

April 15, 2026
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 unsundered territory of the Halq'emeyn-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: O God,
our beginning and our end:
accept our doubts,
heal our desire for certainty
and, by your Spirit's gentle touch,
make us a people forgiven and forgiving;
through Jesus Christ, the Giver of Peace. Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading: Acts 5:17-26

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles,

¹⁷ Then the high priest took action; he and all who were with him (that is, the sect of the Sadducees), being filled with jealousy, ¹⁸ arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹ But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors, brought them out, and said, ²⁰ 'Go, stand in the temple and tell the people the whole message about this life.' ²¹ When they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and went on with their teaching.

When the high priest and those with him arrived, they called together the council and the whole body of the elders of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. ²² But when the temple police went there, they did not

find them in the prison; so they returned and reported, ²³ 'We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them, we found no one inside.' ²⁴ Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were perplexed about them, wondering what might be going on. ²⁵ Then someone arrived and announced, 'Look, the men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people!' ²⁶ Then the captain went with the temple police and brought them, but without violence, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 34:1-8

- ¹ I will bless the Lord at all times; *
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
- ² I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- ³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt the name of God together.
- ⁴ I sought the Lord, who answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- ⁵ Look upon God and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- ⁶ I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear God *
and will deliver them.
- ⁸ Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in God!

The Gospel: John 3:16-21

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you Lord, Jesus Christ.

¹⁶ 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷ 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹ But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.

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: God our strength and salvation,
Receive all we offer you this day,
And grant that we who have confessed your name,
And received new life in baptism,
May live in the joy of the resurrection,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

the Great Thanksgiving

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: All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

**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: Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me." And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**All: Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Presider: Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you now and for ever.

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 for ever. Amen.**

The Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Readings for Easter 3, Sunday April 19, 2026

Acts 2:14a & 36-41; Psalm 116; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35





THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL

Today

Fellowship and Bible Study 10-11:30 am in Lounge

Parish Council meeting 6:30-8 pm by Zoom

Thursday April 16

Vespers 5:30-6 pm online by Zoom+

Saturday April 18

Community Brunch, 11 am-noon

Sunday April 19

BCP Eucharist, 8-9 am. *

Choral Eucharist, 10-11:15 am*

Wednesday April 22

Midweek Eucharist 9:30-10 am*

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

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