

**January 14, 2025
9:30 am Wednesday Eucharist**

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Presider: We gather here from many places on land that is the traditional and unsurrendered territory of the Halq'emeylem-speaking Coast Salish peoples.

All: May Christ lead us on right pathways as we seek truth and reconciliation in action.

Presider: Let us pray,

**All: God of glory,
immerse us in your grace,
mark us with your image,
and raise us to live our baptismal promises,
so that, empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we may follow the example of Christ your beloved
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

Reader: A reading from the First Book of Samuel,

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.² At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room;³ the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.⁴ Then the LORD called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ and he said, ‘Here I am!’⁵ and ran to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call; lie down again.’ So he went and lay

down. ⁶ The LORD called again, ‘Samuel!’ Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call, my son; lie down again.’ ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ Therefore Eli said to Samuel, ‘Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, “Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.”’ So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰ Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ And Samuel said, ‘Speak, for your servant is listening.’ ¹¹ Then the LORD said to Samuel, ‘See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹² On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³ For I have told him that I am about to punish his house for ever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴ Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering for ever.’

¹⁵ Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶ But Eli called Samuel and said, ‘Samuel, my son.’ He said, ‘Here I am.’ ¹⁷ Eli said, ‘What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.’ ¹⁸ So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, ‘It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him.’ ¹⁹ As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD. ²¹ The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh, for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the LORD.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.
All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 40:1-10

¹ I waited patiently upon the Lord *
who stooped to me and heard my cry.

² God lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay, *
and set my feet on a high cliff and made my footing sure.

³ God 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.

⁴ Happy are they who trust in the Lord! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

⁵ 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.

⁶ 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.

⁷ And so I said, “Behold, I come. *
In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:

⁸ ‘I love to do your will, O my God; *
your law is deep within my heart.’”

⁹ I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.

¹⁰ 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.

¹¹ You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me; *
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

The Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

All: Glory to you Lord, Jesus Christ.

²⁹ As soon as they left the synagogue, Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰ Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹ He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. ³² That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³ And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴ And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵ In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶ And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷ When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.' ³⁸ He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' ³⁹ And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection

THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

A member of the community leads us in offering our concerns and thanksgivings to God.

The Exchange of the Peace

Presider: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with your neighbours, respecting their comfort with touch.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Let us pray.

All: Gracious God,

Accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, In the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

the Great Thanksgiving

EP 2

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary

and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, God, the Father and Mother of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,**
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Presider: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, “Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you.” In the same way he took the cup, saying, “This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me.” Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

In the language closest to your heart, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
(please use the traditional version or another language
you use for prayer if you desire)

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God bids you welcome to this table.
Here we are strengthened for the journey. Here strangers
become friends and the seeker finds God's wisdom speaking
to them. See who you are and become what you see.
These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

*All who are drawn to Christ are welcome at this table. Bread and wine
are shared, but receiving in one kind carries the fullness of Christ's
presence. You may also come forward for a blessing instead.*

Prayer after Communion

Presider: Let us pray,

**All: Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do
infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God
from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ
Jesus, now and forever. Amen.**

The Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Next Sunday's Readings for Epiphany 2 January 18, 2026
Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-41



THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL

Thursday

Vespers 5:30-6 pm online by Zoom+

Saturday

Community Brunch, 11 am-noon

Sunday

BCP Eucharist, 8-9 am. *

Choral Eucharist with Baptism, 10-11:15 am*

Wednesday

Midweek Eucharist 9:30-10 am

Followed by Bible Study 10:30-11:30 am in Lounge

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