

OUR VISION

We, at Holy Trinty Guildwood are a
Caring, Open-Hearted Community who Dream, Pray and Work
with Jesus for a Loving, Equitable and Peaceful World.

Lent 3 (C) Ante-Communion March 23, 2025–10:30 a.m. Church of the Holy Trinity, Guildwood

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Wheelchair Accessible

Welcome to Holy Trinity, Guildwood

At Holy Trinity, Guildwood, we welcome all who come to worship with us. Though we are people of diverse background, lifestyle, and opinion, we are one in our desire to follow Jesus Christ. We seek to live as diversity in unity, offering a community in which we can all grow together as one Body: God's Church. We hope the order of service will help you find your way, but feel free to ask your neighbour for help. We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us.

Children are always welcome at Holy Trinity - On Sundays, children are invited to take part in the wonderful age-appropriate activities offered by Church School downstairs in the church hall during the Liturgy of the Word, after which they return upstairs to join in the Celebration of the Eucharist. Parents are always welcome to join their children for some or all of the time downstairs. For more information contact Melanie McLeod, Family Ministry Coordinator, at 416-261-9503 or melanie.mcleod777@outlook.com. Children are always welcome to join in the fun and adventure of growing in Christ.

As you are invited to stand or sit, please feel free to do as best fits your health, comfort, and circumstances.

Please silence your cell phones.



Instead of giving something up during Lent, please consider giving something away each day.

5-Mar	Cooking Oil	25-Mar	Dish soap
6-Mar	Toilet Paper	26-Mar	Canned Peaches
7-Mar	Kleenex	27-Mar	Canned or powder Milk
8-Mar	Baked Beans	28-Mar	Jam or Jelly
9-Mar	Box of Ceral	29-Mar	Flour
10-Mar	Shampoo	30-Mar	Tooth Paste
11-Mar	Rice	31-Mar	Tomato Soup
12-Mar	Laundry Detergent	1-Apr	Canned Vegetables
13-Mar	Apple Juice	2-Apr	Feminie Products
14-Mar	Chunky Soup	3-Apr	Tea / Coffee
15-Mar	Beef Stew	4-Apr	Cookies
16-Mar	Pancake Mix	5-Apr	Hamburger Helper
17-Mar	Syrup	6-Apr	Bar Soap / shower gel
18-Mar	Pasta - spaghetti	7-Apr	Canned Ham
19-Mar	Tomato sauce for Pasta	8-Apr	Canned Tomato
20-Mar	Coconut Milk	9-Apr	Cake Mix
21-Mar	crackers / kids snacks	10-Apr	Deodorant
22-Mar	Granola Bars	11-Apr	Paper Towels
23-Mar	Hot Chocolate	12-Apr	Pudding Cups
24-Mar	Applesauce	13-Apr	Your Favourite Food
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Lent 3 (C). March 23, 2025 – 10:30 am **Ante Communion Service**

Prelude – By the Holy Spirit Sent

LEW TRENCHARD

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The Gathering of the Community please stand

Gathering Hymn #482 – Come and Journey with a Saviour

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Welcome

Land Acknowledgment

Officiant

Today we honour and acknowledge that this land and locality are on the historical traditional lands of the Indigenous Peoples of what we call Turtle Island and what is commonly called North America.

We acknowledge the leadership of Indigenous Elders, who continue to teach us about what it means to live in a balanced and good way with all creation. May our time of worship together be blessed, as we give respect to the First Peoples of this land and seek to live in right relationship with ourselves, Creator, and one another.

We pray that the Spirit will lead us into all truth, into repentance for the wrong of the past and into true reconciliation with our Indigenous brothers and sisters that we may be partners in healing and peace, to the glory and thanksgiving of God our Creator.

(National Indigenous Archbishop Chris Harper)

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, **Officiant**

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

be with you all.

And also with you. All

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. **Officiant**

People His mercy endures forever.

Invitation to Confession

Confession lets us set down the heavy things we carry with us, putting us in right relationship with one another and with God.

Dear friends in Christ, **Officiant**

as we prepare for the Paschal Feast,

continuing in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,

in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers,

let us make ready our hearts

to renew the covenant of our baptism,

as we come before our Creator and Redeemer.

Please kneel (or sit) as you are able

Kyrie Eleison Mass of the Lamb

Cantor: Kyrie, eleison.
Cantor: Christe, eleison.
Cantor: Kyrie, eleison.
Cantor: Kyrie, eleison.
All: Kyrie, eleison.
All: Kyrie, eleison.

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Officiant Let us ask God to bring to light

the things now hidden in darkness,

and to disclose to us the secret purposes of our hearts,

Silence is kept

Officiant How faithfully have we continued

in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,

in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People Lord, have mercy, and complete your work in us.

Officiant How faithfully have we persevered in resisting evil,

and whenever we fell into sin, repented and returned to the Lord?

People Lord, have mercy, and complete your work in us.

Officiant How faithfully have we proclaimed by word

and example the good news of God in Christ?

People Lord, have mercy, and complete your work in us.

Officiant How faithfully have we sought and served Christ in People persons,

loving our neighbours as ourselves?

People Lord, have mercy, and complete your work in us.

Officiant How faithfully have we striven for justice and peace among people,

respecting the dignity of every human being?

People Lord, have mercy, and complete your work in us.

Officiant How faithfully have we striven to safeguard the integrity of God's

creation, respecting, sustaining and renewing the life of the earth?

All Lord, have mercy, and complete your work in us.

Absolution

Officiant May Almighty God have mercy upon us,

pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,

and keep us in eternal life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Collect of the Day please remain kneeling (or seated)

Officiant Father of mercy,

alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves.

When we are discouraged by our weakness,

strengthen us to follow Christ,

our pattern and our hope;

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Proclamation of the Word *Please sit for the readings*

First Reading Isaiah 55:1-9

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

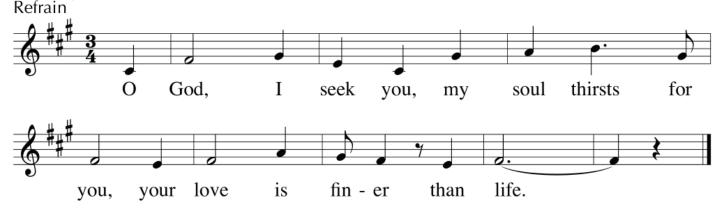
Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit

All Thanks be to God



Please remain seated and join the choir in singing

Psalm 63 1-8 – Your Love Is Finer than Life



Verses

- 1. As a dry and weary desert land, so my soul is thirsting for my God, and my flesh is faint for the God I seek, for your love is more to me than life.
- 2. I think of you when at night I rest, I reflect upon your steadfast love, I will cling to you, O Lord my God, in the shadow of your wings I sing.
- 3. I will bless your name all the days I live, I will raise my hands and call on you, my joyful lips shall sing your praise, you alone have filled my hungry soul.

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

A Reading from the first Letter to the Corinthians

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

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The Holy Gospel Please Stand Luke 13:1-9

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them -- do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

Reader The Gospel of Christ

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

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Sermon Patricia Murray

Silence for reflection

Our Response to the Word

The Apostles' Creed p. 189

Prayers of the People

Please feel free to kneel, sit or stand - however you are most comfortable to pray.

Prayers are offered for the church, all in authority, the world,
the local community, those in need, and the departed.

Our loving God looks on us with compassion and comes in Lent to deliver us and set us free. We pray to God with hope saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

May we take Lent seriously, as a God-given opportunity to repent, and not take our faith for granted.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Lord created us to bear fruit may each person discover their gifts and the difference they can make in the world. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We bless the Lord, who forgives us and heals us and frees us, and crowns us with love and compassion.

We pray quietly for one another, that our hopes for Lent will be fulfilled...

Lord, help us to be aware of how you are at work in our lives.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the Church ...
Open our eyes, awaken us to what is around us,
help us to be ever mindful of your presence,
passionate in our love for you
and eager to be your instrument of justice and peace in our community.
Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for people who are suffering – people we know ourselves – people in our community – people in distant places ... that all who are in need may be relieved and protected. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who have died... May the Lord bring them to the Promised Land, where they will know only love and joy.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Nation

Almighty God, you have given us this good land as our heritage. May we prove ourselves a people mindful of your generosity and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honourable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance; and from every evil course of action. Make us who came from many nations with many different languages a united people. Defend our liberties and give those whom we have entrusted with the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there may be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, let our hearts be thankful; and, in troubled times, do not let our trust in you fail. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Peace please stand

Officiant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another in the Peace of Christ.

Children and youth return.

Announcements

If you are new to our community, we're glad to have you here worshipping with us. Please subscribe to, like, and share our Holy Trinity, Guildwood YouTube Channel. To receive Together@Trinity please send us your email address.

Hiahliahts:.

Canon Stephen is taking a week of March Break and will return Sunday March 30.th Bread Elves looking for HTG congregation member to join them.

Holy Trinity, Guildwood's ministries are supported by the prayers, time, energy, and financial gifts of those who worship with us. Your donation makes a difference.

Thank you for your generous support.

If you feel inspired to financially support the impact we are making with our neighbours, and broader community, please donate via cash, cheque or leave your donation on the offering plate. For your convenience you can also donate via tap or on our website.

While the hymn is sung, a collection is taken and the offerings of the people, are then brought forward and received.

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THOMAS

Offertory Prayer Please remain standing

Officiant. Gracious God,

we know your power to triumph over weakness.

May we who ask forgiveness be ready to forgive one another,

in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

Time for the Young at Heart

The Children and Youth are invited to come forward and gather around the front.

Children's Transition – He's got the whole world in His hands

TRADITIONAL

Verse 1

He's got the whole world in His hands He's got the whole world in His hands He's got the whole world in His hands He's got the whole world in His hands

Verse 4

He's got you and me sister in His hands He's got you and me sister in His hands He's got you and me sister in His hands

He's got the whole world in His hands
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The Sending Forth of the Community

Officiant Glory to God,

whose power, working in us, People

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.

Blessing

Officiant May the Christ who walks on wounded feet,

walk with you on the road.

May the Christ who serves with wounded hands,

stretch out your hands to serve.

May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart,

open your hearts to love.

May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet, and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you.

And May the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always.

People Amen.

Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, **Officiant**

serve the world God loves.

AllThanks be to God.

CWM RHONDDA

Sending Hymn #**565** – Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

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Postlude 1. – Go Forth in His Name

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Postlude 2 – Go Now In Peace – Please join the choir in singing

Verse 1 Verse 2

Go now in PEACE Go now in FAITH,

Never be afraid. Stead-fast, strong and true,

God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day. Know He will guide you in all you do. Verse 3
Go now in LOVE,
and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watch-ing from a-bove.

Refrain Go now in PEACE, in FAITH and in LOVE. A-men, A-men, A- men

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Resisting the Temptation of the Powers



Our Lenten Study for 2025 is an exploration of the Gospel Story (Luke 4:1 -13) of Jesus' Temptation in the Wilderness. The Rev. Dr. Jesse Zink will be our Guide. He is the principal of Montreal Diocesan Theological College, which is affiliated with McGill University and serves both the Anglican and United churches. His insightful and recent presentations on this theme to the College of Bishops and Diocesan Clergy got rave reviews from all.

You're invited to gather at the Rectory, Canon Stephen's home, at 60 Regency Square on alternate Wednesdays from 2 – 3:30 p.m.

All are welcome including friends and newcomers.

April 2 - The Temptation of More

April 16 – The Temptation of Ease

If you are looking for a ride to Stephen's home, give the Parish Office a call.

Each session will feature a short video presentation from Dr. Zink, and a time for reflection and discussion over some light refreshments.

Dr. Zink observes: "It feels like an overwhelming time to be alive and to be following Jesus. The headlines are full of what seems like a never-ending litany of disaster, decay and crisis, while the church is wrestling with declining numbers and challenging structural change. Amid all of this, there endures the Christian gospel that remains as deeply and profoundly good and excitingly and disturbingly new now as it was when it was first incarnated and preached in Galilee 2,000 years ago."

If you have a moment, it would be appreciated if you could let Stephen know you're coming (647-822-9503 or stephenkirkegaard@icloud.com.), as it makes arranging hospitality a little easier when you know how many guests are coming.

Easter Flowers

At Easter, the sanctuary of Holy Trinity, Guildwood is decorated with Easter flowers. If you would like to make a donation towards the flowers in memory of a loved one or to honour someone, please use the envelope provided. If you are not using the envelope, please return it to the narthex.

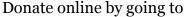


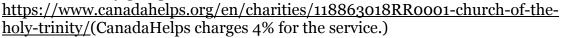


Dear Guest/Visitor:

Thank you for worshiping with us today; you have enriched our community, and we hope the service held meaning and beauty for you. If you will be returning to a distant home, we wish you the Lord's grace and a safe journey. However, if you live anywhere near us, and you are not an involved member of a faith community and might be seeking one, we invite you to return here any Sunday so that we may continue to worship with and respond to you. Please visit us on the web at www.trinityguildwood.org and take one of our welcome brochures to learn more about opportunities for personal spiritual growth and service to others.

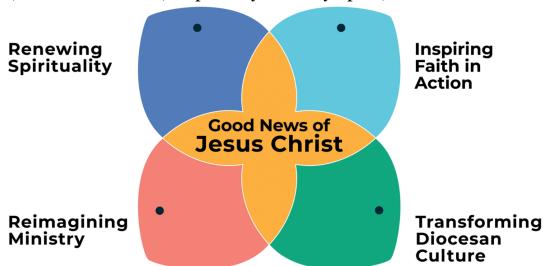
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Cast the Net Diocese of Toronto Vision

Go forth, followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world God loves!



- ➤ We are disciples of Jesus Christ, whose Good News is the joy and challenge at the heart of our common life.
- ➤ We are renewed daily in our spiritual lives and share our faith with others.
- We seek justice for all, walk alongside those in need, and respond with loving service and prophetic advocacy.
- ➤ We support and encourage faithful and fruitful ministry by all who serve the life of the church.
- ➤ We live and work as the Body of Christ, each member connected to the whole, and each valued for their unique gifts.

This Week, in our Cycle of Prayers for the Church, we remember:







The Church: We pray for Iglesia Anglicana de la Región Central de América; the Diocesan Volunteer Corp; the Bishop, people and clergy of the Diocese of Montreal; for St. Andrew, Scarborough, its monthly Neighbourhood Lunch, support for foster children and their communities in Haiti and Zimbabwe, and "We Care" Christmas bags for the homeless; for Anne, our Acting Primate and Metropolitan Bishop; Christopher, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop and Andrew, our Diocesan and Area Bishop.

Our Parish Family of Holy Trinity, Guildwood: Fried and Flo Schwerdtner, Ryan, Katisha (Rasheed), Mikaela, and Drayton Schwerdtner; Don Sinclair and Mary Beth Moffatt-Sinclair; Craig and Mollie Sitwell.

In thanksgiving for Prayers Answered: Michael Cooksey

Celebrating a birthday: Chris Hamill, Kelly Hogan, Ray Stringer, Karianne Chow, Mackenzie McLeod, Corryn Tyson, Ruth Mattinson.

For our Altar Guild Flowers Coordinator: Karen Price

For our Priest: Stephen.

For the Sick, Shut-In, and Those who have asked for our Prayers: Ed Badley; Kate Bull; Francis and the Callender Family; Michael Cooksey; Glenis Emmett; Carol Gooding; Valerie Grant; Scott and Maricel Heald; Nancy Lees; Allan Mawson; Don & Mary Beth; Alf Parke; Ruth Perry; Rohelio Sanxhaku; Ted Tyson; Barbara Walker; Marilyn Wilson, Roy & Wendy Wodehouse. Alex Baird; Karin Cooksey; Christine Gowdy; Adele Kamiskie; Richard Kipin; Philip Noseworthy; Matthew O; Dennis and Bea Provo; Richard Thomson; Joanne Warburton; and Agnus Williams.

For those who have died: Gerald Benoit.

The flowers on the Altar this week are given by Malika Benoit in loving memory of her father Gerald Benoit.

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Assisting in Worship are:

Officiant: Patricia Murray

Altar Guild: Cathy Mathews, Maureen Vasey, Penny Case

Readers: Winifred John; Shirley Knautz

Welcome: John Hetherington

Readings for Fourth Sunday in Lent (Lent 4C) March 30, 2025 Joshua5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32.

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Church Office Hours:

The office is closed Mondays and Wednesdays Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 am – 4 pm Fridays 10 am – 2 pm