

This Week @ Trinity

April 16, 2020

The Dean's Corner: Our "Virtual" Congregation is a Very Real One

Easter Blessings to each and every one of you! This was certainly an Easter like no other. It was hard to be away from all of you, to miss the hymns and the pageantry of the day and the chance to greet each one of you in person. I miss that, and I can only imagine what a homecoming next Easter Sunday will feel like.



Yet this season has brought its blessings, among them the opportunity to worship with our whole diocese.

[Read the Dean's Entire Message Here](#)

Watch Dean Owens's Video Reflections Praying the Resurrection



This Sunday, April 19

The Second Sunday of Easter
Earth Day Observed

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

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist on YouTube and Trinity's homepage

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens will preach

The Rev. Adrienne Koch will celebrate

[Download the service bulletin here](#)

Visit Trinity's [YouTube page](#) or [website](#) to watch and participate in this service. This will **not** be a livestreamed service, but rather a prerecorded service. The plan is to continue with prerecorded services until the building is open again. Listen to [Dean Owens's video reflections](#) explaining the reasoning behind the change. That means that you can view the service at 10:00 a.m., or at any time thereafter, and not miss a thing.

Congregational Life

An Important Message from the Vestry

At a special meeting on March 24th, the vestry voted to make changes to the Annual Meeting. Based on the assumption that we will not be meeting in person for worship on May 3rd, the Annual Meeting will be live-streamed in some fashion. We aren't sure of the technology that we will use yet, but we hope to go from a live-streamed worship service to a presentation of the traditional reports that are shared with the congregation at the annual meeting. There will be reports from the dean, vestry, cathedral council and the treasurer. We will also provide a way for members of the congregation to post questions and comments. When the technology is worked out, we will give ample notice to the congregation about how to participate.

Trinity's By-Laws and the Canons of our Diocese do not provide any mechanism for voting other than in-person. Therefore, the vestry has voted to defer election of vestry, cathedral council and nominating committee members until a later date. Our hope right now is that elections will be held in September. Current lay leaders and nominating committee members will continue to serve until the election, as stipulated by the by-laws. We will give proper notice to the congregation for what we hope will be early fall elections.

Please keep Trinity's lay leaders in your prayers as they address the challenges of the pandemic. If you have questions, please feel free to contact your vestry wardens.

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Needed: Volunteers to Sew Face Masks

In order to divert medical-grade face masks to healthcare professionals who need them most, Trinity has begun organizing a sewing group to create and distribute facemasks to non-medical healthcare workers and anyone in the Trinity community venturing outside their doors for essential items. There are already 3 volunteers, and some supplies, but the group requires a coordinator.

Sewing Coordinator Volunteer Position Description: Someone with sewing knowledge and skill who can find an appropriate pattern, and coordinate with Trinity staff to assure that sewers have the resources they need. The coordinator does not need to sew masks, but should have enough sewing knowledge to be able to assist sewers as needed.

If you interested in sewing or coordinating for this group, please contact the Rev. Adrienne Koch akoch@trinitycleveand.org.

Zoom Coffee Hour

Join other Trinity members for Zoom Coffee Hour this Sunday morning from 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Bring your coffee or tea and visit with old and new friends after the worship webcast ends, around 11:00 a.m. Associate for Congregational Life Ginger Bitikofer and others will host the scheduled coffee hours. Contact Ginger Thursday, Friday or Saturday to get a weblink for Sunday's coffee hour. This will be a different link from previous weeks. Get in touch with Ginger at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org or (216) 774-0407.

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.

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Have You Visited Our Website Recently?

Have you seen trinitycleveland.org lately? If not, you may have missed our new section, [Trinity Online](#), that has lots of information, videos, links to services, adult education and information on the ministries that are still operating during the shutdown. The goal is to keep people connected while we're physically apart. Let us know how you like the new content and let us know if you have suggestions.

Faith Journey Book Group

Trinity's Faith Journey Book Group will have their next book discussion via Zoom on Saturday, April 18, starting at 11:30 a.m. The book we'll be discussing is *Mere Christianity* by C. S. Lewis. Having read the book is helpful but we've had participants that haven't read the book or haven't finished the book. If you're interested, please [contact Janet Morrison](#). This meeting will be held via Zoom.

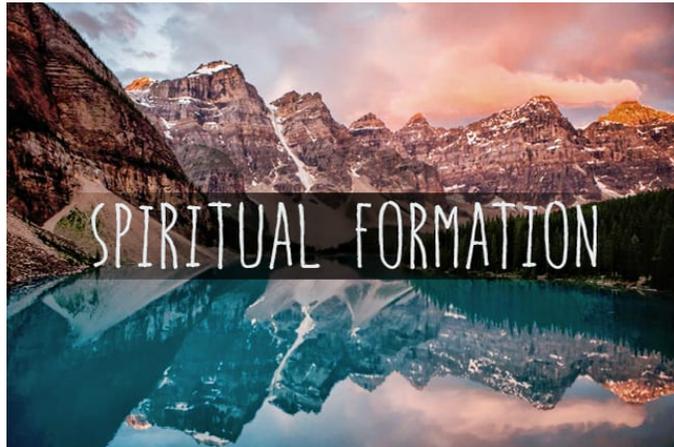
Neighborhood Connectors

To help keep our widely-spread congregation members connected with each

other during this period of separation, we have been implementing the Neighborhood Connectors program, which groups our members into neighborhood/community groups, whose members can help support each other. Don't be surprised if you get a call from a neighbor. Questions? Contact Ginger Bitikofer, gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org, 216-774-0407.

Spiritual Formation

The adult formation committee is offering spiritual formation content for home use each week. Below you'll find inspiring content from beloved spiritual authors, links to formative coursework and classes and deeply rooted Christian disciplines to practice.



Catechesis: Small groups are currently being organized for those interested in being baptized or confirmed. Please contact the Rev. Adrienne Koch for more details at akoch@trinitycleveland.org.

Poems: [The Tuft of Flowers](#), [Heroism](#)

Spiritual Practice: Daily Prayer

Are you interested in a devoted life of prayer? [Learn more about two spiritual methods](#) of achieving daily prayer. [This PDF of the daily devotions](#) from the Book of Common Prayer might come in handy,.

Christian Education In partnership with [The Cleveland Ecumenical Institute for Religious Studies](#), Trinity recommends the following course for continuing education connected to the catechesis course on scripture and poetry.

Signposts: Approaching Fiction and Poetry Recreatively. Tuesdays, April 21 — June 9 on Zoom from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Cost \$65.

Easter Offering Benefits Trinity Hunger and Outreach Ministries

It's not too late to make an Easter offering. This year's offering will help support Trinity's hunger & outreach ministries. Your gifts will enable us to share your blessings with those Clevelanders who are most in need. You can [donate online here](#) , or mail your check to Trinity (please mark your gift "Easter Offering" in the memo line).

Earth Day Morning Prayer

Wednesday, April 22 at 8:00 a.m., join Dale Murphy at Trinity Online for a special Morning Prayer Service in honor of Earth Day. Links will be made accessible on Facebook and YouTube as well as via the homepage at trinitycleveland.org

Earth Day: Celebrating Creation by Gail Smith – Trinity Green Team

Celebrating Earth Day this year causes a moment of reflection for me. We came from the Earth, and to the earth we will return. Our beautiful Mother Earth gives and gives. She continues to provide food and drink for us, nourish us with her beauty and provide moments of solitude and rest. Bishop Curry advocates for creation care as a ministry for the whole church. Indeed, our own Bishop Hollingsworth and Bellwether Farm show the church's commitment to sustainable practices.

During this bizarre and frightening time creation, Mother Earth, is present, giving us hope, pulling us out of despair. As Green Team member Barbara Hermes feels when she gazes at a dandelion, how Linda Lee feels about protecting our oceans and waters from pollution, how Linda Zolten-Wood feels about gathering fresh clean water in her lovely painted rain barrels, how Lis

Kroepel feels when she is advocating and promoting a sense of urgency in our work. How Jan Kelemen feels about lead poisoning, and all the other green team members who are devoted to this ministry. Let us rejoice this Easter season and celebrate God's creation.

Member Moment: Jeff Spiess

Trinity member, hospice physician and author Jeff Spiess had an article published in The Plain Dealer and cleveland.com on Friday, April 10. He explains why death can only defeat us if we let it. He also urges readers create their strategy for living.

[Read Jeff's Article Here](#)

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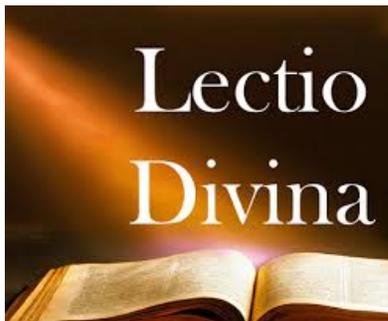
Trinity members have responded positively to the recent videos from Dean Owens. In about one month, our YouTube subscribers went from 5 to 213. Video is filled with endless possibilities, and we intend to continue to frequently update our YouTube page with new videos. You'll see programs from the Dean, the Rev. Adrienne Koch and other Trinity staff members. We'll include video worship services, sermons, music and more. And we'll continue to invite special guests, like the series of video reflections from former Trinity clergy during Holy Week.

Don't miss our latest videos. Go to our page, [youtube.com/trinitycleveland](https://www.youtube.com/trinitycleveland) and click the red "Subscribe" button on the right side of the page. You can also set your notifications so that you receive notice every time a new Trinity video is posted.

Trinity's Chancel Organ Lives Again!

Through the generosity of 74 Trinity members and friends, the entire cost to restore and install Trinity's Aeolian-Skinner Organ in the cathedral chancel has been underwritten. The total raised stands at \$911,061. The marvelous level of support for this project demonstrates Trinity's ongoing commitment to praising God through musical excellence. We offer profound gratitude to the persons and organizations listed below who have stepped forward with gifts large and small. If you would like to add your name to the list, gifts are still being received. All funds will be used for the restoration and installation of the new chancel organ or be placed in a special fund for ongoing organ maintenance and to underwrite special events. If you want to dedicate your gift in honor or memory of someone, please inform Todd Wilson or Dean Owens.

Anonymous (2)	Al & Lynn Glickson	Brian & Mary Ann
Jeff Ackroyd & Kim	Ernest & Susannah Hanson	O'Riordan
DeNero-Ackroyd	James & Yvonne Harrold	James & Janet Pearce
David & Kathy Aloi	Clyde Henry, Jr.	Ronald & Doris Potter
P. Thomas Austin	Rudolf & Barbara Hermes	Karla Rivers & Michael
Greg Belle	Robin Herrington-Bowen	Graska
Gary Benjamin & Melody	Samuel Hubish, Jr.	Stephen & Patricia Roberts
Hart	Audrey Hudak	Dwight Robinson
Wayne & Martha Bifano	Fern Jennings	Ronald Ross & Duane
Mark & Virginia Bitikofer	Marie Kittredge & Clark	Culler
Elizabeth & Steven Billings	Broida	Rick Schultz
Horst Buchholz & Mee Ae	Kathleen Komnenovich	William Seifert-Kessell &
Nam	Kulas Foundation	Kelly Henderson
James Buncher	Darrell Lausche & Donald	Thomas Shellhammer
James & Amy Burger	Chuppa	Bryan & Mary Sickbert
Emily Butler	Linda Lee	Francisca Sumagpao
Ora Calhoun	Janet Lechleitner	May Targett
Rachel Carnell	Gary & Rebecca Lisy	M. Catherine Smythe Zajc
Kristine Caswelch	Mark Malloy & Todd Ruth	Thomas & Christina
Cliff Hill Music, Inc.	Carmen Massaro	Thoburn
David Cogan	John McElliott	Holly & Bruce Tomasch
Beth Cooper & Paul	Kira McGirr	Brad Upham
Herrgesell	Daniel McGuire	Marilyn & Miquel Valencia
David & Gayle Cratty	Mary McGuire	Anthony Wesley
The Episcopal Diocese of	George & Peggy McNulty	Kathryn Westlake
Ohio	Edward Metz Sr. & Pat	Arthur Williams, Jr. &
Charles Donahue &	Metz	Lynette Williams
Kathleen Komnenovich	David & Wendy Miano	Delores Wilson
Judith Eckelmeyer	BJ & Jo Owens	Todd Wilson
Christopher Faiver	Dale Murphy & William	Rachel Yarchusko
James & Mary Ann	DiTirro	



Join Dean Owens for Bible Study Every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m.

Take part in the discussion as Dean Owens leads Bible study each Wednesday at 4:30 p.m., using the Lectio Divina method. You don't have to have participated in previous weeks' discussions to join in. If you're interested, contact Doreen Hughes at dhughes@trinitycleveland.org for the Zoom login information.

Enjoy the Great Outdoors at Trinity's Urban Farm

The Urban Farm is open for business! Join us each Saturday to help with our planting, weeding, mulching, mowing, trimming and more. This Saturday, we'll also start assembling our drip irrigation system.

The farm is big enough to insure proper social distancing. We meet from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. every Saturday. Please join us as you're able to continue the work of growing food to feed our hungry and homeless neighbors. For more information contact Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org

Music & Art at Trinity

Todd's Picks – Choral Evensong – April 11, 2018

Each week, we'll be highlighting a different choral evensong service and/or concert from years past. Music Director Todd Wilson will provide commentary

on all of his *Todd's Picks* selections.

[Listen to the service here](#)

"The Trinity Chamber Singers sing this service of Evensong from Easter season 2018," Todd commented. "The Magnificat and Nunc dimittis are sung to the setting in A-flat by Edmund Rubbra (1901-1986). This is Rubbra's only setting of the evening canticles, and is by turns strongly rhythmic and deeply lyrical. The anthem is Bach's joyous motet *Lobet den Herrn, alle Heiden* (Praise the Lord, all ye nations). The Rev. Peter Faass, Rector of Christ Church, Shaker Heights, is the homilist."

In the Diocese

Read or View Bishop Hollingsworth's Easter Sunday Sermon

You can [read a transcript](#) or [view a video](#) of Bishop Hollingsworth's Easter



sermon at the [diocesan website](#). This year, the Bishop delivered the sermon from his home in keeping with social distancing guidelines. You can also view the entire Easter service at [Trinity's YouTube page](#).

Helpful Resources from the Diocese

The diocese has compiled [an entire web page](#) filled with helpful resources for individuals, families, and congregations during the pandemic. It includes personal prayer and spiritual practices, emotional care for individuals and families and much more.

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>.

In the Episcopal Church



THE
GOOD BOOK
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The Good Book Club
Takes On the Gospel
of Matthew

Celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior by reading the entire Gospel of Matthew during the season of Easter. Each day, you'll read a portion of the gospel through the feast of Pentecost, May 31, 2020. The readings started on Easter Sunday, but it's not too late to begin since each day's passage is short. There are many resources available to help you get the most out of participating. Visit goodbookclub.org/ for more details.

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.

In the Community

2020 Census Jobs Still Available

Full- and part-time jobs are available, to work for the U.S. Census Bureau. Hourly pay rates are \$20.50-25.00; open positions include Recruiting Assistant, Census Field Supervisor, Clerk, Office Operations Supervisor and Enumerator. Applicants are needed immediately. Visit 2020census.gov/jobs or call 1-888-480-1639.

Debunking Common Misconceptions About the Census

Trinity member Kate Warren, who is also an associate at The Center for Community Solutions, recently wrote a column in The Plain Dealer urging people to avoid using common excuses for not completing the census.

[Read the article here](#)

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 May Cathedral Connections newsletter is Fri., April 24. 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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