

**April 8, 2025**  
**9:30 am Wednesday Eucharist**  
**in Easter 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: God of glory,  
by the raising of your Son  
you have broken the chains of death.  
Fill your Church with faith and hope;  
for a new day has dawned  
and the way to life stands open  
in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

***The First Reading: Acts 3:1-10***

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles,

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>2</sup>And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from those entering the temple. <sup>3</sup>When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked them for alms. <sup>4</sup>Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, 'Look at us.' <sup>5</sup>And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. <sup>6</sup>But Peter said, 'I have no

silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, [a] stand up and walk.' <sup>7</sup> And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. <sup>8</sup> Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. <sup>9</sup> All the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup> and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm 105:1-8***

- <sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name; \*  
**make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.**
- <sup>2</sup> Sing to the Lord, sing praises, \*  
**and speak of all the marvellous works of the Lord.**
- <sup>3</sup> Glory in the holy name; \*  
**let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**
- <sup>4</sup> Search for the strength of the Lord; \*  
**continually seek the face of God.**
- <sup>5</sup> Remember the marvels the Lord has done, \*  
**the wonders and the judgements of the mouth of the Lord,**
- <sup>6</sup> O offspring of Abraham the servant of God, \*  
**O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord.**
- <sup>7</sup> The Lord is our God, \*  
**whose judgements prevail in all the world,**
- <sup>8</sup> who has always been mindful of the covenant, \*  
**the promise made for a thousand generations.**

## ***The Gospel: Luke 24:13-25***

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

**All: Glory to you Lord, Jesus Christ.**

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' <sup>19</sup> He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!

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 2, Sunday April 12, 2026**

Acts 2:14a & 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31



## THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL

### **Thursday April 9**

Vespers 5:30-6 pm online by Zoom+

### **Saturday April 11**

Community Brunch, 11 am-noon

### **Easter Sunday April 12**

BCP Eucharist, 8-9 am. \*

Choral Eucharist, 10-11:15 am\*

### **Wednesday April 15**

Midweek Eucharist 9:30-10 am\*

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

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