

HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

May 21st, 2017

The Sixth Sunday of Easter



Photo of the Aeropagus in Athens, Greece

If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. (John 14:23)

10:25: Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn #223: Christ is Risen

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
May his grace and peace be with you.

All: **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Gloria

Lively *f* *Music by Jeremy Spurgeon
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Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord, God, heav'n - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

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give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the

Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have

mf *cresc.*
mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our



Collect of the Day: Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such a love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Children’s Focus

Children’s Hymn #324: Hallelujah

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A reading from Acts (17:22-31) (Ed Brownfield)

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, ‘Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, “To an unknown god.” What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For “In him we live and move and have our being”; as even some of your own poets have said, “For we too are his offspring.” Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.’

The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 66 (7-18)



Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard; Who holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip. **R**

For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us just as silver is tried. You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs. You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; but you brought us out into a place of refreshment. **R**

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble. I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; I will give you oxen and goats. **R**

Come and listen, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what he has done for me. I called out to him with my mouth, and his praise was on my tongue. **R**

If I had found evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me; But in truth God has heard me; he has attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld his love from me. **R**

A reading from 1 Peter (3:13-22) (Cathy Harvey)

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an account of the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also

suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn #489: From the Falter of Breath

The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (14:15-21).



‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

The Gospel of Christ



Gospel Acclamation:



Sermon: The Ven. Dr. Christopher A. Pappas



Photo of the engraved plaque containing the Apostle Paul's sermon at the Aeropagus.

The Nicene Creed:

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (*Imai Welch*)

Response to each intercession:

Lord in your mercy...

All: Hear our prayer.

The Peace

The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn #527: How Firm a Foundation

Prayer over the Gifts: God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of live and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 3

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of pow'r and might _____

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of pow'r and might, _____

heav - en and earth are full _____ full _____ of your glo - ry, Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

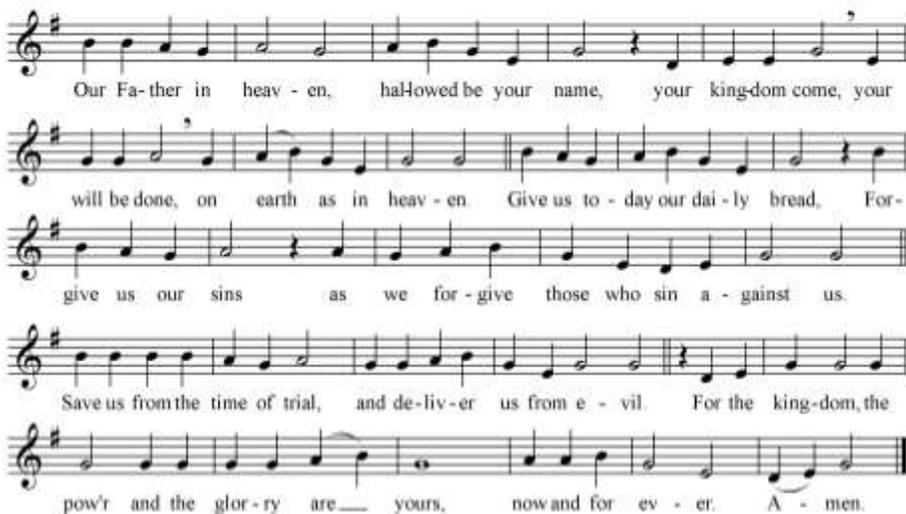
All: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, and we await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.



The Lord's Prayer *(All Sing.)*

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,



The Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

THERE'S A PLACE AT THE TABLE FOR YOU! All persons are invited to gather around the altar at the time of Communion to receive either the Sacrament of the Baptized or a Blessing (indicate by crossing your arms over your chest). Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. When receiving the wine, please grasp the cup to assist the administrant.

Agnus Dei (All sing)



Je - sus, Lamb of God have mer - cy on - us.
Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on - us.
Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,
give us your peace. give us your peace.

Communion Hymn #73: One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All

Anthem: If Ye Love Me - Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may 'bide with you forever, e'en the spirit of truth.

Prayer after Communion: Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Doxology:

Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. **Amen**

The Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn #405: Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

The Dismissal

Go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the risen Lord. Alleluia!

All: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude: Prelude in G Major, J.S. Bach

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Welcome to Holy Trinity Anglican Church

Please join us for coffee and fellowship following the service. We thank Andrea Hamilton and Edna Lock for hosting coffee this week. Next Week – Amanda Lambert, Barbara Howarth, and Noella Bradbury. **At today's Coffee Hour we will be paying tribute to and celebrating a very special parishioner.** Nursery: Care for children from birth to age three is available during the 10:30am service. The nursery is downstairs. Please ask a greeter if you need help finding it.

Please remember these names in your prayers this week:

Roger; Ed; Erin; Fr. Allan; Leon; Linda; Fran; Steve; Hana; Alice; David; Arthur; Ron; Sheldon; Marlo; Noella; Diana; Emmanuel; Helen; Lawrence; Robert; Neil; James; Eva

**Names will be kept on the prayer list for three weeks. Please let the church office know if you wish a name to remain on the list longer. Thank you! **

Upcoming Services and Other Events at a Glance:

May 21st – Trinity Gallery Opening Reception, 1:00pm

May 28th – Equally Anglican Service, 7:00pm

May 29th – Pilgrim Study, 6:00pm

May 30th – Life Celebration of Frances Reynolds, 1:00pm

June 2nd – HTAC Open Stage, 7:00pm

June 4th – Festival Sunday & Baptisms, 10:30am

June 4th – Script Salon, 7:30pm

June 9th to 11th – Chamber Music Weekend

June 11th – Trinity Sunday, 10:30am starting at HTAC (no 8:30am service this day)

June 11th – Pride Service, 7:00pm



Trinity Gallery presents:

The Language of Flowers – Elaine Tweedy

Opening Reception – Sunday, May 21, 1-3PM, Upper Hall

Running from May 21 to June 18, 2017

The Language of Flowers features Elaine Tweedy's beautifully detailed paintings of floral landscapes and still life. Flowers speak to those who stop and listen. But not all are found in manicured urban beds or groomed park settings. This collection of floral works ranges from the intimate splendor of traditional garden inhabitants to the breathtaking grandeur of vast mountain meadows filled with a chorus of voices. You are invited to visit the Trinity Gallery and listen to the "Language of Flowers" that Elaine has recreated on canvas.

Equally Anglican: You are invited to join us for our monthly LGBTQ affirming Eucharist service called "Equally Anglican" on **Sunday, May 28th at 7:00pm**. All are welcome!



Formation Opportunity: The Pilgrim Study facilitated by Rev. Heather will be starting up again on **Monday, May 29th at 6:00pm** in The Commons (main office area). We currently have resources for eight participants. The study booklets are \$10 each. Please RSVP to Janette in the church office: church.office@holytrinity.ab.ca or 780-433-5530.

More about this study: What is the core of Christian belief in greater depth, as shown through the Nicene and Apostles' Creeds? These six sessions aim to equip the reader with an understanding of the creeds as priceless resources for living the Christian life and for knowing God better. In Session 1, we look at what it means to say: "I believe" and "We believe" and at the role the creeds play in strengthening our relationship with God. Session 2 explores what it means to understand God as Trinity: one God in three persons. Sessions 3 and 4 take us deeper in our understanding of Jesus and look at the way Christ is fully God and fully human and at the great work of redemption on the cross. Session 5 explores the person and work of the Holy Spirit, and Session 6 at what we believe about the Church.

You are invited to join with us as we celebrate the life of Frances Reynolds on **Tuesday, May 30th at 1:00pm**. Please keep the family and friends of Frances in your prayers during this time.



HTAC Open Stage: Holy Trinity Anglican Church is a place of community and a place for art. We welcome all to join us for a night of music and spoken word. Monthly Friday Nights – 7:00 to 10:00PM at Holy Trinity (Lower Hall). **Upcoming Dates: June 2 – Last one of the season. You won't want to miss it!**

Pride Service – June 11, 7:00PM

As part of the Edmonton Pride Festival, Holy Trinity will be holding a Pride Eucharist Service at Holy Trinity on **Sunday, June 11th at 7:00PM**. All are invited and welcome to attend, and please feel free to invite your family and friends to come along.



Script Salon: A Monthly Play Reading Series By Members of the Playwrights Guild of Canada

SCRIPT SALON showcases some of the most talented theatre writers in the region with new plays ripe for production read by professional actors. Presented the **first Sunday of every month at 7:30PM** with a different play by a different playwright featured every time.



Free Admission (Donations Accepted) – Refreshments – Playwright Talk Back

June 4th – 10 Funerals by Darrin Hagen: A new bittersweet comedy by Darrin Hagen, playwright of past Script Salon hits, *Go West Young Man* (June 2014) and *The Glory, The Fury* (November 2015). *10 Funerals* travels the decades with Jack and Maurice, partners, lovers, strangers and survivors, and the funerals they attend.



Canadian Chamber Music Weekend

June 9th to 11th at Holy Trinity Anglican Church

After closing the Connection Concert Series, the Vaughan String Quartet is presenting a full weekend of chamber music featuring performances, masterclass, workshops and two special guests. With a touch of Canada in everything. Celebrate Canada 150 with us! More details and tickets available from vaughanquartet.com or at the door.

- Friday, **June 9th**, 7:30PM: Violin and Piano Recital

On the first day of the weekend violinist Laura Andriani and pianist Sarah Ho will join forces for an evening of great music. Masterpieces by Beethoven, Faure, McPherson and Annunziata.

- Saturday, **June 10th**, 7:30PM: String Quartet Recital

On the second day of the weekend the Vaughan String Quartet will perform the pieces included in their first CD, which is currently being recorded, and that represent the diverse background of the group. The program will feature the Brazilian folkloristic String Quartet No. 1 by Heitor Villa-Lobos and new compositions dedicated to the quartet by the young and talented Italian composers Davide Runcini and Simone Boi, along with the inspiring “Traces of a Silent Landscape” by Canadian Robert Rival.

- Sunday, **June 11th**, 2:00PM: Open Masterclass and Workshop

Violin and viola masterclass with Laura Andriani for students and music players. Whether you are an amateur musician, a student or a professional, it is always great to share opinions and feelings about the art of performing with a great musician! Strings workshop for everyone with the Vaughan String Quartet – workshop for music lovers of all ages. Instruments for students will be provided by Mr. Eric Tan (PJ Tan Violin Shop).

Trinity Sunday – June 11, 10:30AM

You are invited to join us as together we celebrate Trinity Sunday with our friends from Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. The service will begin at Holy Trinity at 10:30am and will include a processional to Trinity Lutheran where the service will conclude. Please note that there will be no 8:30AM service on June 11th. Trinity Lutheran is graciously providing lunch for everyone, but we are asked to please bring desserts to share. We hope to see you there!



Holy Trinity Community Outreach Presents:

Infant Massage, Parent & Baby Classes

Weekly Tuesday mornings, **June 13 to July 11** at Holy Trinity, Upper Hall

Presented by Certified International Instructor Trainer, Paula Drew



The class includes: the theory and practice of infant massage, teaching baby to relax, discussion of healthy family development, how to vary the massage as the child grows, how to deal with special problems such as colic, intestinal problems, individualized help with problems, learn baby songs and baby exercise.

Please contact Paula to register or for more information: 780-782-1083 or pdrew1@hotmail.com.

Save the Date: Medieval Saints Day Camp! Together with the Knygts Erraunt, Holy Trinity will be hosting a Medieval Saints Day Camp on **Saturday, July 29 from 9am to 4pm** at Holy Trinity. Kids in grades 5 and 6 are invited to come on out and enjoy a fun filled day with medieval saints doing all kinds of activities such as jousting, sewing, grinding grain, attending a medieval church service, and more! Cost is \$20 per child and includes lunch. Please talk to Rev. Heather with any questions. Registration forms are available at the back of the church and can be turned in to Janette in the church office, or contact her to be emailed a form. **Please register by Sunday, July 2nd**. It will be tons of fun and we hope you're able to attend!



People of all ages are invited to attend a **Medieval Monastic Feast on July 29th at 6pm!** Come on out and experience medieval food and entertainment. This event is a fundraiser for the day camp so tickets are by donation of between \$15-\$50/person. Medieval dress is enthusiastically encouraged! Tickets available from the church office or see Rev. Heather on Sundays.