

The Trinity Weekly

February 12, 2023



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A Sacred Place for All People

The Dean's Corner: A Weekend of Celebration

This weekend we will celebrate the movement of the Holy Spirit and the gift of ministry, not once but twice!

On Saturday, we'll celebrate the lives and ministry of the Rt. Rev. Barbara C. Harris and the Rev. Absalom Jones at 11 a.m., in partnership with the Union of Black Episcopalians and the Diocese of Ohio. Our diocese has a strong annual tradition of worshipping together to observe the feast day of Absalom Jones, and this year will add to it the first-in-the-nation major celebration of Bishop Harris who is in process of being added to our sanctoral calendar. I hope you'll join us for this historic service.



On Sunday, we'll gather for our annual meeting at 10:10 a.m., to reflect on our ministry and continue to explore how we can become a sacred place for all people.

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

This Sunday, February 12

Sixth 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 and celebrating
The music is by artist-in-residence Morgan Mecaskey (vocals and guitar), Samantha Miller (vocals), Spencer Paul (bass), and Mikel Mahoney (percussion). Children can worship and/or play in the interactive soft space, located in the west 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. Trinity Annual Meeting

Attend Trinity's Annual Meeting this Sunday in the nave. Reports will be given by the dean, priest associate, senior warden, treasurer and more. Elections will be held for vestry positions and the 2023 nominating committee.

10:10 a.m. Sunday School

Children from Pre-K to 6th grade will meet in the chapel so that parents and teachers can attend the Annual Meeting. Youth in grades 7-12 may attend the Annual Meeting or come to the chapel. Regular Sunday school will return next week.

11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist

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

Music will include works by George Shearing, Tom Trenny and William Henry Harris. Children can worship and/or play in the interactive soft space, located in the west 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.

1:30 – 3:30 Youth Group AC (after church)

Youth Group members and friends will go bowling at Spin's Bowl, 5619 Brecksville Rd., Independence. Please note the different start time. \$10 fee covers bowling, bowling shoe rental, snacks and drinks. Preregister at bit.ly/YGOuting.

Large Trinity Contingent Attends Diocese's Winter Convocation

by Debbie Likins-Fowler

Winter Convocation for 2023 is in the books! Folks from across the diocese gathered on February 3-4 at Kalahari Resort in Sandusky for the first in-person convocation in three years. Keynote speaker Joy Skjegstad presented practical ways for attendees to develop deeper and more meaningful relationships. All adult registrants received a copy of her *Real Connections* book to help develop these ministry practices in our parishes. Eight different workshops on a variety

of topics were also offered.

Additionally, this year was special because Bishop Coadjutor-elect Anne Jolly preached at the Saturday morning Eucharist. For the first time ever, the cathedral hosted an exhibit table where folks from other parishes could trade coffee mugs, sign up to participate in Trinity's Great Vigil of Easter service and catch up on the cathedral's busy calendar of events. Approximately 270 people attended Convocation, with 21 of those from Trinity.

From left to right, Scott Blanchard, Dean Owens, Diane Hexter and Ginger Bitikofer staff Trinity's table at the Convocation.



Dean Owens (far left) moderated a workshop on, "Where is God leading the Church?" Clergy on the panel include (from left to right) the Rev. Robin Woodberry, St. Paul's Canton; the Rev Alex Martin, St. Barnabas, Bay Village; the Rev. Leah Romanelli DeJesus, St. Luke's Cleveland; and Noah Sutterisch, All Saints Parma.



Trinity traded coffee mugs with many churches in the diocese. Watch for these mugs to work their way into the rotation at future coffee hours. It will help remind us that the cathedral belongs to everyone and every church in the diocese.

Candidates for Vestry and 2023 Nominating Committee

At Trinity's annual meeting this 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 must drop off your ballot at the table in the promenade (just before you enter the cathedral from the commons) on Sunday prior to the 10:10 a.m. meeting.

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

[See Photos and Bios of the Candidates](#)



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 this Saturday, February 11 at 11 a.m. at Trinity. The preacher will be the Rt. Rev. Gayle E. Harris, Bishop Suffragan, Diocese of Massachusetts, who succeeded Bishop Barbara as Suffragan. Bishop Hollingsworth will be the celebrant and will be joined by diocesan con-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 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

Substitute Servers Needed for APATT this Week

Trinity needs six substitute servers this Sunday, February 12, for *A Place at the Table* lunch hunger ministry. Volunteers should be available 11:30 am-1:15 pm. No prior experience is needed. Please contact Ginger Bitikofer (gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org, 216.774.0407) if you are interested.

Annual Report Ready for Annual Meeting

Before you attend Sunday's annual meeting, please take a look at the 2022 annual report. It's organized by mission team and also contains information on property & sustainability, space use, stewardship and a pastoral letter from Dean Owens.

[Download the 2022 Annual Report](#)

EPF Offers Prayer in Honor of Black History Month

The Diocese of Ohio Episcopal Peace Fellowship (EPF) chapter puts forth the following prayer in honor of Black History Month. It is by Howard Thurman, who founded the first interracial, interdenominational church in the United States. He was also an author, poet, mystic, philosopher and theologian.

LORD, LORD, OPEN UNTO ME!

Open unto me—light for my darkness.

Open unto me—courage for my fear.

Open unto me—hope for my despair.

Open unto me—peace for my turmoil.

Open unto me—joy for my sorrow.

Open unto me—strength for my weakness.

Open unto me—wisdom for my confusion.

Open unto me—forgiveness for my sins.

Open unto me—tenderness for my toughness.

Open unto me—love for my hates.

Open unto me—Thy Self for my self.

Lord, Lord, open unto me!

~ Howard Thurman, *Meditations of the Heart*

Choral Evensong for Wednesday, February 15

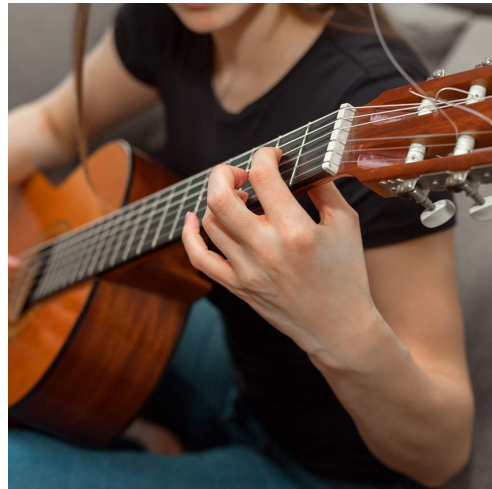
Services of Choral Evensong take place each Wednesday at 6 p.m. This week's service commemorates Thomas Bray, English clergyman and abolitionist who helped formally establish the Church of England in Maryland, as well as the Society for the Propagation of Christian Knowledge and Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. The Very Rev. Bernard J. Owens will give the homily. The gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir will sing Plainsong Canticles. The service will be livestreamed on facebook.com/trinitycleve and trinitycleveland.org/blog/choral-evensong4615.

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

BrownBag Concert Features Cleveland Institute of Music Guitar Studio

Next Wednesday, February 15 at 12 noon, Music & Art at Trinity Cathedral will present a BrownBag concert featuring the students of the Cleveland Institute of Music guitar studio. This group is part of one of the finest programs of classical guitar in the nation. Attend in person or via livestream: trinitycleveland.org/brownbag-concerts.



Enjoy Dinner with LGBTQ+ Outreach

The LGBTQ+ outreach team is holding dinner at Dan McGuire's house, located in Bratenahl, on Saturday,

February 25 at 6 p.m. 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 Sunday or on February 19 and 26 to find out more about this team's work with small groups, our Sunday lunch hunger ministry and upcoming congregational fellowship activities.

Fund Helps Future Priests, Medical Workers

Trinity Cathedral's Wise, Warmeling, Way Fund was established by a gift from Margaret Warmeling 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. Please register if you plan to attend.



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

February 23 – Urban Farm Potluck Supper

March 5 – Solemn Eucharist

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, a churchwide committee has been formed to nominate bishops 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.

Read About Racial Reconciliation from The Episcopal Church

Read this month's *Becoming Beloved Community* newsletter, in honor of Black History Month. It is a publication of The Episcopal Church's Office of Racial Reconciliation.

[Read the Newsletter Here](#)

In the Diocese

Bishop Hollingsworth Addresses Earthquake Aid for Turkey, Syria

News and images of the earthquake devastation in Turkey and Syria are horrifying and heartbreaking. With thousands dead and unknown numbers of injured, it is a humanitarian tragedy of epic proportion.

Along with our prayers, we can send financial support online [here](#) or by sending a check to the Diocese of Ohio (2230 Euclid Ave, Cleveland, OH 44115) marked for Earthquake Relief. All funds will be distributed through Episcopal Relief and Development. I will send support personally and from the Bishop's Discretionary Fund, and encourage you to join me.

The Rt. Rev. Mark Hollingsworth, Jr.

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

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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