

HOLY TRINITY B R U S S E L S

Pentecost 28 May 2023

Worship this week

<u>Sunday 28, May 2023</u>

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/Grace West Preaching: John Wilkinson

YouTube

18:00 Service of the Word Leading: Guido Bowen Preaching: Annie Bolger

Zoom; YouTube

Contact our Children & Youth Coordinator Philip Milton for more details about children's and youth activities.

Wednesday, 31 May 2023

10:00 Funeral of Judith Mukandirima

12:30 Holy Communion Leading & Preaching: Annie Bolger

Our readings this week

Acts 2:1-21 The outpouring of the Spirit on the church is one of the key steps in God's work of salvation. Luke presents it as holding the key to all that the church does to spread the gospel of Jesus. What a change from the scattering worked at Babel! The church, spread across the earth, has to cope with all the diversity of human culture and language. But now it is equipped to do so. From the start, the church has been dependent on God's Spirit working through it.

Psalm 104:26-36, 37b The psalm points us again to the creating and renewing work of the Holy Spirit. It celebrates first the goodness of creation, calling us to rejoice in its beauty and order. Yet the Spirit is not just at work in creation, but also in its renewal. The work of the Holy Spirit is not once-and-for-all, but continuous, adding to the Lord's glory day by day. It moves us to praise our God.

John 7:37-39 In a hot land, water is a powerful symbol. Without it, vigour fades until death follows. Jesus offers the refreshment that renews and invigorates. There is a double promise here: first, that those who put their trust in Jesus will find this refreshment; and second that, with the typical divine extravagance, from them will pour forth rivers of refreshment for others. Those sustained by the Spirit become the means through which that Spirit comes to others.

Pointers for prayer

•Give thanks to God for the wonder and the beauty of his creation and for our place in it

•The Holy Spirit is a gift to the Christian community. We should expect to experience this power in the church community

•The church is commissioned to a great work. Can we discern our part in it?

• Pray for all those who, instead of seeing God working, can only hear nonsense.

Our programme for the month

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Gift account for **pledges** and donations:

The Friends of Holy Trinity Brussels asbl IBAN: BE67 1030 7048 2187

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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! Please pray for the family and friends of **Judith Mukandirima**, a committed member of the 14:00 congregation who died on Sunday. We give thanks for her faithful life and pray for God's gift of peace, comfort and assurance for all who knew and loved her. Her funeral will take place in Holy Trinity on Wednesday 31st May at 10:00.

Feel welcome to join a **Meditation walk** A rather slow walk in silence in order to 'stop' and fully enjoy the awesomeness of Spring; to draw and absorb beauty and joy from everything we see, hear and smell; to thank and praise God in our hearts, and to get refreshed spiritually, emotionally, mentally, and physically!! Woluwe Park, **Tuesday 30/5**, **11:00**. Contact Janine (janine.vrolijk@gmail.com) (or church office) for further details.

Peace and Conflicts Transformation course The registration for the next course, starting in October is now open. Please go here to sign up: <u>https://holytrinitybrussels.churchsuite.com/forms/nyvgqxmk</u> or email <u>admin@holytrinity.be</u> To find out more, please visit the website <u>www.centreforpeace.be</u>

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.

Accommodation wanted

- 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 <u>seemigill@icloud.com</u>.

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 <u>here</u> 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 <u>http://www.life-stream.eu.</u>

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/82 809036058#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.churchofenglan d.ora/prayer-andworship/join-us-service-dailyprayer. 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/89 837499334#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.

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