The Dean's Corner:  
A Fond Farewell

One gift of being an Episcopal church is that we are not a single congregation (or cathedral) located in one place, but rather, each congregation or ministry is an expression of a wider diocese. We are richly blessed to share in a ministry that spans much of Ohio and includes faithful folk in cities and rural areas, campgrounds and cathedrals. Each congregation has its unique setting and vocation, but together we bear witness to the life-changing love of God.

We see this especially in the gift of shared leadership, and we look with gratitude to our bishops and their staff for guidance, unity, support, and inspiration.

Read the dean's entire message here

This Sunday, June 18

Third Sunday After Pentecost  
Father's Day
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
9 a.m. Adult Formation
Honoring the life of the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray, civil rights activist, advocate, legal scholar, theorist and Episcopal priest. Join this special labyrinth walk on Sunday, June 18, and we'll also commemorate Juneteenth, which takes place the following day. Please register at bit.ly/PauliMurrayLabyrinthWalk. Please contact Cynthia Ries (cynthiaries@gmail.com) with questions.

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 and celebrating
Morgan Mecaskey and the Abundant Table musicians will provide the songs. Children can worship and/or play in the interactive soft space located in the east transept. We will honor our fathers on Father's Day with a special prayer. The service will be livestreamed on trinitycleveland.org/choral-eucharist-livestream.

The Weekend That Was
Trinity enjoyed a fine early summer weekend, starting on Saturday. 14 volunteers helped plant tomatoes at the Urban Farm. The farmers have received some additional plants and will plant tomatoes and yellow squash this Saturday, June 17 – all volunteers are welcome at any time from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

On Sunday, Trinity held its first-ever mission team fair. Each of eight mission teams staffed a table in Cathedral Hall, which was also home to an all-ages Sunday Schmooze. The fair proved so popular that it was
"held over" from its initial 9–9:50 time slot and was open after the 10 a.m. service, too!

Will Seifert-Kessell (left), David Lawrence and Michael Wells (not pictured) were recognized as new Education for Ministry (EfM) graduates. EfM is a four-year program of study covering the Old and New Testaments, the history of the Christian religion, and theology.

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**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.

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**EPF Prayer for Juneteenth**

The Diocese of Ohio's Episcopal Peace Fellowship (EPF) chapter and Trinity Cathedral, its parish peace partner are offering a special prayer for Juneteenth, which takes place Monday. You might also want to browse the material provided at last week's Mission Team Fair by the Peace, Justice and Mercy mission team.

[Find Peace, Justice & Mercy Material Here]
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.

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.

Video Interview – Director of 1946 The Movie

On Pride Sunday, June 25 at 9 a.m. in conference room A/B, watch a video featuring Sharon Roggio, director of the film 1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture. She will reflect on the research 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 a community partner at this year’s Cleveland International Film Film Festival.
Discovering the Psalms

Starting Sunday, July 2 through Sunday, August 20 at 9 a.m., 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.

Trinity Commons/Cathedral
Closed Fridays This Summer

The Trinity campus will be closed on Fridays this summer. If you need to gain access, please contact a Trinity staff member.

Save the Dates

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

In the Diocese

Diocesan Listening Sessions

To build and deepen relationships in the diocese and with the bishop and bishop’s staff, Bishop Anne is inviting everyone in the diocese to participate in listening sessions this summer. The diocese will be able to have facilitated
discussions and table conversations about the vision for the diocese and how the bishop and her staff can support congregations in living out their missions. The information taken from these sessions will be used for discussion at diocesan convention in November. A list of the listening sessions is available on the diocesan website. Please RSVP for the session you plan to attend.

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Recognizing and Celebrating Bishops and Staff

As we wind our way to the end of the episcopal transition process, we encourage you to take part in two last transition opportunities:

The Bishops' Recognition Fund
We invite you to consider giving a gift to The Bishops' Recognition Fund to honor our shared companionship with Bishops Mark, Arthur, Bill, and David over the past nearly 20 years. All donations will support youth programming (Episcopal Youth Event, Bellwether youth programs, diocesan youth events) and congregational vitality (supporting financially struggling parishes so they can afford clergy). You can read more and donate here: dohio.org/the-bishops-recognition-fund.

Celebration of Bishops and Staff
All are invited to a diocesan-wide celebration of Bishop Mark, Bishop Arthur, Bishop Bill, the late Bishop David, and our retiring bishop’s staff members, the Revs. Percy Grant and Brad Purdom, Mr. Bill Powel and Ms. Sue Leishman, and all their colleagues this Saturday, June 17 from 2 – 6 p.m. at Hathaway Brown School in Shaker Heights. This casual outdoor event, designed for all ages, will feature live music and free food trucks (including the Bellwether Airstream with ice cream).

We hope you'll personally participate in these opportunities as well as share them with your friends and communities. Please contact transitioncommittee@dohio.org with questions.

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World Day Against Trafficking in Persons

The Diocesan Episcopal Anti-Human Trafficking Committee is sponsoring Striving for Hope, a one-mile walk to raise funds for a spiritual retreat for victims of human trafficking under the guidance of the Renee Jones Empowerment Center. It will take place on Saturday, July 22 at the Solon Community Park, Portz Parkway in Solon,
Registration is $10 per person or $40 for a team of five. You can send participant names with registration checks to St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 6295 Chagrin River Rd., Chagrin Falls, OH 44022. Please make checks out to St. Martin's with "Striving for Hope" in the memo line. Donations will also be accepted.

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/July is 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.