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July/August 2026

The Congregation Corner

Capital Campaign Brings Nearly 100 Together in Cathedral Hall



Cathedral Hall filled for campaign launch breakfast



On Sunday, May 31, Trinity Cathedral officially launched its capital campaign, *Honoring Our Legacy, Growing in Love* with a celebration in Cathedral Hall following the 10:00 a.m. service. Nearly 100 congregants and friends gathered to learn more about the vision and goals of the campaign through presentations, a campaign video, and remarks from Dean Owens and campaign co-chairs Howard Lewis and Cynthia Ries.

Guests enjoyed a brunch buffet while sharing conversation and fellowship, creating an atmosphere of excitement and hope

for the cathedral's future. The event offered an opportunity not only to learn about the campaign, but also to reflect together on the possibilities it will help make a reality.

Attendees heard about the campaign's three key priorities: restoring and renewing Cathedral Hall, preserving and protecting our historic stained-glass windows, and strengthening the cathedral's endowment to support future generations.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for this important milestone in the life of Trinity Cathedral. Your presence, support, and enthusiasm are helping to bring this vision to life as we continue to honor our legacy and grow in love.

Additional photos from the launch celebration can be found inside this issue. ❖



Marous Brothers presents renovation plans

Explore the Campaign

Scan the QR codes to learn more about *Honoring Our Legacy, Growing in Love*

Watch the Campaign Video



Explore the Campaign Webpage

Support the Campaign



Summer Sunday Services

Sunday, July 5
Sixth Sunday After Pentecost
 The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Sunday, July 12
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
 The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Sunday, July 19
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
 The Rev. Megan Allen-Miller

Sunday, July 26
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
 The Rev. Megan Allen-Miller

Sunday, August 2
Tenth Sunday After Pentecost
 The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Sunday, August 9
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
 The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Sunday, August 16
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost
 The Rev. Canon Adrienne Koch

Sunday, August 23
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
 The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Sunday, August 30
Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
 The Rev. Megan Allen-Miller

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Sundays (Summer)

- 8:00 AM | Early Eucharist
- 9:00 AM | Formation Hour
- 10:00 AM | Holy Eucharist

Thursdays (All Year)

- 12:10 PM | Healing Eucharist

Summer Service Schedule

From May 24 through September 6, we will be observing our summer worship schedule.

How Trinity Commons Serves the Wider Community



Trinity Commons continues to grow as a shared space for worship, learning, performance, and community life throughout the week. Organizations use the space for leadership development, arts programming, civic engagement, education, advocacy, and community connection—strengthening relationships across downtown Cleveland and expanding access to shared experiences.

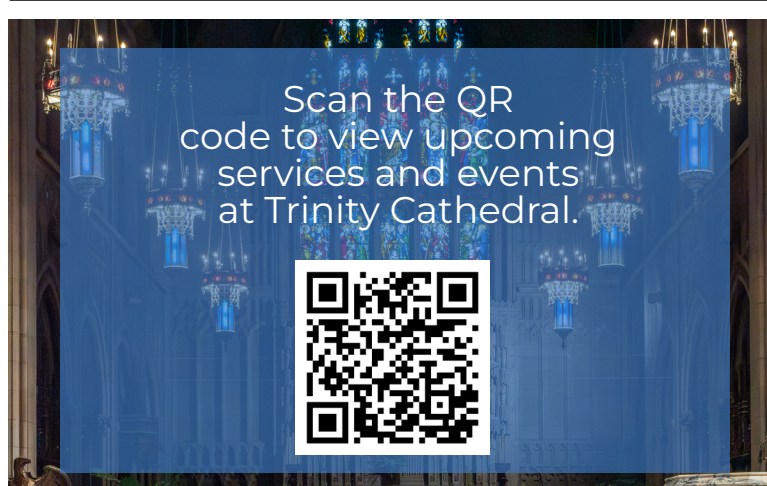
Below is a snapshot of some of the organizations that use our spaces:

- Neighborhood Leadership Development Program

- Community Development Corporation Leadership Program
- PFLAG
- Cleveland Chamber Choir
- Men of Independence Choir
- Cleveland Orchestra Children's Choruses
- Campus District
- LGBT Community Center
- Project Halo
- Cleveland History Days
- "You Can Escape the Box"
- Greater Cleveland Congregations
- United Protestant Campus Ministries

These partnerships are coordinated by our Facilities Events team—Jon Silvis, Eric Travis, and Emily Butler—and reflect Trinity Commons' ongoing commitment to hospitality, collaboration, and service to the wider community. ❖

Scan the QR code to view upcoming services and events at Trinity Cathedral.





**Honoring Our Legacy,
Growing in Love**

The capital campaign launch celebration brought together congregants, friends, and supporters for a morning of fellowship, conversation, and shared vision. Enjoy these additional photographs from the event, captured by Bob Perkoski.





Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation Sundays, July & August 9:00 AM

This summer, explore a variety of topics drawn from the ChurchNext curriculum. Topics and dates are subject to change:

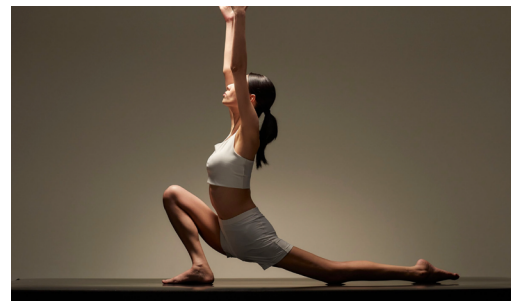
- July 5: Spirituality and Gardening
- July 12: Growing Old with Grace
- July 19–August 9: Apocrypha
- August 16: Faithful Dissent
- August 23: Defining Myth in Scripture
- August 30: Let the Women Speak

Join us for thoughtful conversation, scripture study, and spiritual reflection.



Cathedral Docent Tour July 12 & August 2 | 11:30 AM

Discover one of downtown Cleveland's architectural treasures through a guided tour of Trinity Cathedral. Explore the cathedral's beautiful stained-glass windows, historic architecture, sacred art, and rich history while learning about its role in the life and growth of Cleveland. Whether you're a first-time visitor or a longtime admirer, this tour offers a deeper look at the beauty, heritage, and ministry of this landmark sacred space. No registration is required.



Hot Slow Flow Yoga July 12 & August 9 | 3:00 PM

Join us for Hot Slow Flow Yoga on Sundays, 3–4 p.m. on July 12 and August 9. Held in the cathedral's nave—which naturally warms up in the summer—this space is perfect for a hot yoga experience. Led by Katy Richards, this gentle class welcomes all levels for mindful movement, longer-held poses, and stress relief. Free and open to the public—bring a mat and water bottle.



Summer Dinner Gatherings July 11 & 17, 2026 | 6:00 PM

Join us for a series of fun, relaxing summer dinner gatherings in Ohio City and Cleveland Heights! Each host will provide the main dish, and guests are invited to bring a favorite dish to share. Registration closes when all spots are filled or one week before the event. Scan the QR code below to register and see more information.



July 11



July 17



Dean's Forum: UPCaM Sunday, August 16 | 9:00 AM

The Dean's Forum will feature a conversation with United Protestant Campus Ministries (UPCaM), a progressive Christian campus ministry serving college students across Cleveland. Founded in 1951, UPCaM has served for 75 years as a student-centered ministry rooted in ecumenical partnership, social justice, peace, and spiritual openness. Join us for a conversation about UPCaM's work helping college students connect with faith, community, and purpose.



Music: All Y'all Choir Sunday, July 26 & August 30 9:00 AM

On the last Sunday of the month in July and August, come be part of our "all y'all" choir, with no experience required. On Sunday, July 26 and August 30, the choir will meet upstairs in the choir room at 9:00 a.m. to prepare for the 10:00 a.m. service. Email Shiloh Roby (sroby@trinitycleveland.org) if you'd like to receive the music ahead of time, or else feel free to just show up on the day!

Behind the Music at Trinity Cathedral: A Q&A with Shiloh Roby



From Sunday worship to concerts and special events, music plays a vital role in the life of Trinity Cathedral. Shiloh Roby reflects on the many ways this ministry fosters connection and community.

Q: How would you describe Trinity Cathedral's music ministry to someone visiting for the first time?

A: Busy, but in the best sense of the word. From more than 150 liturgies each year to an active concert series featuring nearly 30 performances and community events, music makes up a large part of Trinity's identity.

Q: What makes music at Trinity Cathedral unique?

A: That's a difficult question, as it really depends on what our congregants and guests are searching for musically. Like most major church music programs around the country, Trinity offers several entry points into worship through music. Those drawn to the Anglican choral tradition may find a home at the 11:15 a.m. Sunday Eucharist or Choral Evensong on select Wednesdays of the month, while those interested in a wider range of idioms and styles might be more attracted to our Abundant Table and Expansive Evensong services.

Regarding Music and Art at Trinity, the non-profit entity within Trinity Cathedral that produces our annual concert series, M&A is committed to investing in Cleveland's arts community. While the idea of presenting internationally renowned ensembles always has appeal, one of our greatest joys is highlighting the exceptional artists and organizations that already make Cleveland such a vibrant cultural place. Our concerts are built around the notion of creating community among artists, audiences, and our neighbors.

Q: What is your favorite part of your role as Director of Music?

A: Creating community through music and hospitality. Come to any of our Brown-bag or evening concerts, and you'll discover Trinity has a second congregation: one built around curiosity and the love of the arts. I relish welcoming both the person who has come to every single concert and the person stepping through our doors for the first time, leaving pleasantly surprised by how much they enjoyed the experience.

Q: What is something congregants might not realize about the work that goes into preparing worship music?

A: Worship music reflects weeks, sometimes months, of planning. Every anthem and hymn is chosen intentionally and rehearsed carefully so that, by Sunday morning, the music can support prayer without calling attention to itself. Similarly, the level of preparation and coordination that goes into planning and executing even a single concert is substantial, espe-

cially for such a modest music staff.

Q: What are some memorable musical moments you've experienced at Trinity?

A: Hosting Apollo's Fire was a bucket-list moment for me. The first early-music recording I ever fell in love with as a college student was one of theirs, and I've had such a profound admiration for the group's artistry and for what they've done to broaden early-music audiences.

Q: What advice would you give someone who is considering getting involved in the music ministry or joining the choir?

A: Please do—we don't bite! Getting involved can range from simply handing out programs to selling tickets, singing in the choir, or becoming a financial supporter; all roles are equally important. The first step is simply expressing an interest, which can be done by reaching out to me (sroby@trinitycleveland.org) or my associate Emily Butler (music@trinitycleveland.org).

Q: What is your vision for the future of music at Trinity Cathedral?

A: The music ministry of any cathedral should be both sustaining and invitational, meaning we must meet the needs of the present community while exploring ways of welcoming future audiences and congregants. Music has a remarkable way of bringing people together, and we're grateful to help create those moments. If any readers have ideas about how the music program might better achieve that goal, thoughtful feedback is always welcome. ❖

Cathedral Hall Project Advances to Next Phase

The Vestry recently approved moving the Cathedral Hall project into the next phase of development, another significant step toward making this important renovation into a reality.

During this phase, Marous Brothers Construction will prepare detailed plans and invite subcontractors to submit bids. This process will help the project team develop a firmer understanding of the final project cost.

As vendors are sought, Trinity is committed to ensuring that minority- and women-owned businesses have opportunities to submit bids for this project.

Marous Brothers Construction has a strong track record of working with governmental agencies, schools, and nonprofit organizations to meet supplier diversity goals. Their experience and outreach efforts will help connect qualified firms with opportunities to be part of the Cathedral

Hall renovation, reflecting Trinity's commitment to inclusion, stewardship, and supporting the broader community. ❖



Scan the QR code to read past Vestry meeting minutes.



Knit Together Prayer Shawls

Jul. 2 | 11:00 AM
Aug. 6 | 11:00 AM

Knit Together meets monthly to create shawls that offer comfort, care, and prayerful support during times of need and celebration. The group meets on the first Thursday of each month, followed by an optional Healing Eucharist. Contact Liz York to learn more.



Divine Feminine

Jul. 9 | 2:00 PM
Aug. 13 | 2:00 PM

The Divine Feminine group meets on the second Thursday of each month to explore the Divine Feminine path and deepen relationships with God and one another. Contact Charlotte Nichols or Pam Meyers for more information.



Sacred Space

Jul. 14 | 5:45 PM
Aug. 11 | 5:45 PM

The Sacred Space Circle meets monthly on Zoom, with a different topic each session. Contact Charlotte Nichols for more information and the Zoom link.



Gift of Years

Jul. 16 | 2:00 PM
Aug. 20 | 2:00 PM

The Gift of Years group begins a discussion of Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Meetings are July 16, August 20, September 17, and October 15. Scan the QR code to register.



Racial Justice Rule of Life

Jul. 22 | 5:00 PM
Aug. 26 | 5:00 PM

The Racial Justice Rule of Life group meets monthly to support Trinity Cathedral's work of building a welcoming, humble, and caring community. Join the group on Realm for upcoming meeting details, resources, and updates.



Trinity Trekkers

Trinity Trekkers gathers for outdoor adventures including hiking, kayaking, biking, and more. These outings offer opportunities for fellowship, healthy living, and experiencing God in nature together. Contact Bill DiTirro to learn more or get involved.



Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King is an order of women in the Episcopal Church dedicated to prayer, service, and evangelism. Trinity's chapter was founded in 1936 and reorganized in 2003. Members take a lifelong vow to follow a Rule of Prayer and Rule of Life. Contact Fran Csoma to learn more or get involved.



Urban Farm

Trinity's Urban Farm is a hands-on ministry that grows fresh produce for The Friendly Inn Settlement food pantry. Volunteers help plant, tend, and harvest crops while caring for creation and building community. Contact Geoffrey Jacobson to learn more or get involved.



Education for Ministry

A new Education for Ministry (EfM) group is forming at Trinity this fall. EfM is a four-year program of theological study, reflection, and discussion designed for laypeople exploring re-faith and vocation in community. Contact Diane Hexter to learn more.



Crossing the Political Divide

Crossing the Political Divide brings people together to practice respectful conversation across political differences. Through discussion and reflection, participants explore listening and constructive dialogue in everyday relationships. Contact Anne Kmieck or Toni Ponzo for more information.

August Is Make-A-Will Month: Leaving a Legacy of Faith



Every August, Make-A-Will Month serves as a reminder to create or update one of the most important documents we can have: a will. While making a will is a practical step that helps provide for loved ones and ensure our wishes are honored, it can also be an act of faith and stewardship.

At Trinity Cathedral, we are surrounded by the legacy of those who came before us. The ministries we share, the beautiful spaces we worship in, and the outreach we offer to our community are possible because previous generations cared deeply about the future of the cathedral. Through their generosity and foresight, they helped ensure that Trinity would continue to be a place of worship, welcome, and service for years to come.

As we continue our capital campaign, *Honoring Our Legacy, Growing in Love*, we are reminded that each of us has an opportunity to help shape Trinity's future. One way to do that is through a planned gift. By including Trinity Cathedral in your will or estate plans, you can support the ministries

and mission that have been meaningful in your own life while helping future generations experience the same blessings.

Planned gifts also strengthen Trinity's endowment, providing long-term support for worship, formation, music, outreach, building preservation, and the many ministries that make the cathedral a vibrant community of faith.

If you have not yet created a will, Trinity offers a free resource through FreeWill, an online tool that allows you to create a legally valid will in about 20 minutes. Whether your plans include a gift to Trinity or simply ensure that your loved ones are cared for, taking this step is an important act of stewardship. ❖

Volunteers Needed for A Place at the Table

A Place at the Table, Trinity Cathedral's feeding ministry, is seeking a few additional volunteers as we temporarily relocate to the storefront space along Euclid Avenue. The new location creates opportunities for a few extra helping hands.

We're looking for 1-2 additional volunteers each week to assist with hospitality, serving meals, and offering beverages to guests. Even one extra person on a regular basis can make a significant difference. If you are interested in learning more or joining the volunteer team, please contact Eric Travis (etravis@trinitycleveland.org). ❖



Ways to Give

Support our work and mission by making a gift to sustain Trinity's vital community programming.

Make a **Donation Online**



Request a **Planned Gift Intention Form**

Create a **Legal Will Using FreeWill**



Contact the **Development Office**

development@trinitycleveland.org

Support the Adopt-a-Shelf Food Pantry



Trinity has expanded its support of The Friendly Inn's Adopt-a-Shelf food pantry program in the Central Neighborhood, helping provide essential food items to individuals and families in need.

Support can be given in two ways. Monetary donations may be made through Trinity's contribution page by selecting "Hunger Ministries," helping the program purchase high-need items and keep shelves stocked. Food donations are also

welcomed and can be placed in the blue bin located in the piazza. Every contribution—large or small—helps strengthen this important outreach effort. ❖

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