The Dean's Corner: Just One More Thing

Sometime ago I read that a new rector or dean is a little like a detective, always asking questions and listening carefully to get a sense of the deeper story of the place. The author suggested that we’re actually a little like “Columbo” in the early days of our ministry, always asking about “just one more thing” to get a sense of what’s going on.

I’ve learned a lot in the year since arriving at Trinity. I’ve learned about Trinity’s presence in the local community, I’ve gotten to know many of the people at the heart of this place, and I’ve learned what it’s like to worship, week in and week out, in a cathedral space that seems to have something beautiful and new to reveal every time I enter it.

Read the Dean’s entire message here

This Sunday, January 12

1 Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord
The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens will preach at all three services

Click here for this week's scripture

8 a.m. Early Eucharist
9 a.m. Mostly Jazz Mass
Children's Chapel - Children in grades pre-K through 5 are invited to arrive a few minutes early to join the opening procession at the 9 a.m. worship service. We will then gather in the chapel following the opening prayer.

**11:15 Choral Eucharist**

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**10:10 a.m. - Sunday School & Youth Group**

- Godly Play curriculum for Cathedral Kids in grades pre K-grade 3
- Weaving God's Promises curriculum for Cathedral Kids in grades 4-5
- Youth Group for grades 6-12

All classes take place in the Youth and Family Center on the third floor except for the Pre-K/Kindergarten class which meets on the first floor by the nursery.

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**10:10 a.m. - Forum: One Year with Dean Owens**

The Very Rev. BJ Owens will reflect on his first year as dean at Trinity. Then he'll take a look to the future as a new congregational vision begins to take shape. This forum will be held in cathedral hall.

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**12:30 p.m. - Green Team Meeting**

Trinity's Green Team will meet this Sunday, January 12 in the board room on the second floor. All those who have an interest in caring for the earth are welcome to attend. As the ministry of creation care, we'll explore areas of focus for the group, planning for a big Earth Day Celebration in April, educational
forums and learning projects for our kids.

The team has recently started a weekly social media post highlighting tips, best practices and information about environmental efforts. Below are the first two. Look for posts from the Green Team each week on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland
4 days ago

Our Green Team recommends recycling old, broken and inoperable Christmas lights. The Cuy. Co. Waste District has a special drop-off spot: 4750 E. 131 St. in Garfield Hts., accepting strings of lights, power strips and cords. Or bring them to Trinity and we’ll take them for you.

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Hide Media

Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland
Jan 9 at 5:00pm

Trinity's Green Team will offer practical weekly posts to ignite our Passion for Creation Care within the Episcopal Church. Visit http://ow.ly/676C50xF0PZ. Take the pledge, share it with others. Offer your examples of earth Loving, Life Giving, Liberating actions #TrinityGreenTeam

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Congregational Life

Vestry Seeking Treasurer Candidates
Tim Espy, our loyal treasurer since 2014, is approaching the end of his term and cannot be re-elected. Therefore, vestry is in need of a treasurer. In order to be treasurer, the candidate must be a member of vestry. The preferred candidates should have financial budgeting and planning experience. A CPA is preferred but not required. If you are interested, please contact Tim Espy (tgespy@gmail.com) or any member of Vestry by April 15, 2020.

Bible Study: Living Sunday's Readings

On January 19 and 26 at 10:10 a.m., Bible Study will be meeting to offer reflections on the Bible reading from that Sunday’s services. Using a variation of the African/Lambeth Bible Study Method (a form of Lectio Divina) we will carefully listen to each other as we engage with that week’s texts from several different Bible translations. No previous knowledge of scripture is necessary. The focus of our discussion is on how that Sunday’s readings are touching our lives. Bring your coffee and come join us!

Dianne Smith Preaches on MLK Sunday

On Martin Luther King Sunday (Jan. 19), Dianne Smith will preach at the 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services on her perspective as a black lay leader in the Episcopal Church. She participated in the civil rights pilgrimage to Birmingham, Montgomery and Selma in April 2019, sponsored by the Washington chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians. She has served in multiple roles in the national and local Episcopal church including trustee, chair of deputation to the 2018 General Convention, diocesan council and director of enrollment services for the Church Divinity School of the Pacific. She currently serves on the vestry of St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church in Cleveland.
Youth Group Pancake Fundraiser - Sun., Jan. 19

Help support the Trinity Youth Group as they raise funds for their summer mission trip to Lotts Creek, KY. Youth in grades 6-12 will be serving up a pancake breakfast in cathedral hall, so make sure to bring your appetite and a generous donation to this worthy cause. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Special Sunday Forum: 
Undesign the Redline - What Now?

On Sun., Jan. 19 at 10:10 a.m., we'll have a special discussion focusing on the impact of the Undesign the Redline exhibit. How will our community at Trinity be shaped by the effects of racism and redlining in Cleveland? Join in this round-table discussion with leaders from Cleveland Neighborhood Progress to continue the work of undesigning the redline as a congregation.

Forum: The Year of the Organ

On Sun., Jan. 26 at 10:10 a.m., come and learn details about the exciting chancel organ project and the arrival of the Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ later in 2020, with installation tentatively set to begin in the fall.

LGBTQ+ and Allies Sunday Brunch
Join the LGBTQ+ Outreach Team for brunch on Sun., Jan. 26 at 1 p.m. Meet at The Southside in Tremont at 2207 W. 11th St. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Todd Ruth (truthonthelake@gmail.com) by Wed., Jan. 22nd. All are welcome.

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Episcopal Peace Fellowship

JANUARY
National Slavery & Human Trafficking Awareness Month

EPF wishes to thank everyone who sampled Abolition Bakery biscotti at our table last Sunday and those who signed the petition for Ohio SB 13.

January is National Slavery & Human Trafficking Awareness month. A parishioner asked us last week, "What is human trafficking?" The Dept. of Homeland Security defines it as involving the use of force, fraud, or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act.

Every year, millions of men, women, and children are trafficked worldwide – including right here in the Cleveland/Akron area. The prevention of human trafficking is a key initiative of Trinity's EPF.

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Youth & Family Ministry

Sun. Jan. 19 - Pancake Breakfast

All hands on deck for our first pancake breakfast of the new year! For all youth and adult helpers, please arrive at 7:45 a.m. and report to the kitchen. Clean-up will begin at 11:00 a.m. and should be finished by about 11:30 a.m. Contact Allie Heeter for more details, aheeter@trinitycleveland.org.
Tues., Feb. 25 - Mardi Gras & 'Burying Alleluias'
Join the congregation for the traditional Shrove Tuesday supper of jambalaya. Throughout the season of Lent, one way we honor the penitent nature of the season is by not using the word 'Alleluia.' After supper, everyone will be given an Alleluia on a sheet of paper to symbolize the Mardi Gras celebration. You can add what you’re giving up for Lent, what you hope to learn or simply decorate the sheet. We will gather these Alleluias to symbolically bury them in the church.

EYE application due by Jan. 24 - Every three years, Episcopal high school students gather for the international Episcopal Youth Event (EYE). This year, the event will be held July 7-11 in Washington, D.C. All youth currently in 9th through 12th grades are encouraged to apply for this exciting event. Applications are due by Jan. 24 at dohio.org/EYE. If accepted, there are several Diocesan Youth events that require attendance prior to EYE.

Music & Art at Trinity

BrownBag Concerts and Evensong Resume in Feb.
Choral Evensong services are currently on hiatus, but will begin again in February with a service on Wed., Feb. 5 at 6 p.m. Our popular BrownBag concerts, held Wednesdays at 12:00 noon will resume on Wednesday Feb. 19. The BrownBag concert schedule runs through late spring and can be viewed at bit.ly/BrownBag2020. This is the 42nd year that the BrownBag concerts have been held at Trinity.

Enjoy Good Listening with Trinity's Podcasts
Did you know that you can listen to up-to-date recordings of Trinity worship services and educational programs? Just go to the Podcasts link in the upper right hand corner of Trinity's home page, trinitycleveland.org.

The podcasts are in three categories: Choral Evensong, the Forum and Sermons. Each section is updated weekly. Catch up on some of the things you might have missed from a busy holiday season, including Bishop Hollingsworth's Christmas Eve sermon and Dean Owens' Christmas Day sermon.

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**Save the Dates**

Jan. 14 - Cathedral Council  
Jan. 19 - Tai Chi  
Jan. 20 - Trinity Offices Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
Jan. 28 - Vestry  
Feb. 2 - Cathedral Tour  
Feb. 7-8 - Diocese of Ohio Winter Convocation 2020, Sandusky  
Feb. 16 - Absalom Jones Celebration service  
Feb. 23 - Spring Ministry Fair  
Feb. 25 - Shrove Tuesday Mardi Gras celebration

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**In the Diocese**

Register Today for Diocese of Ohio Winter Convocation

The Diocese of Ohio's annual Winter
Convocation is coming up on Feb. 7 and 8 at Kalahari Convention Center in Sandusky. Registration is currently at an early bird rate which will be going up Fri., Jan. 17. To learn more about the workshops and other convocation details visit bit.ly/DohioWinterConv.

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In the Community

4th Annual Women's March on Public Square

This event takes place Sat., Jan. 18 at 10:30 a.m. Keynote speakers include: Cleveland Rape Crisis Center CEO Sondra Miller, Ohio Rep. Juanita Brent of Cleveland, the Rev. Tony Minor, and Ohio Sen. Nickie Antonio of Lakewood. A group from Trinity will likely attend; for more information, please contact Jan Kelemen at jantkelemen@gmail.com.

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Census Bureau Seeks Workers, Accurate Census in 2020

The U.S. Census Bureau is looking to hire thousands of temporary workers to help with the upcoming survey of the nation’s population. With flexible hours and competitive pay, these jobs can be a great fit for many Cleveland Area residents looking for additional income while also helping our community.

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau is responsible for conducting a survey of each home in the United States in order to determine how many people live in the country and where they live. This count determines how money is allocated for federal services and how many congressional representatives each state will have.
Hiring enough people to fill our open 2020 census positions is crucial to getting an accurate count and to maximizing the federal funding that county residents receive over the next 10 years. The application is online, takes about 20 minutes to complete. Join the 2020 Census team by visiting www.2020census.gov/jobs.

Submit Your News for Publication

The deadline to submit program updates or events for This Week @ Trinity, is the Tuesday before each Thursday publication date. Please send news to sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org

Deadline for items to be included in the February Cathedral Connections newsletter is Mon., Jan. 27. You can read the current issue of Cathedral Connections online, or pick up a printed copy available throughout the Cathedral. Please contact Doreen Hughes at dhughes@trinitycleveland.org to receive a printed copy at home.

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