Earlier today, the Very Rev. Bernard Owens gathered with US Senator Sherrod Brown and Northeast Ohio clergy leaders on the steps of Trinity Cathedral demanding humanitarian action in response to the crisis affecting children and families at the US southern border.

Read the Episcopal church response to the crisis on the border.

Sunday, July 7 | Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Very Rev. Bernard Owens will preach at both services.
Click here to view this week's lectionary

Summer Worship Service Schedule
8 a.m. Early Eucharist
10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Summer Choir Rehearsal | 9:15 a.m.
Volunteer Summer Choir Rehearsal for the 10 a.m. service.
All are welcome! Everyone who enjoys singing is welcome to join us at 9:15 in the choir rehearsal room. Wear cool summer clothes!
PLEASE NOTE: We have transitioned to our Summer Worship Schedule with two services (8 a.m. and 10 a.m.). Education programs will take place at 9 a.m.

Community Gospel Reflections | 9:00 a.m.
This week we will be holding Community Gospel Reflections at 9 a.m., where we offer personal reflections on that day's Gospel reading. We carefully listen to each other as we engage with that Sunday's Gospel text from several different Bible translations. No previous knowledge of Scripture necessary, the focus of our discussion is on how that Sunday's Gospel reading is touching our lives. Bring your coffee, and come join us!

We will be resuming our Way of Love series on July 14th at 9 a.m. with Linda Lee and the practice of "Worship: Gather in community weekly to thank, praise, and dwell with God." This break in the series is a great time to catch up on any Way of Love sessions you may have missed or update your "Writing a Rule of Life Worksheet."

Episcopal Peace Fellowship | 11:30 a.m.
Melanie Merkle Atha, EPF Executive Director and her husband, Steven, will join us during our monthly meeting to discuss the latest developments in human trafficking in Northeast Ohio, future peace actions in Yemen, and news regarding possible changes in the death penalty in the United States and in Ohio in particular. We will also be discussing our exciting planned agenda for the upcoming new program year beginning in the Fall. Contact Bruce Freeman at freeman.bruce@gmail.com or Debbie Hunter at hunterd16@roadrunner.com for more information.
A message from Dean Owens: Welcoming the Rev. Adrienne Koch as Priest Associate

"Besides sharing in the pastoral and sacramental leadership of our congregation, Adrienne will have responsibility for Adult Formation as well as Mission and Outreach ministries at the Cathedral. She will also work to cultivate relationships with Cleveland State University.

Adrienne is a Cleveland native and has been living in North Carolina for the past 11 years. She received her B.A. in Liberal Arts from Malone College in 2004, with concentrations in Theology, Psychology, and Communications, and her M.Div. from Duke University Divinity School in 2011 with a certificate of studies in Gender, Theology, and Ministry. She completed a two-year non-degree Anglican program for
Melanie Merkle Atha, Episcopal Peace Fellowship Executive Director, To Visit Trinity Cathedral

**Sunday, July 7, 11:30 a.m.**

A native of Marengo County, Alabama, Melanie is traveling the country with her husband, Steven, to visit places of worship and places where those gathered have a passion for peace and social justice. She is also serving as Executive Director of the Global Collaborative Law Council, having also served as the Council President.

"As a lawyer in private practice for nearly thirty years, Melanie discerned her call to transform her law practice from traditional litigation to collaborative conflict resolution as a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Birmingham, Alabama, an urban church which lives out its mission to share the Good News of Jesus Christ at the altar and in the street. She has served St. Andrew's as a vestry member, stewardship chair, Christian Education teacher, diocesan convention delegate and in various other roles. A graduate of EfM, she is glad to have the opportunity to marry her professional skills and her spiritual gifts."  [This link](#) connects to Melanie's weekly "Peace Out" chronicle of their incredible journey across the United States.

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**Saturdays at the Farm**

The growing and harvesting season is in full swing at Trinity's Urban Farm,
located at E. 35th St. and Cedar Rd., less than one mile from the Cathedral. Volunteers have worked nearly 400 hours this spring, and we could always use extra help. Come on Saturday morning between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. for as little or as long as you like. Even a half hour is helpful.

Contact Scott Blanchard if you have any questions at scottwblanchard@roadrunner.com or for more information.

Stained Glass Window Vent Repairs

Whitney Stained Glass will undertake a stained glass window vent repair project this summer to restore the six (6) most deteriorated cathedral stained glass window vents. One of the vent repairs is partially underwritten through a designated capital campaign gift and the balance will be undertaken
through the Trinity Cathedral maintenance budget. Included in the project is the installation of opening chains or a pulley system to reduce the risk of damage to the windows when operating. Three vents will be removed at a time and the openings temporarily board up until the repairs are completed. It is anticipated that the project will be completed by the end of September.

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**Baptisms | August 4 at 10:00 a.m.**

Our second Baptism Sunday of the summer will take place the first Sunday in August. Please contact Ginger Bitikofer at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org or a member of the clergy team if you'd like to make arrangements to participate in this sacrament.

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**THE WAY OF LOVE**

*Practices for Jesus-Centered Life*

The Way of Love: A Summer Series at Trinity
July 14, 21, August 4, 18, 25

Visit [Trinity's Way of Love page](#) to plan your summer and follow along with each week's scripture and presenter. If you are unable to be there in person for every session, the sermons and articles related to each week's practice will be shared online. You can also bring your own journal to begin your own practice of the Way of Love.
You can also check out *The Way of Love* Podcast with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. Episodes began the week of June 9, available wherever podcasts are streaming and online at [EpiscopalChurch.org](http://www.EpiscopalChurch.org).

Summer Festivals #InTheCLE

Are you interested in attending some Cleveland-area festivals with friends from Trinity this summer?

Send your name and email (and festivals in which you may be interested) to Bill DiTirro, bdt8320@sbcglobal.net.

And get ready to have some fun!
Faith Journey Book Club
Saturday, July 27, 11:30 a.m. at Hot Spot Cafe

Our next book will be the John Shelby Spong book "Unbelievable: Why Neither Ancient Creeds Nor the Reformation Can Produce a Living Faith Today." We are going to be meeting every other month starting on Saturday, July 27th. The Book Group gathering will be combined with a brunch/lunch, so we will meet at 11:30 a.m. at the Hot Spot Café, 1332 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland. There is free parking next to the restaurant building. Please let me know as soon as possible if you plan to attend so that I can make a reservation.

The plan for future Book Group meetings will be to meet every other month on Saturdays at about 11:30 at different restaurants for brunch/lunch. I will bring copies of the book list of future book selections for those who are interested. Everyone is welcome. Please contact jlmorrison611@gmail.com for more information.

Family Ministries at Trinity

RSVP for the Trinity Families Retreat, August 9-11
For Children/Families in Grades Pre-K to 6
Join our new Curate for Youth & Families, Allie Heeter, along with Dean Owens and his family for a family-centric retreat at beautiful and relaxing Bellwether Farm in Wakeman, OH.

Register online here.

Parents, caregivers, and children (Pre-K through Grade 6) are invited to build community, make meaningful memories, and find restoration in Christ before the busy school and program year begins.

**Music & Art at Trinity**

**Wednesday Programming Returns in October**

The 42nd season of the BrownBag Concerts will begin on Wednesday, October 2, at 12:00 p.m. More information and concert listings available here.
Choral Evensong and Wednesday evening programs will also return at that time.

SAVE THE DATE: Music and Art at Trinity will proudly host the legendary Choir of Trinity College, Cambridge, England in a free concert on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 7:30pm.

News from The Diocese

The Bishop's Appeal 2019

Why should we support the Bishop's Appeal? Because the Bishop's appeal extends Trinity's and the Diocese' mission throughout the region.

Find out more about the way our church and community benefit from this expression of our collective ministry. Click here to view the Bishop's Appeal video, or make a donation using the link below.
Save the Dates

Saturday, July 13 - Cleveland Indians Baseball vs. Minnesota Twins
Sunday, July 28 - Smoothie Sunday (Youth Pre-K to 5th Grade)
Friday - Sunday, Aug. 9 to 11 - Family Retreat at Bellwether Farm
Sunday, Aug. 4 - Baptism Sunday
Sunday, Aug. 25 - Smoothie Sunday (Youth Pre-K to 5th grade)
Blessing of the Backpacks & Welcome Back CSU Students
Sept. 1 - Last Sunday of Summer Worship & Ice Cream Social
Sept. 8 - Fall Worship & Education Programs Begin
Sept. 18 - Concert: Trinity College Choir of Cambridge, England

Volunteer Opportunities

Hospitality Volunteers Needed

We are seeking friendly folks to help provide hospitality on Sunday mornings at Trinity's reception desk in the Piazza. Greet old friends and new ones, offer directions, and respond to questions. Serve before or after your favorite worship service—you won’t have to miss it. Volunteers will choose one of two shifts: 9:00-11:30 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Training will be provided, and Sunday staff support is always available to assist. For more information, contact Ginger Bitikofer at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org or 216-774-0407.

Food for Families Leadership Transition

Mary Sickbert and Dale Murphy, our long-time Food for Families mobile pantry coordinators, are stepping back from the in-person aspects of this monthly, interfaith program at nearby Marion Sterling school. Thank you for sharing your gifts of time and spirit for many years!
If you are interested in combatting food insecurity and building meaningful relationships with our Cleveland neighbors, then please consider becoming a liaison to help coordinate volunteers (there are plenty of them) and/or be present for food distribution one Friday per month from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Dale Murphy will continue his administrative and "behind the scenes" role with the food bank and our community partners. Potential volunteers can reach out to dale.murphy@sbcglobal.net for more information.

Submit Your Content for Publication

The deadline to submit program updates or events for the weekly e-news, This Week @ Trinity, is the Tuesday before each Thursday publication date.

You can read the current issue of Cathedral Connections online, or pick up your monthly newsletter in the Piazza during all church services. Please contact Ginger Bitikofer at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org to receive a printed copy at home.

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