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## SEN. SHERROD BROWN AND CONNIE SCHULTZ TO VISIT TRINITY CATHEDRAL IN RARE JOINT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

## National Speakers Series to Celebrate Trinity's Bicentennial

CLEVELAND, OH – U.S. Sen. **Sherrod Brown** and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist **Connie Schultz** will make a rare joint speaking appearance at Trinity Cathedral in downtown Cleveland. Free and open to the public, the moderated discussion on the future of America will be held at **noon on Tuesday, October 4** in the nave of the cathedral.

The event is the first in a national speakers series titled "A Future that Belongs to Us All," celebrating Trinity's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary as the oldest congregation in Cleveland. The series is presented by **Cleveland State University** in partnership with Trinity Cathedral, **The City Club of Cleveland**, and **ideastream**.

Future lectures in the series are in the works. On **October 25**, Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf, founder of the <u>Cordoba House</u>, will offer a vision of reconciliation between Islam and the West. Harvard philosopher and *New York Times*-bestselling author **Michael Sandel** is scheduled to visit Trinity in March 2017, with other speakers to be named.

The Very Reverend Tracey Lind, dean of Trinity Cathedral, said the impetus for the series was a desire to bring together national thought leaders and an intergenerational audience for a series of civil conversations amid ongoing social divisions. "It's about casting a vision for unity in a world of diversity," said Lind, who will be moderating the October 4 event.

The event with Senator Brown and Ms. Schultz is expected to draw many members of the Cleveland State University community, downtown employees, and civic and faith partners throughout the area. Doors will open at 11 a.m., and seating is first come, first serve. Free parking will be in limited supply, and attendees are encouraged to carpool or take public transportation if possible.

**WHAT:** Senator Sherrod Brown and Connie Schultz will lead off a national speakers series titled "A Future That Belongs To us All" celebrating Trinity Cathedral's Bicentennial

WHEN: Tuesday, October 4, 2016, noon

WHERE: Trinity Cathedral (2230 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, OH 44115)

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