

# Welcome to Church of the Holy Wisdom

## Trinity Sunday



May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024

In-Person & Online Eucharist Service at  
10:30 am

Celebrant and Homilist: The Rev. Gerlyn Henry

# Welcome to Holy Wisdom!

Are you asking: is there a place for me here?

**In a word, yes.**

One of the Anglican hallmarks is that we find our unity in our common prayer and worship, *not in our common thought or belief*. When we gather to pray, we join in ancient practices designed to shape our lives to be more like Christ's. We hear God's word, pray for the world, confess our sins, receive forgiveness, be at peace with one another, and celebrate our unity with God and one another in Holy Communion.

We gather for that every week, week after week.

We hope that you will experience that welcome and, if you are a visitor, consider making us your church home.

*In this service, we use the Book of Alternative Services which is the green prayer book in your pew.*

**We promote a scent-free environment.**

**Help us keep the air we share healthy and fragrance-free.**

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# The Gathering of the Community

## *Welcome - Land Acknowledgement*

*Please stand as you are able*

## *Processional Hymn:*

### *Holy, Holy, Holy (CP 1)*

- 1        Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
          Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:  
          holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,  
          God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
  
- 2        Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
          casting down their golden crowns  
          around the glassy sea;  
          cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
          which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
  
- 3        Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
          though our sinful human gaze thy glory may not see,  
          only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
          perfect in power, in love, and purity.
  
- 4        Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!  
          All thy works shall praise thy name  
          in earth and sky and sea;  
          holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,  
          God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

## *Opening Sentences*

*All may make the sign of the cross*

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

And the love of God,  
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
Be with you all.

**People: and also with you.**

Celebrant: Almighty God

**People: to you all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### *The Collect for the Day*

Celebrant: Father, we praise you:

through your Word and Holy Spirit you created  
all things. You reveal your salvation in all the  
world by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word  
made flesh.

Through your Holy Spirit  
you give us a share in your life and love.  
Fill us with the vision of your glory,  
that we may always serve and praise you,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## *Children's Moment*



### **The Proclamation of the Word**

*A Reading from the Book of Isaiah*

*Read by Ian Physick*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

*Isaiah 1.6-8*

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Reader:       The word of the Lord.

All:           **Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm 29 (Simple Chant)***

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

**The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.**

And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

**The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.**

The Lord shall give strength to his people;

**the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit

**As it was in the beginning, is now  
and ever shall be;  
world without end, amen.**

*A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans*

*Read by Sandra Ramdeyall*

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. **Romans 8.12-17**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Reader:       The word of the Lord.

**All:           Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able*

**Gradual Hymn:**

***Celtic Alleluia (CP 715) vs. 1 & 2***

*Refrain:*

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

*1 The Word of the Lord lasts forever.*

*What is the word that is living?*

*It is brought to us through his Son Jesus Christ.*

## *Refrain*

*2 God brings the world to himself.  
now through his Christ reconciling;  
he has trusted us with the news of redeeming love.*

## *Refrain*

*The Holy Gospel:*

*Read by The Rev. Gerlyn Henry*

**Reader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Reader:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to John.

**People:** **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of



Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

*John 3.1-17*

**Reader:** The Gospel of Christ.

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*Gradual Hymn:*

*Celtic Alleluia (CP 715) v. 3*

*Refrain:*

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

3 *The Word of the Lord is alive,  
the Word of God is active –  
it can judge our thoughts,  
bring us closer to the Father.*

*Refrain*

*Sermon*  
*Silence is kept*

*The Rev. Gerlyn Henry*

## *Affirmation of Faith*

*Please stand as you are able*

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith in God who makes us one through the Spirit

**All: We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us with power from on high.  
We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*You may sit, stand, or kneel*

***Prayers of the People***

*led by Yvonne Murray*

***Confession and Absolution***

*The Rev. Gerlyn Henry*

Celebrant: God, you come to meet us when we return to you. We open our hearts confident in your acceptance, forgiveness and love. In silence we come before you to confess our sins.

*Silence is kept for personal confession*

**All: Merciful God, we need your healing. Give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us,**

**some escape us, some we cannot face. Forgive us. Set us free to hear your word to us. Set us free to serve you.**

**Celebrant:** God the Creator bring you to new life, forgive and redeem you. Take hold of this forgiveness and live your life in the Spirit of Jesus.

**All: Amen.**

**Celebrant:** God forgives you.  
Forgive others.  
Forgive yourself.

*Please stand as you are able*

**Celebrant:** Peace to you from God who is our Father,  
Peace from Jesus Christ who is our peace,  
Peace from the Holy Spirit who gives us life.  
The peace of the triune God be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## **The Celebration of the Eucharist**

*Offertory Hymn:*

*Here I Am, Lord (I, the Lord of Sea and Sky)*

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Refrain:*

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's  
pain,  
I have wept for love of them; they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*

3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them;  
my hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*

*Prayer over the Gifts*

Celebrant: Living God,  
receive all we offer you this day.  
Grant that hearing your word and

responding to your Spirit,  
we may share in your divine life.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the  
Lord.

**All:**           **Amen.**

### *Eucharistic Prayer 4*

**Celebrant:**    The Lord be with you.

**People:**       **And also with you.**


**Celebrant:**    Lift up your hearts.

**People:**       **We lift them to the Lord.**


**Celebrant:**    Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:**       **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

**Celebrant:**    It is right to give you thanks and praise,  
O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,  
you are worthy of glory and praise.


**People:**         **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

**Celebrant:**    At your command all things came to be:  
the vast expanse of interstellar space,  
galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,  
and this fragile earth, our island home;  
by your will they were created and have their  
being.


**People:**         **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

**Celebrant:**    From the primal elements  
you brought forth the human race,  
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;


you made us the stewards of creation.

**People:**      **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

**Celebrant:**    But we turn against you, and betray your trust;  
and we turn against one another.  
Again and again you call us to return.  
Through the prophets and sages  
you reveal your righteous law.  
In the fullness of time you sent your Son,  
born of a woman, to be our Saviour.  
He was wounded for our transgressions,  
and bruised for our iniquities.  
By his death he opened to us  
the way of freedom and peace.


**People:**      **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

**Celebrant:**    Therefore we praise you, joining with the  
heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and  
martyrs, and with those in every generation  
who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim  
with them your glory, in their unending hymn:


**All:**            **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**  
**God of power and might**  
**Heaven and earth are full of your glory**  
**Hosanna in the highest**  
**Blessed is He who comes**  
**In the name of the Lord**  
**Hosanna in the highest**  
**Hosanna in the highest**

**Celebrant:** Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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.


**People:**  **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

**Celebrant:** Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

**People:**  **Glory to you for ever and ever.**


**Celebrant:** Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed,

that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

**People:**      **Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.**

### *The Lord's Prayer*

**Celebrant:** Being made one by the power of the Spirit,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour  
has taught us

**All:**      **Our Father in Heaven**  
**Holy is your name**  
**Your kingdom come, your will be done**  
**On earth as it is in heaven**  
**Give us today our daily bread**  
**Forgive 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 (X4)**



## *The Breaking of the Bread*

Celebrant: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.

"whoever comes to me will never be hungry;  
whoever believes in me will never thirst."


**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who trust in him!**

## *Invitation to Communion*

Celebrant: These, the Gifts of God, for us, the Holy  
People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## *Agnus Dei*

**All:**  **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of  
the world: have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of  
the world: have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of  
the world: Grant us thy peace.**

*Everyone is welcome to receive Communion in both kinds, just the  
bread or a blessing as appropriate at our services.*

## *Communion Hymn:*

***One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All (CP 73)***

Refrain:

One bread, one body

One Lord of all

One cup of blessing which we bless

And we, though many  
Throughout the earth  
We are one body in this one Lord

1 Gentile or Jew,  
Servant or free,  
Woman or man, no more. [Refrain]

2 Many the gifts,  
Many the works,  
One in the Lord of all. [Refrain]

3 Grain for the fields,  
Scattered and grown,  
Gathered to one, for all. [Refrain]

***Anthem:***

***I Bind Unto Myself Today***

*I bind unto myself today  
the strong name of the Trinity,  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three-in-One, and One-in-Three.*

*I bind this day to me for ever,  
by power of faith, Christ's incarnation,  
his baptism in the Jordan river,  
his death on cross for my salvation.  
His bursting from the spiced tomb,  
his riding up the heavenly way,  
his coming at the day of doom,  
I bind unto myself today.*

*I bind unto myself today  
the virtues of the starlit heaven,  
the glorious sun's life-giving ray,  
the whiteness of the moon at even,  
the flashing of the lightning free,  
the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,  
the stable earth, the deep salt sea,  
around the old eternal rocks.*

*Christ be with me, Christ within me,  
Christ behind me, Christ before me,  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,  
Christ to comfort and restore me,  
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,  
Christ in hearts of all that love me,  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.*

### ***Prayer after Communion***

**Celebrant:** All your works praise you, O Lord.

**All:** **And your faithful servants bless you.**

**Gracious God,  
We thank you for feeding us  
With the body and blood of your Son  
Jesus Christ.  
May we, who share his body,  
Live his risen life;  
We, who drink his cup,  
Bring life to others;  
We, whom the Spirit lights,  
Give light to the world.**

**Keep us firm in the hope you have set  
before us,  
So that we and all your children shall be  
free,  
And the whole earth live to praise your  
name;  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### *Community Notices*

#### *The Blessing*

Celebrant: May God the Father, whose will it is to unite all things in heaven and earth, strengthen you by the Spirit in your inner being, so that the love of Christ may dwell in your hearts and lives by faith. And the blessing of God almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be amongst you, and remain with you, now and always.

**All: Amen.**

#### *Recessional Hymn:*

##### *O Worship the King (CP 380)*

1 O worship the King, all glorious above;  
O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

2 O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,

And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

3 The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old,  
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

4 Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

6 O measureless Might, ineffable Love,  
while angels delight to hymn thee above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

### *The Dismissal*

**Celebrant:** Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,  
serve the world God loves! Alleluia!

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

### *Sending Song: Go in Peace*

Go in peace  
Go in kindness  
Go in love  
Go in faith

Begin the day  
The day before us  
Lift us up  
Go in grace

Let us go into the day  
Not afraid, not alone

Let us hope  
By some good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home [x2]

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## What's Happening at Holy Wisdom

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**Coffee Hour** - Please join us for Coffee Hour in the lower hall following both the 8:30 am service and the 10:30 am service. This is a time to enjoy fellowship and some light refreshment.

**Special Vestry Meeting Today** – Today after the 10:30 service, we will hold a special vestry meeting to approve the first stage of renovations.

**Rev. Gerlyn away** – Rev. Gerlyn will be attending the annual Clergy Conference this week from May 27-29.

**Community Lunch and Clothing Giveaway** – On the 1<sup>st</sup> of June, from 11:30 – 2:00 pm, we will have the first outdoor community lunch of the year with BBQ and the clothing giveaway. All the clothes that remained from the Spring Sale will be given away. Volunteers are needed!

**Newcomers Lunch** – On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, all those who consider themselves new to Holy Wisdom, and all those who are looking to be involved more deeply, are invited to gather for lunch and learn. This will include a tour of the church, lunch and a chance to meet some of Holy Wisdom’s leaders.

**Our Garden needs plants!** – We hope to plant 15 flowering annuals and 10 tomato plants in our garden. Let us know if you can donate some plants.

**Lawnmowing help needed** – Our lawnmower is undergoing repair. If you are willing and able to mow part of the church property using your own mower, please let Michael know.

**Children and Youth End of Year Bowling** – Those who are between the ages of 6 and 17 are invited to lunch and bowling on **June 22<sup>nd</sup>** with the Sunday School teachers. There will be a children’s team and a youth team bowling separately.

**Young Adults Event June 21<sup>st</sup>** – Calling all young adults aged 20 – 45 to an evening of dinner and games. This is an opportunity get to meet and know other young adults of the Church.

**Prayer List:**

**Those who need healing and comfort:** Dorri, Doreen, Etta, John, Marline, Jess, Collin, Celestine, Louise, Brenda, Miriam, Kathleen, Stephanie, Joyce, Heddy, Edwin, Ianthe, Shirley, Louis, Jonathan

**Members of our parish, and their families:** Hazel, Ulric & Eula, Miriam, Lloyd & Dorri, Ramani & Anita, Rahul

**Birthdays this week:** Celestine, Lata

<b>Offerings Update (Envelope and Open)</b>		
<b>Last week</b>	<b>Year to Date:</b>	<b>2024 Budget Goal:</b>
\$1276	\$46,136	\$155,004

**Readings for Next Sunday:**

1 Samuel 3.1-10; Psalm 139.1-5, 12-17; 2 Corinthians 4.5-12; Mark 2.23 – 3.6



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