

# THE TRINITY WEEKLY

October 19, 2023

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A Sacred Place for All People



## THE DEAN'S CORNER

### Democracy in Action

This past year I watched democracy in action, and it wasn't always pretty. About 18 months ago, the school board of Shaker Heights announced a dramatic plan to reshape our school infrastructure. Like many systems in Northeast Ohio, Shaker's buildings are aging. With the availability of government money it seemed to be the right time to construct new school buildings whilst knocking down old ones that were becoming very expensive to maintain.

The problem was that many of those "obsolete" schools were viewed by their families and alumni as the beating heart of particular neighborhoods, so the first plan - after much back and forth - was tossed out. And now, after many months of work back at the drawing board, we will vote in early November on the revised plan.

As you well know, there are other things on the county-wide ballot that are every bit as consequential as local school plans. In particular, Ohioans will vote on Issue One, which would create an amendment to establish an individual right to one's own reproductive medical treatment, essentially making abortion legal in the state. The Episcopal Church is opposed to any government action that would infringe upon that right, and Trinity Cathedral was active in the acquisition of signatures to get this on the ballot...

KEEP  
READING

# THIS SUNDAY

October 22, 2023

21st Sunday after Pentecost

[THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE](#)

## Services

### 8 a.m. | Early Eucharist

**Preaching & Celebrating:**

**The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens**

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*

**Preaching: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens**

**Celebrating: The Rev. Adrienne Koch**

Featuring The Abundant Table musicians, led by Morgan Mecaskey, vocals by Jessica Mecaskey, percussion by Mikel Mahoney, and Spencer Paul on bass. 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 live-streamed on [trinitycleveland.org/abundant-table-livestream](http://trinitycleveland.org/abundant-table-livestream).

### 11:15 a.m. | Choral Eucharist

**Preaching: The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens**

**Celebrating: The Rev. Adrienne Koch**

Music and choir led by Todd Wilson. 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](http://trinitycleveland.org/choral-eucharist-livestream).

## Education

10:10 a.m.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Pre-K – 2nd Grade**

Will take place in the classroom down the steps off of the Piazza going towards the street front restaurants. It is the first door on the left.

**3rd – 6th Grade**

Will take place in the classroom in the front area of the 3rd floor Youth & Family Center.

**7th – 12th Grade**

Will take place in the Youth Group room in the back of the 3rd floor Youth & Family Center.

### ADULT FORMATION

**Discovering the Old Testament  
Conference Room A/B**

This fall, 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! Through a process of reading, reflection, discussion and creative expression, 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.

To order the optional book, email [akoch@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:akoch@trinitycleveland.org) (\$44)

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

## Through October 29

The Joyful Giving, God's Abundance stewardship campaign continues through October 29. Help support the mission and ministry of the cathedral by making your pledge at [trinitycleveland.org/pledge](http://trinitycleveland.org/pledge).



Stewardship pledge forms and envelopes are available on a table in the promenade on Sundays through the end of October.

Completed pledge forms can be dropped in the offering or mailed back to Trinity.

The series of Ministry Moments, where members explain why giving to Trinity is important to them, continues during this Sunday's 9 and 11:15 a.m. services.

If you have any questions, please contact stewardship committee members Beth Billings, Becky Snider Fuller (co-chair), Don King, Kathy Raymond, Cynthia Ries, Robert C. Smith, Luke Taylor (co-chair)

[MAKE YOUR PLEDGE](#)

## THANKSGIVING BASKET DRIVE October 22 - November 12

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect, with family and friends, on the many blessings we have been given. For some, these blessings are abundant, but for others, they are not. Each year Trinity and St. Huberts in Kirtland Hills provide bags to families at Marion Sterling School, located in Cleveland's most economically challenged neighborhood. These bags contain all the items necessary to prepare a traditional Thanksgiving meal.



You can help by filling a Trinity bag with our specified grocery items or making a cash donation to help our families. Bags and shopping lists will be available each Sunday (from Oct. 22 – Nov. 12) from a table in the promenade. **Filled bags are due back by Sunday, November 19.**

**Help us reach this year's goal - 50 bags!** Combined with additional bags from St. Huberts, we can feed families in need.

Pick up a shopping list and a Trinity bag or make a donation to Trinity Cathedral (with Marion Sterling in the memo line.)

We can also use volunteers to help prepare and deliver baskets to Marion Sterling. **To volunteer, contact Bill DiTirro at [bdt8320@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bdt8320@sbcglobal.net)**

[Donate to Marion Sterling](#)

## ALL SAINTS' DAY REMEMBRANCES

On All Saints' Sunday, November 5, it is Trinity's tradition to read the names of all the saints who have passed before us.

Please submit the names of your loved ones no later than Wednesday, November 1 to:

Doreen Hughes  
[dhughes@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:dhughes@trinitycleveland.org).

## LEADERSHIP NOMINATIONS

We will open the nominating season through Friday, November 10th. The nominating committee will meet in early November to prayerfully consider those who have offered themselves or others for leadership, including those current vestry members eligible for an additional term. Based on a number of factors, including specific needs as well as leadership transition, the nominating committee will then make a decision regarding how many candidates will stand for the open positions.

[NOMINATION FORM](#)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## TRINITY CATHEDRAL

[Visit the Trinity Calendar for a full list of upcoming events](#)

### Harvest Dinner

October 28 | 4:00-6:00 p.m.

### Advent Wreath Making

November 26

### Dean's Forum

October 29 | 10:10 a.m.

### Visit from St. Nicholas

December 10

### Newcomers' Brunch

October 29 | After 11:15 a.m. service

### Baptism Sunday

January 7 | The Baptism of Our Lord

### Baptism Sunday

November 5 | All Saints' Day

## HARVEST DINNER : RSVP NOW

October 18 | 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Join us for a joyful celebration of generosity and gratitude, organized by the stewardship committee to express our appreciation as the 2024 stewardship



campaign comes to a close.

Todd Wilson will be the organist for the evening and asks that you bring your favorite hymns from the 1982 Hymnal and the Lift Every Voice and Sing hymnal.

Dinner will include pasta, salad and bread. Vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options will be available.

[RSVP NOW](#)

### DEAN'S FORUM

**A Theology of Church Security**  
October 29 | 10:10 a.m.

This fall we are reintroducing the **Dean's Forum**, where on select Sunday mornings Dean Owens will explore the many ways that we, as the Cathedral, can become a sacred place for all people. October 29<sup>th</sup> we'll consider some of the ways that faith, hospitality, and safety all weave together in the vocation of a Cathedral.

### NEWCOMERS' BRUNCH

**October 29**

Newcomers and new members are invited to attend a casual brunch with staff, clergy and congregational leaders, after the 11:15 service on Sunday, Oct. 29. Come and get to know us!

**RSVP to Ginger Bitikofer**  
[gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org),  
216.774.0407.

[RSVP NOW](#)

## EXPLORE YOUR FAITH

[Visit the Trinity Calendar for a full list of upcoming events](#)

### Wednesday Adult Faith Formation

**Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.**

Each week, following the 6:00 p.m. Choral Evensong services, we will host a light meal and adult educational offering.

#### **Oct. 25 | Stained Glass Windows**

Join historian Michael Wells in an exploration of Trinity's stained glass to better understand the stories and significance in the windows.

#### **Nov. 1 | Enneagram**

Recognizing resource points and movement as a sign of growth led by the Rev. Adrienne Koch

#### **Nov. 8 | A conversation with Dr. Timothy Beal**

Explore the intersections of religion and culture with distinguished author and CWRU

professor, Timothy Beal, PhD.

### **Nov. 15 | Enneagram**

Sharing triads and the art of learning from each other with the Rev. Adrienne Koch

### **Nov. 29 | Soul Collage**

Create a deck of cards that help you to access your own connection to Wisdom and Spirit

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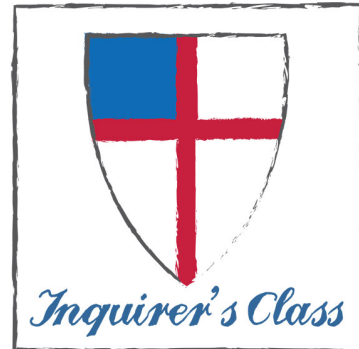
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## **Inquirer's Class**

**Explore Personal Faith & Episcopal Theology**

**Select Thursdays Fall & Spring | 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

If you are new to Trinity or curious about deepening your connection to the Episcopal Church, join the Rev. Adrienne Koch for Inquirer's class, select Thursdays from 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Trinity this fall and spring. Participants share their spiritual journeys and use the Baptismal Covenant to connect to Episcopal Theology and personal faith.



This class is a requirement for adults who desire to be baptized or Confirmed in the Episcopal Church at the Easter Vigil in 2024.

Email [akoch@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:akoch@trinitycleveland.org) by October 31 to participate.

# **MUSIC & ART AT TRINITY**

## **Lunchtime BrownBag Concerts**

**Select Wednesdays at Noon**

### **NOVEMBER 1 | 12:00 p.m.**

**James Kibbie, organ**

The distinguished professor from University of Michigan will play an exciting program on Trinity's two pipe organs.

### **NOVEMBER 15 | 12:00 p.m.**

**The Somerset Trio**

Chamber music with the unique combination of English horn, French horn and piano

### **NOVEMBER 29 | 12:00 p.m.**

**A Ceremony of Carols by Benjamin Britten**

The sopranos and altos of the Cathedral Choir join harpist Jody Guinn

Brownbag concerts are offered every other Wednesday at 12 noon (October–December and February–May). As the name implies, you are welcome to bring lunch into the cathedral while you enjoy the performance.

The concerts feature a great diversity of music genres, including classical, jazz, Big Band, folk, choral and dance, and our performers include local artists and those from all around the country.

# Choral Evensong

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

**OCTOBER 25 | 6:00 p.m.**

**Tabitha of Joppa**

The Rev. Peter Faass

Trinity Cathedral Choir

Service: Howells "Westminster"

**NOVEMBER 1 | 6:00 p.m.**

**All Saints' Day**

The Rev. Keith Owen

Trinity Chamber Singers

Service: Dyson in F

**NOVEMBER 8 | 6:00 p.m.**

**Ammonius, Hermit**

The Rev. Jeanne Leinbach

Choristers of St. Paul's, Cleveland Heights

Service: Jessica French

Evensong offers a space of beauty and rest in the middle of each week. First held in the Church of England in 1549, Choral Evensong has been for centuries an evening offering sung in cathedrals and churches of the Anglican Communion.

Trinity Cathedral offers weekly evensong services as the sun goes down, at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evenings October through mid-May. The service is led on alternating weeks by the Cathedral Choir and the Trinity Chamber Singers. Guest choirs may also be featured. Clergy of Trinity Cathedral preside and we welcome guest presiders throughout the season.

## Considering Matthew Shepard

**Sat. October 21 | 7:00 p.m.**

Avon Lake United Church of Christ

**Sun. October 22 | 4:00 p.m.**

Trinity Cathedral

Pre-concert talk with Charles Edward McGuire, PhD, 45 minutes before each concert

[clevelandchamberchoir.org](http://clevelandchamberchoir.org)

## Considering Matthew Shepard

by Craig Hella Johnson



Cleveland Chamber Choir  
*More than Music*

[clevelandchamberchoir.org](http://clevelandchamberchoir.org)

## Organ Recital Feat. Monica Czausz Berney November 6, 7:30 p.m.

Music and Art at Trinity will present a free-of-charge fall concert to celebrate the 46th anniversary of the Flentrop Great Organ and the 2nd anniversary of the Muller Organ in the chancel at Trinity Cathedral, featuring leading young American organist Monica Czausz Berney.



Ms. Berney is a multiple-award winning musician currently serving as director of music at St. Paul's Parish, K Street, in Washington, DC. She will also be leading a masterclass with students in the organ studio at the Cleveland Institute of Music while she is in Cleveland.

## IN THE DIOCESE

### Seeing the Face of God in Each Other: Anti-Racism Training at Trinity Commons, Nov. 30 - Dec. 1

The Commission for Racial Justice will offer this two-day training on **November 30 and December 1** at Trinity Commons. This anti-racism training is required for all individuals in elected and appointed Diocesan positions, and it is also open to all members of the Diocese. Space is limited. The cost of the training materials and food is covered by the Diocese of Ohio. [Registration is required, click here to register.](#) For questions or more information, please contact [Antoinette Taylor.](#)

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### 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.

[Bellwether Events](#)

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### Diocesan Convention

The 207th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Ohio will begin with a Convention Eucharist on Friday, Nov. 10 at the First Presbyterian Church in Wooster. A banquet will follow at the Greystone Event Center for those who wish to register and attend. All Convention business will take place on Saturday, Nov. 11 at the Greystone Event Center in Wooster.

***Registration is a requirement for everyone attending Friday or Saturday.*** If you plan to attend the Eucharist, Banquet and/or Convention Business, you must register ***by Friday, Oct. 20.*** The online registration can be found in the Convention section of the Diocesan website ([dohio.org/convention](http://dohio.org/convention)) and via this [LINK](#). The registration fee is \$25 for the banquet and \$38



for the Convention Business.

A block of hotel rooms has been arranged at 3 hotels in the Wooster area. For details and reservation information, visit the Convention section of the Diocesan website at <https://www.dohio.org/convention>.

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## IN THE COMMUNITY



### **A Conversation with Dr. Gretchen Sisson, Ph.D. Relinquished: The Politics of Adoption and the Privilege of American Motherhood, October 30, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m., Virtual**

In a political moment in Ohio where adoption is often invoked as an abortion alternative, what can we learn from the experiences of women who have relinquished children for adoption? Adoption Network Cleveland is pleased to host sociologist Gretchen Sisson, Ph.D. for a special preview of her upcoming book, *Relinquished: The Politics of Adoption and the Privilege of American Motherhood* (Macmillan, February 2024), and Trinity Cathedral is proud to be a partner in this virtual event.

Dr. Sisson will share insights from *Relinquished* that illustrate birth mothers' reproductive decision-making, their life-long experiences of adoption, and why these stories matter for us in Ohio. The event will begin with remarks from the author, to be followed by a discussion and Q&A moderated by Kate Livingston, Ph.D., birth mother and founder of Ohio Birthparent Group (active 2010-2017). [Click here to register.](#)

The deadline to submit program updates or events for *The Trinity Weekly* is the Tuesday before each Thursday publication date.

Please send news to [news@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:news@trinitycleveland.org).

Deadline for items to be included in the November 2023 *Cathedral Connections* newsletter is Wednesday, October 23. Please email [news@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:news@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.



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