The Dean's Corner: 
Considering How to Return

We continue to discern, on a weekly basis, what returning to public worship might look like: how to do so safely, what the liturgy will look like, and perhaps most importantly, when that will be possible. As the summer unfolds, we are both watching the news to see how COVID-19 is impacting our community amid the relaxed restrictions and taking in information on how churches can re-open safely. There are a great many resources: from webcasts from the Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes to meetings of clergy leaders sponsored by the Cleveland Clinic, we are tuning in to bring best practices alongside the recommendations and experiences of ministry leaders within Trinity itself.

Read the dean’s entire message here

Juneteenth and Marking Time
June 18 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 21
Third Sunday After Pentecost
Click here for this week's scripture

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

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, preacher and 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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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 gentleness.

Poem: Gentleness – by Godfrey Morris

The price to be gentle is sometimes steep
And at times it even makes you weep
Some try to use, others abuse
Which make you bereft and then bemused
And like sudden rain on a public fair
Chagrin's dark cloud reappears
Being gentle is soft they say
Yet strength there lies in so tender ways
Unrelenting restraint against all odds
Cathartic redemption, in it stands
Gentleness, a gift, a priceless gem from nature's glow
The fountain where nobility flows
Its virtue, is a diamond to behold
Hidden in an opaque and dusty earth, pure and bold
Forever seeking, never deceiving
Helping those, who are desperately needing

Spiritual Practice: Daily Meditations

The word “contemplate” means “to gaze at the Divine." The Center for Action
and Contemplation, founded by Richard Rohr, is committed to forming people in the Christian contemplative tradition with a variety of offerings. This week, we invite you to explore the Daily Meditations by Richard Rohr. His website has helpful current and past meditations to help you focus attention on God. These meditations can be read on your own or you can sign up to receive them daily in your e-mail.

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
The Bible study series on the Epistle to the Philippians will resume this 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.

Dean's Forum Panelist Recommends Action
LaToya Logan was a panelist at the June 7 Dean's Forum on racial justice and police violence. She is a volunteer commissioner in the Cleveland Community Police Commission. She is a licensed social worker in Cleveland as well as founder and CEO of Project LIFT Behavioral Health Systems, a local social justice agency. She passed along the following actions Trinity members can take to improve the current situation.

- Visit the Cleveland Community Police Commission homepage and learn about what the commission does in the community
- Attend CCPC meetings to learn and show support
- Interact with youth
- Get involved with local nonprofits who work in this area

If you missed the recent Dean's Forum, it's available as avideo recording on our YouTube channel. It includes panelists from local advocacy and community organizations as well as Cleveland Police Commission members.
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.

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

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.

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**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.

The group has also posted their latest peace action guide for June.

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**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.

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

Last week, the Rev. Adrienne Koch led an in-depth exploration of the spirituality of the enneagram type 5. If you missed it, you can watch the video presentation below.

The course takes place every other Sunday this summer through September 6 at 11:15 a.m. Registration is required for the remaining sessions including next Sunday, June 28 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.

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 jdnowens@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Youth Group Summer Break

Trinity's Youth Group held its final meeting before summer break last Sunday. One of their activities was to come up with a silly summertime Bingo game, which they present here. People of all ages and their families can play. If you
get B-I-N-G-O, you can DM (direct message) the youth group at 
instagram.com/trinityclevelandyouth and you can win a prize!

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**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.

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**Music & Art at Trinity**

**Todd's Picks – Choral Evensong**  
**October 3, 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

This week's featured Choral Evensong was sung by the Trinity Chamber Singers on Oct. 3, 2018. The Rev. Dr. Paul Gaston, former acting dean of Trinity Cathedral, was homilist as we commemorated George Kennedy Allen Bell, Bishop of Chichester and a leader in the ecumenical movement.

The Preces and Responses are sung to the sprightly setting by John Reading (c. 1645-1692). The canticles and anthem are by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625).

Though Gibbons lived only 37 years he is regarded as a towering figure in English music, and an important transitional figure between the Renaissance and Baroque eras. The Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis are from Gibbons’ Short Service, and the anthem is his elegantly simple setting of *O Thou, the Central Orb of Righteous Love.*
I continue to hope you will find meaning and tranquility in the timeless beauty of this “virtual” Choral Evensong service until such time as we can gather together in person.

Todd Wilson
Director of Music

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**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](#)

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**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,
In the Episcopal Church

"Virtual" Race Held to Benefit United Thank Offering

The Episcopal Church is sponsoring an event they are calling the (inaugural) *Great EpisGOpal Race*. You can compete by running, skating, biking and virtually anything else. Distance is also up to the racer and all proceeds go to United Thank Offering, the blue box people. Learn more.

In the Community

Greater Cleveland Congregations Clergy Response to Racial Injustice and Police Violence

Greater Cleveland Congregations is holding what it calls a pastoral and prophetic action, called for by the clergy of the member churches. The meeting will help to form the clergy response to issues of racial injustice and police violence in Cleveland. It will be held Thursday, June 25 at 7:00 p.m. at a place to be announced, most likely virtually. For details, contact Gary Benjamin at garyabenjamin@aol.com.

Station Hope 2020

Station Hope—this year, a virtual festival — is a jubilant community event celebrating Cleveland’s social justice history and exploring contemporary
The Festival of Freedom will celebrate the struggles for freedom and equity. It will be livestreamed from 5:00 p.m.–10 p.m. at the historic grounds of Cleveland’s first authenticated Underground Railroad site, St. John’s Episcopal Church, which was known as Station Hope. Audience members will participate virtually and witness performances of theatre, music, storytelling, and dance inspired by the most important issues of our time. For more information, visit the festival's web page.

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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