The Dean's Corner: An End to Gun Violence

We can end gun violence.

Each year 43,000 Americans are shot and killed. More than 75,000 more are wounded. Though shootings happen every day, it seems that every few weeks we are jolted awake once again by a new level of horror, be it a school or synagogue or grocery store shooting that claims innocent lives while so often putting the demons of racism, xenophobia and homophobia on full graphic display. As we know too well, those tragic events are then met with outrage by some and a little more than a flourish of thoughts and prayers by others.

Read the dean's entire message here.

This Sunday, June 4

First Sunday After Pentecost
Trinity Sunday

Click here for this week's Scripture.

Wear Orange!
When it was founded, Wear Orange day was a single day held in memory of
Hadiya Pendleton, a high school student from Chicago who was shot and killed on a local playground. Her childhood friends decided to wear orange (the color hunters wear in the woods to protect themselves and others) on June 2, 2015, the day Hadiya would have turned 18.

Since then, the program has expanded nationally to a period of three days each year: National Gun Violence Awareness Day (the first Friday in June) and Wear Orange Weekend (the ensuing weekend). This year, Wear Orange will take place from June 2-4.

We ask that on Trinity Sunday, June 4, everyone wear orange to church to support this effort to end gun violence in our city, state and country. You can learn more about the program and the many other ways you can help by visiting the Everytown Support Fund website.

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. Adult Formation - Psalms in the Middle Ages
Join medievalist Dr. Emily Butler to learn how the psalms were studied in the Middle Ages. This will take place Sunday at 9 a.m. and will return on Sunday, August 27 in conference room A/B. The psalms have been part of communal worship in Jewish and Christian traditions for millennia, but they were also foundational texts for medieval education and scholarly explanation. Emily will examine a few manuscripts and the notes that medieval scribes made around the psalms. Join in a discussion of what we might learn from the questions others have asked about the psalms.

9:20 a.m. Youth and Children’s Formation
Youth and Children will have formation time throughout the summer until August 27 from 9:20 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. in conference room C/D. This will include storytelling, learning about the Bible and Jesus, games, crafts, activities and more. Children and youth can participate any time they’re available. 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
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.

11:15 a.m. Cathedral Tour
Join docent Darrell Lausche for a tour of the cathedral this Sunday after the 10 a.m. service. The tour will focus on the history, architecture and art in our magnificent church building. Darrell previews the tour when he said, "There is so much to learn, love and share about Trinity Cathedral. I notice something new every time I enter the space. Being a docent helps me participate in building a community of faith that appreciates our architectural connections to Scripture and our Anglican roots."
Powerfully Perfect Pentecost

It was a festive day at Trinity this past Sunday as we celebrated Pentecost, the day when the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles and other followers of Jesus. The church was all decked out in red and the proceedings included a joyous procession at the beginning and end of the 10 a.m. service.

Upcoming LGBTQ+ Events

June 3 – Pride in the CLE! – Walk with Trinity and fifteen other churches in the Diocese of Ohio during this year’s Pride march! Gather in the Trinity parking lot by 9:15 a.m. this Saturday. We’ll walk over to Public Square.
about 9:45 a.m. You'll take a parking ticket to enter the Trinity lot. After parking, enter Trinity Commons and the receptionist will validate your ticket. We're excited that members from these area Episcopal churches will be marching with us.

1. Trinity Church, Alliance
2. St. Barnabas, Bay Village
3. St. Thomas, Berea
4. St. Matthew's, Brecksville
5. St. Paul's, Cleveland Heights
6. St. Luke's, Cleveland
7. Church of the Epiphany, Euclid
8. St. Christopher by-the-River, Gates Mills
9. St. Hubert's, Kirtland Hills
10. Church of the Ascension, Lakewood
11. Good Shepherd Church, Lyndhurst
12. St. Bartholomew, Mayfield Village
13. St. Paul's, Medina
14. Christ Church, Oberlin
15. Christ Church, Shaker Heights

The contact persons for Pride in the CLE are Dan McGuire, dmguireny@gmail.com, and Matthew Jaroszewicz, matthew.j.jaroszewicz@gmail.com.

**June 25 – Pride Sunday** – Celebrate our LGBTQ+ friends at Trinity and beyond. Pride Sunday, as part of Pride Month, is a season for honoring the image of God in LGBTQ+ people. Throughout our services that day, we will reflect and give thanks.

At 9 a.m., we'll meet in conference room A/B to watch a video featuring Sharon Roggio, director of the film *1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture*. She will reflect on the research and filmmaking behind this true story of a biblical translation that led to the word "homosexual" being included for the first time in a Bible text. This was the film that Trinity served as community partner for at this year's Cleveland International Film Festival.

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**EPF Prayers for Wear Orange Sunday**

The Diocese of Ohio Episcopal Peace Fellowship and Trinity Cathedral members offer prayers for the Wear Orange remembrance of the victims, survivors, witnesses, loved ones and communities affected by gun violence. You can read the prayers here.
We'll Be in Touch...

Trinity would like to hear from our congregants, so a member of vestry will be contacting you by email in the next couple of weeks. They will ask things like:

- Can we help or support you with anything?
- Can we share in any present or upcoming celebrations you have?
- Is there anything specific you are looking for from Trinity?

All of our members and friends are so important to us. Please let us know by responding to the upcoming email and if you wish, talking with a vestry member.

Mission Team Fair and Sunday Schmooze

Attend Trinity's first mission team fair next Sunday, June 11. It will take place in Cathedral Hall from 9 to 9:50 a.m. You can find opportunities to volunteer in many different cathedral ministries, learn more about the mission team structure and meet like-minded congregants. The Sunday Schmooze will also happen in Cathedral Hall, with special food and drink offerings, making a comfortable atmosphere for schmoozing. Weather permitting, you can even hang out at the adjacent cathedral garden. The doors will be open!

Discovering the Psalms

Starting July 2 through August 20, adult faith formation will offer a Psalms study from the Kerygma program – Discovering the Psalms: Passion, Promise & Praise. This seven-week study, led by a different Trinity facilitator each week, shows the richness of the psalms in terms of spirituality, personal growth and worship. If you have questions, please contact the Rev. Adrienne Koch, akoch@trinitycleveland.org.

Thursday Healing Eucharist
Did you know that Trinity holds a midday service every Thursday? Even during the summer, you can join this quiet, profound service that offers a mid-week respite for worshipers. This Eucharist is open to all and, if desired, worshipers can receive a laying-on of hands and anointing for healing of themselves or others. This service is held in the chapel at 12:10 p.m.

Watch Party: My Name is Pauli Murray

The Adult Faith Formation mission team is hosting a movie watch party online to view this biopic on Pauli Murray, who is honored by The Episcopal Church as one of its Holy Men, Holy Women. This will take place on Thursday, June 15 from 6–7:45 p.m. Advance registration is required at bit.ly/WatchPauliMurray. Amazon Prime membership is also required, and if there is interest, we will organize an in-person group, too. You can do both or just the walk (see below) or the movie. Contact Cynthia Ries (cynthiaries@gmail.com) with questions.

Give Me a Song of Hope: Labyrinth Walk and Meditation Honoring the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray

Honoring the life of the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray, civil rights activist, advocate, legal scholar, theorist and Episcopal priest. This special labyrinth walk will also commemorate Junteenth, which takes place the following day. Please register at bit.ly/PauliMurrayLabyrinthWalk. Contact Cynthia Ries (cynthiaries@gmail.com) with questions.

Save the Dates

June 11 – Mission Team Fair and Sunday Schmooze
June 17 – Celebration of Bishops and Staff – Hathaway Brown School
June 25 – Pride Sunday
July 9 – Sunday Schmooze

August 27 – Blessing of the Backpacks

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

September 23 – Congregational picnic

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**In the Diocese**

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**Summer Happenings at Bellwether Farm**

The busy season has begun at Bellwether Farm, the diocese’s retreat, education center and model of sustainable living. Many opportunities to attend camps, volunteer, experience retreats, bike rides and more will take place there in the coming months. [Click here to explore these upcoming events.](#)

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**In The Episcopal Church**

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**Becoming Beloved Community E-Newsletter**

Did you know that The Episcopal Church's Racial Justice and Reconciliation Ministries publishes a monthly e-newsletter? It's full of news including commentary from church leaders, anti-racism training, the Sacred Ground program, upcoming events and prayers. You can [read the May issue here](#). You can [subscribe to the newsletter here](#).

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

Deadline for items to be included in the August 2023 *Cathedral Connections* newsletter (June and July will be a combined edition) is Friday, July 21. Please contact Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org if you wish to receive a printed copy at home.
The mission of Trinity Cathedral is to proclaim in word and action God's justice, love and mercy for all creation.