The Dean's Corner: So Good to be Together

Thanks to everyone who joined us last Sunday for our first in-person gathering since the pandemic began! Many thanks to the team of ministry leaders and staff who helped plan and manage the event (and the amount of details was mind-boggling) and thanks especially to our neighbors across the street at Cleveland State who welcomed us so enthusiastically.

Read the dean’s entire message here

Enlightened by the Stories of Hymns

View Dean Owens’s latest video reflections for Thursday, July 9. You can find more video reflections from the dean and others at youtube.com/trinitycleveland.
This Sunday, July 12
Sixth Sunday After Pentecost
Click here for this week’s scripture

10:00 a.m. Livestream Holy Eucharist
The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens preaching
The Rev. Adrienne Koch celebrating

This week, we return to a livestream service of Holy Eucharist that can be viewed on our homepage (trinitycleveland.org) or Facebook page (facebook.com/trinitycleve). If you're viewing the service on Facebook, please use the interactive tools such as messaging, likes and hearts to let us know you are attending. If you are viewing on our homepage, please send us an email.

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Congregational Life

Members and Guests Enjoy First
Nearly 70 congregants descended upon the green space behind CSU's Center for Innovation in Medical Professions this past Sunday, July 5. The location is directly across the street from Trinity, which afforded everyone great views of our cathedral. A service of morning prayer was led by The Very Rev. BJ Owens with a sermon from the Rev. Adrienne Koch. The weather was beautiful, which allowed us to record the service and offer it to those who couldn't attend.

This was a successful first step in our efforts to reconvene, although the recent spike in coronavirus cases warrants an abundance of caution. We are currently planning for another in-person, outdoor service in early August, so stay tuned for details!
Upcoming Trinity Elections

The Nominating Committee has reassembled and is finalizing a slate of candidates for vacancies on vestry, cathedral council and the 2021 nominating committee. There will also be appropriate notice for write-in candidates. Vestry approved to hold elections on Sunday, September 13th.

Vestry also approved to have the slate published on August 1st. We will publish the slate electronically in the monthly newsletter and this weekly e-news. Those members that receive notices via US mail will continue to get information that way. The ballot will be on paper and voters can either mail their completed ballots in or drop them off. More detailed information about the election procedures will be available in August.

All Communicants in Good Standing will be considered to be Qualified Voters, and thereby, eligible to vote.

Trinity Awarded Grant for COVID-19 Relief Activity

The Greater Cleveland COVID-19 Rapid Response Fund coalition announced on Friday, June 25 its latest round of biweekly grants. Grants totaled $1.1 million, and were given to 26 organizations serving the Cuyahoga, Lake, and Geauga counties.

Trinity received $30,000 to allow us to transition our A Place at the Table
hunger program to a pickup meal service so that it can continue to serve Cleveland's homeless and low-income populations safely during the pandemic, while also continuing the cathedral's ongoing partnership with Walls of Love® in filling the walls with essential items for those in need.

We're thrilled to receive this grant. It will enable us to continue to maintain these ministries as the coronavirus pandemic continues.

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**Adult Formation**

Trinity’s Adult Formation Committee is responsible for nurturing the lifelong process of growth in faith through offering opportunities for education, experiential spiritual practice, and personal growth. The purpose of adult formation is to support, nourish, and challenge adults as they explore their faith, experience its power, and grow in relationship with God. Adult formation includes all the things we do to help integrate our faith into our lives.

Some of the activities supported by adult formation are:

- Sunday Bible study, such as the current study on the Epistle of James
- The Dean’s weekly Lectio Divina Bible study
- Sacred Space, SoulCollage and labyrinth ministries
- The series on the enneagram, led by the Rev. Adrienne Koch
- Adult inquirer’s class, also known as catechesis

The committee recently presented a 9-part series on spiritual formation for home use. It included poetry, spiritual practices and other activities that members could complete at home. We’d love to get your feedback in order to improve and grow these offerings so that they can play a role in your spiritual life. Please send your thoughts and comments to Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@trinitycleveland.com.
Bible Study

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 James
Beginning Sunday July 19, the Sunday Bible study group will focus on the Epistle of James. This is a continuation of the same Kerygma study (meaning proclamation or preaching) used for the Galatians study last year. Dates will be July 19, August 2, 16 and 30.

James was writing in the first century AD to the early church and emphasizes the importance of putting the Word into action. James believes a faith without action is not enough for Christians who have been graced with salvation, and he puts forth many themes we will consider. Priscilla Kingston and Brian Smith will lead the group. Please join us for a fruitful discussion. To register, visit bit.ly/BibleStudyJames.

Trinity Awarded Green Building Challenge Honor

The Cleveland 2030 District is a public-private-nonprofit collaborative working to create a groundbreaking high performance building district in downtown Cleveland. Trinity Cathedral and Commons were awarded the 2019 Green Building Challenge honor by the 2030 District for reducing baseline energy consumption by 35.06% and carbon dioxide emissions per commuter by 49.4%.

The goal of the program is dramatically reducing the environmental impacts of
building construction and operations while increasing Cleveland’s competitiveness in the business environment. Corinne Wallner, Trinity's facilities and events manager, was quoted in the group’s 2019 progress report: “Cleveland 2030 District is instrumental in bringing together property management, real estate, engineering, architectural and community professionals to engage, collaborate and learn from top experts in their fields.”

A special 'thank you' goes to Corinne, Trinity's Green Team, the congregation and staff for continuing to lift up the importance of environmental stewardship and taking actions to make a difference.

You can check out the progress report in its entirety at bit.ly/TrinityGreenBuilding.

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**Special Healing Service for Victims of Human Trafficking July 30**

Trinity Cathedral’s Episcopal Peace Fellowship group is planning a special virtual Healing Eucharist for the victims of human trafficking on Thursday, July 30, which is the United Nations World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. Please mark your calendar to participate virtually. The service begins at noon and is followed by a zoom discussion led by local advocates on COVID-19’s impact on human trafficking in northeast Ohio. Details are being finalized, so stay tuned for links to these events. Contact Bruce Freeman freeman.bruce@gmail.com or Debbie Hunter@ hunterd16@att.net for more information.

Trinity's EPF group is also planning their next book study on White Fragility- Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism by Robin DiAngelo. We will join the Faith Journey Book Group for a joint study on Saturday, September 26 at 11:30 a.m. The book is available on Amazon among other outlets.
The Spirituality of the Enneagram

Tomorrow, Fri. July 10, the Rev. Adrienne Koch will post a new enneagram video on enneagram type 4 to Trinity's YouTube channel. You can watch this video plus past sessions in this series. This summer-long course takes place via Zoom every other Sunday through September 6 at 11:15 a.m.

Registration is required for the remaining sessions including this Sunday, July 12 at bit.ly/EnneagramClass. This course encompasses enneagram type 3. You can also join in by phone at (929) 205-6099. If you have questions or need more information, contact Adrienne 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 next Sunday July 19 and August 9 at 11:00 a.m. Contact the Rev. Jo Owens at jdnowens@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Music & Art at Trinity

Todd's Picks – Archived Choral Evensong Services
March 27, 2019

Each week, we are 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.
This week's featured Choral Evensong was sung by the Trinity Chamber Singers on March 27, 2019 when we observed the Feast of the Annunciation. The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, Dean of Trinity Cathedral, was homilist for that service.

The Preces and Responses are sung to a setting by Martin Neary (b. 1940) who, during his distinguished career was organist at Winchester Cathedral and Westminster Abbey. The Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis are set to a unique “chant setting” by Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876), a member of the famous Wesley family of clergy and musicians. The anthem is the sublime Ave Maria by Franz Biebl (1906-2001), unfortunately truncated in this recording due to technical problems.

I hope you will continue to enjoy the beauty and rich musical menu of these archived Evensongs, and that re-living them will help sustain you until we are able to gather once again for the real thing.

Todd Wilson
Director of Music

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Hymn Stories

A few weeks ago, Dean Owens suggested that we might do something to provide hymns during this time when we cannot gather and sing hymns together – an activity that is so meaningful to both body and spirit. Hence, we present this first installment of Hymn Stories. In each episode, I’ll provide some background about the text and tune of two hymns, and they will be sung by one of our gifted choir singers. We'll create a new episode every few weeks and keep them archived on the Trinity website. In the coming weeks and months as you find yourself needing an occasional “hymn fix,” you can simply
go to the website, click on a *Hymn Stories* episode, and listen or sing along.

This first installment starts with one of my favorite hymns: Calvin Hampton's simple and deeply memorable tune for *There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy*, followed by one of the cornerstones of Anglican hymnody the world over, *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*. Thanks to Kristine Caswelch and Matt Jones for singing these hymns. I hope you enjoy!

**Todd Wilson**

Watch and Listen to Hymn Stories Episode 1

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Bach for Humanity
Concert Set for Fri.,
July 31

Make sure to save the date and time (7:00 p.m.) for Trinity's next *Bach for Humanity* concert featuring the Cleveland Orchestra's principal cellist Mark Kosower. He will play J.S. Bach's *Cello Suites* numbers 2, 4 and 6. The concert is free and is a benefit for Music & Art at Trinity Cathedral and Arts Cleveland's COVID-19 relief efforts on behalf of local artists.

You can view the first concert held June 5 on Trinity's YouTube channel. It was well-reviewed by viewers and local media alike, so you won't want to miss the next one on July 31.

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In the Diocese
Christian Formation for Children in the Time of COVID-19

The Rev. Anna Sutterisch, Canon for Christian Formation for the Diocese of Ohio, conducted a series of interviews regarding Christian Formation for Children in the Time of COVID-19. The intent is that this video will serve as a tool to help congregations think about how to engage their youngest members. There will be a Q&A discussion on Monday, July 13 at 5:30 p.m. Please watch the video before that call. Registration for the discussion is open.

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Bellwether Intergenerational Book Club

Bellwether Farm is launching an Intergenerational Book Club to bring all ages together over great literature! First up, we’ll read All Creatures Great and Small by James Herriot, a delightful classic about a first-time veterinarian in rural Yorkshire, England. You can learn more, register and watch an introductory video by Bishop Hollingsworth.

Learn More Here

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St. Barnabas Finds a Unique Way to Help Those in Need

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Bay Village and its rector, the Rev. Alex Martin, recently created a program that has helped people in their community in need during the COVID-19 pandemic. You can read about it in the West Life community newspaper.

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Second Sunday Student Compline for Diocese Youth

For youth in grades six and up, Sunday night student compline will meet monthly over the summer. It has been newly dubbed "Second Sunday Student Compline" and it welcomes youth from around the Diocese of Ohio. Our next
gathering will this Sunday, July 12 at 8:00 p.m. on Zoom. Follow our Instagram for more details.

In the Episcopal Church

Embracing Evangelism

The Episcopal Church and Virginia Theological Seminary have teamed up to offer *Embracing Evangelism*, a six-part digital course exploring our call to seek, name, and celebrate Jesus' loving presence in the stories of all people – and then invite everyone to more. Each session features teachings on Episcopal evangelism, group discussion, and exercises to help Episcopalians understand the ministry and call to evangelism. The full *Embracing Evangelism* series consists of six video sessions, each under 45 minutes. You can learn more at the Episcopal Church's website.

Virtual Race to Benefit United Thank Offering

The Episcopal Church is sponsoring an event called the *Great Episcopal 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.

Trinity has a team participating – would you like to join our team? Or would you like to sponsor one of our racers? Dan Senger is our team captain. You can sign up or sponsor Trinity’s team here. The team is named TrinityCLE and the password is Cathedral.
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 August Cathedral Connections newsletter is Fri., July 24. You can read the current issue of Cathedral Connections online, 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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