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DEAR FRIENDS

A bit of activism...



Dear friends,

This Sunday we will be offering the ability to participate in a bit of activism. During coffee hour, a table will be set up captained by our incredible tenor section leader, Steven Sloan. There, he will be accepting signatures against Ohio Senate Bill 1. SB1 goes after higher education, specifically attempting to ban diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts in universities, which could lead to the elimination of DEI scholarships.

Over the past few years, we have been wading into the water of activism by advocating for the world we want, not the one we live in. Looking at our values as a progressive, inclusive, community of faith, it makes sense to use our voices to speak against a bill that will “stifle scientific discovery by driving away students, teachers, and staff” (ohsb1petition.com). The Ohio Capital Journal has a great article written in March of this year which you can read here (it is also where the image for this Dear Friends comes from).

We ought to have a say in how the future of our state teaches our kids, and cares for our teachers. I ask you to use your voice and sign the petition against SB1 this Sunday during coffee hour.

Grace and peace,
George Benson (he/him)

MASTERWORKS CHORALE OF TOLEDO PERFORMANCE

MASTERWORKS CHORALE

Tim Cloeter, Artistic Director



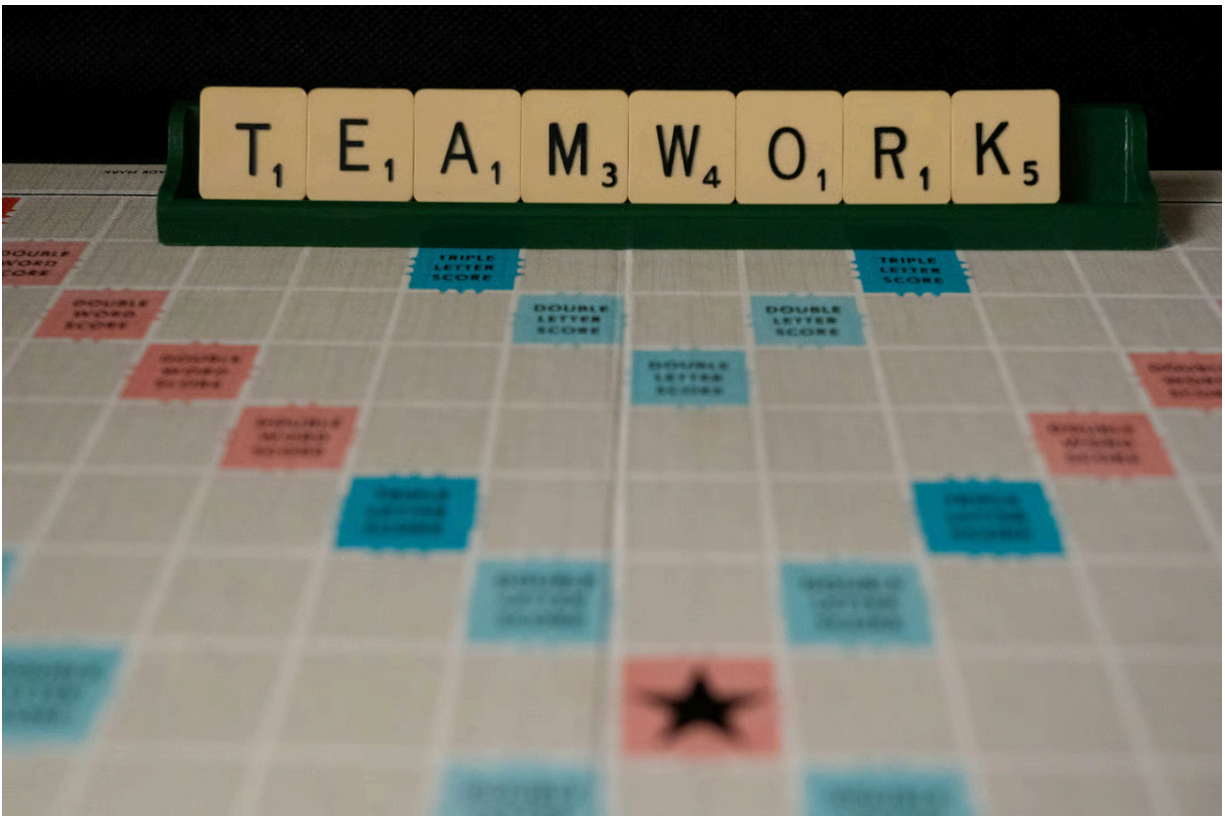
A LASTING HOPE

Trinity Episcopal Church

6.14.2025, 7:30 PM

Saturday, June 14 at 7:30pm: Join Masterworks Chorale for an unforgettable evening of music, reflection, and renewal as they close their season with *A Lasting Hope* — a heartfelt celebration of resilience, unity, and the enduring power of song. Link to tickets here: [Masterworks Ticket Website](#)

STAFF RETREAT



Tuesday, June 17 and Wednesday, June 18 the parish office will be closed as Trinity's staff gathers off site for two busy days of 2025–2026 calendar planning, deeper connections with each other and for our Trinity community. We ask that you hold us in prayer as we do this important work!

FLYDLPHN PERFORMANCE



Sunday, June 22 at 3pm (*Pronounced 'flydolphin'*) We are thrilled to present this Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti based mixed chamber ensemble to Trinity on June 22 as part of our Music & Arts series. FLYDLPHN cultivates a distinctive panoramic soundscape making extensive use of electro-acoustic, multimedia, and improvised performance, building a community that empowers the sharing of art from early-career composers and underrepresented voices. FLYDLPHN is flutist Lexi Eubanks, clarinetist Oliver Bishop, bassoonist Bryce Richardson, bassist Emani Barber, and percussionists Olivia Cirisan and Ancel Fitzgerald Neeley. This event is free. Bring your friends!

SAVE THE DATE



Join us on Trinity's Plaza

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!

FRIDAY, JULY 4 - DOORS OPEN AT 7PM
FIREWORKS BEGIN AT 10PM
POTLUCK OF APPS AND DESSERTS. COOLERS ARE
WELCOME AS ARE YOUR FRIENDS!

BROADWAY CONCERT




THE TRINITY CHOIR SINGS
Broadway

BROADWAY CONCERT: JUNE 10 @ 7:00 pm Free admission and open to the public! Mark your calendars for the end of the choir season concert, featuring music from Broadway! The Trinity Choir is busy preparing to sing their faces off. We'll see you there! TUESDAY, JUNE 10 @ 7 PM.

NOON TIME WEDNESDAY SERVICE – HIATUS

Please note that our regular Noontime Wednesday services will be on hiatus during the summer months beginning June 18. We will resume in the fall. Thank you for understanding and we look forward to worshipping with you on Sundays and at all the special events this summer!

BUILDING PARTNERS NEWS

ACT **Actors Collaborative Toledo** 
presents
Blood of the Lamb
by Arlene Hutton

Directed by Barbara Barkan *Featuring* **Monica Hiris** **Rin Moran**

June 5-8, 2025 **Trinity Episcopal Church**
June 5-7 at 8pm ~ June 8 at 3pm (Chapel Theatre)
316 Adams St, Toledo

BLOOD OF THE LAMB is produced by special arrangement with Theatrical Rights Worldwide www.theatricalrights.com

ACT is presenting the area premiere of *Blood of the Lamb* by acclaimed playwright Arlene Hutton, an urgent and riveting new play exploring the collision of personal autonomy and state control in a post-Roe America.

Set in a stark room at a Texas airport, *Blood of the Lamb* centers on Nessa, a pregnant woman detained under new reproductive laws. As she faces questioning and legal proceedings—represented not by her own advocate but by an attorney for her unborn fetus—the play unfolds as a chilling, Kafkaesque legal drama. Through sharp dialogue and escalating tension, Hutton examines the profound implications of legislation that prioritizes the rights of the unborn over the autonomy of the living. *Blood of the Lamb* is directed by Toledo theatre veteran Barbara Barkan and features Monica Hiris and Rin Moran.

Performances will run June 5–8, 2025, in Trinity's Chapel. June 5–7 at 8:00 p.m. and June 8 at 3:00 p.m. Tickets for Thursday, June 5 are \$5.00. Tickets for the remaining performances are \$10.00–\$20.00. Available in advance at www.act419.org or at the door one hour before the curtain time.

WEAR ORANGE *VIRTUAL* BLOOD DRIVE (JUNE 1–15)

Blood Donors Needed

Did you know?

***GUN SHOT VICTIMS 5 TIMES ARE MORE LIKELY TO NEED TRANSFUSION**

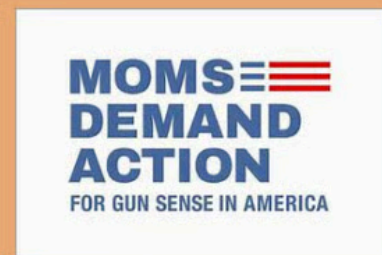
***GUN SHOT VICTIMS REQUIRE 10X MORE BLOOD THAN OTHER TRAUMA PATIENTS**

JUNE 1ST TO JUNE 15TH

Toledo Moms Demand Action Sponsoring Virtual Blood Drive to help replace blood needed by victims of gun violence

Use this Blood Link to be directed to blood banks near you. Sign up anytime between June 1 and June 15th to participate in our National Gun Violence Awareness Event

This is your blood link
<https://rcblood.org/3ENOUvo>



Gun shot victims are 5 times more likely to need a transfusion.
Gun shot victims require 10 times more blood than other trauma victims.

Moms Demand Action is sponsoring a *virtual* blood drive with the American Red Cross to help replace the blood needed by victims of gun violence. How does it work?

1. Use this link to choose a blood bank near you. [Blood Bank locations here](#)
2. Make an appointment to donate blood between June 1–15.

3. Donate blood!

BOOK CLUB



#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF
A MAN CALLED OVE

FREDRIK
BACKMAN
MY FRIENDS

A NOVEL

My Friends by Fredrik Backman

"Fredrik Backman's signature charm, humor, and attention to the poignant details of everyday life are on full display in this funny, moving novel. His most heartfelt and personal tale yet, *My Friends* is a stunning testament to the transformative, timeless power of art and friendship." ~ goodreads

Book Club will be taking a breather in June and July but that doesn't mean you can't be reading. Get this one on your summer reading list, and add August 24 at 6:30pm to your calendar. Happy reading!

TRINITY'S PRAYER LIST



Trinity continues to have an active prayer list. If you'd like prayers for yourself or for someone you know, you can request them by contacting the Trinity office (trinity@trinitytoledo.org or 419-243-1231). All prayer requests are shared only with a small intercessory prayer group who, along with parish clergy, offer recurring prayers for each request. When a request is received, it remains on the prayer list for four weeks before it's taken off. Requests can always be renewed or submitted again; having an "expiration date" simply prevents the list from overflowing with prayer requests that are out of date.

TRINITY@HOME LIVE-STREAM

Trinity@Home is now a live-stream of Trinity's 10:00 am in-person service with an interactive chat.

www.trinitytoledo.org/live

EPISCOPAL NEWS SERVICE

Presiding bishop announces disciplinary accord with Marc Andrus to end case against bishop

[Episcopal News Service] Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe announced June 5 that he had reached an accord with former California Bishop Marc Andrus to...

Washington National Cathedral unveils 3D virtual tour

[Washington National Cathedral] Washington National Cathedral has unveiled a new online virtual tour of the world's sixth-largest Gothic Cathedral,...

Diocese of Jerusalem condemns deadly Israeli attack on its hospital in Gaza

[Episcopal News Service] An Israeli military attack June 5 on an Anglican hospital in Gaza killed five people, including three journalists, the...

With Pentecost message, Council ecumenical presidents reflect on unity in diversity

[World Council of Churches] In their annual Pentecost message, the World Council of Churches presidents, each representing eight regions and church...

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