# THE TRINITY WEEKLY April 11, 2024

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A Sacred Place for All People



# THE DEAN'S CORNER

## Greeting at the Door

In the church I served in North Carolina, we were visited for a stretch of several weeks by a young man whose behavior was erratic and unsettling. We welcomed him warmly, but were troubled by the way that he would come in mid-service, sit in pews toward the front, then get up and wander the halls in places where he should not be, including our Sunday School spaces.

How, we wondered, should we respond? Should we have someone near him? Do we need to call law enforcement? Or just leave him alone so long as he remained in the sanctuary during church?...

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# **NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**



# **Urban Farm Workdays**

Join Trinity's Urban Farmers for their Saturday workdays, from 9 a.m.–12 p.m. New volunteers are welcome! You don't need to stay for the whole time, even a half hour is helpful. The Farm is located at the intersection of E. 35th St. and Cedar Ave., less



New Book Group Growing Older Gracefully

Sister Joan Chittister, Catholic nun and co-chair of the Global Peace Initiative of Women, invites us to embrace older age as a natural part of life that is both active and contemplative, productive and than a mile from Trinity.

Produce from our Urban Farm helps to feed hungry people in our neighborhood. <u>Read more about the history and mission of the Farm.</u>

If you have questions or want to know more, <u>contact</u> <u>Scott Blanchard</u>.

reflective, and deeply rewarding. Join Trinity members seeking to live into her invitation to grow older gracefully, by being a part of a small group reading her book, "The Gift of Years."

Please email <u>jantkelemen@gmail.com</u> with interest and <u>Adrienne Koch</u> with questions.

## Your Privacy in REALM

As more Trinity members log in to our new Realm member portal, we have received some questions about privacy: "Is my contact information private, or can it be seen by anyone on the web? How can I adjust my privacy settings? Why can't I see everyone in the church directory?"

• Your contact information is protected behind a log in-- and multiple layers of security that Realm utilizes. It is never public or searchable on the internet.



- You can choose who can see your contact information at Trinity. There are just a few basic privacy settings: leaders & members of your groups; or everyone in the church.
- Only Trinity members are invited to join Realm and can see the directory.
- The default setting for privacy in Realm is: People in your groups. At this privacy level, your contact information will not be seen in the church directory by most of our members. Members need to adjust their privacy settings to "Everyone in the church" in order to be visible in the directory.
- How can you adjust your privacy settings? When you are logged into Realm, see the "lock" icon in your profile. Click the icon and you can see there are drop-down options for each piece of your contact information. We hope that you will choose "Everyone in the church" for your contact information so that our congregation members can connect with each other.
- You can adjust or re-adjust your privacy settings at any time.
- Please check your groups in Realm to be sure that you are in the right groups-- let Ginger Bitikofer know if you are no longer in a group or if you need to be added to a new group.
- What about shut-ins and people who don't use computers or smartphones to access Realm? Staff will be in touch with them to request their permission to be included in the directory.
- See <u>Realm's Notes About Privacy</u> for additional information about privacy in Realm and for specific information for families with children.

Do you have other questions or need help with your privacy settings? Contact <u>Ginger Bitikofer</u> or <u>Eric Travis</u> for help.

Ginger and Eric continue to offer Realm Help on Sunday mornings in the Chapter Room, after each worship service. Bring your smartphone or other device and they'll help you get connected. If you attend church on Wednesday/Sunday evening or Thursday at noon, they can help after those services, too.

If you're a Trinity member who has not yet logged into Realm and can't find your Realm invitation, <u>contact Ginger</u>.





How long would it take for the system to ruin your life?

Join us for a forum on how we can adopt proven practices that will provide justice for all

# GCC Community Action

Tuesday May 7 | 7:00 p.m. Online Via Zoom In-Person at Olivet Institutional Baptist Church

Join Greater Cleveland Congregations for a forum



# Neighborhood Spruce-Up

The Neighborhood Partnerships Mission Team continues to explore new relationships while deepening current connections. Chair, Bill DiTirro, is looking for ways Trinity might connect with Habitat for Humanity work, and use the skills developed to eventually support Trinity congregation members who might need simple home repairs. on how we can adopt proven practices that will provide justice for all.

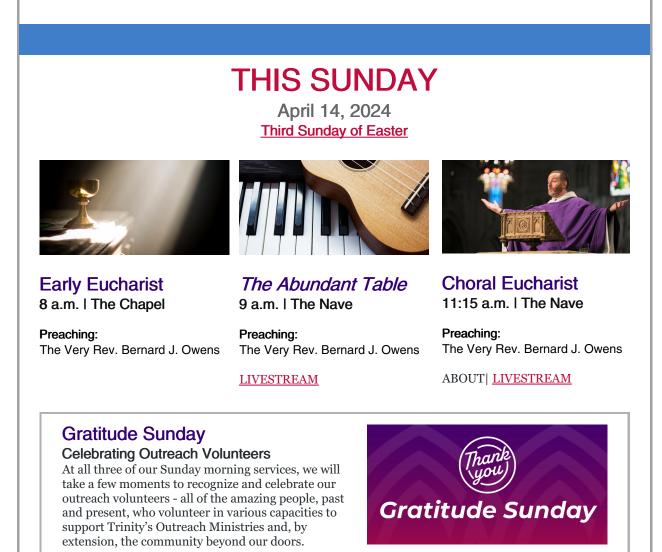
- GCC and community members will gather to publicly call for a more just and effective pretrial system.
- Hear how the pretrial process currently works in our county and its costly impacts on our community.
- Learn about alternatives! There are proven and effective ways to improve our system.

### <u>READ FLYER | REGISTER</u>

Habitat for Humanity will be hosting a Neighborhood Spruce-Up Day on **Saturday, June 8th.** This is where we offer minor exterior repairs, debris removal, and landscaping services to homeowners in the neighborhoods we are working in.

If you have repair skills or are interested in learning skills at the Spruce Up Day, please contact Bill DiTirro.

### CONTACT: Bill DiTirro



These generous people are those who've collected school supplies, organized Thanksgiving baskets, and wrapped Christmas gifts for Marion-Sterling School. They've helped with the school carnival and teacher appreciation luncheon, and they've been pen pals with students, too.

They have served at A Place at the Table, worked at the Urban Farm, and they've helped with campus ministry. They have supported refugees, worked to get petitions signed and voters registered, canvassed neighborhoods, and attended GCC action events to show support for socio-political issues in Greater Cleveland.

Join us in celebrating these wonderful people this Sunday.



### Discovering the New Testament The Proclamation | Led By: Linda Lee 10:10 a.m. | Conf. Rm. C/D

Through a process of reading, reflection, discussion and creative expression, both the first-time learner and the lifelong student are invited to an engaging, rewarding encounter with Scripture that will greatly deepen their knowledge and understanding of the Bible.

### **UPCOMING DATES**

April 28: The Church - Led by NancyAnne Sinclair May 5: The New Life - Led by Charlotte Nichols May 12: The Hope - Led by the Rev. Adrienne Koch

### **CONTACT:** Adrienne Koch



# Special Sunday Schmooze

## 10:10 a.m. | Piazza

On Sunday, April 14, we will have a special Schmooze to welcome to Cleveland the family of Ansly Damus, a Haitian refugee who was freed from ICE detention in 2018, through the efforts of two of our members, Gary Benjamin and Melody Hart, and others.

READ THE STORY

# NEXT WEEK

April 15-20, 2024



# **Brownbag Concert**

### Afternoon at the Opera Wednesday April 17 | 12:00 p.m.

Join soprano Val Sibila and mezzo-soprano Kira McGirr for a concert of opera arias and duets. From the sweetest Monteverdi and Menotti to some spicier Rossini and Bizet, these selections will have a little something for every palate.



### Kateri Tekakwitha, Lay Contemplative Wednesday April 17 | 6:00 p.m.

Choral Evensong

Preaching: The Rev. Keith Owen Officiating: The Rev. Adrienne Koch Ensemble: Trinity Cathedral Choir Service: T. Tertius Noble, Service in A Minor

### Healing Eucharist Thursday April 18 | 12:10 p.m.

This intimate mid-week service offers a brief respite from the pressures and frenetic pace of the world around us. Optional healing prayer is available.



# **Religious Emblems Retreat**

Saturday April 20 | 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. A retreat for those young people in various Scouting and Youth serving organizations who wish to earn their God & Family Religious Emblem. This includes Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, American Heritage Girls, 4H, & Sunday School participants.

**CONTACT: Eric Travis** 

NEXT SUNDAY April 21, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Easter



### Earth Day Trinity Forum 10:10 a.m. | Conf. Rm. A/B

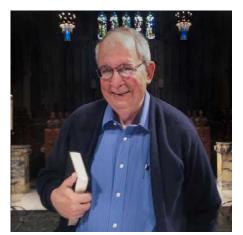
Samira Malone recently became the National Urban Forestry Portfolios Lead at the Center for Regenerative Solutions after serving as the Executive Director of the Cleveland Tree Coalition. She'll join Dean Owens for an Earth Day forum on environmental and racial justice, from the Central neighborhood to cities throughout America.

# BEYOND



## **Brownbag Concert**

The Choirs of Hathaway Brown School Wednesday April 24 | 12:00 p.m. Laura Webster leads the singers in a program of gorgeous choral music.



# The Dynamic Word (Part 1)

## The Continuing Work of Translating the Bible

7:00 p.m. | April 24 & May 1 | Dr. Bob Fowler

From its very beginnings, the Anglican relationship with scripture has been influenced by the hopes and tensions of translating the Bible into English. Our understanding of the words in those ancient texts is constantly evolving, as is our own English language. We now have a new "translation" (it's actually a revision) called the "NRSV Updated Edition." What potential for renewed faith might this edition hold for us all?

(Part 2: May 1)



# Liturgy of Welcome

**April 28** Trinity will offer a liturgy of welcome on Sunday, April 28 at all three services for those who have become members in the last year or are in the process of becoming members.

It's helpful, but not necessary, to let <u>Ginger Bitikofer</u> know in advance that you'd like to take part or if you'd simply like to know more about becoming a member.



# **Newcomers' Brunch**

## Sunday April 28 | 12:45 p.m. | Conf. Rm. C/D

Newcomers and new members are invited to attend a casual brunch with staff, clergy and congregational leaders after the 11:15 service on Sunday, April 28. Come and get to know us!

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FULL CALENDAR

# IN THE DIOCESE

### Bellwether Farm - Summer Camp Open House

Come tour Bellwether Farm to see where your campers will eat, sleep, and play on **April 14** from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Staff will be available to answer any questions. The open houses are open for everyone: previous campers, prospective campers, or campers that have already registered for this summer.

### **Religious Emblems Retreat**

A <u>Religious Emblems Retreat</u> will be held on Saturday, **April 20** from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at Trinity Cathedral. The event is for those young people in various scouting and youth serving organizations who wish to earn their God & Family Religious Emblem. This includes Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, American Heritage Girls, 4H, & Sunday School participants. Scholarships are available. If you have additional questions, please contact Eric Travis, Director of Children's & Youth Ministries of Trinity Cathedral, at <u>etravis@trinitycleveland.org</u> or 216.774.0408. <u>Registration</u> is required.

## **General Convention**

**Online registration** is open for visitors to the **<u>81st General Convention</u>** of The Episcopal Church, scheduled for June 23-28 in Louisville, Kentucky. An onsite registration area will also open June 21. Visitor registration fees for the entire convention are \$150 in advance, or \$180 at the site. The cost for day visitors is \$50 per day. Youth ages 12 to 18 will pay \$50 for the whole convention. Access to the exhibit area only is \$20 per day.

Visitor registration fees allow access to all areas of General Convention, including visitor galleries in the House of Bishops and House of Deputies, legislative committee rooms and hearings, the exhibit area, and worship services.

All registrants will be required to show a photo ID and sign a **<u>liability waiver and photo release</u> <u>agreement</u>** when they pick up their badge at the registration area.



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