



HOLY TRINITY

BRUSSELS

Easter 6
14 May 2023

Our readings this week

Worship this week

Sunday 14, May 2023

9:00 Holy Communion
Leading & Preaching:
Paul Vrolijk

10:30 Holy Communion
Leading: Annie Bolger
Preaching: Paul Vrolijk

[Zoom; YouTube](#)

14:00 Holy Communion FR/EN
Leading: John Wilkinson
Preaching: Ozzy Baron

17:00 Evensong at the Chapel for Europe
Leading: Annie Bolger

[YouTube](#)

18:00 Service of the Word
Leading: John Wilkinson
Preaching: Guido Bowen

[Zoom; YouTube](#)

Contact our Children & Youth Coordinator [Philip Milton](#) for more details about children's and youth activities.

Wednesday, 17 May 2023

12:30 Holy Communion
Leading & Preaching:
Annie Bolger

Acts 17 22-31 Paul is carefully respectful to the Athenians. He is clear that there is nothing that humans can add to what God has done. He speaks of God's role in creation, his care towards all humanity and the nature of our relationship with him; righteousness, repentance, judgement and resurrection. Paul offers our encounter with the resurrection of Christ as the ultimate proof of God's concern for us.

Psalms 66 God has done mighty works for his community. But the psalmist has also experienced God's personal, daily care. Although the road has not always been easy, either for the community as a whole or for the psalmist, the outcome has always been good. Seen from after, he recognises the difficult times as God refining his servant, extracting the impurities. Now God's road has led him to a place of abundance.

1 Peter 3 13-end This letter has much to say about how Christians should behave in a hostile world. Gentleness and respect towards others are to be the marks of our presentation of Christ: our behaviour should not offer any excuse to those who, in a hostile world, are only too keen to criticise the gospel. The passage gives a careful summary of how Christ, through the Easter events, has changed things for people of all time, and attains authority over every aspect of the created order.

John 14 15-21 Jesus assures us that God wants to be involved in a loving, lively, interactive and eternal relationship with us. In that relationship we encounter the three persons of the Trinity and become aware that relationship is part of the inner being of God. A relationship with God is his gift to those who are lovingly responsive to Jesus and his commandments. Others neither see nor know that Christian experience.

Pointers for prayer

- Pray to be gentle and respectful in our attitude to others
- Obedience is at the heart of our relationship with God. That obedience needs grace
- Give thanks to God for the work accomplished by Jesus in his death and resurrection
- Pray for all who have yet to realise what God has done for them.

[Our programme for the month](#)

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

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The Prayer Chain

welcomes requests for prayer for any situation with complete confidentiality. Please contact Janine Vrolijk on janine.vrolijk@gmail.com or Carole Ludlow on celudlow@gmail.com.

Please avoid taking photos or videos during the Service unless you have sought prior permission to do so.
Thank you!

Thy Kingdom Come 18-28 May This year, Holy Trinity Brussels is marking Thy Kingdom Come, a global ecumenical prayer movement. We are encouraging all who worship at Holy Trinity to choose 5 people known to them who do not yet follow Jesus, and pray that the Holy Spirit would work through their lives to bring them to know Him. To help with this, there will be prayer cards in English and French handed out in services where their names can be written down and set prayers can be found. There will also be a series of posts on Holy Trinity's social media channels and website encouraging people to engage in prayer in a variety of all-age friendly, interactive ways, alongside commentaries on this year's Novena focussing on 1 John.

Catriona writes: "Dear Holy Trinity

With a whole bundle of mixed emotions, I have written to Bishop Robert to inform him that my family and I will be moving to London at the end of the summer, where I have been appointed to the post of vicar of Emmanuel Church in West Hampstead, London.

I'm not going anywhere yet, so this is not a goodbye message! But I wanted to let the congregation at Holy Trinity know that we will be moving in August. I have been so grateful for the warm welcome I have received from Holy Trinity, both from clergy colleagues and from the congregation. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving you in my capacity as Associate Priest for social justice projects; it has added a huge amount to my priestly ministry here in Belgium and it has been a joy to serve your wonderful church in this way.

Please keep my family and me in your prayers as we prepare for this move and be assured that you are in mine.

With my prayers and blessings this Eastertide".

Next Sunday is Soapy Sunday! Please share the following items this Sunday which we will pass along to the Salvation Army and the women's prison: women's sanitary items, nappies, new underwear for women, men and children (open packages are just fine), and unopened shower gel, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, men's razors and shave cream. We have a box for you to deposit them at the back of church. Thank you for your generosity!

Visit from Christians Aware 15-19 June Christians Aware is an interdenominational, educational and international charity. See: <http://www.christiansaware.co.uk> .co.uk for more information. A small group of members is looking forward to visiting Holy Trinity Brussels from June 15 - 19. This will be an exciting visit and we know that there will be new friends to meet. We hope that this opportunity will be the beginning of a new link of friendship, and that members of Holy Trinity can join a Christians Aware event in the future. If you are interested to be involved to host a guest, or a couple, please contact admin@holytrinity.be or talk to Paul Vrolijk.

If you are new or visiting us for the first time, and would like to stay in touch, please [sign up](#) to receive our weekly newsletter.

Online Morning and Night Prayer

On weekday mornings at 9:00 some of us from the various congregations join together to pray. We use the app found at <https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray> Everyday the congregation is different, you may know the people you may not but we join together as children of God. The service lasts about 15 minutes. The zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82809036058#success> and the password htb.

On weekday evenings at 21:00 some of us from the various congregations join together to pray. We use the app found at <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>. Everyday the congregation is different, you may know the people, you may not but we join together as children of God. The service lasts about 20 minutes. The zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89837499334#success> and the password htb.

For requests and offers of accommodation or employment, Holy Trinity Brussels is not responsible for asking for appropriate checks and references, nor for any contracts. These are the responsibility of all the parties involved.

Accommodation wanted

1. We are delighted that Valentina Franzerolli, a well-known violinist at HTB is returning to Brussels by August. She is in search of accommodation. Her specifications are: a bright 1-bedroom apartment of more than 45m² for two people. Maximum budget is 950€ without fees; especially looking at Etterbeek; St. Gilles, Ixelles, Woluwe-Saint-Pierre, Woluwe-Saint-Lambert, Brussels centre and Evere are fine too. Furnished is a plus; Washing machine and dishwasher are a plus too. Proximity to public transportation, especially metro/tram, or to the Schuman train station is the main requirement. Contact: vfranzaroli@gmail.com +39 3665949446 (WhatsApp/Telegram/SMS)
2. Similar accommodation as in (1) is also being sought after by another new member of HTB. Contact Saima on seemigill@icloud.com.

The Wider Church

The chapel for Europe (Rue Van Maerlantstraat 22-24 B-1040 Brussels) is running a series of 5 workshops on **Spirituality for busy people**. The fourth one will be held on **Thursday, 1 June from 18:30-21:30** and is entitled **FINDING TIME FOR THE IMPORTANT THINGS (Self-Management in Time)** led by Paul Vrolijk of HTB. For more details on the Speakers, other practical information and to know how to sign up, please go [here](#) or contact welcome@chapelforeurope.eu.

LifeStream Europe is organising **LSE23 'Together'** a summer event for International Christians in Europe (English speaking) from **1-5 August** at HopperDeKluis, Belgium. Camp, bunk or stay off-site. Programmes for all ages – Worship, Teaching, Prayer, Fun. For more info and booking, see poster in church lobby or go here <http://www.life-stream.eu>.

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