” she answered.

So they agreed to let Rebekah and an old family servant woman leave immediately with Abraham's servant and his men. They gave Rebekah their blessing and said, “We pray that God will give you many children and grandchildren and that he will help them defeat their enemies.” Afterwards, Rebekah and the young women who were to travel with her prepared to leave. Then they got on camels and left with Abraham's servant and his men.

At that time Isaac was living in the southern part of Canaan near a place called “The Well of the Living One Who Sees Me.” One evening he was walking out in the fields, when suddenly he saw a group of people approaching on camels. So he started toward them. Rebekah saw him coming; she got down from her camel, and asked, “Who is that man?”

“He is my master Isaac,” the servant answered. Then Rebekah covered her face with her veil.

The servant told Isaac everything that had happened.

Isaac took Rebekah into the tent where his mother had lived before she died, and Rebekah became his wife. He loved her and was comforted over the loss of his mother.

The Word of the Lord.

*All*            **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 145:8—15

The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,  
    **slow to anger and of great kindness.**

The LORD is loving to everyone  
    **and his compassion is over all his works.**

All your works praise you, O LORD,  
    **and your faithful servants bless you.**

They make known the glory of your kingdom  
    **and speak of your power;**

That the peoples may know of your power  
    **and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;  
    **your dominion endures throughout all ages.**

The LORD is faithful in all his words  
    **and merciful in all his deeds.**

The LORD upholds all those who fall;  
    **he lifts up those who are bowed down.**

*Please stand.*

HOLY GOSPEL

*Deacon*       The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. (11:16–19, 25–30)

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

And Jesus said to the crowd “to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
    we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

“For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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*In 325, the first ecumenical council of the Church established the Nicene Creed as a universal statement of faith for every Christian. Through the 20th century, international ecumenical councils, biblical scholars, and language experts worked together to achieve the most accurate English translation. In 2018, The Episcopal Church voted to include this version in our prayer book to reclaim the original meaning of the Nicene Creed. Notice, for example, that "he" pronouns for the Holy Spirit were not in the Creed as originally written, therefore this version also does not include them.*

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*The people stand.*

### 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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*, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*After each petition, the response is*

<i>Reader</i>	Lord, in your mercy,
<i>All</i>	<b>Hear our prayer.</b>

*The presider concludes, praying*

### A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

Book of Common Prayer, 1979, Pg. 258

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## PEACE

*The presider says*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All*                    **And also with you.**

*The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.*

## Holy Communion

### OFFERTORY



*Your offering supports the ongoing mission of St. James Cathedral, including the St. James Meals, Meals Among Us, and Summer in the City. Contributions are welcome online at [SaintJamesCathedral.org/give](https://SaintJamesCathedral.org/give), by texting “SJC” to 73256, or you may place checks and cash in the collection plate.*

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Presider*            The Lord be with you.

*All*                    **And also with you.**

*Presider*            Lift up your hearts.

*All*                    **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider*            Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All*                    **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

**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.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

*The presider introduces the Lord's Prayer.*

**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

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*The presider says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest know if you would prefer a gluten-free wafer or alcohol-free wine.*

## THE ST. JAMES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

*The presider says*

Let us pray.

Faithful God,  
you call us to be living stones in a spiritual temple.  
Bless the mission and outreach of this cathedral church.

By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
enable us confidently to restore its fabric,  
trustfully to reimagine our vocation,  
and boldly to renew our ministries in your name.

Make this place a house in which your love dwells  
and in which all your people find welcome.

Grant this, we pray, through the One who leads us ever onwards in your service,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## BLESSING

*The presider prays for God's blessing on the gathered people.*

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All* Thanks be to God.

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*As our Cathedral renovations begin next week, we will continue our 8:00 a.m. worship services in St. Andrew's Chapel. We are especially excited because this transition brings us one step closer to welcoming our beautiful new organ! Please plan to join us there as we begin this next chapter in our community's journey.*

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## IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

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FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYER OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY:

Ginger, Loya, Andronica, Ibukun, Ted, Lois, Mary, Yvonne, Lee, Rachael, Jonah, Richard, Cleo, Bill, Jane, Frank, Suzanne, Nicolette, Joshua, Joe, Nicole, Pamela, Sue, Wei Wei, James, Eoin

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE BEEN COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Jean Marie Hess, Harrison Cole, Karen Renegar

Wortman, Holly Quarles

FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK INCLUDING: Kevin, Alexander, Shaday, Ivan, Anthony, Carlos, Orlando, Rene

DIOCESAN PRAYER CYCLE: Our bishop, Paula, and our Presiding Bishop, Sean; Congregations in the Peoria Deanery: All Saints in Rock Island, St. Paul's in Peoria, St. Paul's in Warsaw Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk: La Santa Cruz in Oaxaca; St. Michael in Geiger Centre

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Sign up for our weekly newsletter at [SaintJamesCathedral.org/enews](http://SaintJamesCathedral.org/enews) or texting SJCenews to 22828

SUMMER WORSHIP UPDATES: From **July 6 to September 4**, worship services will move to temporary locations for our summer organ installation. The 8:00 a.m. Sunday and 12:10 p.m. weekday services will be in St. Andrew's Chapel (with reservations required for Sundays), while the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday services will meet in the Great Hall in St. James Commons. For more details, please see our E-news.



THIS WEEK'S E-NEWS

YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT: Save the date for the Episcopal Young Adults Meetup at St. James Cathedral on **Saturday, July 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** This one-day retreat offers young adults from across the Diocese a chance to connect through fellowship, formation on the Feast of St. Benedict, and planning for future events. To RSVP, please email Jacob at [jperkins@SaintJamesCathedral.org](mailto:jperkins@SaintJamesCathedral.org).

EVENSONG SEND-OFF: Join us on **Sunday, July 26 at 4:00 p.m.** in the cathedral for a special Choral Evensong celebrating the extraordinary ministry of our Canon Director of Music, Stephen Buzard. This will be Stephen's final Evensong with us before he transitions to his new appointment at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco, with a reception to follow.

SMALL GROUPS AT ST. JAMES:

- Join Jacob Perkins ([jperkins@SaintJamesCathedral.org](mailto:jperkins@SaintJamesCathedral.org)) every **Monday night from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Room 212 (the library) for a Scripture Reading Group.**

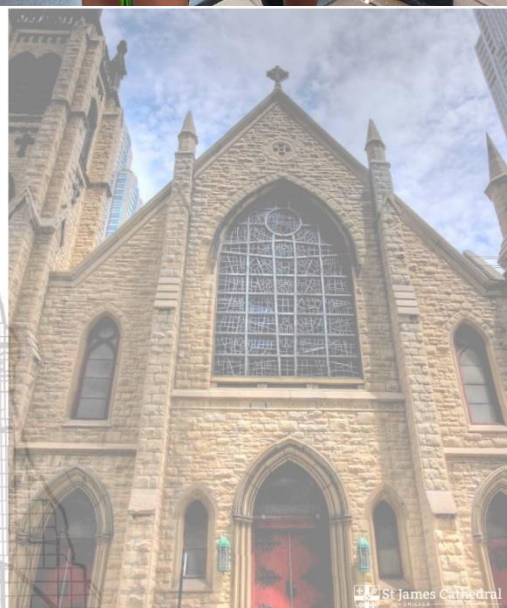
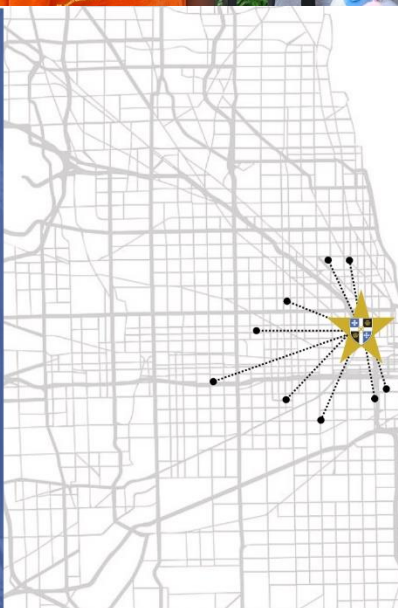
## Summer in the City July 20-31

- Register a camper
- Volunteer to join
- Sponsor a child



## St. James Day Camino Saturday, July 25

Register today for the pilgrimage and parish picnic on the plaza, celebrating our history and cultural impact!



## The Choir School At St. James Cathedral Registration now open for fall 2026!



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## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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PRESIDER & PREACHER: The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James

DEACON: The Rev. Rick Incorvati

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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SUNDAYS	8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Spoken</i> )	Chapel
	9 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Family</i> )	Cathedral
	11 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Choral</i> )	Cathedral
		Live-Stream Service ( <i>see enews, website, or YouTube</i> )	
FIRST SUNDAYS	4 p.m.	Choral Evensong ( <i>Oct–June</i> )	Cathedral
WEEKDAYS	9 a.m.	Morning Prayer ( <i>see enews, or website</i> )	Zoom
	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist	Cathedral
	5:45 p.m.	Choral Evensong ( <i>Wednesdays, Sept–June</i> )	Cathedral

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