# THE FEAST OF PENTECOST | MAY 23, 10AM ANTE-COMMUNION



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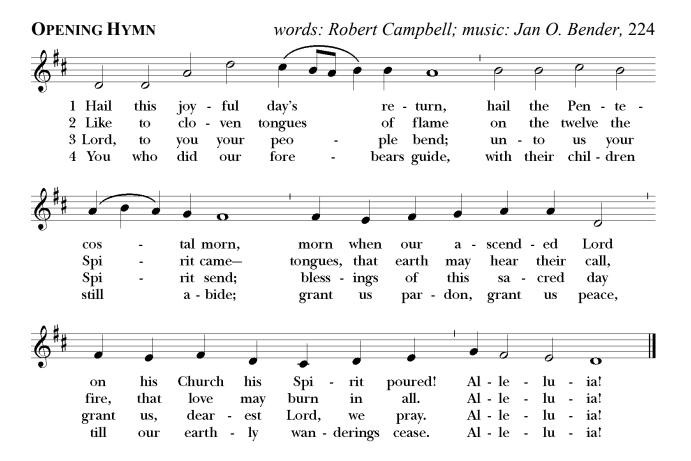
WITH CHRIST AND IN CHRIST, WE WELCOME, CELEBRATE, COLLABORATE, AND GROW.

#### RINGING OF THE BELLS

#### WELCOME & EASTER ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!



#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### THE COLLECT OF DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

#### THE LESSONS

FIRST READING Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabsin our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'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. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. People **Thanks be to God.** 

**PSALM 104** verses 25-35, 37

- <sup>25</sup> O Lord, how manifold are your works! \* in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- <sup>26</sup> Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, \* creatures both small and great.
- <sup>27</sup> There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, \* which you have made for the sport of it.
- <sup>28</sup> All of them look to you \* to give them their food in due season.
- <sup>29</sup> You give it to them; they gather it; \* you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- <sup>30</sup> You hide your face, and they are terrified; \* you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.
- <sup>31</sup> You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; \* and so you renew the face of the earth.
- <sup>32</sup> May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \* may the Lord rejoice in all his works.
- <sup>33</sup> He looks at the earth and it trembles; \* he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- <sup>34</sup> I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; \*
  I will praise my God while I have my being.

### All Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

EPISTLE Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; 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. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. 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. 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.

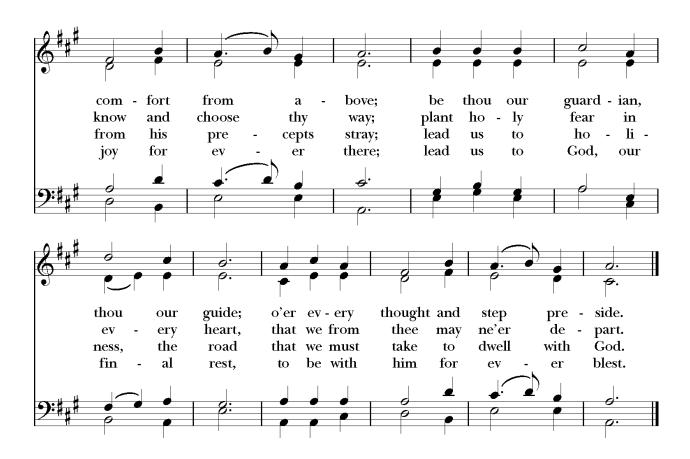
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**People** Thanks be to God.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> May these words of mine please him; \* I will rejoice in the Lord.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Bless the Lord, O my soul. \* Hallelujah!



**GOSPEL** 

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "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. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. "I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. 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. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them

now. 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. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**HOMILY** A time of silence follows the homily. The Rev. Ernie Lewis

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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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Form III, BCP, p. 387

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

*Intercessor* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world:

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

*Intercessor* Give to the departed eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

*Intercessor* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

#### Silence

Presider Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

#### THE PEACE

Presider May the peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Presider* And now as Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray.

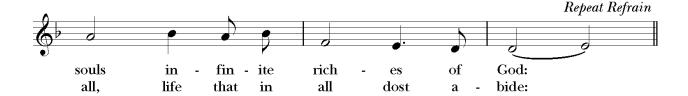
All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### FINAL BLESSING

Presider May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People Amen.





#### THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

**POSTLUDE** 

Ira B. Wilson, Forward

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- Centering Prayer, Sundays, 7pm, Sanctuary, contact Tom Eaton
- Book Study, Mondays, 5:15pm, via Zoom, contact Tom Eaton
- "The Social Justice Bible Challenge", Weds, 7 pm, via Zoom, contact Margaret
- Queer Alliance, Thursdays, 6:30 pm via Zoom, contact Mairic



