

## This Week @ Trinity

*November 5, 2020*

### The Dean's Corner A Bit of Sun, a Bit of Gratitude

This Sunday is our last scheduled outdoor worship service for the fall. Admittedly when we scheduled this (in midsummer), we knew that we would be rolling the dice a bit with scheduling outdoor events in November, but it looks like the weather will break our way for one last fall Sunday worship service. Please [let us know if you're coming](#), and though the weather will be fine, we are aware that the alert levels in our county continue to remain high. Because of that we won't distribute communion, and we encourage you to practice safe distancing from one another.



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

## This Sunday, November 8

Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

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

**10:00 a.m. Outdoor (and Livestream) Service of Holy Eucharist**

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens preaching

The Rev. Adrienne Koch celebrating

This week, join us for our last outdoor service of 2020. It will be held across E. 22nd St. from Trinity on the lawn behind CSU's Center for Innovation in

Medical Professions. Sunday's weather forecast looks like a perfect Indian Summer day on which to worship outdoors. We request that you make a reservation at [bit.ly/Nov8Service](http://bit.ly/Nov8Service).

If you can't attend the service in person, you can attend the livestream service by visiting [trinitycleveland.org](http://trinitycleveland.org) or [facebook.com/trinitycle](https://facebook.com/trinitycle). Music will feature cellist Pamela Kelly playing works of J.S. Bach. The Rev. Koch will receive communion on behalf of the congregation.

**9:00 a.m. Virtual Coffee Hour**

**10:00 a.m. Sunday School in the Cathedral Garden**

**10:00 a.m. Youth Group in Cathedral Garden**

**12:00 p.m. BrownBag Bible Study - The Day of the Lord (see registration link below)**

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## Congregational Life

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**There's Still Time to  
Make Your 2021**

## Pledge



All Saints' Day marked the conclusion of our *Rooted in Faith* stewardship campaign, but Trinity is gratefully accepting pledges in the coming days. Trinity realizes that many people's financial situations for 2021 are unsettled. However, if you can make a pledge, sooner is better as it greatly affects the 2021 budget that Trinity's leadership is planning now. If you have already submitted your pledge, thank you. If not, there is still an opportunity to make your pledge online.

[Make Your Pledge Today](#)

If you have any questions about this year's stewardship campaign, please contact a member of the committee (Beth Billings, Ginger Bitikofer, Scott Blanchard, Melvin Jones, Janet Lechleitner, Linda Lee, Pam McKee, Cynthia Ries, Ron Ross).

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## Virtual Coffee Hour

Are you missing the faces of your Trinity friends? Join other Trinity members for Virtual Coffee Hour (via Zoom) every Sunday morning from 9:00 a.m.–9:50 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 or outdoor service. Associate for Congregational Life Ginger Bitikofer and others will host the scheduled coffee hours. Get in touch with Ginger if you need the link or for any questions at [gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org), (216) 774-0407.

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## Youth and Children's Ministry

This Sunday, both youth group and Sunday school will meet at the same time as the 10:00 a.m. service. Both groups will gather in the cathedral garden, so you can drop your children and youth off before you cross the street to the

worship service.

You can read more about the home advent wreath project later in this newsletter. This is a great family activity and we urge children and youth to participate with their parents.

Save the date of Sunday, December 6 at 1:00 p.m. when children and youth will receive their very own Bibles! Details and invitations will be sent out soon.

Youth and children will soon begin working on no-sew fleece and hats, scarves and masks to give to our friends at A Place at the Table. We will be requesting donations of fleece for this project. Fleece needs to be in 1-yard lengths for hats and masks and 2-yard lengths for scarves. You can drop off your fleece donations when picking up your advent wreaths (see schedule below) or during Personal Prayer Time (times also below). Contact Shannon Smoot, [ssmoot@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:ssmoot@trinitycleveland.org) for details. Here are some links to some online sources.

- [Joann](#)
- [Amazon](#)

If you have not registered your child for Youth Group or Sunday school, please do so by [following this link](#).

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## The Day of the Lord – a BrownBag Bible Study

Join the Rev. Adrienne Koch for an examination of genres in scripture, including apocalyptic literature.



Last week, the class finished moving through the letters to the churches and the vision of the lamb from the book of Revelation. This Sunday, attendees will look at the historical meaning behind some of Revelation's most vivid depictions of destruction.

The class takes place at 12:00 p.m. this Sunday, November 8 It will conclude

Sunday, November 22. All are welcome and you don't need to have participated in previous sessions to join. You can register for the class [using this Zoom link](#).

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## Trinity's Racial Equity Curriculum: Holy Work

Trinity's racial equity curriculum began on October 3 with the ThirdSpace Action Lab Groundwater training from the Racial Equity Institute. Soon, we'll continue with a 10-session class known as *Sacred Ground*.

According to the Episcopal Church's online material about this program:

“Sacred Ground is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America’s history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity.

The 10-part series is built around a powerful online curriculum of documentary films and readings that focus on Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American histories as they intersect with European American histories.”

There will be two dialogue circles (or groups), both meeting on the first and third Monday of each month starting Monday, November 16. One class will run from 1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m. and the other from 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

You can learn more about Trinity's Racial Equity training [by viewing this video](#).

More information is available at [episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground](http://episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground).

If you have any questions or you would like to sign up, contact Debbie Likins-Fowler ([dlikinsfowler@gmail.com](mailto:dlikinsfowler@gmail.com)).



The Adult Formation Committee invites you to "go deeper" in your racial equity learning by using the resources in this section.

**Practice:** Think of a specific person who you know voted differently from yourself. Pray the

Lord's Prayer for that person specifically by name every day for a week. Pray for their well being and for unity in the body of Christ. Resist the temptation to pray for them to change their mind.

**Scripture:** Philippians 1:3-6

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

**Poem:** Dawn by Louise Gluck

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## Wednesday Bible Study

“Lectio Divina is an opportunity to slow down and experience God's Word deeply. An opportunity to savor the words of Scripture, to sit at God's table, to be nourished, fed and refreshed. An invitation to be fully present with our holy God.”

— Cindee Snider Re, author of *Finding Purpose: Rediscovering Meaning in a Life with Chronic Illness*

Join Trinity friends for “Community Gospel Reflections” Zoom Bible study on Wednesday afternoons at 5:00 p.m. The group uses a *lectio divina* approach to reflect upon the Gospel lesson for the upcoming Sunday. If you need the Zoom link, please contact Doreen Hughes at [dhughes@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:dhughes@trinitycleveland.org).

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## Help Us Provide Thanksgiving Dinner for Marion-Sterling Families

We're providing Thanksgiving dinner to 150 families with children at Marion-Sterling School, located in

Trinity's neighborhood. Can you provide dinner for one family?

[View the Grocery List Here](#)

Click the button above for the shopping list of items needed for each meal. To avoid having to unpack, sort and re-pack donated items, we are asking that each donation of groceries contain a complete shopping list. Please pack the groceries in 2 reusable grocery tote bags. The bags may be dropped off on Sunday, Nov. 22, between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., at the Prospect Ave. entrance. Or, they may be dropped off on Thursdays, Nov. 5, 12 or 19 (during Personal Prayer Time), 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at the same door.

Monetary donations are also accepted, in any amount, so that we can give each family a Dave's Market gift card for their main dish. Please make credit card donations on our website, [bit.ly/MarionSterlingThanks](http://bit.ly/MarionSterlingThanks) or send a check payable to Trinity Cathedral with "Marion-Sterling" in the memo line.

Volunteers are needed to help drive the grocery donations to Marion-Sterling School, on Monday, Nov. 23, at 10:00 a.m.—please contact David Cratty if you can be a volunteer driver, [dcratty1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dcratty1@sbcglobal.net), (216) 228-5721.

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## Trinity Forum Nov. 15 with Dr. Jeff Spiess

Be with us as Dean Owens interviews Trinity member, retired hospice physician and author Dr. Jeff Spiess on his recent book, *Dying with Ease*.



Through this book, Jeff conveys that if we honestly face our mortality, we will make wiser decisions, die with less distress, and live the remainder of our lives, whether days or decades, more fully and with less anxiety. Jeff has found his profession to be rewarding, fulfilling, frustrating, humbling, and challenging, and knows its greatest rewards lie in the conversations with

and the lessons learned from people facing the end of their lives, who are figuring out what is essential and real, and who have nothing to lose by being honest.

The forum will take place online at [trinitycleveland.org](http://trinitycleveland.org) and [facebook.com/trinitycleve](https://facebook.com/trinitycleve) on Sunday, Nov. 15 at 11:30 a.m.

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## Mark: An Unfamiliar Gospel of an Unfamiliar Jesus

Many Trinity members have viewed sessions in Bob Fowler's Gospel of Mark series. You can join in a four part study of the gospel of Mark on your own schedule.

This study has its own place on the [Trinity website](#), linking to the video overview of the course and separate one-hour sessions including:

1. The Gospel of Mark: Who, What, Where, When, Why and How
2. The Beginning: Mark 1: 1-15
3. The Middle: Mark Chapters 8-10
4. The ending: Mark 16: 1-8

A Zoom interactive class on this Mark study is currently in progress, but you are still welcome to join in. Register in advance for the two remaining classes (Nov. 12 and Nov. 19) held Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.:

[bit.ly/MarkInteractiveStudy](https://bit.ly/MarkInteractiveStudy).

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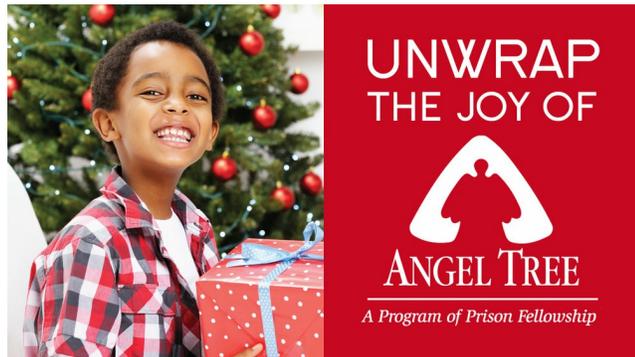
## Personal Prayer Time in the Cathedral

The cathedral sanctuary is open on Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for individuals to pray, walk the labyrinth, light a candle and/or meditate. Capacity is limited to 20 individuals. You are encouraged to let us know you're coming, in advance, by emailing Ginger Bitikofer, [gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org). You may also come to the Prospect entrance of Trinity Commons without a reservation. All attendees will be asked to sign in, wear a mask during their visit, and socially distance themselves from others in the building. Volunteers are needed to help as greeters. If you have questions, please contact Ginger, (216) 774-0407.

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### Angel Tree Project 2020

In 2020, Trinity will again participate in the Angel Tree Prison Ministry for Christmas, as



we have done for over 5 years. This year, we will offer a “Virtual Angel Tree,” which has been developed by Prison Fellowship, as a no-contact method of serving children from our community who have an incarcerated parent. A special web page is being developed for Trinity Cathedral, which will have the names and ages of children that folks can choose. We will have 100 children assigned to us, as we had last year—our members can choose one or more children to sponsor. The cost of sponsoring one child is \$22—each sponsored child will receive a \$20 gift card to Wal-Mart, a holiday card from their incarcerated parent, and the opportunity to receive a children’s Bible. The sponsor will pay the \$22 cost through the special website, via credit card or bank account. Trinity’s Virtual Angel Tree website will be released soon, and the web address will be shared via *This Week @ Trinity*, as soon as we get it from Prison Ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Raymond, [kayray419@roadrunner.com](mailto:kayray419@roadrunner.com).

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## Make an Advent Wreath at Home

Celebrate the season of anticipation of Christ's birth with a handmade Advent wreath, that you can make at home this year. Trinity's Cathedral Life Committee will gather all the supplies for Advent wreath-making, and put them into kits, for our members to pick up, the weekend after Thanksgiving (the first Sunday in Advent is Nov. 29). Please reserve your kit by emailing Jan Kelemen, [jantkelemen@gmail.com](mailto:jantkelemen@gmail.com), no later than **Sunday, Nov. 22**. Let her know if you need a complete kit (wreath form, fresh greens, floral wire, & candles) or a partial kit (specify which items you need). Advent prayers and how-to instructions will be included. Donations will be accepted at pick-up time to help offset the cost of materials (suggested \$10 for complete kit). Pick-up times (in Trinity parking lot) for the kits will be: Saturday, Nov. 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 29, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Ask about limited delivery availability.

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## Inquirers' Class (Catechesis)

Are you interested in finding out more about The Episcopal Church, with a goal of perhaps being confirmed, received or baptized? The Rev. Adrienne Koch leads a class on Zoom the first Tuesday of every month from 5:30 p.m.– 7:00 p.m. Discussion topics include spirituality, religion, Episcopal history and polity, scripture and theology. To find out more or to register, email [akoch@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:akoch@trinitycleveland.org).

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## Faith Journey Book Club

The next Faith Journey Book Group book discussion is scheduled for Saturday, November 21, starting at 11:30 a.m. via Zoom. The book we will be discussing is *How To Be An Anti-Racist* by Ibram X. Kendi. The Zoom meeting information link is:

[us02web.zoom.us/j/89748788173](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89748788173)

Meeting ID: 897 4878 8173

Passcode: 011529

The group will take a break over the holidays, so this will be the last book discussion until January 2021. If you have questions, contact Janet Morrison at [jlmorrison611@gmail.com](mailto:jlmorrison611@gmail.com).

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## Advent Retreat

Save the date of Saturday, December 5 from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. when the Rev. Dr. Lauren Winner will lead an Advent retreat via Zoom. Winner is an Episcopal Priest, historian, author and lecturer. She is Associate Professor of Christian Spirituality at Duke Divinity School. Winner preached at Trinity in early March of this year and led a forum on contemporary poets and scripture. Stay tuned for more details on the retreat. The cost is \$20, email [akoch@trinitycathedral.org](mailto:akoch@trinitycathedral.org) for scholarship opportunities.

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## Music & Art at Trinity

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### *Todd's Picks* – Archived Choral Evensong Services November 6, 2019

This week's featured Evensong is from just a year ago, on Nov. 6, 2019. It was sung by the sopranos and altos of the Cathedral Choir. The Rev. Adrienne Koch was homilist as we commemorated Archbishop William Temple, one of the great figures in the history of the Anglican Communion. The Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis were the "Second Service" by Phillip Moore (b. 1943), former organist of Guildford Cathedral and York Minster. The anthem, a recent composition by our own Dr. Judith Eckelmeyer, is a highly effective setting of Robert Frost's famous poem "The Road Not Taken."

**Todd Wilson**

**Director of Music**

## Hymn Stories – Hymns for All Saints

Welcome to episode 5 of Hymn Stories. This installment features two hymns for All Saints' Day, that special time in the liturgical year when we remember the many saints, past and present, who constitute such important parts of our lives. The first hymn (#287 "For all the saints") is one of the great hymns of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Ralph Vaughan Williams composed the tune especially for this text. The second hymn (#232 "For all your saints still striving") is sung to a Finnish melody of somewhat obscure origin. The text has an interesting "flexible" aspect, with a choice of middle verses appropriate for the many specific Saint's Days that occur once per year, often on a weekday, thus requiring a tune that is easily recalled. It was a special pleasure to have a small group of singers together for the first time since March to record these hymns. I hope you will enjoy singing along, either inwardly or aloud.

**Todd Wilson**



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## Next Fall BrownBag Concert

We hope you have been able to enjoy one of our livestream BrownBag concerts this fall. If not, they are available for streaming on our [Trinity's YouTube channel](#).

Yesterday, our own Nicole Keller, associate organist, traced the changes in organ music over the centuries in her program *The Arc of the Keyboard* featuring music by Buxtehude, Paumann, Scheidt and Sweelinck. The next BrownBag concert, *Dueling Divas*, will take place on Wednesday, November 18 with violinists Andrew Sords and Mari Sato accompanied by pianist Elizabeth DeMio. They will present a rousing program of music of Moszkowski, Beethoven and Sarasate.

The concerts are being livestreamed from a mostly empty cathedral this year. You can watch them all live at [trinitycleveland.org](http://trinitycleveland.org) and [facebook.com/trinitycleve](https://facebook.com/trinitycleve). You can [read more about each upcoming performance](#) on Music & Art at Trinity Cathedral's website. If you are able to [make a donation to Music & Art](#) to help keep these programs running, it would be gratefully appreciated.

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## In the Community

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### Can You Help Tutor Marion-Sterling Students?

Cleveland Metropolitan School District is looking for volunteers to tutor students virtually at Marion-Sterling School. School will be held remotely through at least Mon., December 21, the planned start of the school's winter break. Depending on the nature of the tutoring, volunteers will be required to have a background check(s).

If you are interested please contact the Rev. Adrienne Koch at [akoch@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:akoch@trinitycleveland.org).

### 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](mailto:sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org)

Deadline for items to be included in the December *Cathedral Connections* newsletter is Mon., November 23. You can read the current issue of *Cathedral Connections* online, please contact Scott Blanchard at [sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org](mailto: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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