



# HOLY TRINITY

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# BRUSSELS

Trinity 11  
20 August 2023

## Our readings this week

### Worship this week

#### Sunday 20, August 2023

**9:00 Holy Communion**  
Leading: Annie Bolger  
Preaching: Jairo Ares

**10:30 Holy Communion**  
Leading: Annie Bolger  
Preaching: Jairo Ares

[Zoom; YouTube](#)

**14:00 Holy Communion FR/EN**  
Leading: Charles Kabera/Grace West  
Preaching: Charles Kabera

[YouTube](#)

**18:00 Summer gathering**  
Leading: Jacob Quick

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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**

As Israel was chosen to be a channel of blessing to the whole world, so the church must be: passing on the good news of Christ.

**Isaiah 56:1, 6-8** Some in the church seem to have felt that the blessings of God were for them alone, while others have felt that they were not qualified for his gifts. Isaiah's words remind us of Jesus' proclamation of the kingdom of God and of his use of verse 7 when he cleansed the temple. God's blessing is for all who wholeheartedly serve him. He does not maintain those divisions between insiders and outsiders which have so often limited the love shown by the church.

**Psalms 133** This psalm is a little jewel that honours family unity through two pictures. Unity gives a gleam to the family, as oil poured on the head and rubbed in soothes dry cracked skin and brings dusty hair under control, softening it and making the hair and face gleam. And it is like the mountain dew that falls unseen, bringing refreshment to a parched land. So God's blessing refreshes and restores the family that is united, enabling it to shine.

**Matthew 15:10-28** We are not used to Jesus speaking harshly. But this incident was important for the evangelist, for it shows that Jesus will respond to faith, wherever it is found. It warns the church against rejecting those who may not fit with its immediate plans. It also displays a model for persistent prayer.

### Pointers for prayer

- Worship and blessing depend on each other. If we want to experience blessing, we must worship. If we have been blessed, we must respond with worship.
- Salvation is not a private gift, but one for the whole world. How can we pass it on?
- If we have serious needs, the Bible urges us to be persistent in our prayers.
- Give thanks for the blessing we have received through the Jewish people.

[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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**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.

**Today 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!

**The 10:30 coffee team asks that regulars bring their own coffee cup!** As a result of the ban on single use items we ask that regulars bring their own coffee cup. We can provide cups for guests but these need washing up. Who will do this now that the dishwasher is out of use? The coffee team has been willing to do the washing up in limited numbers, but the situation has gotten out of control. Regulars are expecting to be provided with a cup. The result is too many cups to be washed up by hand so please remember to bring your own cup and perhaps you would also volunteer to wash up the guests cups.

**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/nyvgqxm> 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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***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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## **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> Every day 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>. Every day 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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