

The Trinity Weekly

January 19, 2023



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A Sacred Place for All People

The Dean's Corner: *The Abundant Table: Taking the Next Step*

One of Trinity Cathedral's greatest gifts is our capacity to worship with a variety of hymn styles, soundscapes and instruments. Though we often divide ourselves into the services where we're most likely spotted ("Tim is an 8 o'clocker," etc.) I think a more typical profile of a faithful Trinity member is someone who is most at home at one service – say, the 9 a.m. *Abundant Table* – but who is just as likely to show up at the 5 p.m. Solemn Eucharist, because we tend to see the presence of the sacred in a great variety of places.

The 9 a.m. service has gone through an important transition over the past nine months as we've sought to lay foundations for a liturgy that can grow steadily over time. Just as a long-serving rector or dean would need an interim to prepare space for the next chapter in the life of a church, this service continues to benefit from the leadership of Morgan Mecaskey, our artist-in-residence. We've learned a lot in this season: we've learned more about how to support congregational song, we've tried things that worked (and things that didn't), we've learned what we want to explore as well as what we miss, and we've discovered some technical challenges (sound system) that we're working to address.



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

This Sunday, January 22

Third Sunday After the Epiphany

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

8 a.m. Early Eucharist

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, celebrating

Sunday begins with Early Eucharist in the chapel.

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Enjoy a pancake breakfast courtesy of the Trinity Youth Group. Freewill donations will be accepted to benefit this year's youth summer missions. The menu includes regular and gluten-free pancakes, sausages, applesauce, regular and sugar-free syrup, milk and coffee. If you have questions, please contact Director of Children's and Youth Ministries Eric Travis at etravis@trinitycleveland.org.

9 a.m. *The Abundant Table* Eucharist

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, celebrating and preaching

Morgan Mecaskey and friends 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 and third through sixth grade assemble in the Youth & Family Center on Trinity's third floor.

10:10 a.m. *Knowing God* Bible Study

A new seven-week *Knowing God* Bible study class begins Sunday. This is a study of *The Kerygma Program*, which provides non-denominational resources for adult Bible study. God's people carried questions about their Creator which are mirrored in the Scriptures. They wondered: What is God's true nature? Can we trust God to be loving, fair, and just? How can we know the unknowable God? We wonder, too! This study will explore these and other questions which shape our faithful inquiry yet today. Class dates are January 22 and 29, February 5, 19 and 26, March 5 and 12. All classes take place during the 10:10 a.m. formation hour. You don't need to attend all the dates to participate.

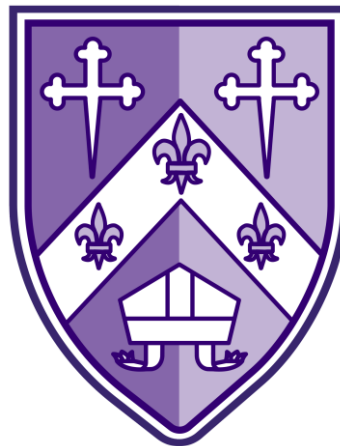
11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, preaching

The Rev. Adrienne Koch, celebrating

Music will include several works by Felix Mendelssohn and the music at communion is by Orlando Gibbons. 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.

Candidates for Vestry and 2023 Nominating Committee



At Trinity's annual meeting on Sunday, February 12, congregants will elect vestry and 2023 nominating committee members.

Voting will take place in-person at the meeting, which will take place at 10:10 a.m. that day. Members who are communicants in good standing are eligible to cast a ballot. (If you're not sure if you are eligible to vote, contact Ginger Bitikofer, gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org, 216-774-0407.)

If you are eligible to vote but do not expect to be present at the meeting, you may request a proxy ballot. Please contact Scott Blanchard (sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org) who will send you a ballot. Please request a proxy ballot no later than Sunday, February 5, and return your ballot on Sunday, February 12 prior to the 10:10 a.m. meeting.

In compliance with the cathedral by-laws, "any other nominations for such vacancies may be made by written notice from at least ten (10) percent of the qualified voters of the cathedral congregation." The by-laws call for a fourteen (14) day period in which they need to be delivered to the dean. This period for the written notice with required signatures shall begin on January 12 (the date of the announcement of this slate) and will end on January 27. The nominating committee also requests that at the time of written notice to the dean, a bio and picture be included.

The candidates are as follows. You can access the slate on our website at trinitycleveland.org/candidates-for-vestry-and-2023-nominating-committee.

Vestry

3 Year Term (elect 4)

Gary Benjamin
Beth Billings
Marie Curry
Kim DeNero-Ackroyd
Patty Roberts
Marilyn Valencia

1 Year (elect 2)

Mark Biddlestone
Audrey Hudak

2 Year (elect 1)

Toni Ponzo

Nominating Committee (elect 2)

Becky Snider-Fuller

Karla Rivers

Gratefully,
Your Nominating Committee

Martin Hermes, Chair

Linda Lee

Char Nichols

Ute Vilfroy

EPF National Peacebuilder Book Club

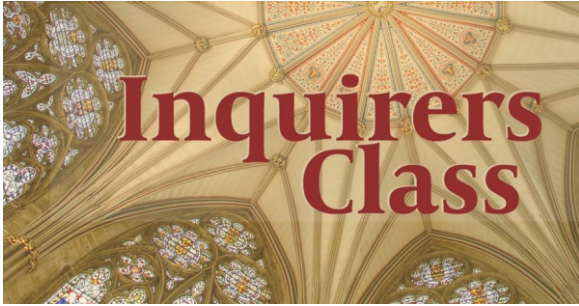
The national chapter of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship's Peacebuilder Book Club invites everyone to join in a discussion of the book *Before You Die, Plant a Tree: Practical Lessons for Peace Building from Cambodia*, authored and led by The Rev. Dr. Joyce Penfield on January 21 at 3:00 p.m. on Zoom. Joyce, retired Episcopal clergy, is an active member of the EPF chapter in the Diocese of Ohio. While all participants are encouraged to read the full book, if you would like to focus on the two chapters (6 and 9) that will be discussed the most, please email Melanie Atha at epfactnow@gmail.com and she will send them to you. Additional information and Zoom link are available in EPF's weekly newsletter Peace Out!

Choral Evensong Returns February 1

Beginning Wednesday, February 1, services of Choral Evensong will resume at 6 p.m. The first offering will observe *The Eve of the Presentation*. The Cathedral Choir will sing the music of Edward Bairstow, Charles Villiers Stanford and Johannes Brahms. The homilist is The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens.

We will begin to feature programming after Evensong services this year. The schedule is as follows:

- Evensong 6 p.m. – Nave
- Light Supper 6:30-7:30 p.m. – Conference Room C/D – Suggested donation \$8
- Inquirers Class 7:00-8:00pm – Conference Room A/B



Inquirer's Class Begins Soon

Would you like to learn more about the Episcopal Church? Would you like to be baptized, confirmed or transfer from another Episcopal Church? This class will take place

Wednesday evenings in February and March except for Ash Wednesday, February 22. If you would like to be confirmed or baptized at the Great Vigil of Easter this year, you will need to take this class. You're also welcome if you are interested in gathering with other newcomers and exploring what Episcopalians believe through the baptismal covenant. For more information or to sign up, contact Adrienne Koch at akoch@trinitycleveland.org.

Enjoy Dinner with LGBTQ+ Outreach

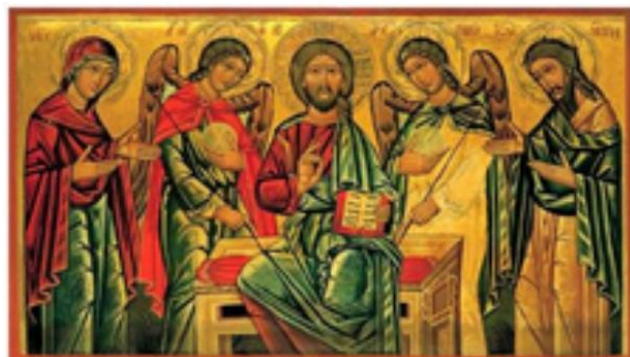
The LGBTQ+ outreach team is holding dinner at Dan McGuire's house, located in Bratenahl, on Saturday, February 25. Members, allies and friends are invited. The event is limited to 15 people, so please RSVP to Dan at dmcguirenyc@gmail.com as soon as possible.

The group will also attend a concert in March featuring the North Coast Men's Chorus singing the songs of ABBA at Mimi Ohio Theatre in Playhouse Square (3 p.m.).

For more information and a complete 2023 LGBTQ+ calendar, contact Dan (dmcguirenyc@gmail.com) or Matthew Jaroszewicz (matthew.j.jaroszewicz@gmail.com).

Mission Team Tables Begin Sunday

In 2023, Trinity will feature a mission team each month with informational tables in the promenade. First up is the Worship, Art and Music mission team, who will staff a table this



Sunday, January 22 and next Sunday, January 29. Stop by to learn about what the team has been doing and pick up information about participating in the ministries guided by this mission team.

BrownBag Concerts Begin February 1

Beginning Wednesday, February 1 at noon, Music & Art at Trinity will resume its BrownBag concert series. The artist that day is the *Dancing Wheels Company*, considered one of the premier arts and disabilities organizations in the U.S. It is a professional, physically integrated dance company uniting the talents of dancers both with and without disabilities. The performance will be livestreamed on trinitycleveland.org/brownbag-concerts.

BrownBag concerts take place every other Wednesday through March. Then, beginning April 12, Trinity hosts Bach-fest. This festival of music by J.S. Bach will run every week through May 17 for a total of six performances.

Diocesan Observance of Bishop Harris and the Rev. Absalom Jones

The Wilma Ruth Combs/Northern Ohio Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians, the Diocese of Ohio, and Trinity Cathedral are co-hosting the Diocesan Celebration of the Consecration of the Rt. Rev. Barbara Clementine Harris and the Commemoration of the Rev. Absalom Jones. This Eucharist will be held on Saturday, February 11 at 11 a.m. at Trinity. The preacher will be the Rt. Rev. Gayle E. Harris, retired Bishop Suffragan, Diocese of Massachusetts, who succeeded Bishop Barbara as Suffragan. Celebrant Bishop Hollingsworth will be joined by diocesan co-celebrants on the occasion of the first observance of this feast day following the passage of the General Convention resolution honoring Bishop Barbara. The offering will be sent to the Presiding Bishop's Fund for the Episcopal Historically Black Colleges and Universities. A reception will follow in the Trinity Piazza. If you have any questions please contact Wendy Wilson Walker, at ww8300@yahoo.com.

EPF Annual Member Meeting

The national chapter of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship will hold its Annual Member Meeting on Saturday, January 28 at 2 p.m. on Zoom. All are welcome to join as the former EPF National



Executive Council Vice Chair and Trinity alum, the Rev. Will Mebane, leads the panel discussion, *Effective Advocacy for Racial Reparations*. Guest panelists, who will bring stories of hope and repair across the church, include the Rt. Rev. Alan Gates, 16th bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. Rachel Taber-Hamilton, Vice President of the House of Deputies; and the Rev. Canon Scott Slater, recently retired, from the Diocese of Maryland. An invitation with more details and a Zoom link [is available](#).

Save the Dates

February 1 – BrownBag concerts (12 p.m.) and Choral Evensong services (6 p.m.) resume

February 5 – Cathedral Tour (12:30 p.m.)

February 5 – Solemn Eucharist (5 p.m.)

February 11 – Diocesan Celebration of the Consecration of the Rt. Rev. Barbara Clementine Harris and the Commemoration of the Rev. Absalom Jones

February 12 – Trinity Annual Meeting (10:10 a.m.)

February 21 – Mardi Gras and Shrove Tuesday Celebration

March 18-19 – Middle School Pilgrimage

April 29 – Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Anne B. Jolly as Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio

In the Episcopal Church

Episcopal Youth Event

The Episcopal Youth Event is a gathering of high school youth from around

the world who assemble on a college campus to learn, laugh, and worship together. It is the single greatest and second largest event The Episcopal Church does. #EYE23 will take place July 3-8, 2023 at the University of Maryland. The Diocese of Ohio will take a delegation, registration coming soon!



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

On July 9–12, in Baltimore, Maryland, presiding Bishop Michael Curry will be in attendance for this churchwide festival of worship, learning, community and action for the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement. Join in person or host a virtual satellite event in your community. [Watch for more details coming soon.](#)

In the Diocese

Seeing the Face of God in Each Other

The Commission for Racial Justice will offer a two-day training on March 23 and 24 (Thursday and Friday) 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. For additional training information, please email Deborah Likins-Fowler at dlikinsfowler@gmail.com. For questions about online registration, please email Antoinette Taylor at ataylor@dohio.org.

2023 Winter Convocation

The Diocese of Ohio [2023 Winter Convocation](#) will be held at Kalahari

Convention Center in Sandusky on Friday and Saturday, February 3-4. Building upon her book, *Real Connections*, Joy Skjegstad will serve as the keynote speaker while she leads attendees in discovering practical ways they can develop deeper and more meaningful relationships. The Rev. Anne B. Jolly, Bishop Coadjutor-elect, will also be in attendance and will preach at the Saturday Eucharist service. A wide variety of workshops will be offered. More information and registration is available on the diocesan website.



Bellwether Farm Summer Camp Counselors

Are you ready for a transformational summer? Join an amazing team of staff at Bellwether Farm Camp, Retreat, and Education Center as a camp counselor! The farm, fields, and forests of

Bellwether Farm guide everything we do at summer camp. From foraging, harvesting, and cooking, to goat snuggles and chicken chases, to catching crawdads in the creek and fish in the pond, campers and counselors connect with themselves, each other, and creation every day. Challenge yourself to spend your summer outside on this beautiful land, growing into the person you are called to be. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Apply [here](#).

In the Community

Self Compassion Workshop

Building on the theme of Trinity's recent Second Breath class, you are invited to *Self Compassion: The Science and Wisdom of Being Kind to Yourself*. The workshop is facilitated by the Rev. Jo Nygard Owens. The cost is \$30 and it will take place Monday, February 13 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Learn to experience the benefits of self-compassion, including greater happiness, more motivation, more satisfying relationships, less anxiety and depression and better physical health.

You can [enroll in the workshop here](#).

Tuesday before each Thursday publication date. Please send news to sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org

Deadline for items to be included in the February 2023 *Cathedral Connections* newsletter is Friday, January 20. 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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