

The Church of the Holy Trinity

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Darkness & Light

Striving to live fully in all the pieces and places we are



Welcome!

We are delighted to have you with us this morning.

Holy Trinity is an accessible, active, vibrant, justice-seeking, queer-positive community in the heart of downtown Toronto.

Assisting hearing devices are available.

Please ask a Greeter or the Caretaker.

A special welcome, Newcomers!

Please make yourself at home in this church.

The Church of the Holy Trinity is a community of people who express Christian faith through lives of integrity, justice and compassion. We foster lay leadership, include the doubter and marginalized, and challenge oppression wherever it may be found. *Mission Statement, 2010*

Today's Worship Team

Coordinator: Keith Nunn

Celebrant: Sherman Hesselgrave

Musicians: Fallen Angles, with special guest Steve McNie

A large-print version of this bulletin is available.

Ask a greeter if you would like one.

The Gathering of the Community

- **Welcome *and* Territorial Acknowledgement**
- **Musical Meditation** **Death's Dark Stream - Grievous Angels**
Silence and candle lighting

- **Opening Hymn:** **Our Darkness - Taizé**
See last page

Silence and candle lighting

- **Gathering prayer**

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

Let us honour what we have and where we are.

Let us walk, in darkness and in light, with strength and hope in each other.

Amen.

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- **Absolution *and* the Assurance of Pardon**

One Too often we have been careless with the gifts entrusted to us.
We have used up or spoiled what belongs to future generations and to
other creatures of the earth.

We have shown too little compassion for those around us.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray.

A short silence is kept

One God in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**

One We are a forgiven people: God's spirit is free amongst us.

All **Thanks be to God.**

- **The Exchange of Peace**

It is our custom to move about to exchange the peace.

One Peace be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

- ***The Announcements and Prayer after Announcements***

Members of the community share news. Then the community prays:

All **Grant, O God,
that in these activities and events
we may do your will
with strength, wisdom and compassion,
for the good of your reign of justice and peace.
Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

- ***The Holy Gospel***

Matthew 4:12-23

Reader May God be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All **Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter,

and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen.

And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."

Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Silence and candle lighting

- **Responsive Hymn:**

By Night - Taizé

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• **Second Reading**

Blessed Are You - Jan Richardson

Blessed are you
who bear the light
in unbearable times,
who testify
to its endurance
amid the unendurable,
who bear witness
to its persistence
when everything seems
in shadow
and grief.

Blessed are you
in whom
the light lives,
in whom
the brightness blazes—
your heart
a chapel,
an altar where
in the deepest night
can be seen
the fire that
shines forth in you

in unaccountable faith,
in stubborn hope,
in love that illumines
every broken thing
it finds.

© Jan Richardson from *Circle of Grace: A Book of Blessings for the Seasons.*
Janrichardson.co

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• **Responsive Hymn**

Dance in the Darkness – Carey Landrey

**Dance in the darkness,
slow be the pace.
Surrender to the rhythm
of redeeming grace. x2**

1. Although you go forth weeping,
carrying your seeds to be sown,
you shall come back rejoicing,
carrying your sheaves full grown.

2. A woman in childbirth labours,
because her time has come,
but when she holds her child in her arms,
her peace returns again.

3. Jesus, Lord of weakness,
we wait in joyful hope.
See our weakness, see our strength,
Jesus see our light.

Silence and candle lighting

• **Third Reading**

excerpt from an essay by Parker Palmer

(Theologian and mystic, Thomas Merton once said,)
“There is in all visible things... a hidden wholeness.”

In the visible world of nature, a great truth is concealed in plain sight. Diminishment and beauty, darkness and light, death and

life are not opposites: they are held together in the paradox of the “hidden wholeness.” In a paradox, opposites do not negate each; they cohabit and co-create in mysterious unity at the heart of reality. Deeper still, they need each other for health, just as our

well-being depends on breathing in and breathing out.

Because we live in a culture that prefers the ease of either/or to the complexities of both/and, we have a hard time holding opposites together. We want light without darkness, the glories of spring and summer without the demands of autumn and winter, the pleasures of life without the pangs of death. We make Faustian bargains hoping to get what we want, but they never truly enliven us and cannot possibly sustain us in hard times.

Silence and candle lighting

- Brief reflection

Keith Nunn

The Liturgy of *the Bread and Cup*

Financial offerings may be placed in the basket on the table in the middle of the congregation. Most members of Holy Trinity give electronically. You may also use our secure donation page at Canada Helps by scanning the code at right or visiting <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/HolyTrinityTO/>



Community members bring the gifts of bread and wine to the altar during the Offertory Hymn and form a circle around the altar. Please carry your personal belongings with you.

- *The Offertory Hymn* **Ain't You Got a Right?** - *Traditional*

1. Call: Ain't you got a right *R* Response: *Ain't you got a right x3*

All: To the tree of Life

2. So rocky was the road. *Ain't you...*

So dangerous is the journey. *R*

3. I know you had a hard time *R*

I know you're tired. *R*

4. Our life will be sweeter. *R*

Our life will be kinder. *R*

5. You can tell all my brothers *R*

You can tell all my sisters *R*

- *The Prayers of the People*

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The Great Thanksgiving

- Eucharistic Prayer No. 2

Green Booklet, p. 10

- Lord's Prayer

Jim Cotter version, p ?

- Communion music

Anthem - *Leonard Cohen*

Ring the bells that still can ring.

Forget your perfect offering.

There is a crack, a crack, in everything.

That's how the light gets in.

- *The Sending Hymn*

Lean in Toward the Light - *Carrie Newcomer*

Winter is the oldest season

But quietly beneath the snow

Seeds are stretching out and reaching

Faithful as the morning glow

Carry nothing but what you must

R: Lean in toward the Light

Let it go, shake off the dust **R**

Today is now, tomorrow beckons **R**

Keep practicing resurrection **R**

The shadows of this world will say

There's no hope why try anyway?

But every kindness large or slight

Shifts the balance toward the light

Waters wind and open wide **R**

Don't just walk when you can fly **R**

When justice seems in short supply **R**

Let beauty be your truest guide **R**

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Instrumental

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The prayer I pray at eventide **R**

All left undone be put aside **R**

When forgiveness is hard to find **R**

Help me at least to be kind **R**

F# Bm A D G F#

Our dark-ness is nev-er dark-ness in your sight: the
 La té - nè - bre n'est point té - nè - bre de-vant toi: la

4 Bm A D Em⁶ F#sus F#

deep - est night is clear as the day light.
 nuit com - me le jour est lu - miè - re.

By night

De noche iremos

Meditative ♩ = 60

Dm Bb Am Gm A SUS A

By night we has - ten, in dark - ness, to seek for the liv - ing wa - ter,
 De no - che i - rem - os, de no - che, que pa - ra en - con - trar la fuen - te,

Dm C F A Bb A

on - ly our thirst lights us on - wards, on - ly our thirst lights us on - wards. By
 só - lo la sed nos a - lum - bra, só - lo la sed nos a - lum - bra. De

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