The Dean's Corner:
Lights, Camera...

Do you have your film festival tickets this week? The 47th Cleveland International Film Festival has begun, and I’ve got my schedule lined up. As many of you know I worked in film production for a few years before going to divinity school, so I’ve always been excited about creative movies that change how we see the world.

This year features several films that line up with Trinity Cathedral's commitment to justice, creativity, and inclusion. We are community partner for 1946: The Mistranslation that Shifted a Culture, about how the addition of the word *homosexual* changed and filtered how we read Scripture and thus distorted our perception of LGBTQ+ persons for decades. I hope you’ll attend at 7:25 p.m. on March 30 at Playhouse Square (advance tickets may be required, see below for ticket information, including a Trinity discount) or watch it online during Holy Week to learn about this history, and how we can rediscover the radical welcome at the heart of Scripture.

Read the dean’s entire message here

This Sunday, March 26

**Fifth Sunday in Lent**
Click here for this week's Scripture.
8 a.m. Early Eucharist
The Rev. Adrienne Koch, preaching and celebrating
Sunday begins with Early Eucharist in the chapel.

9 a.m. The Abundant Table Eucharist
The Rev. Adrienne Koch, preaching and celebrating
The music is by artist-in-residence Morgan Mecaskey and friends. 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 (on floor 1R) and third through 12th grades assemble in the Youth & Family Center on Trinity's third floor.

10:10 a.m. God Calls Leaders Bible Study
A new Bible study series called God Calls Leaders commences this Sunday at 10:10 a.m. in conference room C/D. The format is the same as the last two Trinity Bible study events: The Kerygma Program. Be inspired by the classes, which will be taught by a variety of Trinity facilitators. The class will also be offered on April 16, 23 and 30; May 7, 14 and 21.

According to Kerygma’s course description, “Inspired leaders make a difference in the unfolding biblical drama. Understanding how God worked through the lives of the patriarchs, prophets, Jesus and the apostles will light the path for new leaders who will continue the journey.”

11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist
The Rev. Adrienne Koch, preaching and celebrating
Music will include works by César Franck and Jane Marshall. Trinity favorite Pamela Kelly will be the cellist for the prelude. 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.

The Week in Pictures
It's been another busy Lenten week at Trinity. From education to concerts to a visit from our Bishop-elect, we're glad so many of you got to participate, either live or via livestream.

Dean Owens
welcomed Bishop-elect Anne Jolly to
the Trinity Forum yesterday, Wednesday, March 22.

Audience members enjoy a photo op with the Hathaway Brown School choir after the group's BrownBag concert performance on Wednesday, March 15.

Led by Cynthia Ries, students from Hawken School walked the labyrinth last week.

Trinity's LGBTQ+ Outreach Ministry attended a concert by the North Coast Men's Chorus this past Sunday. The chorus includes Trinity member Mark Malloy, pictured in the center with yellow ascot.
Dean Owens interviewed Cleveland International Film Festival's associate director Patrick Shepherd during last Sunday's 10:10 a.m. formation hour.

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**Help Find the Best Fish Fry in Greater Cleveland**

Trinity Friars are once again trying to find the best fish fry in greater Cleveland this Lent. If you're interested in joining them, “Friar Friday” takes place tomorrow, March 24. This week, the Friars will meet at Saints Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 3352 Mayfield Rd., Cleveland Heights (44118). If you're interested in attending, contact Bill DiTirro at bdt8320@sbcglobal.net.

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**Urban Farm Starts Out Strong**

Opening day at the Trinity Cathedral Urban Farm was a great success. Despite the sub-freezing temperatures, eight volunteers (including photographer Shirley Nylund) gave the farm a thorough cleanup, enabling the group to do other things on subsequent Saturdays. This week, farmers will begin to prep the farm's 121 raised beds for spring seed planting including kale, collards and spinach. We'll be joined by students from Case Western Reserve University on their *Saturday of Service*.

Can you help? New and past volunteers are always welcome. Join the farmers this Saturday, March 25 at 3532 Cedar Rd., less than one mile from the cathedral. Farm work days are Saturdays from 9 a.m.–12 noon. You can stay for as little or as long as you like – even a half hour helps. If you have questions, please contact Scott Blanchard, sblanchard@trinitycleveland.org.
Mission Team Tables

In 2023, Trinity is featuring a mission team each month with an informational table in the promenade. In March, the Invite, Welcome, Connect (IWC) mission team is highlighted. Stop by their table this Sunday, March 26 to learn how you can help the IWC team to offer the radical hospitality that Trinity is so famous for to our visitors.

Episcopal Peace Fellowship
Advocates Reducing Gun Violence

As people of prayer, study and practice, Episcopal Peace Fellowship/Diocese Ohio members invite you to join us to help reduce gun violence and advocate for common sense gun legislation in the state of Ohio. In solidarity with Moms Demand Action Advocacy Day in Columbus on March 22, 2023, EPF/Diocese of Ohio has created a hyperlinked-enhanced toolkit to help educate and inspire action early in Ohio’s legislative season. A copy of the toolkit can be found here.

RESPONSE TO GUN VIOLENCE
Gun Violence in the United States: A Kyrie after Parkland, Florida, February 14, 2018

When we fail to advocate for gun law reform;
for sensible restrictions on purchase
for limiting the power of those who benefit from the gun industry
Lord, have mercy.

When we project blame for gun violence on to those with mental illness,
those who are strangers,
those who are immigrants
Christ, have mercy.

When we fail to work for a “dis-armed” society,
To advocate for justice, health care, education for all,
To learn to talk through fears and communicate across boundaries
To work to establish a “Just world for all"
Lord have mercy.
Seeking Readers for Passion Gospel on Palm Sunday

Would you like to participate in the reading of the Passion Gospel on Palm Sunday, April 2? We are seeking several readers from all services. Contact Ginger Bitikofer, gbitikofer@trinitycleveland.org, 216-774-0407.

Lenten Quiet Day of Healing Canceled

The Lenten Quiet Day of Healing scheduled for this Saturday, March 25 has been canceled. Look for announcements of other Adult Faith Formation events in the future.

Easter Flower Remembrances

Remember a loved one at Eastertime with flowers on the altar. All remembrances received by Wednesday, April 5, will be listed in the Easter services’ bulletins. You can put your check in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Please include the name of the person you’re honoring in the check memo. Contact Doreen Hughes at dhughes@trinitycleveland.org for more information or give online.

BrownBag Concert: Salzedo Harp Duo

On March 29 at noon, the Salzedo Harp Duo will perform at the BrownBag concert series. Harpists Nancy Lendrim and Jody Guinn bring artistry and
beauty in an inventive program for harp duo. The concert will be livestreamed at trinitycleveland.org/blog/brown-bag-concerts.

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**Support The Philadelphia Eleven**

Last week the trailer was released for *The Philadelphia Eleven*, a documentary currently in production about the first women ordained as priests in The Episcopal Church. Created to celebrate the 50th anniversary of this milestone in 2024, the film trailer was debuted at the *Episcopal Parish Network* annual conference and will tell the story of those women whose faithfulness and courage changed the church. As is typical, the film company is still fundraising towards the completion of the film and is offering a donation match during the month of March, Women’s History Month. Trinity’s Worship, Art, and Music Mission Team is excited about the film and invites those interested in making a shared donation by Thursday, March 30 so that we as a church can contribute to this important work. If you’re interested, please make a designated gift to Trinity and we will make a shared donation to the film production. You can also donate online.

Check out the trailer here! vimeo.com/797111253.

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**Choral Evensong**

Choral Evensong, originally crafted by Book of Common Prayer author Thomas Cranmer, can allow us to find deeper spiritual connection by participating in this centuries-old Anglican tradition.

Next Wednesday, March 29 at 6 p.m., Trinity's Choral Evensong service commemorates John Keble, English Anglican priest and poet who is one of the leaders of the Oxford Movement. The Rev. Anna Sutterisch, canon for Christian formation in the Diocese of Ohio will give the homily. The Trinity Chambers Singers will sing Gibbons's short service. This Evensong service will be livestreamed on trinitycleveland.org/evensong-livestream.

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**Trinity Once Again Partners with Cleveland**
International Film Festival

Trinity is a community partner with the Cleveland International Film Festival (CIFF) once again this year. The movie we're partnering on is **1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture**, which will be shown on Thursday, March 30 at 7:25 p.m. at the Mimi Ohio Theater in nearby Playhouse Square. The movie will be streamed on a date between April 2–9, with more details about the stream forthcoming. CIFF's website describes the film as follows:

"What if the crux of modern Christian homophobia was based on a single mistranslation? Director Rocky Roggio, the queer daughter of a pastor, and a handful of scholars dig for the truth about what happened in 1946 when, in a perfect cultural and political storm, the word 'homosexual' first appeared in the Bible."

Trinity members can receive $1 off to CIFF47 movies by following the instructions in the attached document. Our discount code is **TRINITY**.

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In Confidenza: Secrets and Transcendence

Make sure to visit the Trinity Commons Gallery this month for **In Confidenza: Secrets and Transcendence**. This fiber art installation was created by Trinity member Anne Kmiecik. The exhibit is an artistic expression of the extraordinary selective nature of the female reproductive system and invites meditation on religious history, biology, and their revelations.

The exhibit will be on display in the Trinity Commons Gallery throughout the month of March. The gallery is open:

- Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Wednesday 11 a.m.–7 p.m.
- Sunday 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Check-in at the front desk at Trinity Commons is required. Call 216.771.3630 to confirm arrival time or for questions.

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Saturday Morning SoulCollage®

SoulCollage® is an expressive arts practice that develops creativity and intuition and helps us access and apply our inner wisdom for life's questions and transitions. Participants use found images to make their own deck of collaged cards for personal reflection, and then together the group shares the

A SoulCollage® workshop will take place at Trinity Saturday, April 1, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. It is suitable for new and experienced SoulCollagers. Workshops are held in a supportive environment and no prior SoulCollage® experience is necessary. This is open to all adults. There's no fee for the workshops but there will be a free-will offering to cover the cost of the materials and space. Advanced registration is required. Contact Cynthia Ries at cynthiaries@gmail.com with questions or to register.

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**Holy Week Worship Schedule**

Holy Week is only 11 days away! Make your plans to join us for Easter and throughout Holy Week. All services are livestreamed with the exception of those marked below *.

- Palm Sunday, April 2 – 8*, 9, 11:15 a.m. and 5 p.m.
- Tenebrae, Wednesday, April 5 – 6 p.m.
- Maundy Thursday, April 6 – 6 p.m.
- Good Friday Solemn Liturgy, April 7 – 12 p.m.
- Good Friday Concert, April 7 – 7:30 p.m.*
- Great Vigil of Easter, Saturday, April 8 – 8 p.m.
- Easter Sunday, April 9 – 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

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**Stations of the Cross on the Labyrinth**

All are welcome to stay after the Good Friday (April 7) noon service to experience the Stations of the Cross on the labyrinth. Each of us will walk individually, in community, using a guided text. No labyrinth experience needed. Available until 3pm to walk at your own pace. Finger labyrinths will be available for use then, or to take home for those unable to stay.

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**Good Friday Concert April 7**

Lecture by Charles McGuire 6:45 p.m.
Concert at 7:30 p.m.

On Good Friday, April 7 the Cathedral Choir will present one of the most inspired and deeply moving works in the sacred choral repertoire, *Ein Deutsches Requiem* (A German Requiem) by Johannes Brahms. Completed shortly after the death of his own mother, this music captures the full range of human emotions, and Brahms himself said that it might more accurately be called “a human Requiem.”

Brahms arranged the accompaniment for four-hand piano (in addition to the orchestral version), thus creating a chamber-music version of this music, making it possible for choirs of modest size to present this great music highly effectively. Vocal soloists will be Jacqueline Josten (soprano) and Edward Vogel (baritone), with the accompaniment played by pianists Elizabeth DeMio and Anne Wilson.

Oberlin Conservatory faculty member Charles McGuire will give a talk about Brahms and the Requiem at 6:45.

Admission is free and a collection will be taken. Invite friends and plan to be here for what will surely be a very special evening of music at Trinity Cathedral.

~Todd Wilson, Director of Music

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Save the Dates

April 7 – Good Friday Concert (7:30 p.m.)

April 9 – Easter (Services at 9 and 11:15 a.m., Easter Egg Hunt at 10:15 a.m.)

April 16 – *Second Breath* self-compassion class begins

April 23 – Newcomers 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 20 – Guns to Gardens – Anti-gun violence program @ Urban Farm

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In the Diocese

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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 4-8 at the University of Maryland. The Diocese of Ohio will take a delegation, information, and registration on the diocesan website. All participants must register by next Monday, March 27.

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**Details on Bishop Ordination**

The diocese has announced some details about the ordination and consecration of the Rev. Anne B. Jolly as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Ohio, including a frequently asked questions page. The event will take place Saturday, April 29 at 11 a.m. at Public Auditorium, 500 Lakeside Avenue E, Cleveland. All are welcome! Invitations will be delivered in the last week of March.

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**Falling Upward:**

*A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life*

The Rev. Brad Purdom, canon for congregations in the Diocese of Ohio, will host a one-day retreat discussing the book *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life* at Bellwether Farm on Friday, May 12 from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. We spend much of the first half of our lives creating our identities, learning our place in the world and, hopefully, the part God asks us to take in it. But what of the second half? What happens when that inner spiritual life is interrupted or given up? What happens when there is a crisis of faith? How do we grow into a deeper understanding and greater awareness of “heaven on earth” in the second half of our lives? In short, how do we “fall upward”? Participants are not required to read the book ahead of time. The cost of the retreat is $40 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch, and all materials.

For more info and to register
In the Community

Organ Recitals

Two Cleveland Institute of Music students will present recitals at Trinity this weekend. Both concerts will use the Flentrop and the Muller organs, and are open to the public. If you enjoy great organ music, plan to be here.

**Friday, March 24, 7 p.m.**
Don VerKuilen will present his senior recital, including works by Bach, Scheidemann and the rarely heard complete 4th Symphony by Charles-Marie Widor. Don is music director at First Baptist Church and director of the Singers Club of Cleveland.

**Saturday, March 25, 4:30 p.m.**
Our own JoEllen West will present a recital. JoEllen is a sophomore at CIM and is one of our organ scholars here at Trinity, along with Carolyn Hoff. JoEllen will play music by Bach, Thomas Kerr (American composer), Ad Wammes (current Dutch composer) and the magnificent 6th Symphony by Widor.

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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