

The Trinity Weekly

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The Dean's Corner: Cycling & Servant Ministry

Cycling is a team sport. When I watched the *Tour de France* this year, I learned how cycling teams work together to win races: one or two riders are expected to sprint and win stages, but the other six or seven protect and support them. They block the wind and other riders, they allow the leaders to draft behind them, they even carry food and water to the sprinters to keep them nourished. They are called *domestiques* (servants) and their job is not to win glory, but to help the team to victory.



I met someone this week who made a point to thank me and to thank Trinity Cathedral for being a place, in recent years, that could cast a vision of faith that helped them to find a new church home . . .

[Click here to read the full message.](#)

This Sunday, August 13

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

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

8 a.m. Early Eucharist

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, preaching and celebrating

Sunday begins with Early Eucharist in the chapel. This intimate service features basic music and follows the Book of Common Prayer in its order of worship.

9 a.m. *Discovering the Psalms* Bible Study

A psalms study from the Kerygma program continues – *Discovering the Psalms: Passion, Promise & Praise* – in conference room A/B. This week, The Very Rev. B.J. Owens will lead the seventh session in this study – *Psalms of Trust*. Each week in this eight-week course is led by a different Trinity facilitator. Classes run weekly through Sunday, August 20.

9:20 a.m. Youth and Children's Formation

Youth and children will have formation time in conference room C/D this week. Activities will include storytelling, learning about Jesus, crafts, games and more. Children may come and go as they are available between 9:20 and 9:45 a.m. Please contact Eric Travis (etravis@trinitycleveland.org) with questions.

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, preaching

The Rev. Adrienne Koch, celebrating

Music Director Todd Wilson will lead the music with soloist Brad Upham performing. Children can worship and/or play in the interactive soft space located in the east transept. The service will be livestreamed on trinitycleveland.org/choral-eucharist-livestream.

Stop by the Neighborhood Partnerships Mission Team Table this Sunday

During the month of August, the Neighborhood Partnerships mission team will share their programs with a display in the promenade during Sunday services.

Trinity commits to developing and maintaining reciprocal relationships of mutual support with our neighbors, especially in the Central and Campus District neighborhoods. These partnerships include Marion Sterling School, the Urban Farm, Campus Ministries and more. Stop by on Sunday to learn more and say hello! [Or visit the Neighborhood Partnership mission page.](#)



Reserve Your Trinity Cathedral Yard Sign

Thanks to the efforts of the *Invite, Welcome, Connect* mission team we are excited to offer complimentary yard signs as part of an outreach initiative to foster a spirit of belonging and community in Greater Cleveland.

We invite you to join us by displaying a sign and helping spread the positive, inclusive message of God's love to your friends and neighbors.

Signs are available at no cost, but donations are gratefully accepted.

To request a sign, please complete [this online form](#) or contact Ginger Bitikofer at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org.

Distribution will take place after services on Sundays, August 20th and 27th.

Seating of Bishop Anne B. Jolly Saturday, September 9 at 11 a.m.

Trinity members are invited to join us for one of the most unique, festive and joyful traditions in the Episcopal Church, the Recognition and Investiture of a Diocesan Bishop. One of our most important things we can do as members of a Cathedral is to provide an enthusiastic audience for this important event.



During the service, the bishop will knock on our doors and be formally seated in the *cathedra* (the chair of the bishop) from which our cathedral takes its name. You won't want to miss this memorable day in the life of the Cathedral and the Diocese. If you wish to volunteer to participate in the service, contact Ginger Bitikofer.

HELP NEEDED

School Supplies for Marion-Sterling School

Back to school shopping is one of the simplest ways our community supports the students and teachers at Marion Sterling School.



This year, the school is facing shortages in basic supplies due to cuts in local programs that previously provided these materials. Students rely on items like pencils, crayons, markers, notebooks, folders, and glue sticks for their schoolwork. Since these supplies wear out quickly, they need to be frequently replaced.

Click here to [download the list of supplies](#) that are needed.

Donations may be dropped off at the table in the promenade before, during and after Sunday services until August 20. You can also [donate online](#) or send a check payable to Trinity Cathedral with "Marion-Sterling School Supplies" in the memo line. Checks may be submitted through Sunday's offering, left at the front desk or mailed. If you have questions, please contact Linda Lee at eriesprite2@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Acolyte Trainings

**Sunday, August 20 at 11:15 a.m.
for 11:15 a.m. acolytes**

Sunday, August 27 at 11:15 a.m.

for 9 a.m. acolytes

Youth and adults at Trinity are invited to serve as acolytes during worship. Acolytes assist the ministers, but they also help to set a tone that invites everyone present into a closer experience of God. Trinity youth – those in grades 6-12 – and adults are encouraged to participate.

On Sunday, August 20, current 11:15 a.m. service acolytes and all other interested parties are encouraged to join an orientation and practice session. This will take place after the 10 a.m. service and meets at the altar.

On Sunday, August 27th, training for current *Abundant Table* (9 a.m.) acolytes will meet after the 10 a.m. service at the altar. If you (or your teenager) would like to participate but cannot attend these sessions, simply contact Eric Travis, etravis@trinitycleveland.org, or the Rev. Adrienne Koch, akoch@trinitycleveland.org.



Youth Confirmation Class Begins Sept. 17 for Youth in Seventh - Ninth Grade

Confirmation is the sacramental rite in which candidates "express a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop." (Book of Common Prayer, p. 860). Incoming seventh through ninth graders can join confirmation classes this fall.

Classes will take place one a month, beginning on Sunday, September 17 from 1–2:30 p.m. in the Youth & Family Center on Trinity's third floor. Classes will continue on the third Sunday of each month through March. If you have questions, please contact Eric Travis, etravis@trinitycleveland.org.

**Stay Connected: Trinity
Membership Directory**



Trinity members, stay in touch with your church friends this summer. Do you need an updated Trinity directory?

Send a note to Ginger Bitikofer at gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org to request a copy.

Columbarium Expansion: New Niches Now Available

Trinity has recently added 66 new niches to our columbarium, the undercroft room for the reverential storage of funerary urns holding cremains of the dead. These niches are now available for purchase. There are three sizes: small (\$2,000), medium (\$2,600) and large (\$3,200).

If you might be interested in purchasing a niche, please contact Ginger Bitikofer gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org. She can send you dimensions/measurements, columbarium guidelines, and more information to help guide your decision. The columbarium is open on Sunday mornings and other days by appointment – take a walk downstairs and see the new sections.



Marion-Sterling Pen Pal Program Resumes

Marion-Sterling School will be back in session starting Monday, August 21. Students wrote letters to their Trinity pen pals and we're ready to respond to help kick off the new school year.

There may be a few new students this year, so if you're interested in being a pen pal, contact Adrienne Koch at akoch@trinitycleveland.org.

Current pen pals can find the letters from their students in the mailbox located in the promenade. Thanks for welcoming our student pen pals back to school!

Fall Picnic Planning

Would you like to help with our congregational picnic on September 23? We'll need planners, servers, and folks who can set up and clean up. Send a note to Ginger



Bitikofer gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org if you'd like to be part of the team.

Adult Inquirer's Class Begins October 4

Would you like to learn more about The Episcopal Church? Would you like to be baptized, confirmed or transfer from another Episcopal church?

This class will take place Wednesday evenings after Evensong at 7 p.m. on October 4 and 18, November 1, 15 and 29 and December 13.

You're also welcome if you are interested in gathering with other newcomers and exploring what Episcopalians believe through the baptismal covenant. For more information or to sign up, contact Adrienne Koch at akoch@trinitycleveland.org.



Save the Dates

August 27 – Studying the Psalms in the Middle Ages with Dr. Emily Butler

August 27 – Blessing of the backpacks

September 3 – Sundae Schmooze: Ice Cream Social

September 9 – Seating of the Bishop – (11 a.m.)

September 10 – The Trinity Forum: Dr. Laura Bloomberg, president of Cleveland State University

September 10 – "Rally Sunday," program year and Sunday school returns

September 17 – Mission team retreat

September 23 – Congregational picnic

In the Diocese

Learn All About Bellwether Farm

To stay up-to-date on programming and upcoming events at Bellwether Farm, please sign up for the [Bellwether e-news](#). Current topics include farm suppers, volunteer day, innovation day and a watercolor retreat. Another way to keep up with their events is to visit their website: bellwetherfarm.com.

The deadline to submit program updates or events for *The Trinity Weekly* is the Tuesday before each Thursday publication date. Please send news to pam@goodcausecreative.org.

Deadline for items to be included in the September 2023 *Cathedral Connections* newsletter is Wednesday, August 23. Please contact Pam Turos at pam@goodcausecreative.org if you wish to receive a printed copy at home.

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