

This Week @ Trinity

March 19, 2020

We Are Still the Church Together

Dear Friends,

So much has changed in the past week, but what matters most has not: We are still the church, God is profoundly present and we are a beacon of God's love in our community and our diocese. As we practice social distancing, as we gather digitally for worship, as we hold one another in our prayers, we know that God is the shepherd who guides us through times that are anxious and uncertain.



On Sunday at 10 a.m., our first livestreamed service of Holy Eucharist reached scores of people in our community and beyond. Many watched it live, and many more watched at least a portion of it after the fact. This will continue to be an important way that we gather in community on a weekly basis, and we will continue to offer it. To make sure that it is accessible to all, it will continue to be available on the front page of our website as well as through Facebook Live.

[Read the dean's entire message here](#)

We've Been Here Before: Video Reflections From Dean Owens



This Sunday, March 22

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

[Click here for this week's scripture](#)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist via livestream

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens will preach

The Rev. Adrienne Koch will celebrate

Visit Trinity's Facebook page or website to watch this live-streamed service. Those not on Facebook can view the stream from our homepage, but if you're able to connect via Facebook, we greatly appreciate any comments or messages that are sent in real time. To take part, visit either site from your computer or mobile device. Join us starting a little before 10:00 am. You'll also be able to watch the service on demand from our Facebook page after its conclusion.

Congregational Life



Trinity Holds First Ever Livestreamed Holy Eucharist Service

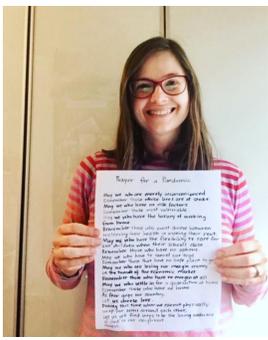
Last week, due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis, Trinity offered its Sunday worship service via livestreaming. This was a first in cathedral history.

In an effort to bring services to as many folks as possible, the single 10:00 a.m. service was livestreamed on [Facebook Live](#) and Trinity's homepage, www.trinitycleveland.org. You can now view the video on-demand at Trinity's Facebook page. And tune in at 10:00 a.m. Sunday for our next live service.

Care Corner: Give or Receive Help

Trinity congregation members can give help or get help, during the time the cathedral building is closed. Are you able to help a senior member get groceries? Are you a person who needs help with errands? Contact Ginger Bitikofer, gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org or (216) 774-0407, and she'll work on getting people connected.

Prayer for a Pandemic by Cameron Bellm



This prayer by a Seattle mom and Ph.D. in Russian literature has been making the rounds on social media. It certainly is appropriate for these times.

May we who are merely inconvenienced

Remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors

Remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home

Remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close

Remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips

Remember those that have no place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market

Remember those who have no margin at all.

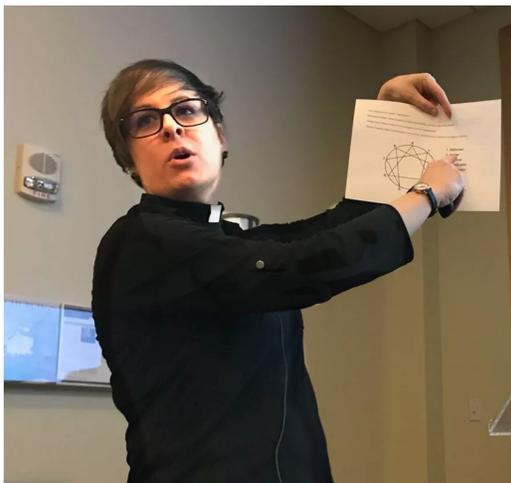
May we who settle in for a quarantine at home

Remember those who have no home.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other,

Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors.

Amen.



Adult Education

Trinity's Adult Formation Committee will continue to offer educational opportunities online, including catechesis, bible study, and spiritual disciplines that can be practiced at home. Look for more details in the next *This Week @ Trinity*.

Stay in Touch With Trinity Friends

While we are separated by the coronavirus, stay in touch with and check in on fellow congregation members by using the directory in Trinity Connect and the Church Life app. Trinity Connect is the web-based link to our member directory and calendar. If you need a Trinity Connect orientation or a refresher, Ginger Bitikofer can send you information via email or offer help by phone. If you're a member, Ginger can also email you a church member directory in PDF format. Contact her at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org or (216) 774-0407.

APATT Continues During Building Closure

Despite the cathedral's shutdown this past Sunday, we were able to welcome our guests at *A Place at the Table* hot lunch ministry. Keep them in your prayers during this troublesome period. This Sunday, a lunch-to-go will be served in keeping with the latest social distancing guidelines.

The Ministry of Altar Linens

Not everyone loves ironing, but some people do, and ironing altar linens might just bring a few people a little closer to God, by way of their ironing board. Trinity is in need of a few volunteers to wash and iron altar linens at home. If you feel this might be a ministry for you, please send a note to head sacristan Fran Csoma, snoopy10511@gmail.com, who can talk with you more about it.

Electronic Bulletins Available

Did you know that bulletins for Sunday services are available on our website? This includes the March



22 service and will be particularly important as we conduct our livestreamed services over the next several Sundays.

Download the bulletins as they are posted. At this same webpage, there is an archive of *This Week @ Trinity* and *Cathedral Connections* newsletters.

Youth Compline

The Rev. Anna Sutterisch, Canon for Christian Formation for the Diocese of Ohio, will hold Sunday Night Student Compline on Sundays at 8:00 p.m. Students grades 6 and up (including college students!) are invited to zoom in at <https://Zoom.us/j/2167742230>. Click here for more information.

Lenten Quiet Day: Restorative Enneagram Sat., March 21 - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Due to Trinity's closure, the Lenten quiet day, scheduled for Sat., March 21 has been postponed. Those of you who are registered will remain registered until the quiet day is rescheduled. If you would like reimbursement, please [contact the Rev. Adrienne Koch](#).



Rev. Dr. Lauren Winner's Books Still Available

If you are interested in browsing or purchasing one of the Rev. Dr. Lauren Winner's books, many of them are still available at Trinity. As

a bonus, the remaining books are signed by the author. Please contact the

Rev. Adrienne Koch if you are interested in any of the following titles:

- Wearing God
 - Mudhouse Sabbath
 - Girl Meets God
 - Still
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Help Us Assist St. Luke's Hunger Programs

The mobile food pantry at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Cleveland has converted to a food drive-through for the health and safety of guests and volunteers.

St. Luke's is a small parish, and relies on help from several Episcopal parishes in the area. They have a present need for gloves for use in handling food. They could also use hand sanitizer, cleaning wipes and aprons. Please contact Debbie Likins-Fowler at dlikinsfowler@gmail.com or (440) 669-6684 for details.

Friar Friday Fish Fries

Unfortunately, we have canceled the remaining Friar Friday in Lent. While this is disappointing, we will look forward to the 2021 fish fry season.

Urban Farm Workdays



The first farm workday of the 2020 season was attended by some hearty volunteers that cleared the property of trash and debris that accumulated over the winter. They also raked leaves into the compost bins and planted two beds with carrots.

This weekend, we will gather at the corner of E. 35th St. and Cedar Rd. to prepare our raised beds for planting. We'll plant a number of root crops such as beets and radishes. To volunteer, show up anytime between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. and we'll show you around and give you an assortment of tasks to choose from. Even a half hour helps! For more information contact Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@roadrunner.com.

Music & Art at Trinity

**BrownBag Concerts and
Choral Evensong Services Suspended**

With the health and safety of our members, musicians and guests in mind, we

have suspended BrownBag concerts and choral evensong services until further notice. Prior BrownBag concert recordings are available on demand at [Music & Art at Trinity's homepage](#).

While Wednesday choral evensong is suspended for the foreseeable future, we encourage you to visit our evensong podcasts. Each week, we will feature an evensong podcast complete with notes from Todd Wilson, director of music. <https://trinitycleveland.org/blog/category/choral-evensongs/>

This week's featured podcast is from Feb. 12 of this year. Todd says, "The Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis were written by Welsh composer William Mathias (1934-1992) for the dedication of the new organ at Jesus College, Cambridge, in 1971. The anthem is William Byrd's famous setting of a Latin paraphrase of Psalm 150.

The Responses are sung to the setting by American organist, church musician and composer, Gerre Hancock (1934-2012). The Rev. Adrienne Koch, Priest Associate at Trinity Cathedral, is homilist.

In the Diocese



Lenten Meditations

The Diocese of Ohio is providing daily meditations during Lent. They will be sent out via email and posted on the [Diocesan Facebook page](#) daily. A PDF of the compiled meditations will also be available on the diocese's website. Sign up to receive the meditations at dohio.org/sign-up.

In the Episcopal Church

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry Shares 'Habits of Grace'

In the adjustments to life that the coronavirus pandemic has brought about, a new vlog by Presiding Bishop Curry has been added to The Episcopal Church website. You can view it at episcopalchurch.org/habits-of-grace. As we learn how to do our part to slow the spread of the virus by practicing social distancing, a new meditation will be posted each Monday from now through May.

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 April Cathedral Connections newsletter is Wed., March 25. You can read the current issue of [Cathedral Connections online](#), or pick up a printed copy available throughout the Cathedral. Please contact Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org to receive a printed copy at home.

The mission of Trinity Cathedral is to proclaim in word and action God's justice, love and mercy for all creation.



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