



# HOLY TRINITY

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# BRUSSELS

Trinity 10  
13 August 2023

## Our readings this week

### Worship this week

#### Sunday 13, August 2023

**9:00 Holy Communion**  
Leading: Alan Strange  
Preaching: Alan Strange

**10:30 Holy Communion**  
Leading: Alan Strange  
Preaching: Alan Strange

#### Zoom; YouTube

**14:00 Holy Communion FR/EN**  
Leading: Charles Kabera  
Preaching: Eric Sibomana

#### YouTube

**18:00 Summer gathering**  
Leading: Susie Wilkinson

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

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**No Wednesday services until  
September**

**1 Kings 19:9-18** It is when Elijah is deepest in his despair that he suddenly, unexpectedly, encounters God, not in a mighty voice or in spectacular events, but in the still voice that speaks quietly to his conscience. What are you doing here, Elijah? Get about my business. Often, we are looking so eagerly for the spectacular act that we miss the quiet transformation that God is working.

**Psalm 85:8-13** This is a psalm of longing and of listening. If we express our longings to God, we should expect his answer. To hear that answer, we must be listening. And indeed, God's love and faithfulness, righteousness and peace stand ready, together and in full co-operation, to work his blessing among his people. As the psalmist prayed for the whole land of Israel, so our longings should be for the whole church.

**Romans 10:5-15** God's word is very near to us if we will only listen to it. When we place our trust in that word, it will show, whether outwardly or inwardly. It is that response of faith that is the key, not our origins, or some heroic action. But what we have received must be passed on, for otherwise how can other people know of God's salvation? Passing on the faith itself gives expression to our faith.

**Matthew 14:22-33** When Christians are despairing and fearful, toiling in the darkest hour, then is the moment when Jesus comes and says *Do not be afraid*. Peter, and the disciples in the boat, give us a picture of the value of the church. In their company we are secure, however troubled the boat may be. If we are called to act alone, it is vital that our attention should not wander from Jesus.

### Pointers for prayer

- Lay out your anxieties before God. Like Elijah, be persistent: do it again
- Are we listening? Pray for ears alert to God's voice
- Pray for all those who feel that their faith is under attack
- Jesus comes to his disciples when they are on the task to which he has directed them
- Pray for God's love and faithfulness, righteousness and peace to be seen, working in the whole church.

[Our programme for the month](#)

# Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Coffee and tea are served downstairs after the 10:30 service, the bar is also open. Do come and join us downstairs and introduce yourself if you are new or visiting Brussels.

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## Gift account for pledges and donations:

The Friends of Holy Trinity  
Brussels asbl

IBAN: BE67 1030 7048 2187

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## Donations to the Community Kitchen

@HTB ASBL Gift Account  
IBAN BE92 3631 1846 4423  
BIC code: BBRUBEBB

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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](mailto:janine.vrolijk@gmail.com) or Carole Ludlow on [celudlow@gmail.com](mailto:celudlow@gmail.com).

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

**Thank you!**

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John Wilkinson had an operation on Thursday 10 August and is likely to be out of action until the end of the month. Please pray for a good and successful recovery. The services for August will take place as usual. Alan Strange, the bishop's chaplain (and former curate at HTB) will take the services this morning, and the HTB team will cover the rest of the month.

**Summer at Holy Trinity** Some changes to anticipate as we enter the summer months:

- Wednesday services are on pause from 19 July to 30 August. We resume on 6 September.
- Sunday 6pm services are simpler, prayerful services in the summer, without streaming or live music.
- Children and youth groups are paused at the 10:30 service and replaced by a "Storykeepers" video in the CLJ. Children will rejoin the 10:30 service in time for Holy Communion.

**The Church Office** will close completely from tomorrow for the week of August 14-18, the emergency phone number so that a member of the clergy can be contacted if need be is +32 460 950449.

**Peace and Conflict Transformation course** The registration for the next course, starting in October is now open. Please go here to sign up: <https://holytrinitybrussels.churchsuite.com/forms/nyvgqxmkk> or email [admin@holytrinity.be](mailto:admin@holytrinity.be) To find out more, please visit the website [www.centreforpeace.be](http://www.centreforpeace.be)

**Church Weekend Away 24-26 May 2024 at Monastère Saint-Remacle, Stavelot**

We are looking for two more people to join our planning team for this exciting event for the whole HTB community. Please contact Philippa Hayward or [admin@holytrinity.be](mailto:admin@holytrinity.be).

**Meeting dead and living stones** As a result of the Israeli – Palestinian reconciliation camp of 2022, we are now going on a return visit to **Israel and Palestine from Oct 28-Nov 4**. [See document](#) with more information. This trip is to learn about the conflict in the Middle East. Participation is not limited. Anyone who wants to see first-hand what this conflict is about is very welcome to join. Please contact Bart Feenstra for more info: [bart@utopica.com](mailto:bart@utopica.com)

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.

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**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.

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**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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**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!

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**Newsletter items:** to [admin@holytrinity.be](mailto:admin@holytrinity.be) by 9:00 Wednesday

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Mrs Grace West, The Revd Charles Kabera, Mr Eric Sibomana

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