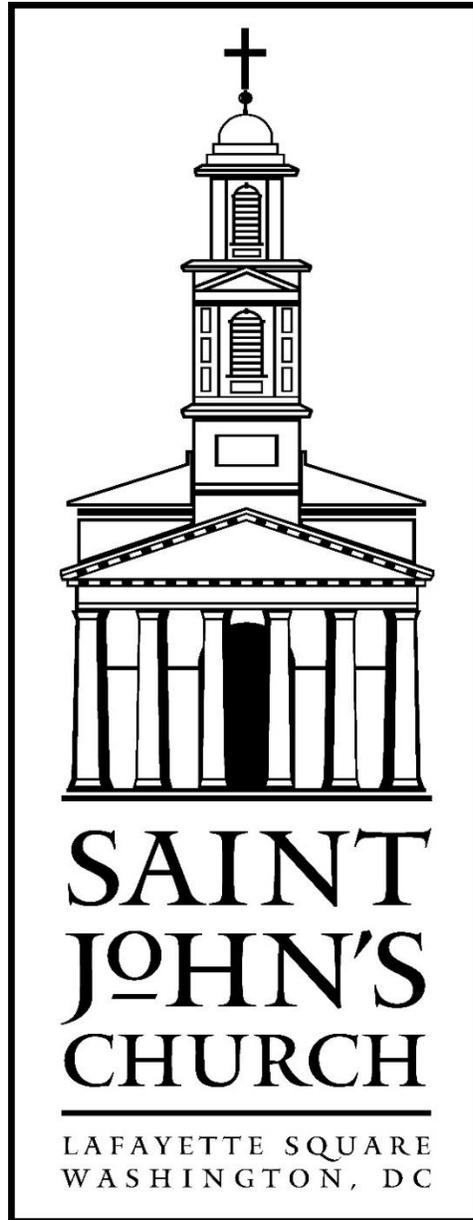


THE DAY OF PENTECOST



May 31, 2020

WELCOME BY GREETERS AND USHERS

RECTOR'S WELCOME

OPENING SENTENCES

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Priest: On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

-Psalm 118:24

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Priest: Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Priest and People:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

VENITE

Led by Hilary West.
Psalm 95:1-7

Leader: Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:

People: **Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Leader: Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:

People: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

HYMN 225

Hail thee, festival day!

Sung by the Parish Choir.

The musical score is written in a single system with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of eight staves of music. The first staff is marked 'Refrain' and begins with a repeat sign. The lyrics are: 'Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for ev - er, day when the Ho - ly Ghost shone in the world with God's grace. grace.' The second staff continues the lyrics: '1 Lo, in the like - ness of fire, on those who a - 3 Hark! for in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, his —'. The third staff continues: 'wait his ap - pear - ing, he whom the cho - sen a - pos - tles, preach to the'. The fourth staff is marked 'Repeat Refrain' and contains the lyrics: 'Lord fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly, de - scends: ends of the earth Christ and his won - der - ful works:'. The fifth staff contains the lyrics: '2 Forth from the Fa - ther he comes with seven - fold — 4 Praise to the Spi - rit of Life, all praise to the'. The sixth staff concludes the lyrics: 'my - sti - cal of - fering, pou - ring on all hu - man fount of our be - ing, light that dost light - en —'. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, accidentals, and dynamic markings.

Repeat Refrain

souls in - fin - ite rich - es of God:
all, life that in all dost a - bide:

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THE READING

Acts 2:1-21

Read by Andrew Clarke in Irish.

Read by John More in Greek.

Read by Geraldine Rhodes in German.

Read by Uche Onwuamaegbu in Igbo.

Read by Margo Wiegenstein in French.

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.' "

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:25-35, 37

Read by Rhys Dodd.

- 25 O Lord, how manifold are your works!
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number,
creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan,
which you have made for the sport of it.
- 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.
- 30 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.
- 32 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!

THE READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

John 20:19-23

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Come down, O Love divine
arr. William Henry Harris

Sung by the Parish Choir.

Come down, O love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardor glowing.
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
And kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, til earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let Thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace, till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Robert Fisher

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

Priest and People:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Led by the Herzog Family.

The people stand or kneel.

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Leader and People:

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.

THE SUFFRAGES

Read by Veronica and Dax Tejera.

Versicle: Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

Response: Govern and uphold them, now and always.

Versicle: Day by day we bless you;

Response: We praise your Name for ever.

Versicle: Lord, keep us from all sin today;

Response: Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

Versicle: Lord, show us your love and mercy;

Response: For we put our trust in you.

Versicle: Let your way be known upon earth;

Response: **And we shall never hope in vain.**

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY OF PENTECOST

Priest: Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Carolyn Crouch.

(adapted from prayers written by Brian McLaren.)

Leader: Let us give thanks to the living God for all the gifts that we enjoy, saying, "We thank you, living God."

Leader: For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For the communities of St. John's and our companion relationships with the *Anglican Church of Southern Africa** and *the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem*. For *Michael*, our Presiding Bishop, for our Bishops, *Mariann* and *Chilton*. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for *St. Augustine's Church, Washington*, and for all people whose lives reveal the image of Christ:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For *Donald*, our President, the leaders of *Congress*, the *Supreme Court*, and for all who serve our country, that they may work for justice, freedom, and peace:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

* In particular, the Kwasa Centre in the Diocese of the Highveld.

Leader: For challenges which call forth new strength, for failures which teach greater humility, and for encouragement to persevere when life is hard:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For those in special need today, especially those who are sick and who are shut-ins. For the people of the *Middle East, Latin America, and all affected by the coronavirus* and for your care for all those in need:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For those celebrating a birthday this week, especially *Michael Dipaula-Coyle, Claire Gaziano, Kyle Hankey, Will Huettner, Ava Kosegarten, Jake Parcell, Susan Parcell, Georgia Rawlings, Caitlin Rooney, Jacquelyn Ryberg, David Trebing, and Peter Ward*; for those celebrating an anniversary this week, especially *Laurie Adams and Matt Bode, Maggie and Steve Coppinger, Katherine and Scott Raab, Sarah Richmond Reid and Avo Reid, KayAnn and Brian Schoeneman, and Adrienne and Chip Usher.*

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For our country and all who serve on behalf of our civic life:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For those who have died, especially *Roger Smith* who died May 20, 2020 and *Harriet Shallo* who died May 22, 2020, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: For all who have gone before us, for all who walk beside us, and for all children, who are precious to us and to you:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

Leader: And for the great wisdom and hope that you reveal to us through Jesus, our leader, example, teacher, liberator, and friend:

People: **We thank you, living God.**

A PRAYER ATTRIBUTED TO ST. FRANCIS

Read by Richard Doege.

Leader: Lord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Priest and People:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Priest: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

A PRAYER FOR THE 100,000

Priest: Lord, your ways are mysterious, and your purposes unknowable. But that of which we can be sure is that when we feel sorrow, you feel sorrow, too. That when we suffer, you also suffer. That when we mourn, you mourn, as well. That when our hearts are broken, so is yours. Lord, we feel that sorrow now, that suffering now, that mourning now, and our hearts are breaking now that in this nation 100,000 of our sisters and brothers have already been taken from us by this disease. Yet, we know that your Son who suffered death itself for us, is by our side, and shares our burden. So, Lord, comfort those who have lost, protect those who remain, and take those you have gathered into that greater light where pain, and suffering, and death itself exist no more. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Priest: Life is short. And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**

Deacon: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

-Ephesians 3:20, 21

POSTLUDE *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*
Traditional

arr. Richard Elliott
(b. 1957)

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

USHER: Michele Mullins.

GREETERS: Andrea Charters and the Lucio Family.