

7 Trinity 17 9 October 2022

Our readings this week

Worship this week

Sunday 9 October, 2022

9:00 Holy Communion Leading & Preaching: Annie Bolger

10:30 Holy CommunionLeading: Annie BolgerPreaching: Arttu Mäkipää

Zoom; YouTube

14:00 Holy CommunionLeading: John Wilkinson
Preaching: Annie Bolger

YouTube

18:00 Service of the Word + Baptism
Leading: John Wilkinson/
Annie Bolger
Preaching: John Wilkinson

Zoom; YouTube

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

Wednesday 12, October 2022

12:30 Holy CommunionAnnie Bolger

Proverbs 8:4-11 This is a hymn to Wisdom, the (female) personification of the power of God at creation. Wisdom calls out to each one of us, ready to instruct us, and to instil in us the fear of the Lord and hatred of what is evil. She comes to us from God, not as something that we can acquire on our own. She is the guide to all who would have insight and good advice. She is more precious than silver, gold or jewels.

2 Timothy 3:12-end In his charge to Timothy, Paul reminds him (from his experience) that the active Christian cannot avoid persecution. The key is to keep developing our belief from its core, using scripture as an asset. Paul is here referring to the Hebrew scriptures, but we may read it more widely, as pointing us to the whole of scripture as the resource with which to build and to equip our Christian lives.

John 12:24-26 Today we commemorate the life, ministry and death of William Tyndale who died on 6 October 1536. Having been found guilty of 'heresy', he was strangled and his body burnt in Vilvoorde, just outside Brussels. His translation of the bible into English was opposed by both the king and the church of his time, which was, in part, his 'crime'. As he died, he is said to have called out "Lord! Open the King of England's eyes." By 1538 by royal authority a copy of a bible in English was required to be available in every church in England that 'parishioners may most commodiously resort to the same and read it' Jesus said 'Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.' John 12.24 [John Wilkinson]

Pointers for prayer

- •We have an immense resource in God's word and wisdom. Do we use it?
- Pray for a mind and a heart open to being challenged, taught and guided by God;
- Give thanks to the loving, caring God who reveals himself to us.

Our Service programme for the month

Gift account for **pledges** and donations:

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

Donations to the

Community Kitchen

@HTB ASBL Gift Account
IBAN BE92 3631 1846 4423
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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!

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

It remains important that all of us feel able to come to church in person if we wish and feel safe and secure in doing so. Services continue to be online as before. There is no need to register to attend services. Anyone <u>may</u> wear a mask if they wish. There is designated seating for those who wish to wear masks and sit socially distanced.

 Holy Communion: We <u>may</u> share the Peace physically, but please be sensitive to those who may prefer not to. Simply ask your neighbour what they are comfortable with! We are now able to receive wine if we are comfortable doing so. More details will be given at services.

Please feel free to ask questions about any of these arrangements. We pray that God will bless and protect us as we move into this new stage of our community's life.

Important message from Council. It has been decided that in view of the rising energy costs and our commitment to the environment we will heat the church buildings to 15.5°C this winter. Previously we have heated the church to 19°C but this seems inappropriate in the current situation. It will therefore be important to dress appropriately when the cold weather arrives.

13 November. This is the rescheduled date for the **Ministries Fayre**. Come and discover the various aspects of our church life.

Save the date - <u>23 October Walk for your future</u> - Join us to march for the climate in Brussels! A group will leave for the march from Holy Trinity after the morning service.

Seniors Autumn tea party

We will hold an in-person tea party at the home of Pam Clements (**Wednesday**, **23 November**) from **15:00 to 17:30**. You are welcome to come along! Please let <u>admin@holytrinity.be</u> or Pam Clements (<u>pamclements@outlook.com</u> / 0474 970 876) know if you would like to attend.

Bereavement Support Group

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel the bereavement support group, since not enough people signed up on time in order to have a viable support group. In the meantime, we will get back to those who did sign up to consider alternative arrangements.

Can you join a Team? ... We need Service hosts, Coffee team and Crèche helpers for the 10:30 service. If you would like to volunteer for these, and other church activities, feel welcome to register here.

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.org/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 837499<u>334#success</u> and the password htb.

Peace & Conflict transformation courses We are happy to announce that the course to be run in English is now full. There are still some places left for the course in French. If you are interested, there is still time until the 15 October 2022. Go here to register: https://holytrinitybrussels.churchsuite.com/forms/l0m0dxz6 For more info contact jean.bosco.turahirwa@holytrinity.be or admin@holytrinity.be

Blessed are the peacemakers...Jean-Bosco Turahirwa

The Wider Church

The Evensong Choir of Brussels invites you to the Chapel for Europe, 22-24 Rue van Maerlant on the **16th of October at 17:00**. The Chapel will kindly offer the congregation a glass of wine after the service.

Evening of reflection and exchange: Christianity, Islam: sources of spiritual awakening in Brussels?" Wednesday, October 18, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Chapel for Europe, rue Van Maerlantstraat 22 1040 Brussels. This event will be held in French. More information can be found here: https://www.chapellepourleurope.eu/wp-event/soiree-de-reflexion-et-dechange-christianisme-islam-sources-deveil-spirituel-a-bruxelles/

Be part of Research If you are over 65 years of age and would like to contribute and be part of a patients & carers council, send an email to info@besafe.eu. More info available on www.be-safe.eu and the poster in the church lobby.

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