

April 1, 2026
9:30 am Wednesday Eucharist
in Holy Week

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: Lord God, your Son our Saviour gave his body to be whipped, and turned his face for men to spit upon. Give your servants grace to accept suffering for his sake, confident in the glory that will be revealed, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading: Hebrews 12:1-3

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews,

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,² looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.³ Consider him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary or lose heart.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 70

- ¹ Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *
O Lord, make haste to help me.
- ² Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dismayed;*
**let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.**
- ³ Let those who say to me “Aha!” and gloat over me turn back, *
because they are ashamed.
- ⁴ Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say forever, Great is the Lord!
- ⁵ But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.
- ⁶ You are my helper and my deliverer; *
O Lord, do not tarry.

The Gospel: John 13:21-30

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.

²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, ‘Sir, we wish to see Jesus.’ ²² Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ Jesus answered them, ‘The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

²⁷ ‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—“Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ ²⁹ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ ³⁰ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine.

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 of glory, may our worship this day fix the eyes of our faith on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our new humanity, who is seated at the right hand of your throne, now and for ever. Amen.

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: Blessed are you, gracious God, Creator of heaven and earth, we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our sins was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself. By his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all those who put their trust in him. Therefore with all the host of heaven who gather around your throne and the Lamb, 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: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Presider: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **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: God our help, your Son was betrayed by one who called himself a friend. May we who call him Lord ever remain his faithful people, for he lives and reigns with you now and for ever. Amen.

The Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

At the conclusion of this service, you are invited to stay and help strip the sanctuary in preparation for our observance of Good Friday.

Readings for Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

Jeremiah 31:1-6; Psalm 118; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 28:1-10



THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL

Tonight

7 pm Tenebrae service at St. Mary, Sapperton

Thursday April 2

Vespers 5:30-6 pm online by Zoom+

Maundy Thursday service 7 pm at St. Barnabas

Friday April 3

Good Friday service 10:30 am at HTC

Cross Walk, 12-1 pm at HTC

Saturday April 4

Community Brunch, 11 am-noon

Easter Vigil 7 pm at St. Mary, Sapperton

Easter Sunday April 5

Easter Fire 7:30 am

BCP Eucharist, 8-9 am. *

Choral Eucharist, 10-11:15 am*

Easter Egg Hunt 11:30 am

Wednesday April 8

Midweek Eucharist 9:30-10 am

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

+ *link available by signing up for the weekly newsletter on*
www.holytrinitycathedral.ca

**live-streamed over Facebook. You can also find the service feed through the event heading at www.holytrinitycathedral.ca*

TO CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE:

email administrator@holytrinitycathedral.ca

514 Carnarvon, New Westminster or phone 604-521-2511

email the Rev. Stephanie Shepard stephanie@holytrinitycathedral.ca