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A Sacred Place for All People



THE DEAN'S CORNER

The Gift of the Eleven

I cannot imagine ministry without the leadership of women. I have been raised up by women who are priests, I have served alongside women who celebrated Eucharist and I have been blessed (literally) by women fulfilling their ministry as bishops in the church. I am married to a woman who is a gifted pastor and preacher. A church led only by men in robes would feel, to me, empty, distorted, and incomplete.

I simply cannot imagine ministry without the leadership of women...

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WORSHIP & GATHER

This Sunday

January 28, 2024

Fourth Sunday After The Epiphany

Gratitude Sunday

At all three of our Sunday morning services, we will take a few moments to recognize and celebrate our Worship volunteers - all of the amazing people, **past and present**, who volunteer in various capacities to make sure that all of our worship needs are attended to. We'd love for all our worship volunteers, past and present, to join us. We hope to see you there!

Early Eucharist

Next Week

Jan. 29 - Feb. 23, 2024

The Philadelphia Eleven Film Screening

Jan. 30 | 4:30 p.m.

In 1974, 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 year 2024 marks the 50th anniversary of the Philadelphia ordinations, and will screen at Trinity on Tuesday, January 30th hosted by the Diocese of Ohio and Trinity

8 a.m. I The Chapel

Preaching: The Rev. Adrienne Koch Celebrating: The Rev. Adrienne Koch

The Abundant Table

9 a.m. I The Nave

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

LIVESTREAM

The Dean's Forum 10:10 a.m. | Conf. Rm. A/B

Dean Owens began his time at Trinity Cathedral in December 2018...just over five years ago! On January 28, he'll look back at what the Trinity community has built in the past years, and the foundation we've set for the years to come.

Choral Eucharist

11:15 a.m. | The Nave

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

LIVESTREAM

Cathedral.

The reservation deadline is January 26.

REGISTER NOW

Two other area churches, St, Peter's Lakewood and St. Paul's Cleveland Heights are hosting screenings and discussions as well. The Rev. Nancy H. Wittig, a priest of the Diocese of Ohio and one of the Philadelphia Eleven, will be at all three events. The Rt. Rev. Anne B. Jolly will join the discussions at Trinity and St. Paul's.



LENTEN SEASON



Mardi Gras Celebration

February 13 | 5:30 p.m.

Join the pre-Lenten fun on Shrove Tuesday when we gather for a New Orleans-style jambalaya meal. Or have pancakes & sausages if you prefer. The festivities run from 5:30-7:30 p.m. We'll have Mardi Gras beads, masks, crafts, games & music. Pancake races! Hide & seek in the church!

The jambalaya meal includes chicken, sausage & shrimp jambalaya, salad, cornbread, dessert & beverage. Vegetarian jambalaya and gluten-free pancakes available. We will accept donations to help with the cost of the meal. Please, register at the link below.



Ash Wednesday

February 14 | Three Services

The lenten season begins with Ash Wednesday on February 14. **Trinity will hold services at 7:30 a.m. (in the chapel), noon and 6:00 p.m**. All services will include Holy Eucharist and the imposition of ashes. The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens will preach at all three services.

REGISTER

Volunteers are needed for set-up/decorating, serving and clean-up. If you can help, please contact Ginger Bitikofer, gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org.



Trinity Friars Dinner Group

The Trinity Friars dinner group will be back this year, gathering on Fridays in the Lenten season to find the best church fish fry in greater Cleveland. All are welcome to join the group and attend one or more of these (offsite) dinners for food and fellowship. "Friar Fridays" take place on Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 1, 8, 15 and 22; meal locations will rotate around the Cleveland area.

Contact Bill DiTirro at bdt8320@sbcglobal.net to add your name to the Friars mailing list (or to find out more). On the Sunday before each Friday gathering, Bill will send an invitation to that week's fish fry, with information about the location and the group's meeting time.



Lent Madness is Coming!

What is Lent Madness? It's a fun, engaging way to learn about the men and women highlighted in the Church's calendar of saints during the season of Lent. The madness begins this year on February 15 (the day after Ash Wednesday).

Here's the format: 32 saints are placed into a single elimination tournament bracket (think "March Madness"). Biographical information about each saint is shared; two saints go head-to-head each weekday. Vote for your favorite saints on the Lent Madness website, or by using social media— anyone can participate and it's free. Things get more interesting in the later rounds - we find out a little more about the semifinal and final contenders - and ultimately, one saint earns the coveted Golden Halo. Lent Madness is co-sponsored by Forward Movement, an Episcopal Church spiritual formation resource.

<u>Visit the Lent Madness website to find out more and follow the tournament's progress.</u>

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership Portal Transitions

As part of the transition to our new member database, Realm, our previous member portal, Trinity Connect, is no longer active. We will introduce Realm to our members in February. Keep an eye out for more news and an email invitation to join Realm. In the meantime, if you have changes in your contact information, please send them to Ginger Bitikofer, gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org.



If you are a small group leader and use Trinity Connect to reserve rooms, please contact Ginger to find out how you will reserve rooms in the future.

Join the Cathedral Sunday Teams!

It takes about 200 people to lead our Cathedral's Sunday morning worship. We need your help! This month we are creating the **Cathedral Sunday Teams** to give more people the chance to take a leadership role on

Sunday Morning. We encourage you to consider if there is a role you can play one Sunday a month that will allow Trinity to grow and thrive on Sundays and beyond. Here are some of the roles that need filled:

- Sacristans (Altar Guild): prepare the altar and communion elements for worship; clear the altar after the service
- Ushers: offer hospitality and guidance in the worship service; take up the offering
- **Greeter/Newcomer Hosts:** Greet folks coming in the Euclid and Commons entrances and follow up with the newcomers after the service when appropriate.
- Neighborhood Hosts: Receive additional training to offer hospitality and assistance to neighbors, including those experiencing homelessness.
- Acolytes: Assist the clergy during worship service by getting sacred things where they need to be.
- Children's Chapel: Join the Children's Ministry Director in leading age-appropriate worship and formation during the homily
- **Coffee Support:** Assist in preparing coffee and more for post-church gatherings.

Roles are beginning to fill up. Take a look at the updated teams template, then let us know which team you can serve on from mid-February to the end of May. Filled roles are indicated on the template. If you are able to serve, contact <u>Ginger Bitikofer</u>.

Let's get to work!

<u>UPDATED TEAMS TEMPLATE</u> | <u>CONTACT</u>: Ginger Bitikofer

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

* Indicates Music & Art at Trinity event

Gratitude Sunday

January 28

Dean's Forum:

Dean Owens' First 5 Years

January 28 | 10:10 a.m.

The Philadelphia Eleven Screening

January 30 | 4:30 p.m.

Annual Meeting

February 4 | 10:10 a.m.

Cathedral Tour

February 4 | 12:30 p.m.

Brownbag Concerts Resume*

Liebeslieder Waltzes

February 7 | 12:00 p.m.

Choral Evensong Resumes

February 7 | 6:00 p.m.

Mardi Gras Celebration

February 13

Ash Wednesday

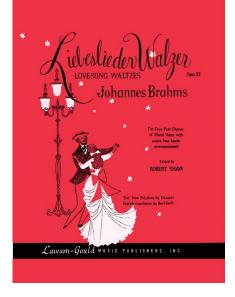
February 14

Songs of Freedom, Hope & Peace

February 23

<u>Calendar</u>





Brownbag Concert: Liebeslieder Waltzes

February 7 | 12:00 p.m.

The Brownbag Concerts return at 12PM on Wednesday, February 7, with Johannes Brahms' lively Liebeslieder Waltzes, sung by a quartet of magnificent singers from the choirs at Trinity. The waltzes are a collection of love songs in Ländler style for voices and piano four hands. The lyrics for the *Liebeslieder* come from Georg Friedrich Daumer's *Polydora*, a collection of folk songs and love poems.



Songs of Freedom, Hope & Peace February 23 I 7:00 p.m.

Roots of American Music in partnership with Trinity Cathedral presents a concert of gospel, protest songs, and uplifting anthems from social justice movements in American history.

EDUCATION



EfM Reunion Gathering

February 7 | 6:00 p.m. | The Cathedral

EFM (Education for Ministry) is a four-year Christian Formation program of study, prayer, worship, and theological reflection, where seminar groups journey together through scripture, church history, and theology.

Have you participated in EfM? This gathering is for current, former, or prospective students and friends. Join us for evensong, dinner and conversation with fellow EfM alumni. Register today at the link below.

REGISTER

Bible Study: Exploring the New Testament

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

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.

CONTACT: Adrienne Koch

IN THE DIOCESE



Winter Convocation 2024

February 2-3 | Kalahari Convention Center

Don't miss out on this year's Winter Convocation, **February 2-3**, at Kalahari Convention Center in Sandusky. At this year's Convocation, you will get a one-day preview of The College of Congregational Development (CCD) with helpful information that you can immediately apply in your congregational setting. CCD is built to help equip clergy and lay people with the knowledge, skills, and practices needed to develop their congregations to be more faithful, healthy, effective, and sustainable communities that share the love of Jesus.

While online registration is closed, same-day registration will be available at Kalahari. Payment will be accepted by cash or check only on the day of the event.

READ MORE

Celebration of the Consecration of the Rt. Rev. Barbara Clementine Harris and the Commemoration of the Rev. Absalom Jones

February 10 | 1:00 p.m. | Our Saviour, Akron

On Saturday, **February 10** at 1:00 p.m. at Our Saviour, Akron, the President, Officers and Members of the Wilma Ruth Combs Northeast Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians, together with the Diocese of Ohio and Church of Our Saviour, Akron will host the annual Festival Eucharist celebrating the Rev. Absalom Jones and the Rt. Rev. Barbara Clementine Harris. The Rt. Rev. Anne B. Jolly will be the Celebrant at the service, and the Rev. Edwin Daniel Johnson will be the preacher at this year's service. All are welcome to come celebrate of these noted saints whose lives and ministries have impacted our common life and ministry as we continue our work of reconciliation and dismantling racism in our efforts to move closer to becoming Beloved Community.

READ MORE

BEYOND



Tuesday, January 30 at 7 pm Elizabeth Baptist Church 6114 Francis Ave. Cleveland Ohio 44127

January 30th Action

7:00 p.m. I Elizabeth Baptist Church

GCC is hosting Mayor Justin Bibb to address successes and challenges of our Cleveland Neighborhood Now campaign. This action also sets the stage for our kick-off democracy work in 2024, including changing gerrymandering in Ohio. A large in-person turnout of our members will show our power to organize!

IN PERSON REGISTRATION

ZOOM REGISTRATION

Send news & program updates to news@trinitycleveland.org.

• Submit program updates or events for *The Trinity Weekly* by the Tuesday before each Thursday publication date.







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