



Holy Trinity Anglican Church
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday April 26, 2026
11:00 am

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The Right Reverend Dr. Todd Townshend, Bishop of Huron
The Venerable Rob Lemon, Rector
The Venerable Tanya Phibbs, Associate Rector
The Reverend Canon Tom Patterson, Deacon
The Reverend Stephanie Donaldson, Deacon
The Reverend Diana Boland, Vicar
The Reverend Tianna Gocan, Curate
Ian Sadler, Organist and Director of Music
Neil F. Young, Contemporary Musician

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude *Rondeau (from 'Abdelazer') – H. Purcell*

Processional Hymn #508 *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

Opening Prayers *BAS p. 185*

Land Acknowledgement

Celebrant We gather here today on the ancestral hunting grounds of the Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee and Attawandaron peoples, in the territory of the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum and the Huron Tract Treaty.

People **From many places and peoples, we come together as one for prayer and worship.**

Celebrant We acknowledge the injustices that Indigenous Peoples have endured since colonization.

People **We commit ourselves to justice and reconciliation.**

Celebrant We honour Indigenous Peoples' wise stewardship of land and water.

People **We will strive to sustain and renew the life of the earth. Amen**

Collect for Purity *BAS p. 185*

Gloria #686

The Collect of the Day



THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Acts 2: 42-47

Carrie Bockus

Psalm 23

Cantor: Carrie Bockus



Second Reading

1 Peter 2: 19-25

Jack Nahrgang

Gradual Hymn #520

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

The Gospel

John 10: 1-10

Deacon:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel:

Deacon:

The Gospel of Christ.

People:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Ven. Rob Lemon

Anthem:

Christ is our Cornerstone – David Thorne

Nicene Creed

BAS p. 188

Prayers of the People

Response: **Hear us Lord of Glory.**

Peter Mussen

Confession and Absolution

BAS p. 191

The Peace

BAS p. 192

Peal of the Bells

Peter Ryde

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn #377 *To the Name of Our Salvation*

Prayer over the Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer #3 *BAS p. 198*

Sanctus and Benedictus #689

The Lord's Prayer *BAS p. 211*

Breaking of the Bread #8 *BAS p. 212*

Agnus Dei #690

The Communion

All Christians of any age are welcome to receive communion with this community of God's people. Gluten-free wafers are available. You are invited to drink from the common cup. If you are uncomfortable drinking from the cup, you may pass by the chalice bearer or stop and touch the cup or bow your head briefly. If you are not receiving communion but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.

Communion Hymn #514 *Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring*

Prayer after Communion

Doxology *BAS p. 214*

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #378 *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

Dismissal

Postlude: *Toccata - Georgi Mushel*

NOTICES FOR APRIL 26th

Join us at 4:00 p.m. today for
“Choral Evensong”
Featuring: Holy Trinity Choir & Friends

Parking

In order to aid those with mobility difficulties, there will be 4 marked accessible parking spots: 2 on Hamilton Street, one of which will be near Mornington and the other near the ramp door. As well, the two parking spots in our small lot on Hamilton near William will be designated for accessible parking. If parking on Hamilton, please avoid parking in a way that blocks the walkway leading to the ramp as that makes it difficult for those using walkers or wheelchairs.

Gift Cards for Holy Trinity Food Bank

Thanks to all who ordered gift cards. We made \$189.90 for the food banks. Next order due June 7th.

On **Sunday May 3**, the **9:30 a.m.** service will be a **Celtic Morning Prayer** using a liturgy from the Iona Community in Scotland, and featuring music and/or lyrics by John Bell, (an ordained minister in the Church of Scotland and member of the Iona Community), several of whose musical offerings appear in Common Praise and other international worship books.



Cheques

We now have a bank account in the name of Holy Trinity Anglican Church. Please ensure that all cheques are now made out to Holy Trinity Anglican Church as the former bank accounts of our three founding churches will be closed in the next short while.

Upcoming Readings – Sunday May 3rd

Acts 7: 55-60

Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2: 2-10

John 14: 1-14

Chancel Team #2

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr. 26 - *Choral Evensong at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Apr. 28 - *Breakfast Club from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street

*Holy Trinity Community Food Bank from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Upper Hall

*Truth & Reconciliation Book Club at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Apr. 29- *Wednesday Morning BCP Service at 10:00 a.m.

*English Conversation Café at 6:30 p.m. at the YMCA

Apr. 30 - *Breakfast Club from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street

*Celtic Worship Service on ZOOM at 10:00 a.m.

*Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

May 1 - *Friday Food Bank from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street

*Treasure Hunt Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in the Club Room

*The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12 p.m.

*Chimes Concert at 7:00 p.m.

May 2 - * Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave

May 3 - *Holy Communion BCP Service at 8:00 a.m.

*Contemporary Holy Eucharist Service at 9:30 a.m.

*Choral Holy Eucharist BAS Service at 11:00 a.m.

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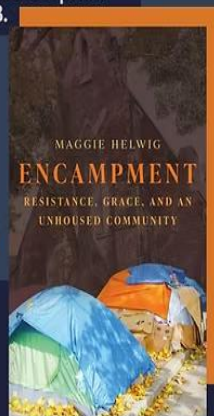
AN EVENING with
MAGGIE HELWIG



Maggie Helwig (she/they) is a white settler in Tkaronto/Toronto, and is the author of fifteen books and chapbooks, including *Encampment: Resistance, Grace, and an Unhoused Community*, which was awarded the 2025 Toronto Book Award, and *Girls Fall Down* (Coach House Books, 2008), which was shortlisted for the Toronto Book Award and chosen as the One Book Toronto in 2012. Helwig is a long-time social justice activist, and also an Anglican priest, and has been the rector of the Church of St. Stephen-in-the-Fields since 2013.

MAY 5
6PM TO 8PM

TICKETS: \$15



A portion of every ticket sold will be
donated to The Local CFC.

For more information and tickets:
www.stratfordartsandlectures.com



The Local Community Food Centre
612 Erie Street, Stratford, ON
Ticket scholarships available: connector@thelocalcfc.org





Holy Trinity Anglican Church Plant Sale

May 9, 2026
8:00 – 10:00 am
Rain or shine!

Lower Parish Hall
(Entry off Hamilton Street)

Perennials, house plants, native plants
and more!

Donations welcome to support the gardens for the enjoyment of all!