

The Trinity Weekly

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A Sacred Place for All People

The Dean's Corner: From Affirmation to Invitation

You can imagine how good I felt when Kimayo, a musician and artist from New Hampshire, told me why she wanted to perform at Trinity Cathedral. She said, "I want to be there because Trinity is clearly a sacred place for all people." She wanted to offer her one-woman performance of story and song, *My Queer Faith*, in a place where all are truly welcomed. But, she also insisted that her tour stops in places that are indeed *sacred* as well.



[Read the dean's entire message here](#)

This Sunday, May 21

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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

Please note: The Cleveland Marathon is taking place on Sunday and it passes Trinity on E. 22nd St. This should not cause any disruptions nor prevent you from getting to Trinity, but your route may change. Check out the [marathon route map](#) for complete information.

Liturgy of Welcome

Trinity will offer a liturgy of welcome this Sunday at all three services for those

who have become members in the last year or are in the process of becoming members. It's helpful, but not necessary, to let Ginger Bitikofer know in advance (gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org) that you'd like to take part or if you'd simply like to know more about becoming a member.

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. *The Abundant Table* Eucharist

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, preaching and celebrating Morgan Mecaskey (vocals, guitar and piano), Ashlee Foreman (vocals), Andrew Bonnis (bass) and Mikel Mahoney (percussion) will provide the music. Children can worship and/or play in the interactive soft space, located in the east transept. Children's chapel is offered after the Gospel until the passing of the peace. The service will be livestreamed on trinitycleveland.org/abundant-table-livestream.

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

Children from Pre-K through second grade meet in the classroom next to the nursery (on floor 1R) and third through 12th grades assemble in the Youth & Family Center on Trinity's third floor.

10:10 a.m. The Trinity Forum

Dean Owens welcomes Gulnar Feerasta, senior director of programming at the LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland. Shortly before Pride month in June, they will talk about the work and mission of the LGBT Center, give a preview of the annual Pride in the CLE event, and talk about how many LGBTQ+ youth and adults experience housing insecurity. The forum takes place in conference room A/B.

10:10 a.m. *God Calls Leaders* Bible Study

Join members and friends in conference room C/D for the last class in this Bible study series. Explore how inspired leaders make a difference in the unfolding biblical drama. Understanding how God worked through the lives of the patriarchs, prophets, Jesus and the apostles will light the path for new leaders who will continue the journey. This week's theme: To All the Nations.

11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, preaching and celebrating Music will include works by Charles-Marie Widor, Gerald Finzi, Randall Thompson and Marcel Dupré. Children can worship and/or play in the interactive soft space, located in the east transept. Children's chapel is offered after the Gospel until the passing of the peace. The service will be livestreamed on trinitycleveland.org/choral-eucharist-livestream.

It will be the last Sunday of the Cathedral Choir's regular season. We wish them heartfelt and enthusiastic thanks for their time, talent, energy and devotion.

Dozens Attend *Guns to Gardens* Demonstration

Roughly 60 attendees from Trinity and beyond witnessed last Saturday's *Guns to Gardens* event at Trinity's Urban Farm. The Rev. Rosalind Hughes, rector of Church of the Epiphany in Euclid demonstrated how she can turn an implement of death (gun parts) into garden tools, promoting life, sustenance and nutrition. Church of the Epiphany will hold a special gun buyback day on June 10 from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Special thanks go out to Rosalind and Gail Smith, who planned and carried out the occasion. Fox 8 News was in attendance and ran a story about the event on their 10 p.m. news that day.



The Rev. Rosalind Hughes explains the *Guns to Gardens* process at Trinity's Urban Farm.

Dean Owens hammers a former gun barrel into what soon became a garden trowel.



Organizer Gail Smith plants cucumber seeds using the garden trowel, transforming an implement of death into an instrument of life.

Last Day to RSVP for Marriage Blessing

The congregation of Trinity Cathedral is cordially invited to attend the marriage blessing of the Rev. Adrienne Koch and Melanie Giovannone at the cathedral this Saturday, May 20. Gatsby/Old Hollywood attire encouraged! [Please RSVP here](#)

Ceremony: 2 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Standing reception for Trinity congregation members in the piazza to follow – 3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Summer Service Schedule Starts Next Sunday

Trinity will begin its summer service schedule next week, May 28. There will be two services at 8 a.m. (chapel) and 10 a.m. (nave). The schedule will run through September 3, the day before Labor Day.

Starting Sunday, June 4, adults will have faith formation opportunities in conference room A/B from 9–9:50 a.m. and children and youth in conference room C/D from 9:20 a.m.–9:45 a.m.

Pentecost Next Sunday

We will celebrate Pentecost next Sunday, May 28. This is a major feast day in The Episcopal Church which commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles and other disciples following the crucifixion, resurrection and ascension of Jesus. **Wear red** to signify the work of the Spirit. Our clergy will also **wear red** vestments as well.

Kimayo to Perform *My Queer Faith* at Trinity

Singer-songwriter Kimayo will bring her *My Queer Faith* tour to Trinity on Tuesday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m.

This is one of only two Ohio dates on her tour. Kimayo's mission is to inspire hope, restoration, and unity between LGBTQIA+ folks and faith communities. You can preview her music and watch her videos at kimayomusic.com. A reception will follow the concert in the piazza at approximately 7:30 p.m., brought to you by Trinity's LGBTQ+ outreach ministry.



Upcoming LGBTQ+ Events

June 3 – Pride in the CLE! – March with Trinity and thirteen other churches in the Diocese of Ohio during this year's Pride parade! Gather in the Trinity parking lot by 9:15 a.m. Saturday, June 3. 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. Church of the Ascension, Lakewood
9. Good Shepherd, Lyndhurst
10. St. Bartholomew, Mayfield Village
11. St. Paul's, Medina
12. Christ Church, Oberlin
13. Christ Church, Shaker Heights

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

June 10 – Russ Tripi (St. Bartholomew, Mayfield Village) will be hosting a Pride-themed workshop on Saturday, June 10 from 10 – 11:30 a.m. His topic, "Gaga-4-GOD!", introduces the audience to concepts of "queer theology" by exploring the music of Madonna, Lady Gaga, and Lil Nas X. It's a popular lecture from Tripi's "Theologies of Sex, Gender, and Identity." The workshop is at the Mayfield Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, 500 SOM Center Road, Mayfield, OH 44143, Room 100. Pre-registration is required at saintbartohio.org.

Thursday Healing Eucharist

Did you know that Trinity holds a midday service every Thursday? Join a 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.

Save the Dates

June 4 – Trinity Sunday

June 4 – Cathedral Tour (after 10 a.m. service)

June 11 – Mission Team Fair and Sunday Schmooze

June 17 – Celebration of bishops and staff – Hathaway Brown School

July 9 – Sunday Schmooze

In the Diocese

Made in the Image of God: Diocesan Women's Retreat

Join other women from across the Diocese on June 2-3 at Bellwether Farm for a Women's Retreat filled with prayer, reflection, scripture, art (Soul Collage activity led by Char Nichols, Trinity Cathedral), hiking, and farm and garden opportunities await. Organized originally as a parish retreat by and for the women of Christ Church, Shaker Heights, this retreat is being offered to all women who want to explore what it means to be "Made in the Image of God." The retreat will be led by the Rev. Rachel G. Hackenberg, who is an ordained United Church of Christ minister with degrees from Princeton Theological Seminary and Colgate University. Her achievements include the Jagow Prize in Homiletics (2007), Joe R. Engle Preaching Fellowship (2009), and Adese Fellowship (2020). The retreat will be \$147 for a single occupancy room and \$117 per person for a double occupancy room. All meals and materials

included. Register on the [Bellwether Farm website](#).

Diocesan News

The Diocese of Ohio has a full calendar of events happening now and into the summer. Examples include training, retreats, concerts, community development, ordinations and happenings at Bellwether Farm. You can read about all of them in *What's New in the Diocese of Ohio*, their weekly e-newsletter. [Sign up to receive e-news](#) from the diocese on their website.

Station Hope

Did you know that beautiful St. John's Episcopal Church in Ohio City is Cleveland's first authenticated Underground Railroad site? The oldest consecrated building in Cuyahoga County, St. John's was a last stop for freedom



seekers before crossing the waters of Lake Erie to Canada, and its steeple acted as a beacon of freedom. Today, *Station Hope* is a free, jubilant community festival celebrating Cleveland's social justice heritage and exploring contemporary struggles for freedom and equity. There'll be over 250 artists of all ages, and 30 different short theatrical pieces, storytelling, music, dance, and visual art installations on the grounds of St. John's, 2600 Church Avenue (corner of West 26th and Church Avenue). The tenth-year celebration is Saturday, May 27, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. The Diocese of Ohio is a leadership partner of this free event, open to all. For more information and to see video from previous years, visit: cptonline.org/station-hope or pick up information in the piazza.

In The Episcopal Church

**It's All About Love:
A Festival for the Jesus Movement**

Join Episcopalians nationwide for *It's All About Love*, a churchwide festival of worship, learning, community, and action for the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement, to be held Sunday, July 9 through Wednesday, July 12, at the Baltimore Convention Center.

It's All About Love is organized around three Jesus Movement festival "tents": Evangelism, Racial Reconciliation, and Creation Care. Get ready for evening revival worship and daytime speakers, workshops, panels, and practice opportunities around the big tent themes. Stick with one tent or explore across the tents, following the themes of: worship and liturgy, formation, justice and advocacy, leadership, preaching, stewardship, and youth and children.

For more information and to register, visit episcopalchurch.org/its-all-about-love.

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 June 2023 *Cathedral Connections* newsletter is Friday, May 19. Please contact Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org 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.



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