

# **Holy Baptism BAS**

Holy Cross Day

Sunday, September 14, 2025 10AM



*We recognize that our faith community gathers on the ancestral lands of the Tsartlip/WJOLELP, Tseycum/WSIKEM, Tsawout/STÁUTW, & Pauquachin/BOKEĆEN Nations. In a spirit of gratitude and respect, we seek a growing relationship that fosters healing and hope for all our relations on these islands and inlets of the Salish Sea.*



Each year from September 1 to October 4, the Christian family unites for this worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. It is a special season where we celebrate God as Creator and acknowledge Creation as the divine continuing act that summons us as collaborators to love and care for the gift of all that is created. As followers of Christ from around the globe, we share a common call to care for Creation. We are co-creatures and part of all that God has made. Our well-being is interwoven with the well-being of the Earth.

We rejoice in this opportunity to safeguard our common home and all beings who share it. This year, the theme for the season is “**Peace with Creation.**”

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## Welcome

*A special welcome to visitors and newcomers. Please consider taking a moment to fill in a Welcome card and hand it to a greeter. You may also take Rev. Denise's business card in the foyer and connect with her at your convenience.*

## Territorial Acknowledgement

### Greeting and Call to Worship

One: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

One: Come, let us worship God, the Creator of all things, who calls us to dwell in peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

**All: We gather in gratitude for God's creation, longing for justice and peace to abide in the land.**

One: Come, let us follow the Lord Jesus Christ, who reconciles all things and leads us in the way of righteousness, so that the wilderness may become a fruitful field and the fruitful field be deemed a forest.

**All: We come to walk in the footsteps of Christ, seeking healing for creation and peace for all people.**

One: Come, let us move with the Holy Spirit, the breath of life, who is poured out upon us, bringing renewal to the earth and restoring the harmony of Creation.

**All: We praise God, who revives the land and calls us to be peacemakers with all of Creation.**

One: The effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever.

**All: God of justice and peace, we gather in Your presence, united with all living beings. We come in hope, in worship, and in commitment to live as caretakers of Your world.**

One: May our prayers rise like incense, and our worship be a song of love for all Creation.

**All: We thank the Lord for giving life to all Creation! We thank God for our neighbours' life, human and non-human alike.**

One: As we gather, we share the hope and the sufferings of our sisters and brothers in the whole Creation.

**All: In communion with the waves of the sea, with the waves of the trees, we recite Psalm 139:14 together: "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made." We love you, God! Amen.**

*(adapted from WCC Ecumenical Centre's Morning Prayer,  
Geneva, Led by ACT)*

Opening Song: *CP # 37 We'll Sing in the Morning*

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

*Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.18-24*

*Psalm 148.1-13*

Gospel Acclamation:: *CP # 712 vs.1&2*

Gospel Reading: John 3.13-17

*(Please stand as you are able).*

Gospel Acclamation:: CP # 712 vs.3&4

Talk by Rev. Denise

Song: CP # 397 *Praise the One Who Breaks  
the Darkness*

## **Presentation and Examination of the Candidates**

The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

***Parents and Sponsors:***, We present Kalani to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Will you be responsible for seeing that Kalani is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

***Parents and Sponsors:*** We will, with God's help.

Will you by your prayers and witness help Kalani to grow into the full stature of Christ?

***Parents & Sponsors,*** We will, with God's help.

## **Examination of Candidate**

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

***Parents and Sponsors: I renounce them.***

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

***Parents and Sponsors: I renounce them.***

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

***Parents and Sponsors: I renounce them.***

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

***Parents and Sponsors: I do.***

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

***Parents and Sponsors: I do.***

Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

***Parents and Sponsors: I do***

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

***Congregation: We will.***

### **Prayers for the Candidate**

Let us pray now for Kalani who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

***Congregation: Lord, hear our prayer.***

Open her heart to your grace and truth.

***Congregation: Lord, hear our prayer.***

Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

***Congregation: Lord, hear our prayer.***

Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

***Congregation: Lord, hear our prayer.***

Send her into the world in witness to your love.

***Congregation: Lord, hear our prayer.***

Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

***Congregation:* Lord, hear our prayer**

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Celebration of Baptism**

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

### **The Baptismal Covenant**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. Holy He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**



Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

**I will, with God's help.**

## **The Baptism**

(Kalani) I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon Kalani the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

## **The Giving of the Light**

Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

**Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace

The Offering

*(Now is the time to present your offering to God).*

Offertory Hymn CP # 60 *I Come with Joy*

# The Celebration of the Eucharist

## The Prayer over the Gifts

Father, accept all we offer you this day. Guide us with your love as you nourish the faith of the Church by the preaching of your apostles. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise**

It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever. (sung)**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

**Glory to you for ever and ever. (sung)**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation.

**Glory to you for ever and ever. (sung)**

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

**Glory to you for ever and ever. *(sung)***

Therefore we praise you, Celebrant All Celebrant People joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus: *CP # 732 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

**Glory to you for ever and ever. *(sung)***

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

**Glory to you for ever and ever. (sung)**

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

**Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen (sung)**

The Lord's Prayer *(said)*

And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

**So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

## The Communion

*Please note: You may drink from the common cup but if you do not wish to then simply touch the cup. You must not dip the bread in the cup. We have gluten free wafers and will gladly extend the platter to you for you to take one from it. Please just let us know if you need one.*

## Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, we give thanks that you have made us partakers of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who took our nature upon him and suffered death upon the cross for our redemption; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Announcements

## Blessing

Sending Hymn: *CP # 414 God of the Sparrow*

## Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God..**



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## MONTHLY OUTREACH Syrian Refugee Fund

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Holy Living Book Study 5:00pm Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>
- **Community Harvest Dance**, 4:15-7:30 pm Friday  
September 19<sup>th</sup> We're hosting our first community dance at Holy Trinity with a live band, line dancing and catered local food. This will be a big thank you to farmers and we hope y'all will come and kick up your heels . Here's how you can get involved. See sign up sheet in hall.
  - **Greeters:** to sit at the door, welcome people, take donations for admission and handout a flyer.
  - **Set-up and Take-down Crew:** chairs, vendor tent,

- signs in parking lot, etc.
- **Drinks:** someone obtain some coolers, place these coolers around the hall and outside full of ice and soft drinks (which are being provided).
- **Décor:** Bales of hay here and there and Sunflowers on shelves, ideas welcome.
- The Grief, Loss & Fellowship group will resume our meetings @ noon for lunch & Circle on Friday Sept. 26th. Please join us, Everyone welcome! Please contact Thea Dickson with any questions at [jimorthea@yahoo.com](mailto:jimorthea@yahoo.com).
- Messy Church 4-5 pm on October 10th. A family event full of spiritual fun. RSVP to Katie Charlton text 250-589-4589.

## **NOTICES**

- Please send requests for special prayers to Diana Chown [dkchown@shaw.ca](mailto:dkchown@shaw.ca)
- Contributions to Holy Trinity are tax deductible as a charitable donation on your income tax return.
- If you would like envelopes for your contribution please send an email to [givings@holytrinityns.org](mailto:givings@holytrinityns.org) or you can make monthly contributions by filling out the pre authorized debit form located at the back of the church.
  - Scan the QR code in the bulletin for ways to donate

*Next Week's Readings: Jeremiah 8.18-9.1; Psalm 79.1-9  
1 Timothy 2.1-7; The Gospel Reading; Luke 16.1-13*





Presider	The Reverend Denise Doerksen
<b><i>Todays Lay Leaders</i></b>	
Sides people	Lorne Seier
Reader	Joan Riecken
Prayers	Pat Dowdall
Chalice	Debra Lange
Counters	Debra Lange

# COMMUNITY HARVEST *Dance*



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THE CHICKWAGON DANCE BAND + SIDNEY LINE DANCING

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>

4:15-7:30 PM

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