ST. JOHN'S THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN PLYMOUTH



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HOLY EUCHARIST

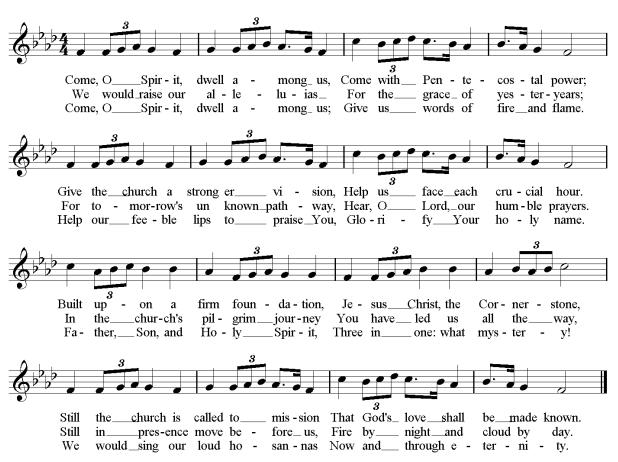
THE Day of Pentecost May 20, 2018 10:00 am

+ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD +

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL SONG:

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us



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(RESPONSES OF THE PEOPLE ARE WRITTEN IN BOLD FONT THROUGHOUT THE BULLETIN)

GREETING

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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, forever and ever. **Amen.**

THE 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 Arabs-- in 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.' "

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104: 25-35, 37

The choir will sing the refrain once, and the congregation will then repeat the refrain. The psalm will be sung by the choir, and the refrain will be sung by all as indicated.

- ²⁵ O Lord, how manifold are your works! * in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, * creatures both small and great.
- There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, * which you have made for the sport of it.

Refrain

- ²⁸ All of them look to you * to give them their food in due season.
- ²⁹ You give it to them; they gather it; * you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- You hide your face, and they are terrified; * you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.
- ³¹ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; * and so you renew the face of the earth.

Refrain



- May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; * may the Lord rejoice in all his works.
- ³³ He looks at the earth and it trembles; * he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- ³⁴ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; *
 I will praise my God while I have my being.
- ³⁵ May these words of mine please him; * I will rejoice in the Lord.
- ³⁷ Bless the Lord, O my soul. * Hallelujah!

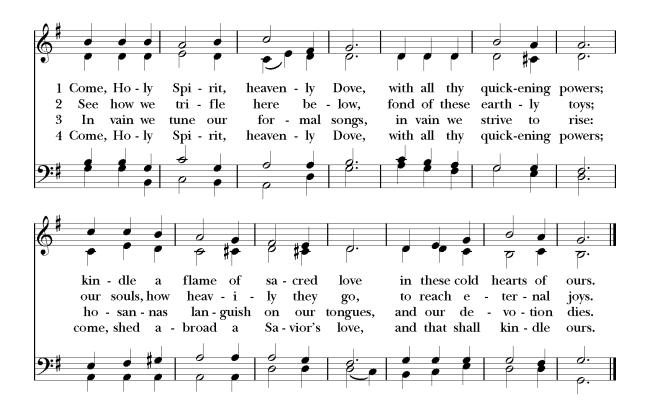
Refrain

SECOND READING 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



THE GOSPEL (Please rise in body or spirit.)

JOHN 15:26-27; 16:4B-15

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Pastor Dana Runestad

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS (Please rise in body or spirit.)

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

I do.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion o saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being??

I will, with God's help.

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

THE ASPERGES (SPRINKLING) FOR BAPTISMAL RENEWAL

May the Holy Spirit, who began a good work in your baptism, continue to direct and uphold you on the journey of giving praise and service to Jesus Christ.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves.

A brief silence.

Lord of life, you baptize your people with the fire of the Spirit. Grace your church everywhere with your visions and dreams, so that as we testify, all will hear the gospel and call upon your saving name. Hear us, O God. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Your creating Spirit renews the face of the earth. You bring to birth new life in the earth's land forms and waters. Awaken us from the slumber of neglect to show tender care for our home. Hear us, O God.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Your Spirit swept over the waters and you created the human community. Now we are polarized and scattered. Renew the nations with good will and unite us that we might strive together for justice and peace. Hear us, O God. Come, Holy Spirit.

Your Spirit sighs with every need. Guide us in respecting the dignity of every human being and seeking and serving Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as we love ourselves. Pour your healing mercies into the lives of all who need your care, especially those we name now, aloud or in the silence of our hearts..... (*Pause for names to be lifted up.*) Hear us, O God.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Your Spirit blesses us with gifts beyond measure, and calls and gathers this congregation into life in Christ. Meet us where we are -- in our weakness and in our strength. Teach us to pray, search our hearts, and guide us to where you would have us go. Hear us, O God.

Come, Holy Spirit.

By your Holy Spirit you have called and gathered people from every nation under heaven. Gather us with all the saints at the heavenly banquet that has no end. Hear us, O God.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Presiding Minister:

By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ THE LITUIGY OF THE TABLE +

OFFERTORY

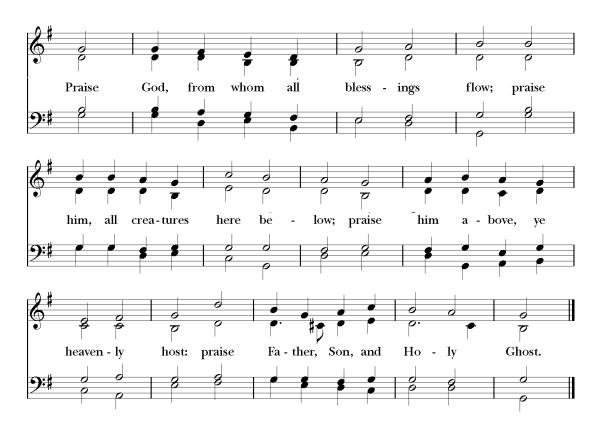
There's a Spirit of Love In This Place

Mark Miller **SJP Choir**

THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (please rise in body or spirit)

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

PRESENTATION SONG:



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer 2 (Enriching our worship)

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 our thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.

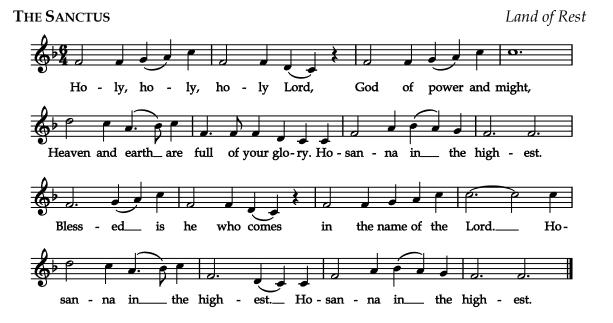
From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing



The people stand or kneel.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.
He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life,
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP PAGE 364

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, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Breaking of the bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God: take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

We welcome all to the Table set for us at the time of Communion. Please remain seated until an usher invites your row forward.

To receive the bread please put your hands together palms up in front of you. Then either eat the bread and drink directly from the cup of wine, or allow the server with the wine to dip the bread in the wine and place it in your mouth. Gluten-free wafers are available in a separate bowl. Please point to them if this is your preference.

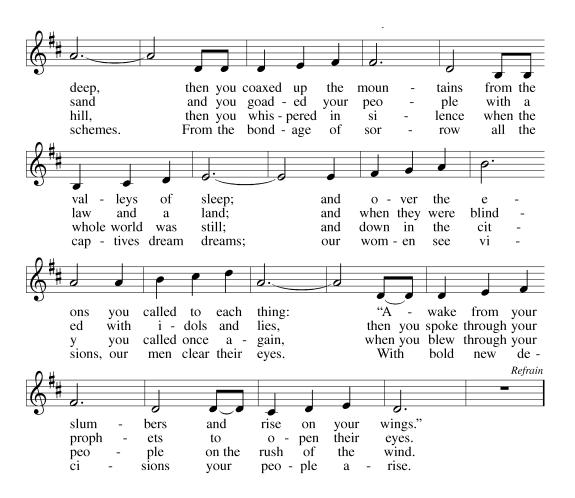
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COMMUNION SONG

Breathe on me Breath of God

COMMUNION SONG

Spirit of Gentleness



COMMUNION SONG Spirit Song

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER (please rise in body or spirit)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

God's blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, The Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always.

Amen.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

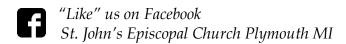
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