

THE TRINITY WEEKLY

December 7, 2023

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THE DEAN'S CORNER

Celebrating Todd Wilson

We love to celebrate good things. Nothing quite draws a crowd like a bishop ordination or a baptism Sunday. We gather eagerly at events like new member liturgies and Confirmation Sundays. We attend well to the exciting things that are changing in our midst.

But changes and transitions also include saying goodbye. Whether saying farewell to longtime members who move away or offering pastoral care to those experiencing loss, we open ourselves to the movement of the Holy Spirit when we are attentive to moments of change...

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WORSHIP

This Sunday

December 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent

Early Eucharist

8 a.m. | The Chapel

Preaching: The Rev. Adrienne Koch

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

The Abundant Table

9 a.m. | The Nave

Preaching: The Rev. Adrienne Koch

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Advent & Christmas Services

Dec. 17

Third Sunday of Advent

Preaching: The Rev. Jessie Dodson

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens &
The Rev. Adrienne Koch

Dec. 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent | 10 a.m.

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Eric Funston

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

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Choral Eucharist

11:15 a.m. | The Nave

Preaching: The Rev. Adrienne Koch

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

[LIVESTREAM](#)

This Week

December 11 - 16, 2023

Choral Evensong

Wednesday, Dec. 13 | 6 p.m. | The Nave

Lucy of Syracuse

Preaching: The Rev. Rosalind Hughes

Ensemble: Trinity Chamber Singers

Service: Charles Villiers Stanford in G

Dec. 24

Family Eucharist & Pageant | 5 p.m.

Preaching: The Rev. Adrienne Koch

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Dec. 24

Christmas Eve | 10 p.m.

Preaching: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Celebrating: The Rt. Rev. Anne B. Jolly

Dec. 25

Christmas Day | 10 a.m.

Preaching: The Rev. Adrienne Koch

Celebrating: The Rev. Adrienne Koch

Dec. 31

Lessons & Carols | 10 a.m.

Preaching: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens

[Christmas @ Trinity](#)

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Offering: Support the City Beyond Our Doors

This Christmas, the offerings at all Christmas services will benefit those in need who live just outside our doors. This includes ministries like A Place at the Table, the Marion-Sterling School partnership, and the Urban Farm. You can [GIVE ONLINE](#) today.



Christmas Giving Tree Continues

The Giving Tree is placed in the promenade with gift tags including clothing needs and gift requests for each child at Marion-Sterling School in Trinity's neighborhood. Choose a tag and bring back your wrapped gift (roughly \$30-\$35 value) by **December 17** (St. Nicholas Sunday).



The Mitten Tree Returns This Sunday

We need your help to keep the children of Marion-Sterling School warm this winter! You can help by decorating the Mitten tree with your donations. The tree will be placed in the Promenade starting Dec. 10 and remain there **through Jan. 7**.

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Todd Wilson Farewell Sunday, December 10

Let's gather to give our best wishes, thanks, and a warm farewell to Todd Wilson as he wraps up his final Advent season at Trinity.

Join us in the Piazza Dec. 10 following the 11:15 a.m. service.



Pop-up Pageant Participants Needed

At the 5 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service, we will hold our second annual pop-up Christmas Pageant. There are few larger parts that students can sign-up for as well as many other parts that need no rehearsal.

[SIGN UP](#) | [CONTACT: Eric Travis](#)



Greening of the Cathedral Saturday, December 23

Join the flower guild as they work with festive greens and decorations, making the church look and smell great for the holidays. Volunteers are needed for various tasks - setting up the creche, decorating Christmas trees and arranging fresh greens and poinsettias. No experience is required, so please come for a little while (starting at 9:00 a.m.) to help make it a beautiful Christmas at Trinity.

[CONTACT: Diane Hexter](#)



Luminaria Decorating

Be a part of lighting up the walkways of Trinity Cathedral on Christmas Eve by decorating a Luminaria. In the promenade there is a table where you can take a white bag and decorate it any way you wish and **return it by the morning of December 24th**. That evening, they will be placed outside the Cathedral with a candle inside to light up the walkways and give a soft glow for all those coming to Trinity for Christmas Eve services.

[CONTACT: Eric Travis](#)



Christmas Flower Remembrances

Remember a loved one at Christmastime with flowers on the altar. All remembrances received **by Wednesday, December 20** will be listed in the holiday services' bulletins. You can give online or via check. If using a check, include the name of the person you're honoring in the check memo. Checks can be mailed to the office or placed in the offering plate.

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The Philadelphia Eleven 50th Anniversary Film Screening

At a church in Philadelphia, a group of eleven women were ordained to the Episcopal priesthood in violation of the constitution and canons of the Episcopal Church. This story is told in a compelling new documentary *The Philadelphia Eleven*. The film is being released in 2024, and will screen at Trinity on Tuesday, January 30th hosted by the Diocese of Ohio and Trinity Cathedral.

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Trinity Grant Recipient Accepts Job as ICU Nurse

Liberty Mosher, a recipient of Trinity's Wise, Warmeling, Way Fund, has accepted a position at St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital. Following her graduation from Mercy College and Bowling Green State University in 2024, she will join the staff in the Medical ICU.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

[Todd Wilson Farewell Reception](#)

December 10

[Messiah Sing](#) *

Brownbag Concert Series

December 13

[Visit from St. Nicholas](#)

December 17

[Greening of the Cathedral](#)

December 23

[Christmas Eve](#)

December 24

[Christmas Day](#)

December 25

[Boar's Head & Yule Log Festival](#)

December 30 | 2:00 p.m. & 4:30 p.m

[Christmas Lessons & Carols](#)

December 31

[Forum with Dr. Michael Baston](#)

January 14

[The Philadelphia Eleven Screening](#)

January 30

[Calendar](#)

FEATURED



[Messiah Sing](#) *

December 13 | 12:00 p.m

Join us to sing this beloved oratorio that was composed in 1741 by George Frideric Handel with the Libretto based on scriptural text by Charles Jennens. The text is largely based on the King James Bible's accounts of the life of Jesus Christ. (It also includes sections of the Book of Common Prayer.) Sponsored by Jack and Anne Polomaki.

[CONCERT SCHEDULE](#)



[Boar's Head & Yule Log Festival](#)

December 30 | 2:00 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.

The Boar's Head is a cherished institution at Trinity, performed here since 1961. The Elizabethan-inspired pageant celebrates the arrival of the Christ child and the triumph of good over evil. If you've never seen it before, you owe it to yourself to take part in this holiday tradition. It is a feast for the senses with its bright vibrant colors for the eye, the familiar and extraordinary seasonal music enhanced by the organ and brass for the ear, fragrances of incense and the royal banquet of ham, mincemeat pie and other delicacies for the nose.

Would you like to volunteer to be a part of the Boar's Head cast? Participants are needed to play roles in both the pageant itself and behind the scenes.

[CONTACT: Ginger Bitikofer](#) | [READ MORE](#) | [SIGN UP](#)

EDUCATION



Enneagram

Dec. 13 | 7:00 p.m. | Conf. Room A/B

Increase your capacity to be receptive, loosen your mental fixations and unhealthy habits, and relax your body by connecting to the Spirituality of the Enneagram with certified spiritual director in the Narrative Enneagram, the Rev. Adrienne Koch.

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Bible Study

Sundays | 10:10 a.m. | Trinity Commons

This Month: Dec. 10, 17

Join Trinity clergy and lay facilitators in an exploration of the people, places and stories of the Bible and discover where The Story lives in your story! 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.

Sacred Space Zoom Meeting

Tuesday Dec. 12 | 5:45 p.m.

Sacred Space is a small group that meets to explore a variety of forms of contemplative practice. The purpose is to support one another's growth in prayer and spiritual practice.

Contact Charlotte Nichols to learn more.

[CONTACT](#)

IN THE DIOCESE



Winter Convocation 2024

February 2-3 | Kalahari Convention Center

Join the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio at Winter Convocation, February 2-3, at Kalahari Convention Center in Sandusky to get a one-day preview of [The College of Congregational Development \(CCD\)](#) that you can immediately apply in your congregational setting.

[Register](#)



Bellwether Farm

Bellwether Farm Camp, Retreat, and Education Center offers a model of sustainable living that promotes physical and spiritual wellness, fidelity to the environment, and social justice. It incorporates farming, food production, and eco-stewardship into land-based educational programs for people of all ages and backgrounds.

[Calendar](#)

IN THE COMMUNITY

Homeless Help 101

December 12 from 6-7:30 PM

Do you interact with unhoused people where you work, learn, live or worship? Learn how to best assist and interact with people who may be experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness. During this live teach-in, you will hear firsthand accounts of what it's like to experience homelessness in Cleveland, as well as tips and best practices for how you can help.

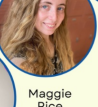




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The Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless presents:

Homeless Help 101

Learn how to best assist and interact with people who may be experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness.

Tues. Dec. 12
6:00-7:30 PM



Kim "Supermutt" Goodman

Angelo Anderson


Jonathan "2Braids" Harris

Sheri West

Maggie Rice

Liam Haggerty

Register on Zoom or watch on Facebook live!



www.facebook.com/clevelandhomeless

www.neoch.org

We The Kingdom Comes to Cleveland

We The Kingdom, a contemporary Christian music band, is coming to Cleveland, OH on Sunday, December 17th for a Christmas tour. The band is seeking volunteers (18+) to pass out packets at the event. Volunteers will then be able to watch and enjoy most of the concert.

For more information and to register, click the link below:



WE THE KINGDOM *Matt Maher*

11/30	MACON, GA	12/09	MYRTLE BEACH, SC
12/01	RICHMOND, VA	12/10	NORTH CHARLESTON, SC
12/02	VIRGINIA BEACH, VA	12/15	CLARKSTON, MI
12/03	GREENVILLE, SC	12/16	ANDERSON, IN
12/07	BRIMMINGHAM, AL	12/17	CLEVELAND, OH
12/08	CHARLOTTE, NC		

*** A Family Christmas ***

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- Submit program updates or events for *The Trinity Weekly* by the Tuesday before each Thursday publication date.
- Deadline for items to be included in the January 2024 *Cathedral Connections* newsletter is Monday, December 18. Please email news@trinitycleveland.org if you wish to receive a printed copy at home.



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