The Trinity Weekly February 2, 2023



A Sacred Place for All People

The Dean's Corner: A Month to Learn, and Celebrate

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus tells his disciples that they are the salt of the earth.

We've heard *you are the salt of the earth* before: in our culture we think of that as a kind of grounded goodness. Yet Jesus meant something more by that: he was telling the people of God that they had something special within them, a gift for the rest of the world that drew out goodness from everyone they met. Their Godgiven love and compassion were the spice, the salt, the distinct flavor that was a gift for the whole world.

This week our nation begins Black History
Month, a season to celebrate and learn about
unique gifts that people of African descent have
brought to our culture and country. This is a month to celebrate, to explore,
and to learn.

Read the dean's entire message here

This Sunday, February 5

Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany 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.

9 a.m. The Abundant Table Eucharist

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

Artist-in-residence Morgan Mecaskey joins with Samantha Miller on vocals, Andrew Bonnis on bass and Mikel Mahoney, percussion, 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. Knowing God Bible Study

Join in *Knowing God* Bible study on its third Sunday in conference room C/D. What is God's true nature? Can we trust God to be loving, fair, and just? How can we know the unknowable God? This study will explore these and other questions about our faith. Class dates run through March 12. You don't need to attend all the dates to participate.

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

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

11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist

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

Music will include works by James MacMillan and Orlandus Lassus. 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.

12:30 p.m. Cathedral Tour

Trinity will hold its bimonthly cathedral tour led by a Trinity docent. The tour takes you places within the campus that you may never have visited before. It's focused on the art, architecture and the 116-year history of our cherished building. Meet at the altar after the 11:15 a.m. service. Plenty of time is devoted to answering questions.

5 p.m. Solemn Eucharist

The Rev. Rosalind Hughes, preaching The Rev R.J. Johnson, celebrating

Solemn Eucharist is a formal service that includes incense, bells, plainsong and the ceremonies of an Anglican high church service. This service returns from its holiday hiatus this week. The Rev. Rosalind Hughes is rector of Church of the Epiphany in Euclid and the Rev. R.J. Johnson is rector of St. Mark's Episcopal in Canton. The next Solemn Eucharist is March 5.

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 10:10 a.m. meeting. 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 not coming to the meeting, you may request a ballot. You must drop off your ballot on Feb. 12 prior to the 10:10 a.m. meeting. Please contact Scott Blanchard (sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org) who will send you a ballot. Please request a ballot no later than Sunday, February 5 and return your ballot on Sunday, February 12 prior to the 10:10 a.m. meeting (drop off at the parking lot door between 8-10 am).

<u>Photos and bios of the candidates</u> are available for download. Please note that the candidates are listed in random order.

A Note on In-Person Voting

Noting that we are still in a pandemic, and that some members of Trinity continue to be cautious about in-person gatherings, votes for vestry and nominating committee can be cast via drop-off ballots at the church before the 10:10 a.m. Annual Meeting on Feb 12. During the first year of the pandemic we voted by mail because we could not gather in person; last year we moved to inperson and drop-off ballots and are continuing that practice for this additional year.

However, we called this "proxy" voting in earlier communications; this was a mistake. The vestry believes that the Annual Meeting is something that all who are able should attend in person, and that a move towards remote voting — which is not something we did before the pandemic — would diminish the Annual Meeting and the annual elections, in which in-person engagement is a core part of our ongoing discernment and celebration. More to the point, the cathedral bylaws require an in-person gathering and have specific rules for how we constitute quorum.

We hope that you will keep Trinity Cathedral and all those who stand for election to leadership in your prayers.

Dean Owens



Choral Evensong for Wednesday, February 8

Services of Choral Evensong take place each Wednesday at 6 p.m. This week's service commemorates Saint Josephine Margaret Bakhita, the first Black woman to receive the honor in the modern era. The Rev. Adrienne Koch will give the homily. The Trinity Chamber Singers will

sing *Byrd fauxbourdons*. The service will be livestreamed on <u>facebook.com/trinitycleve</u> and <u>trinitycleveland.org/blog/choral-evensong4615</u>.

We are continuing our Wednesday 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 7-8 p.m. Conference Room A/B

Join 2023 Inquirer's Class

Would you like to learn more about the Episcopal Church? Would you like to be baptized or confirmed? This class will take place Wednesday evenings in February and March at 7 p.m., 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 March 19 featuring the North Coast Men's Chorus singing the songs of ABBA at the 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

In 2023, Trinity is featuring a mission team each month with an informational table in the promenade. In February, the Congregational Life mission team will be featured. Stop by on Feb. 12, 19, 26 to find out more about this team's work with small groups, our hunger ministry and upcoming congregational fellowship activities.

National Gun Violence Survivors Week

Did you know that 59% of adults or someone they know or care for have experienced gun violence in their lifetime? From February 1-7, it is a time to remember the human toll of America's gun violence crisis and to commit to supporting survivors. You can <u>learn more and access prayers</u> dedicated to this week.



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. Bishop Hollingsworth will be the celebrant and 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. This service will be livestreamed at facebook.com/trinitycleve and bit.ly/harris-jones-observance. A reception will follow in the Trinity Piazza. If you have any questions please contact Dianne Audrick Smith, President, Wilma Ruth Combs Chapter, UBE at das.srvtldr@gmail.com.

Fund Helps Future Priests, Medical Workers

The Wise, Warmeling, Way Fund was established by a gift from Margaret Warmeling Langton (Mrs. Harry D. Langton) in 1959 as a memorial to Laura Wise, Ethel Way, and Karl Warmeling. The fund assists



deserving students who desire to devote their lives to ordained ministry or the practice of medicine by covering a portion of the student's academic cost of attendance. Seminarians, nursing school students and medical school students are eligible to apply.

The deadline for applications to be submitted for the 2023-2024 academic year is February 28, 2023. Award decisions will be communicated by email by April 15.

Join the Mardi Gras Celebration

Come join the pre-Lenten fun on Shrove Tuesday (Tuesday, February 21), when we gather for a New Orleans-style jambalaya meal (with vegetarian option and kids' meal). The festivities run from 6–8 p.m. The event will be highlighted by Mardi Gras beads, masks, crafts, games and music. There will be activities for all ages and at the conclusion of the evening, we will bury our "Alleluias" for the season of Lent in the columbarium. <u>Please register if you plan to attend</u>.

Suggested donation is \$13 which includes chicken and sausage jambalaya (or vegetarian jambalaya), tossed salad, cornbread, dessert and beverage. The suggested donation for the children's meal \$5, which includes pancakes (gluten-free available), sausage and applesauce. You can donate at the time of registration or you can donate at the door.

Urban Farm Kicks Off 2023 Season with Annual Potluck

Join Trinity's urban farmers as they kick off the 2023 growing season with their annual potluck supper. This event, held Thursday, February 23 at 6 p.m., is for new and existing volunteers to come together and enjoy a shared meal. A presentation will be shown detailing the farm's accomplishments in 2022 and a look forward to 2023. Please bring a dish to share if you're able, but please attend regardless – there's always plenty of food. If you have questions, please contact Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org.

Help Find the Best Fish Fry in Greater Cleveland

Trinity Friars will once again try to find the best fish fry in greater Cleveland during Lent. If you're interested in joining them, "Friar Fridays" will begin on Friday, February 24, the first Friday in Lent. Subsequent events are planned for Fridays: March 3, March 10, March 17, March 24 and March 31. If you're interested in attending one or more of these events, contact Bill DiTirro at bdt8320@sbcglobal.net. Each Sunday, Bill will send an invitation to the next Friday's fish fry, with information about that week's location and the group's meeting time.

Save the Dates

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

February 15 – BrownBag concert: Cleveland Institute of Music Guitar Studio

February 21 – Mardi Gras and Shrove Tuesday Celebration

February 22 – Ash Wednesday services at 7:30 a.m., noon and 6 p.m.

February 23 – Urban Farm Potluck Supper

March 18-19 – Middle School Pilgrimage

March 19 – LGBTQ+ attends North Coast Men's Chorus Concert

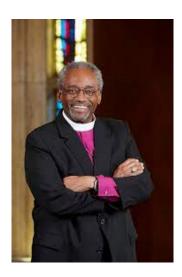
March 2023 – Women's History Art Exhibit by Anne Kmieck (gallery)

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

In the Episcopal Church

Presiding Bishop Nominating Committee Announces Application Deadlines

As the Presiding Bishop enters his Triennium, <u>a</u> churchwide committee has been formed to nominate <u>bishops</u> to succeed him as our next presiding bishop. That election will take place at the General Convention in 2024. Please keep this process of holy discernment in your prayers.



Episcopal Youth Event

The <u>Episcopal Youth Event</u> 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, you can register for EYE through their website at the link above.



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.

In the Community

Creation Care Team Recommends Zero Waste Workshop

Join Zero Waste NEO, a program of Sustainable Cleveland, as they host a Zoom workshop Tuesday, February 7 from 12 noon—1:30 p.m. Entitled *Zero and Reduced Waste Event Planning*, this program can teach you how to reduce or eliminate waste from events large and small. To register, visit bit.ly/ZeroWasteNEO.



ZERO WASTE WORKSHOP

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 Zoom 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.

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 March 2023 Cathedral Connections newsletter is Friday, February 17. 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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