# Day of Pentecost May 23, 2021 Holy Communion

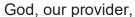
#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**Amen.** Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.



help us.

Amen.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.

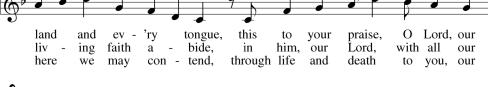
Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, + the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN - COME HOLY GHOST, GOD AND LORD (NEXT PAGE)



#### Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord Ghost, God and Lord, all Come, Ho with 2 Come, ho ly Light, guide di - vine, now cause the ly 3 Come, ho Fire, com - fort true, grant us the grac - es now out - poured on each be liev - er's mind and heart; Word of Teach us a -a life shine. know our God right to to will your work to do and in your ser - vice to bide; the bright-ness your fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by and call him Fa ther with de - light. From ev - 'ry er - ror tri - als a - side. Lord, by your pow'r pre turn us not ho - ly faith your church u - nite; your light from ev - 'ry in keep us free; let none but Christ our mas - ter that we in



our weak-ness strength im - part,

that brave-ly



Text: German hymn, 15th cent., st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, sts. 2–3; tr. composite Music: KOMM, HEILIGER GEIST, HERRE GOTT, Enchiridion, Erfurt, 1524

and to

pare each heart

### Greeting

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 
And also with you

### Hymn of Praise - Glorify thy Name



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you / And also with you / Let us pray...

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

### **READINGS**

### First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹0Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

17'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.
18Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.
19And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
20The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God** 

### Psalm: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (Read responsively by whole verse)

<sup>24</sup>How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

- <sup>25</sup>Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- <sup>26</sup>There go the ships to and fro,

and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

<sup>27</sup>All of them look to you

to give them their food in due season.

<sup>28</sup>You give it to them; they gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

<sup>29</sup>When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

- <sup>30</sup>You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 31May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.
- <sup>32</sup>You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- 33I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.
- <sup>34</sup>May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.
- <sup>35b</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

#### Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27

By pouring the Holy Spirit into our hearts, God gives us the promised first fruit of eternal life so that we await God's future in hope. In the meantime, the Spirit also intercedes for us by carrying the prayers of our weak human hearts to God. <sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. <sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. *The Word of the Lord* **Thanks be to God** 

### The Holy Gospel according to John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 Glory to you O Lord

[Jesus said,] <sup>26</sup>"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. <sup>16:4b</sup>"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. <sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you." *The Word of the Lord Praise to you O Christ* 

**SERMON** – Reverend Pat Harris

**HYMN OF THE DAY – Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling (next page)** 

### Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



Text: Timothy Rees, 1874-1939, alt.

Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710

#### THE NICENE CREED

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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love. *A brief silence.* 

Gracious God, you give the Holy Spirit to your church, filling it with many and varied gifts. In the church throughout the world, strengthen us in our visioning and dreaming, that it may discover anew the Spirit's creative work. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

God of life, your mighty works are too numerous to count. The earth is full of your creatures, living things both great and small. Open your hand and give them the necessities of this life. Send your fresh Spirit over the face of the earth. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

God of the nations, at the sound of the rushing wind, people speaking different languages proclaimed and heard together your deeds of power. Fill the leaders of nations with your Holy Spirit, so that they exercise your gracious will in the lives of people. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

God of faithfulness, you tend to the needs of your people, even the sighs of our hearts. Hear those who cry out to you in distress. Restore to wholeness all who are in any need this day (*especially*). Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

God of love, fill this congregation (*name*) with gratitude for the gifts we have received from you. Renew our ministries, heal our divisions, and open us to the needs of our neighbors. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of hope, those who have died in you raise their eternal song of praise. We give you thanks for the many gifts of your people and rejoice in the witness of your saints (*especially*). Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.** 

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### PEACE OF THE LORD (SPOKEN, NO HAND SHAKING)

The Peace of the Lord be with you. And also with you.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you

And also with you

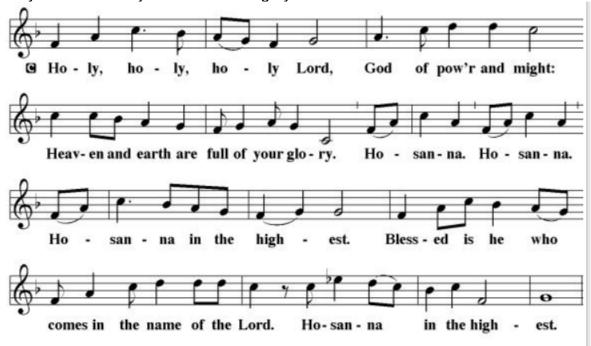
Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give him thanks and praise

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who rose beyond the bounds of death and, on this day, as he has promised, poured out your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples. At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy. And so with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE: DAY OF PENTECOST

Holy God,

Breath of life and Fire of love:

with a mighty wind you brought creation into being,

and by a pillar of fire you led your people into freedom.

We praise you for the gift of your Son,

who poured out your Spirit on his disciples of every race and nation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,

his death, resurrection,

and the sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit,

we await his coming again to renew the face of the earth.

Send now your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this meal:

anoint us with your gifts of faith, hope, and love,

that, with thankful hearts,

we may be witnesses to your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,

Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,

in your holy Church,

both now and forever.

#### **Amen**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

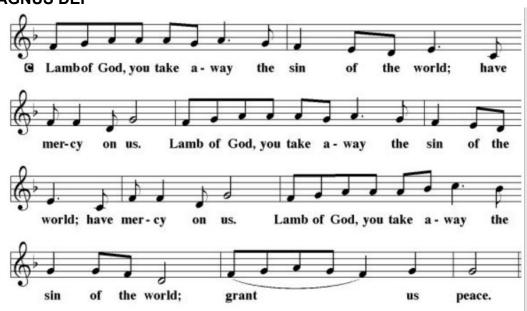
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

#### **AGNUS DEI**



#### Invitation to Communion (verbal instructions to be given by Pastor)

The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.** 

#### **Blessing**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, 

→ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### Closing Hymn - O Day Full of Grace



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#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

\*Offertory: There will be an offertory plate in the Narthex where you can place your offering either before or at the conclusion of the service.

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