



St. James Episcopal Church

Our commitment: Walk with God.

**The Day of Pentecost
Whitsunday**

May 19th, 2024

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Holy Eucharist, Rite Two
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Prelude: *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier*

J. S. Bach

Processional Hymn #509: *Spirit divine, attend our prayers* (please stand)

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 355

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

Celebrant & People

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

Gloria S-280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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.

Collect of the Day

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 227

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

(please be seated)

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 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

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 736

(We will read responsively as instructed by the Lector)

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!

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #51: *We the Lord's people*

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

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon: Rev. Dr. Jennifer L. Lazzuri

The Nicene Creed ~ *Please stand and turn to page 358 in The Book of Common Prayer*

Prayers of the People (*Please kneel or be seated as you are able*)

Help us, O God, to remain faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers. This day, as we celebrate the fresh breeze of your Holy Spirit, we pray saying, "*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*"

Come, Holy Spirit, creator, and renew the face of the earth. Bless our activity on land and sea and our industry and help us work together to safeguard the integrity of your creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth.

People: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Come, Holy Spirit, power from on high: make us agents of peace and ministers of wholeness. We pray for peace in Ukraine, Sudan, the Gaza Strip, and throughout the world. Help us strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being.

People: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Come, Holy Spirit, wisdom and truth: strengthen us in the risk of faith. We pray for the world as we try and navigate our way through challenging economic times. We remember all of those who

have served in our armed forces and have given themselves for our freedom. Help us to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourselves.

People: *Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, source of healing and wholeness, be with those who are ill. We pray for all those we know who are ill at home or in the hospital, especially, **Pat Nolen, Ginna Cullen, Allen & Lisa Walton, Warren & Pat Gehle, Carol Coleman, John & Katie Bradenburg, Ken Pugh, Thaddeus Book, Mary Jane Huff, Chester Harvey, Charlotte Jones, Kristin Zonozi, Ken Kress, Janet Williams, Elaine Holloway, Howard Smith, Cheryl Berg, John Cochrane, and Nancy Miller**; that they may know your love, forgiveness and presence.

People: *Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, faithful to us in times of grief and loss, be with those who are dying and who have died; that they may share in the risen life of Christ.

People: *Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, be with those who feel guilty, or are broken-hearted, we pray for the absolution and remission of our sins and offences.

People: *Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Like a mighty, rushing wind, like tongues of living flame, the Spirit fills the place where God's people meet. What no eye has seen nor ear heard, nor the human mind conceived; what God has prepared for those who love him, has now been revealed by the Spirit. The Spirit assures us that we are now children of God; and if children, then also heirs; heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ. **Amen.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession

The Book of Common Prayer, page 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all yours sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Peace & Greeting

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offering of Gifts and Praise

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem: *Komm, Gott Schopfer, heiliger Geist*

Doxology (*please stand*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow / Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host / Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 367

(*please remain standing*)

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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S-129

**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.**

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with James and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first born of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 364

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

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant 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.

Fraction Anthem: *My flesh is food indeed*

Communion Hymn #679: *Surely it is God who saves me*

#516: *Come down, O Love divine*

Post-Communion Prayer *(please kneel)*

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 365

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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.

Blessing: 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. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn #511: *Holy Spirit, ever living*

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, in the name of Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude: *Concerto No. 6 in d minor*

Johann Gottfried Walther

Those Who Serve Today

Crucifer/Intinction Cup Holder: John Schick
Chalice: David Koegle
Lector: Dale Williams (8) / Linda Brickey (10)
Prayers of the People: Marie Farrell (8) / Bill Treiber (10)
Ushers: Sherry Morris / Terry Cole
Sunday School: Amy Shiflett / Dana Racette
Nursery: Amy Schick / Anna Schick
Altar Guild: Pat Gehle / Linda Brickey
Counters: Patty Madison / Patty Driskill

Intercessions

Church Members: Pat Nolen, Ginna Cullen, Allen & Lisa Walton, Warren & Pat Gehle, Carol Coleman

Family of Church Members: John & Katie Brandenburg, Ken Pugh, Thaddeus Book, Mary Jane Huff, Chester Harvey, Charlotte Jones, Kristin Zonozi

Friends of Church Members: Ken Kress, Janet Williams, Elaine Holloway, Howard Smith, Cheryl Berg, John Cochrane, Nancy Miller

For those in military service, especially: Hope Matkins, Zachary Lynch, Teri Boivin, Holly-Ann Hess, Nicholas Boivin, and Jon Geiser

For clergy and congregations of St. James', Richmond; St. John's, Centreville; St. Peter's, Arlington; St. Stephen's, Richmond

For the departed:

Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Thanksgivings:

19-Tom Filer; 20-Debbie & Rick Wesley, Greg Barney; 21-Zachary Hall; 22-Linda & Dennis Barnett, Susan & Terry Zamski

Jesus said, "My house shall be called a house of prayer."

We welcome all visitors to St. James. If you would like to know more about our church family, please sign a pew card or the guest register on the table in the back. We want to know that you were here, so be sure to leave your contact information, including your mailing address, so that someone can contact you. Thank you for joining us this morning.

The flowers on the altar are given by Linda Barnett to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her grandparents, Oscar & Hazel Hayes.

If you would like to give the altar flowers in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one, please sign the flower chart on the Parish Hall bulletin board and take a form in the box below the chart for information/instructions. Thank you from the Altar Guild.

Next Sunday, May 26th, we will have Morning Prayer at 8:00am & 10:00am.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 9th! St. James will have ONE worship service outside at 10 o'clock followed by a church potluck picnic. More information to come!!

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 8th – 11th at Louisa United Methodist Church. All children ages 3 to 12 are invited to attend – and older ones are welcome to help the adults with activities. If you have any questions, please see Linda Boxley or Rev. Jennifer.