

The Trinity Weekly

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A Sacred Place for All People

The Dean's Corner: An Explosion of Joy

Joy is on my mind this Easter season. I'm still running on the momentum of a joyful Easter weekend, of a Saturday evening vigil service that, in its second year, continues to grow as a major event for the cathedral. The Sunday morning Easter services were glorious and filled with hope. The early spring weather is a gift as well, and the next big thing in the life of our diocese – the ordination and consecration of a bishop coadjutor on April 29 – promises to be a joyful and spirit-filled experience for all of us.



Joy is something that runs deeper than festivals and milestones, though. It's something that comes when we can completely set aside the burdens of this world – sometimes even for just a short moment – and remember that God's love is what gives us life and sustains us.

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

This Sunday, April 16

Second Sunday of Easter

[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 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
The Rev. Adrienne Koch, celebrating

Our new music director for *The Abundant Table* service, Morgan Mecaskey, will join friends Esther Fitz (vocals), Mikel Mahoney (percussion) and Spencer Paul on upright bass to 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. *God Calls Leaders Bible Study*

Join members and friends in conference room C/D for this interactive Bible study. Be inspired by the classes, which will be taught by a variety of Trinity facilitators. You don't have to be a leader at Trinity and you don't have to attend every class session. The remainder of the classes will take place on April 23 and 30; May 7, 14 and 21.

10:10 a.m. *Self-Compassion*

Self compassion isn't a luxury – it's a necessity for living and loving well. And it ripples out for the benefit of you and those around you. Modern research has revealed that people who practice self-compassion experience: greater happiness, more motivation, more satisfying relationships, less anxiety and depression, and better physical health. Want to learn more? Join The Rev. Jo Nygard Owens in conference room A/B this Easter season to explore Jesus' invitation for us to love ourselves well that we might love others.

11:15 a.m. *Choral Eucharist*

The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens, preaching
The Rev. Adrienne Koch, celebrating

Music will include works by Jeanne Demessieux, Charles-Marie Widor, William Billings and Trinity member Judith Eckelmeyer. 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.

Easter at Trinity

It was a busy Holy Week at Trinity, with services held from Wednesday evening through Easter Sunday. Some of the services are chronicled below.

The Cathedral Choir

performed a special Good Friday concert featuring Brahms's *Ein Deutsches Requiem*.



The flower guild made Trinity look and smell amazing for Easter. Joyce Geib (left) and Mark Malloy worked on arrangements on Holy Saturday, in preparation for the Easter Vigil and two services the next day.

Dean Owens leads practice Saturday for the Great Vigil of Easter.



A large crowd gathers prior to the Great Vigil of Easter, which began in the courtyard outside the piazza.



An Easter egg hunt was held for students of all ages. Adults of all ages helped out, too!



Choir member Cliff Hill adds cymbal accompaniment to the sacred music being played and sung during the Easter Day 11:15 a.m. service.

Welcome the Newest Members of the Episcopal Church

At the Great Vigil of Easter this past Saturday, there were a number of baptisms, confirmations, receptions and one reaffirmation. They included:

Martin Sutterisch, baptized
Armin Hajhassani, baptized and confirmed
Brandon Thompson, baptized and confirmed
Steve Emery, confirmed
Myfanwy Saunders, confirmed
Edward Vogel - reception
Heather Cigoï - reception
Beverly Cigoï - reception
Luke Taylor - reaffirmation

Mission Team Tables

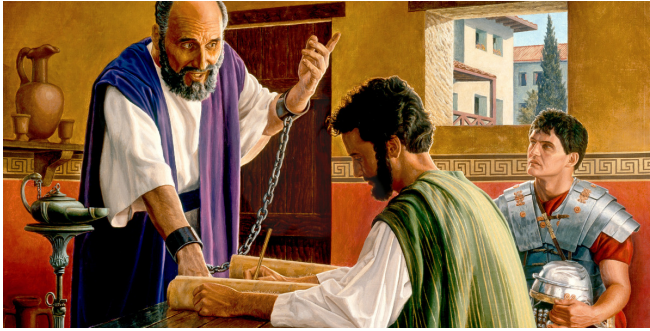
In 2023, Trinity is featuring a mission team each month with an informational table in the promenade. In April, the Adult Faith Formation mission team is highlighted. Stop by their table this Sunday, April 16 to learn about the offerings the mission team has in store for 2023. The team will be staffing the table each Sunday in April. Meet members and find out if there is an adult formation option that's made just for you.

Easter Offering Benefits Hunger & Outreach Ministries

It's not too late to make an Easter contribution to benefit Trinity's hunger and outreach ministries. Of course, this helps *A Place at the Table* and the urban farm, both of which feed people in need in our neighborhood. But is also benefits ministries such as the Marion-Sterling Partnership, Episcopal Peace Fellowship, Greater Cleveland Congregations and more.



The easiest way to give is online: bit.ly/EasterTrinity2023. You can also give in person at the offertory. Please indicate "Easter Offering" on your check memo line. You can put cash in the plate; please put it in an envelope and write



New Wednesday Bible Study Class: The Puzzle of Paul

Do you find the Apostle Paul's contradictions puzzling? How can Paul say in one place that women must keep silent and have no

authority within the church (1 Timothy 2), but in another place, praise the leadership of a woman "deacon" and an "apostle" (Romans 16)? Or what about the places where Paul seems perfectly comfortable with the practice of slavery (Colossians 3, Ephesians 6, Titus 2), but in his letter to Philemon he all but twists Philemon's arm to persuade the Christian slave owner to free his runaway Christian slave, Onesimus? Or have you found it strange that there is no mention in Acts of the thirteen letters attributed to Paul in the New Testament— How could someone write the story of Paul's life without referring to any of his letters or citing at least some of their content?

This is a vexing puzzle, but there is a way to make sense of what seem to be contradictions. Join professor Bob Fowler and other facilitators Wednesday nights this Easter season, to put the puzzle together. The class will run April 12-May 10 from 7-8 p.m., Wednesday nights after Evensong in conference room A/B.

BrownBag Concerts: Bachfest!

In April and May, Music & Art at Trinity Cathedral will present Bachfest!, a concert series focusing on instrumental music of Johann Sebastian Bach. Director of Music Todd Wilson will play organ and he's joined by a dynamic series of violinists to pair Bach's six sonatas and partitas for solo violin with his six trio sonatas for organ. All concerts are livestreamed at facebook.com/musicandartattrinitycathedral and trinitycleveland.org/brownbag-concerts.

Remaining concerts include:

- April 19 – Zhan Shu, violin (D Minor Partita) Todd Wilson, organ (D Minor Trio Sonata)
- April 26 – Andrew Sords, violin (B Minor Partita) Todd Wilson, organ (E Minor Trio Sonata)
- May 3 – Julie Andrijeski, violin (G Minor Sonata) Todd Wilson, organ (E-flat Major Trio Sonata)
- May 10 – Miho Hashizume, violin (A Minor Sonata) Todd Wilson, organ (C Major Trio Sonata)
- May 17 – James Thompson (C Major Sonata) Todd Wilson, organ (G



The Tudors: Art and Majesty in Renaissance England

Join Trinity member and Cleveland Museum of Art docent, Bill Fuller, on a private tour of this exhibit about the Tudor kings and queens that helped to shape the history of England and the Anglican church. Our tour dates will be this Sunday, April 16 and Wednesday, April 19, both at 1:30 p.m. The tour fee is \$10 and can be paid on the day of the tour, cash or check. Each tour is limited to 10 people.

Contact Bill DiTirro to make a reservation, bdt8320@sbcglobal.net. You can purchase lunch at the museum café to enjoy in the atrium with other tour members between 12:30-1:30 p.m.

For more information about the exhibit visit clevelandart.org/exhibitions/tudors-art-and-majesty-renaissance-england.

Get Acquainted Brunch

Newcomers and new members are invited to attend a casual brunch with staff, clergy and congregational leaders, after the 11:15 service on Sunday, April 23. Come and get to know us! RSVP to Ginger Bitikofer, gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org, 216.774.0407.

Easter Marion-Sterling Pen Pal Program

Spread the joy of Easter to Marion-Sterling School kids. Trinity has received its first mailing of pen pal letters from these children.

Please email akoch@trinitycleveland.org by Monday, April 24th if you would like to receive a pen pal packet. A packet with your name on it will be available for pickup behind Trinity's hospitality desk the week of April 24th. Letters must be returned to the Marion-Sterling mailbox in the piazza no later than

May 14th. The letters will be returned to Marion Sterling kids the week of May 15th.

Upcoming LGBTQ+ Events

April 30–May 14 – Order your 2023 Pride T-shirt, and plan to march in downtown Cleveland on June 3 at Pride in the CLE! We will be joined by nine sister parishes from throughout the Diocese of Ohio. Send your T-shirt size to Matthew Jaroszewicz

(matthew.j.jaroszewicz@gmail.com) or sign up at the Pride table later this month. T-shirts are \$17, sizes S-3X.

May 21 – The Trinity Forum. The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens interviews Gulnar Fereesta, senior director of programming for the LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland during the 10:10 formation hour.

June 3 – Pride in the CLE! March with Trinity and the diocese during this year's Pride parade!



'Guns to Gardens' Anti-Gun Violence Demonstration

Guns to Gardens is a national faith-based organization whose members feel called to reduce gun violence. Using a blacksmith's forge, they collect unwanted guns and melt them down, converting the molten material into garden tools, art and jewelry. These tools can be used to grow food, like Trinity's Urban Farm, which grows and gives food to neighborhood residents in need. Come see this cycle of renewed life in Cleveland's Central neighborhood, and help promote decreased gun violence and community sustainability.

The demonstration will be conducted by the Rev. Rosalind Hughes, anti-gun violence advocate, author and rector of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, Euclid. If you have questions, please email sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org.

Save the Dates

April 23 – Get Acquainted Brunch (12:45 p.m.)

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

May 7 – Youth Sunday (9 a.m. service)

May 7 – Solemn Eucharist (5 p.m.)

May 13 – Guns to Gardens – Anti-gun violence program @ Urban Farm (10 a.m.)

May 14 – Sunday Schmooze

May 23 – Singer-songwriter Kimayo performs *My Queer Faith* (6 p.m.)

May 28 – Summer Sunday service schedule begins – 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

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

In the Diocese

Safe Church Update

After many years of hard work and commitment to Safeguarding God's Children, we bid farewell to Mary Ann Semple. Her impact has been widely felt, from ensuring our parish and diocesan leaders are current in their certification, to updating the Diocesan Safe Church policy and parish models, to navigating the transition to the new Safe Church curriculum. Our new Diocesan Safe Church Administrator and Training Coordinator is Eric Travis, who also serves as the Director of Children and Youth Ministry at Trinity Cathedral and was on the Task Force appointed by General Convention to develop the new Safe Church curriculum. To access Safe Church training, please fill out the form on the [diocesan website](#). If you'd like to be trained as a Safe Church trainer, please contact Eric at safechurch@dohio.org.



Celebration of Bishops and Staff

The Transition Committee invites you to save-the-date for a diocesan-wide celebration of Bishop Mark, our assisting bishops, and the Bishop's staff, on June 17 from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. at Hathaway Brown School in Shaker Heights. Invitations and more information coming soon. Please contact the transitioncommittee@dohio.org with questions.



Bellwether Farm Summer Camp Dates

Bellwether Farm will offer a variety of summer camps from June 18 through July 28. Visit the [website](#) to learn more about our summer offerings for all ages and to register. Open houses will be held on April 15 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. and on April 23 from 1 until 4 p.m.

Civil Discourse Program

The Diocesan Council of the Diocese of Ohio has been intentionally engaging in hard conversations about issues that separate us from each other and prevent us from being the body of Christ into which we are all called in Baptism. The council has developed materials for our congregations and mission areas to help all communicants have these conversations with one another.

Read the full announcement about the new civil discourse program on the [diocesan website](#).

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 May 2023 *Cathedral Connections* newsletter is Friday, April 21. Please contact Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org to receive a printed copy at home.

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