



TRINITY
CATHEDRAL
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CHURCH

A Sacred Place for All People

11:15 AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

January 18, 2026

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday

THE MISSION OF TRINITY CATHEDRAL IS TO PROCLAIM IN WORD
AND ACTION GOD'S JUSTICE, LOVE AND MERCY FOR ALL CREATION.

VOLUNTARY

First Sonata for Organ

Florence Price (1887-1953)

II. Andantino

The congregation stands in body or spirit.

OPENING HYMN 542

Christ Is The World's True Light

1 Christ is the world's true Light, its Cap-tain of sal - va - tion,
2 In Christ all rac - es meet, their an-cient feuds for - get - ting,
3 One Lord, in one great Name u - nite us all who own thee;

the Day - star clear and bright of ev - ery race and na - tion;
the whole round world com - plete, from sun-rise to its set - ting;
cast out our pride and shame that hin-der to en - throne thee;

new life, new hope a - wakes, for all who own his sway:
when Christ is throned as Lord all shall for - sake their fear,
the world has wait - ed long, has tra - vailed long in pain;

free - dom her bond - age breaks, and night is turned to day.
to plough-share beat the sword, to prun - ing - hook the spear.
to heal its an - cient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

GLORIA

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al -
might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the
right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The congregation sits.

THE FIRST LESSON *Excerpt from: letter from Birmingham jail. (April 16, 1963)*

There was a time when the church was very powerful--in the time when the early Christians rejoiced at being deemed worthy to suffer for what they believed. In those days the church was not merely a thermometer that recorded the ideas and principles of popular opinion; it was a thermostat that transformed the mores of society. Whenever the early Christians entered a town, the people in power became disturbed and immediately sought to convict the Christians for being "disturbers of the peace" and "outside agitators." But the Christians pressed on, in the conviction that they were "a colony of heaven," called to obey God rather than man. Small in number, they were big in commitment. They were too God-intoxicated to be "astronomically intimidated." By their effort and example they brought an end to such ancient evils as infanticide and gladiatorial contests. Things are different now. So often the contemporary church is a weak, ineffectual voice with an uncertain sound. So often it is an archdefender of the status quo. Far from being disturbed by the presence of the church, the power structure of the average community is consoled by the church's silent--and often even vocal--sanction of things as they are. But the judgment of God is upon the church as never before. If today's church does not recapture the sacrificial spirit of the early church, it will lose its authenticity, forfeit the loyalty of millions, and be dismissed as an irrelevant social club with no meaning for the twentieth century. Every day I meet young people whose disappointment with the church has turned into outright disgust.

Perhaps I have once again been too optimistic. Is organized religion too inextricably bound to the status quo to save our nation and the world? Perhaps I must turn my faith to the inner spiritual church, the church within the church, as the true ekklesia and the hope of the world. But again I am thankful to God that some noble souls from the ranks of organized religion have broken loose from the paralyzing chains of conformity and joined us as active partners in the struggle for freedom.

PSALM 40:1-12 *(sung by the choir)*

Chant: Daniel Pinkham

I waited patiently upon the Lord;

he stooped to me and heard my cry.

He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay;

he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;

many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.

Happy are they who trust in the Lord!

they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!

how great your wonders and your plans for us!

there is none who can be compared with you.

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!

but they are more than I can count.

In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure

you have given me ears to hear you;

Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required,

and so I said, "Behold, I come.

In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:

'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'

I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation;

behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.

Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;

I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me;

let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The congregation stands in body or spirit.

SEQUENCE HYMN 706

In Your Mercy, Lord, You Called Me

1 In your mer - cy, Lord, you called me, taught my
 2 Lord, I did not free - ly choose you till by
 3 Now my heart sets none a - bove you, for your

sin - filled heart and mind, else this world had
 grace you set me free; for my heart would
 grace a - lone I thirst, know - ing well, that

still en - thrall'd me, and to glo - ry kept me blind.
 still re - fuse you had your love not cho - sen me.
 if I love you, you, O Lord, have loved me first.

THE GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.” The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Children are invited to gather in the soft space and follow the Children’s cross for a lesson in the Conference Room C/D. They will return to their parents by the passing of the peace.

The congregation sits after the preacher’s opening words.

THE SERMON

Robert L. Solomon, Esq.

THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP, Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world; **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation; **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the truth.**

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Anne our Bishop; and all bishops and other ministers; **For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The intercessions of the congregation are offered at this time.

Hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

Thanksgivings and blessings of the congregation are offered at this time.

We will exalt you, O God our King; **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Prayers for the departed are offered at this time.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **Who put their trust in you.**

LITANY OF REPENTANCE

Dear people of God, our history is marred by oppression, by the enslavement of those who differ from us, and by the forces of racism that attack human dignity. The sin of racism is woven into our lives and our cultures, in small and great ways, in things done and things left undone.

As followers of Christ, we reject racism and the oppression of other human beings. In building Christ's beloved community, we must strive to love all people, respect all people, and work for the good of all people. We must stand alongside God's children of every race, language, and culture, and work together as agents of justice, peace, and reconciliation.

In the assurance of our forgiveness, let us humbly confess our sins: our participation in racism, our privilege based on racism, and our perpetuation of racism.

God the Father, you freed your people from slavery in Egypt, yet the legacy of slavery deforms our lives today. **Have mercy on us.**

God the Son, you prayed that all would be united in your love and service, yet the divisions among us rend your body. **Have mercy on us.**

God the Holy Spirit, you inspire us to live peaceably with all, yet the stain of genocide and internment mars our striving for justice. **Have mercy on us.**

We have harmed one another and the earth through negligence, greed, and self-interest. **Have mercy on us.**

We have failed to condemn discrimination that leads to unrest. **Have mercy on us.**

We have decried violence, while overlooking inequity and frustration from which it rises. **Have mercy on us.**

We have practiced injustice for economic gain and have oppressed others to make a false peace. **Have mercy on us.**

We have sought comfort in advantage for ourselves at the cost of injustice for others. **Have mercy on us.**

We have welcomed solace over conflict and ignored the cries of those harmed by our comfort. **Have mercy on us.**

We have grasped for this world's goods, and been arrogant toward those who have little. **Have mercy on us.**

We have not shared the good things we have been given, and blamed the poor for their poverty. **Have mercy on us.**

We have been fearful and distrustful of those who are different from us. **Have mercy on us.**

We have divided ourselves from others, and refused to listen to or believe their experience. **Have mercy on us.**

We have been indifferent to the pain and suffering of our sisters and brothers. **Have mercy on us.**

We have held in contempt those who need our help, and not loved them with our whole hearts. **Have mercy on us.**

We have been self-satisfied in our privilege, and denied our oppression of others. **Have mercy on us.**

We have preferred order over justice, and isolation over the struggle for peace. **Have mercy on us.**

We have quietly held good intentions, and kept silent the message of reconciliation. **Have mercy on us.**

We have failed to act with courage for the sake of love. **Have mercy on us.**

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Almighty God, who created us in your own image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The congregation shares with one another a sign of peace and then sits.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offertory Sentence

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na - in the high - est.

Bless'd is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your people, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.



A - MEN.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS *(When needed)*

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these Holy gifts to N., that those to whom you go may share with us in the body and blood of Christ.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The congregation stands in body or spirit.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN 599

Lift Every Voice And Sing

1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing till earth and hea - ven ring, ring with the
2 Ston-y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, thou who hast

har - mon - ies of lib - er - ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise
days when hope un - born had died; yet, with a stead - y beat,
brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might

high as the lis - tening skies; let it re - sound loud as the
have not our wea - ry feet come to the place for which our
led us in - to the light; keep us for ev - er in the

roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has
par - ents sighed? We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been
path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the pla - ces, our God, where we

taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has
 wa - tered; we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the
 met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for-

brought us; fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new
 slaugh - tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we
 get thee; sha-dowed be - neath thy hand may we for

day be - gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.
 stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
 ev - er stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

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Often referred to as “The Black National Anthem,” Lift Every Voice and Sing was written as a poem by NAACP leader James Weldon Johnson (1871-1938) in 1900. His brother, John Rosamond Johnson (1873-1954), composed the music for the lyrics. A choir of 500 schoolchildren at the segregated Stanton School, where James Weldon Johnson was principal, first performed the song in public in Jacksonville, Florida to celebrate President Abraham Lincoln’s birthday. The hymn was used prominently as a rallying cry during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s and remains today a profound expression of the trauma of racism, celebration of freedoms won, and a determination to persevere until “earth and heaven ring with the harmonies of liberty.”

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

First Sonata for Organ

III. Finale

Florence Price



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PRAYER LIST – January 18, 2026

For God's healing grace upon all who ask for our prayers, especially:

Pam Meyers	Andrea Elliott	George and Sandy Luther
Mickey Pressler	Kent Cicerchi	Nancyanne Sinclair
May Targett	Marty Burkett	The Abookire Family
Laura Blunk	John Gordon	Tanya Weiker Snowden
Ron Ross	Larry Ross	

Lois Obreiter, Grandmother of Lynzi Allen-Miller

Fran Davis-Razor, cousin of Catherine Wells

Aaron & Melissa Spiess, son & daughter-in-law of Jeff & Pat Spiess

Lois Hall, aunt of Ian Hall

Chloetta Kinney, cousin of David Cratty

Dick Houseman, cousin of David and Gayle Cratty

Tekai Georgianna, cousin of Eric Travis

Jerry B. and SD, friends of David and Gayle Cratty

Mary Hippler, sister of Mark Malloy

Mary, JP, Zack, and Lisa, friends of Karla Rivers

Joan Condon, sister of Ted Andrews and sister-in law of Bruce Holloway

Susan Dolan-Laughlin, sister of Neil Green and sister-in-law
of Joyce Green

Barbara Permelia Barbe, friend of Neil and Joyce Green

Greg Sonnhalter, friend of Cynthia Ries

Steve and Holly Atkinson, friends of Debbie Likins-Fowler

Judith Junda, friend of George and Sandy Luther

Julie Dimitrov, friend of Dolores Brown

Michael Graham, husband of Marian Graham

Len Morrell, stepfather of Julie Travis

Friend of Karen, for prayers requested

Jo Anne Fowler, mother of Bob Fowler

Danajean Cicerchi, sister of Kent Cicerchi

Kimberly Yakowec, daughter of Kathy Raymond

Carolyn Faiver, sister of Chris Faiver

Joseph Morel, friend of Nancyanne Sinclair

Rich Vranich, friend of Bob Gref and Aloise Weiker Gref

Robert Obermann, nephew of Michael and Catherine Wells

We ask for God's nearness to those who grieve for loved ones and those who have recently died, especially:

Charles Russian, husband of Mary Russian
Ula Kessler, aunt of Jeff Spiess

May light perpetual shine upon them.

We ask for the safety of U.S. military personnel, especially:

James Piepsny	Chris Munz	Charles Lewis
Michael Bryant	Caleb Glorioso-Mays	Aaron Spiess
Jerrold Peterson	Charles Sarano	Greyson Elliott
Cameron Bowen		

We pray for the flourishing of our companions in the Diocese of Belize and the Diocese of Tanga, Tanzania; for churches in our own Diocese, especially:

St. Andrew's Church, Barberton St. Barnabas Church, Bay Village
St. Paul's Church, Bellevue

And for churches in the Anglican Communion, especially the churches in the Diocese of Sunyani, West Africa.

We pray for immigrants and refugees in our nation, an end to violent boarder enforcement, and for the safety of those who protest, those who resist, and those who serve in uniform.

We pray for the people of Iran as they protest, for all who have died at the hands of the government, and for the safety of all those who hope for greater freedom.

We ask God to bless the work of the Worship, Art, and Music Mission Team as they create opportunities for transcendent encounters with God through liturgy, art, and music; faithfully balancing church tradition and innovation.

We offer blessings upon those celebrating birthdays this week:

Jeff Ackroyd	Becky Freligh	Martin Hauserman
Mark Hesselink	Jo Owens	Mae Pelster
Mike Waters	Zoe Wood	

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Prayers of petition & intercession for friends and family remain on our Prayer List for 6 weeks. **Long-term prayer requests (beyond 6 weeks) can be submitted for the Prayer Tree.** For prayer requests, thanksgivings & congregational birthday blessings: Doreen Hughes, 216.774.0415, dhughes@trinitycleveland.org. Please submit requests by noon on Thursday for inclusion in print on Sunday.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## **Ginger Bitikofer Retirement Afternoon Tea | Sunday, January 25 | 2:00 PM**

Join us as we celebrate Ginger Bitikofer as she retires from Trinity Cathedral with an Afternoon Tea featuring finger foods, selections of tea, and lots of fun and memories of Ginger. Register at <http://bit.ly/GingerRet> or contact Eric Travis.

## **Annual Meeting | Sunday, February 1 | 11:15 AM**

Join us for Trinity's Annual Meeting following the morning services. **Please note: there will be only two services that Sunday (8:00 and 10:00 a.m.)**. Hear updates from the dean, senior warden, treasurer, and other parish leaders. We'll also hold elections for vestry positions and the 2026 Nominating Committee. You can learn more about the nominees by reviewing their biographies here



## **2025 Christmas Offering Update**

Each year, our community responds generously to the Christmas Offering that supports outreach ministries serving our neighbors at Marion-Sterling School and throughout the Central neighborhood and the Campus District. And this year was no exception. We are grateful to share that the **2025 Christmas offering totaled \$13,451**, which is \$4,250 more than last year!

Your generosity will support ministries such as the Urban Farm, our annual Marion-Sterling drives, and Adopt-a-Shelf at the Friendly Inn, while also creating space for new or expanded partnerships and outreach opportunities in the future. We are deeply thankful for the many ways you show up, sharing your time, talents, and treasures in service and love.

**Thank you for your incredible generosity and faithful support!**

# EVENTS

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TODAY | JANUARY 18

## **MLK Sunday with Rob Solomon | 10:10 AM**

Our preacher for MLK Jr. Sunday is Robert Solomon, Esq, the VP for the Office of Campus Enrichment and Engagement at Case Western Reserve University. He also serves as an adjunct law professor. From 2020-2025, he served as Case's Chief Diversity Officer and Vice President of the Office for Diversity, Equity & Inclusive Engagement. Prior to his career in higher education, Robert served as a trial and appellate lawyer with the Ohio Attorney General's office and the U.S. Department of Justice. He has also served as an associate and youth minister in the Churches of Christ in both Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio. He will preach at the 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM services, and join Dean Owens for a forum between the services on how we can embrace Dr. King's message of equity and liberation amidst the realities of today's world.

## **Formation for Children and Youth | 10:10 AM**

Grades 1-12: Group Gathering in the Youth and Family Center on the 3rd floor

## **Call for Auditions | 12:45 PM**

Do you have a talent you'd like to share as part of the Lucky in Love Cabaret on Friday, February 13? Auditions will be held today from 12:45 to 1:30 p.m. You can request an alternative time. Email Craig, [cgahnz-kuhar@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:cgahnz-kuhar@trinitycleveland.org) to sign up for an audition; email Emily, [music@trinitycleveland.org](mailto:music@trinitycleveland.org) with other questions about the cabaret.

## THIS WEEK

## **Martin Luther King Jr. Day: BUILDING CLOSED | Monday, January 19, 2026**

Trinity Cathedral and Trinity Commons will be closed in observation of the federal holiday, Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

## **Cleveland Chamber Choir: Madness and Melancholy |**

### **Wednesday, January 21 | Noon**

When the passions of our subconscious pour out into daily life, the results are dramatic indeed. In *Madness & Melancholy*, singers from Cleveland Chamber Choir bring us a program of baroque music that promises to arouse the spirits of even the most lethargic of souls. The selections include excerpts from Henry Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas*, mad songs by John Eccles and John Blow, Italian laments, and more. With Dominic Aragon (baritone), Abigail Hakel-Garcia (soprano and violin), Adrian Murillo (theorbo), Kira McGirr (contralto), and Gregory Ristow (harpsichord).

# EVENTS

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## **Healing Eucharist | Thursday, January 22 | 12:10 PM**

A quiet, profound service that offers a mid-week respite. All are invited to Holy Communion and, if desired, a laying-on of hands and anointing for healing of themselves or others.

## **Maltz Museum: El Sueño Americano | Saturday, January 24 | 11:00 AM**

Crossing the Political Divide invites you to join them on January 24 at 11:00 a.m. for a visit to the Maltz Museum to view current exhibitions on immigration, featuring Tom Kiefer's documentary photographs *El Sueño Americano / The American Dream* and the work of contemporary Mexican-American artist Elizabeth Z. Pineda, whose art explores the complexities of immigration. Afterward, the group plans to go to lunch to discuss the exhibition, share what the circle has done to date, and hear your ideas for future sessions. For more information, please contact Anne Kmieck.

## **NEXT SUNDAY | JANUARY 25**

### **All About the Archbishop | 10:10 AM**

With the upcoming confirmation and installation of Dame Sarah Mullally as the 106th—and first female—Archbishop of Canterbury, Dean Owens will lead a forum on January 25 introducing us to Bishop Mullally and explaining the unique and vital role played in global Christianity by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

### **Formation for Children and Youth | 10:10 AM**

Grades 1-4: Godly Play in the Godly Play area on the 3rd floor.

Grades 5-8: Disciples & Dragons in our Gaming Room at the back area on the 3rd floor.

Grades 9-12: Youth Group: Meet on the 3rd floor

### **GCC: Power in Progress | 3:00 PM at Olivet Institutional Baptist Church**

Join Greater Cleveland Congregations as they celebrate 15 years of impact and kick off the work of 2026. This special gathering will honor GCC's founding co-chairs, who will reflect on the organization's power and progress in this moment. Olivet is located at 8712 Quincy Avenue in Cleveland.

# EVENTS

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## BEYOND

### **Call for Donations | Sunday, January 25 to Sunday, February 8**

Do you have a skill, service, or item that could be raffled or auctioned off for the Lucky in Love Cabaret? This fundraiser benefits both the Music & Art at Trinity concert series and the cathedral's worship music ministries. Items may be delivered to Trinity beginning January 25 until February 8. No items can be accepted after February 8. Any item not won will be returned to the original owner or donated. Monetary donations may be made online at any time. Contact Emily with any questions.

### **Cozy Winter Fun Day | Saturday, January 31 | 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

It was such fun last year—let's have another Cozy Winter Fun Day, on Saturday, January 31, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Cathedral. We'll have board games, a knitting/craft table, and a potluck lunch. Bring a game or your current craft project (if you wish), and a dish to share (soup/chili, salad or side dish, bread, or dessert). And you can bring a friend. Open to all ages.

Come when you can and leave when you need to. Find more details contact Dan McGuire or Rebecca Miller. Sponsored by the LGBTQ+ Circle and open to everyone—let's come together for some fun!

### **Solemn Eucharist | Sunday, February 1 | 4:00 PM**

On the first Sunday of the month, join members of the Cathedral Choir for a solemn Eucharist with incense, bells, and clergy from around the diocese. In February, we will hear Leo Delibes' *Mass for Two Voices*, with the Rev. Gabriel Lawrence preaching and the Rev. George Baum celebrating.

### **Cleveland Composers Guild | Wednesday, February 4 | Noon**

The Cleveland Composers Guild presents a concert of original music by professional composers living in Greater Cleveland. This program features a wide variety of instruments and musical styles, from traditional to contemporary. You just might hear a world premiere! The Guild is among the nation's oldest new music organizations, counting 200+ composer members since its founding. In recent years the Guild has collaborated with the Cleveland Chamber Symphony, Cleveland Chamber Choir, Cleveland Jazz Orchestra, Cleveland Ballet, Factory Seconds Brass Trio, Burning River Baroque, Poiesis String Quartet, and many more artists.

# EVENTS

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## **Meet, Eat, Repeat! Let's Set the Table Together**

Get ready, dinner groups are coming soon! These small, casual gatherings are a fun way to share food, laughter, and connection with others at Trinity, whether you're a newcomer or a longtime member. Gatherings will take place seasonally, with the first round happening in February, March, and April. Groups meet in homes, restaurants, parks, wherever good food and good company meet. Sign-ups open in early January, so keep an eye out for your chance to pull up a chair!

## **Join the All Y'all Choir | Sunday, February 8 | 10:00 AM**

It's almost time for our first midwinter "All Y'all" choir at Trinity! On February 8, we'll meet in the church at 10:00 a.m. to prepare music for the 11:15 a.m. service. No previous experience is required, and participation is open to the entire Trinity community. If you'd like to receive the music ahead of time, email Shiloh Roby, otherwise, just show up on the day. Also, mark your calendar for a spring All Y'all choir on Sunday, April 12.

## **Lucky in Love Cabaret | Friday, February 13 | 6:00 PM**

After the success of last year's cabaret, we're thrilled to be back with another event this year. This joint fundraiser for Music & Art at Trinity and Trinity's liturgical music programs will feature an auction, a raffle, and great live music.

A suggested minimum donation of \$30 per person may be made online. All donations will be divided equally between the music ministries of Trinity Cathedral and Music & Art at Trinity. Email Emily Butler if you have questions or want to get involved.

## **Tuition Assistance for Seminarians and Medical Students**

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. Postulants, seminarians, nursing school students, and medical school students are eligible to apply.

Apply online by **February 28** here 

Award decisions by **April 24**



# SAVE THE DATE

**FEB 4 | Evensong Returns**

**FEB 7 | Cleveland Chamber Choir: Love in Bloom**

**FEB 15 | Absalom Jones Commemoration**

**FEB 17 | Mardi Gras/Shrove Tuesday**

**FEB 18 | Ash Wednesday**

**FEB 18 | Brownbag Concert: Cleveland Celtic Ensemble**

For a complete listing of events, please visit [trinitycleveland.org/calendar](http://trinitycleveland.org/calendar)

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# SERVICES AT TRINITY CATHEDRAL

## SUNDAYS

**8:00 a.m.** Early Eucharist (Chapel)  
**9:00 a.m.** Abundant Table Service\*\*  
**11:15 a.m.** Choral Eucharist \*  
**4 p.m.** Solemn Sung Eucharist \*  
(First Sunday Oct-May)

## WEDNESDAYS (SEP-DEC)

**12 p.m.** Brownbag Concert  
(first and third Weds)  
**6 p.m.** Evensong \*  
visit [trinitycleveland.org/music-art-trinity](http://trinitycleveland.org/music-art-trinity) for more details

## THURSDAYS

**12:10 p.m.** Healing Service  
\* Livestreamed Service  
\*\* Livestreamed the first Sunday of the month.

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**Soft Space in the Transept** of the Cathedral is available for parents, infants and young children on Sunday mornings. Soft Space has a large mat, toys and more for quiet play—allowing parents to remain in the worship service.

**The Flowers on the Altar** are offered to the glory of God in loving memory of Flora Stone Mather, Louise Van Cleve Strong, John B. Putnam, Sr., John B. Putnam, Jr., Henry G. & Julia K. Dalton.

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**Please note:** Prayer requests submitted Thursday by noon will be included in Sunday's Bulletin. Those submitted after will be included the following Sunday.

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