

This Week @ Trinity

June 11, 2020

The Dean's Corner: The Image of God

This Sunday is Pride Sunday! Pride Sunday is a great feast day for Trinity, as we celebrate the ministry and stories of LGBTQ+ persons at the cathedral and in the Diocese of Ohio. It's certainly a moment to remember and reaffirm our commitment to diversity and reconciliation. But more to the point, this is a Sunday when we recall what it means to be made in the image of God.



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

Celebrating Pride Sunday June 11 Video Reflections from Dean Owens

View Dean Owens's latest video reflections for Thursday, June 11. You can find more video reflections from the dean and others at youtube.com/trinitycleveland.



This Sunday, June 14

Second Sunday After Pentecost – Pride Sunday

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

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

The Rev. Adrienne Koch, preacher

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, celebrant

Visit [Trinity's Facebook page](#) or [website homepage](#) for the service. Please use Facebook's interactive tools such as messaging, likes and hearts to let us know that you're attending. If you're watching on our homepage, [please send us an email](#). If you miss the start of the service or miss it altogether, you can watch a recorded version from those two sites at any time.

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Congregational Life



Pride Sunday, Pride Month

On Sunday June 14, Trinity will celebrate Pride Sunday. The entire month of June is Pride month. Annual LGBTQ+ Pride celebrations are held around the world every

June. Brenda Howard, an American bi-sexual rights advocate, popularized the use of the term *Pride* and is known as the "*Mother of Pride*" for her work in coordinating the first LGBT Pride march, which occurred in 1970.

Trinity has an active LGBTQ+ outreach ministry, which has been less active like many other groups during the pandemic. Their goal is to inspire and educate all people at Trinity and The Episcopal Church in God's all-inclusive love for LGBTQ+ people. They also provide fellowship and support through social and community events.

There are no current events scheduled due to COVID-19. The group is hoping to resume quarterly brunch outings as soon as it is safe and feasible.

Cleveland's event, *Pride in the CLE* is normally held this month, but has been postponed until September. A date has not been set.

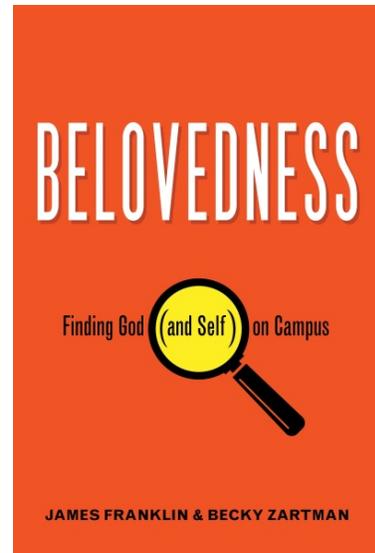
Even though Trinity's LGBTQ+ group is not holding events, you can find a lot of resources and details on local events at the LGBT Community Center of Cleveland (LGBTCLEVELAND.org).

If you would like more details about Trinity's LGBTQ+ outreach ministry,

contact [Mark Malloy](#) or [Todd Ruth](#).

The Rev. Adrienne Koch Previews *Belovedness*: Finding God (and Self) on Campus

In time for Pride Sunday, the new book *Belovedness* has been published, with a chapter on LGBTQ belovedness written by our own Rev. Adrienne Koch. You can listen to Adrienne reading the chapter, called *God Made the Rainbow* by visiting our [YouTube channel](#).



The thought-provoking book for college students deals with issues of faith, identity, sex, success, failure, and everything in between, through the concept of belovedness. You can [learn more and order the book](#), available June 22 from Amazon.

Spiritual Formation

The adult formation committee offers spiritual formation content for home use each week. The current theme is “The Fruits of the Spirit.” This week, the focus is on goodness.

Poem: [Chapter 49](#) – by William Martin

Spiritual Practice: Reading Poetry

Each week, Spiritual Formation offers a poem. In his book *Poetry As a Spiritual Practice*, Robert McDowell compares poetry to music. He reflects that poetry is “...like music, it 'speaks' to our hearts, not our heads, to our feelings, our emotions, and our imagination more than our reason, rationality, and “either/or” thinking.” Rev. John L. Saxon adapts the Lectio Divina method we often use in Bible study to the reading of poetry. Below is a link to his blog post. We invite you into this practice of reading poetry as another way to deepen your faith

journey.

Read the Rev. John L. Saxon's Blog Post

Join The Dean's 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. If you're interested, contact Doreen Hughes at dhughes@trinitycleveland.org for the Zoom login information.

Zoom Bible Study Series on Philippians

After postponement, the series on the Epistle to the Philippians will continue next week, Sun., June 21. This will be part three in a four part series, but you can join in even if you missed the first two parts. Contact Janet Lechleitner at janetlech@gmail.com for the access link and/or more information.

Last Week's Dean's Forum Available to View On YouTube

If you missed last week's Dean's Forum, *Revisiting the Consent Decree with Members of the Community Police Commission in Cleveland*, it's available as a [video recording on our YouTube channel](#). It includes panelists from local advocacy and community organizations as well as Cleveland Police Commission members.



Cleveland Orchestra's Mark Kosower Inspires Audience of Over 12,000

Many thanks to those who attended Mark Kosower's livestream benefit concert on Friday. We were pleased that so many were able to watch the stream and that we were able to welcome guests from far and wide in addition to the greater Cleveland audience. Thanks also to the Cleveland Orchestra for their help in cross-streaming the concert. Our great appreciation goes out to those who donated to our dual cause: the COVID-19 relief efforts of Arts Cleveland and Music & Art at Trinity Cathedral. There is still an opportunity to donate by [check, credit/debit card and Paypal](#).



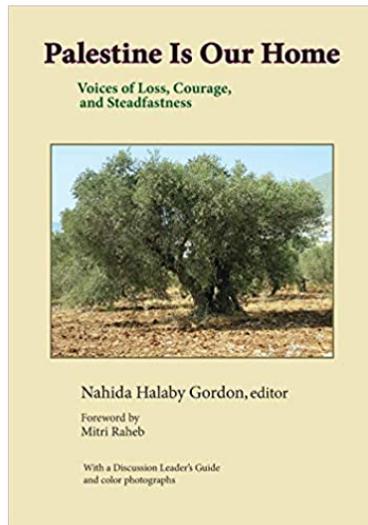
For those who were unable to attend, you can view the [concert recording](#). You can also read a review posted on [Cleveland Classical](#). Next month, on Fri. July 31, Mark will return to Trinity for his second concert including Johann Sebastian Bach's *Cello Suites 2, 4 and 6*. He will once again share reflections on the works and their relevance to the times in which we live.

Volunteers Needed for APATT

A Place at the Table (APATT), our Sunday lunch ministry, is seeking a few new volunteers to help serve take-away lunches to our guests on Sundays.

Lunch volunteers will serve Sundays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., on a rotating schedule, approximately once every 4-6 weeks. They will serve sack lunches to 50-70 guests, with a second person. A small amount of prep & clean-up work is needed before and after the meal service. Servers will wear a mask & gloves, which are provided (aprons are available too). **Volunteers should be between 18-60 years of age, and in good health.**

If you're interested or have questions, please contact Ginger Bitikofer at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org or (216) 774-0407.



Episcopal Peace Fellowship Book Gathering

Trinity's EPF chapter will be holding a book discussion by Zoom on Saturday, June 27 at 12:00 p.m. The book, *Palestine is Our Home – Voices of Loss, Courage and Steadfastness*, is by local Cleveland author Nahida Halaby Gordon. She is a Palestinian Arab Christian who came to the U.S. in 1951. Her book includes a concise history of Palestine and excellent narratives by others with different perspectives. You can [get more details and buy the book](#) on Amazon. For questions and the Zoom link, please contact Bruce Freeman at freeman.bruce@gmail.com.

Trinity's Facemask Ministry Seeks Sewing Volunteers

Volunteers continue to sew cloth facemasks for use by members, *A Place at the Table* guests and Hospice of the Western Reserve. This new ministry is seeking volunteers to sew additional facemasks. You don't need a sewing machine to participate. If you're interested, please contact the Rev. Adrienne Koch at akoch@trinitycleveland.org.



It's not too late to order 1-2 facemasks if you haven't already. Visit <https://trinitycleveland.org/face-mask-order-form/>.

"Like" and "Follow" Trinity on Facebook

To keep up with all the happenings at Trinity, it's helpful to like (button with the thumb's up icon) and follow (button with the half rainbow icon) us on Facebook. You can take these actions when you're on our Facebook page (facebook.com/trinitycleve). To keep up on our videos, such as our livestream services, set your video notifications (under the videos tab) so you'll know when Trinity goes live.

Forward Day by Day Booklets

We have a limited number of Forward Day by Day devotional booklets for the May/June/July period. Contact Ginger Bitikofer (gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org, 216-774-0407) if you are interested in having a booklet mailed to you.

Virtual Coffee Hour

Are you missing the faces of your Trinity friends? Join other Trinity members for Virtual Coffee Hour (via Zoom) this Sunday morning, June 14 from 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Drop in anytime. Bring your coffee or tea and visit with old and new friends prior to the 10:00 a.m. worship webcast. Associate for Congregational Life Ginger Bitikofer and others will host the scheduled coffee hours. We will use the same Zoom link as last week's meeting. Get in touch with Ginger if you need the link or for any questions at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org, (216) 774-0407.

The Spirituality of the Enneagram

The Rev. Adrienne Koch will lead an in-depth exploration of the spirituality of the enneagram this summer. This week, she will focus on enneagram type 5.

The course takes place every other Sunday through September 6 at 11:15 a.m. Registration is required for the remaining sessions including this Sunday at bit.ly/EnneagramClass. You can also join in by phone at (929) 205-6099. If you have questions or need more information, contact the Rev. Koch at akoch@trinitycleveland.org.

You can view the most recent class on enneagram type 6 at the video link below.



Last Opportunity to Apply for Children's and Youth Staff Positions

Trinity is hiring two part-time coordinator positions working with our children and youth. These positions will support families with young children and families with youth grades 6-12. You can view the job descriptions for the [Children's Ministry Coordinator](#) and [Youth Program Coordinator](#).

We're about to wrap-up the first phase of our search, so if you or someone you know is interested, please contact Ginger Bitikofer at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org as soon as possible.

Summer Sunday School

Trinity children in pre-K through fifth grade will meet monthly over the summer

for a lesson and games via Zoom. Dates are June 28, July 19 and August 9 and the time is 11:00 a.m. for all. Contact the Rev. Jo Owens at jdn Owens@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Last Youth Group Meeting Until August

Join the Rev. Anna Sutterisch, Canon for Christian Formation for the Diocese, at 7:15 p.m. this Sunday night June 14 for youth group. This will be the last meeting for a while until we reconvene in August. So, we will mark the occasion with a "bring your own ice cream social." You can join in at Zoom.us/j/2167742230.

Compline welcomes students grades 6 and up (including college students!) It takes place at 8:00 p.m. each Sunday at the same Zoom link.

Care Corner: Computer Help Needed

As we have moved more of our worship, fellowship and educational offerings online, we have found that a few of our congregation members need some computer assistance. We'd like to form a small corps of computer-savvy volunteers. Are you willing to talk with other members by phone, to help them find our online resources, and/or assist with their computer questions? Contact Ginger Bitikofer, gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org.

If you are a member who needs computer help, please contact Ginger, to let her know.

Music & Art at Trinity

Todd's Picks – Choral Evensong

October 9, 2019

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](#)

This week's featured Choral Evensong service was sung by the Trinity Chamber Singers on October 9, 2019. The Rev. Adrienne Koch was the officiant and the Rev. David Bargetzi (recently retired rector of St. Luke's, Cleveland) was homilist as we commemorated Wilfred Thomason Grenfel, medical missionary to Newfoundland.

The Responses are set to music by Jeremy Jackman (b. 1952), one of the founders of the renowned English vocal group *The King's Singers*. The Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis are from the Short Service by Thomas Tallis (1505-1585), one of the greatest English composers of any era, and the anthem is a recent composition entitled "My Love" by James Buonemani (b. 1956), organist and director of music at St. James Episcopal Church in Los Angeles.

I hope you will find meaning and tranquility in the beautiful words and music of the timeless service of Evensong.

Todd Wilson
Director of Music

In the Diocese

Messages from Bishop Hollingsworth and Presiding Bishop Curry on Racial Justice

Both the bishop of the Diocese of Ohio and the Presiding Bishop of The

Episcopal Church recently released statements on the church's response to the recent deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor and Ahmaud Arbery and the protest and violence that followed. You can read them [here](#).

The Rt. Rev. Mark Hollingsworth, Jr., Bishop of Ohio

The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church

Bellwether Book Club

Bellwether Farm remains committed to its vocation to teach about environmental fidelity, physical and spiritual wellness, nutrition, local food sourcing and social justice. In that spirit, you are invited to join their newest initiative: The Bellwether Book Club. Even while distanced socially and geographically, this is an opportunity to come together intellectually and spiritually, and further grow the Bellwether community. The first book club book is *Soil and Sacrament: A Spiritual Memoir of Food and Faith* by Fred Bahnson. The book club will meet on July 28 at 7:00 p.m. for a Zoom conversation with the author. Please [register](#) for that conversation by July 21. For questions, please email bookclub@bellwetherfarm.com. More information is available at bellwetherfarm.com/book-club.

An Update on Summer Camp at Bellwether Farm

This is normally the time of the year when all at Bellwether Farm are eagerly awaiting the arrival of children to experience everything that Bellwether summer camp has to offer. It is, therefore, with great disappointment that we announce the cancellation of all scheduled camp sessions for the 2020 summer season. [Read the full update here](#).

In the Community

Census Positions Still Available

Help to ensure that vital local resources are available in northeast Ohio by becoming a census worker. Contact (855) 562-2020 or [view the attached flier](#).

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 July Cathedral Connections newsletter is Wed., June 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.

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