



*St. Michael's  
Episcopal Church*

*May 31, 2020*

*The Day of  
Pentecost:  
Whitsunday*

PRELUDE

"SEE HOW GREAT A FLAME ASPIRES"

JOHN SCRIVEYNER

*Tune: "Arfôn," a traditional  
Welsh Hymn Melody*

*Please stand.*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

*The Word of God*

OPENING HYMN

Come down, O Love divine

#516

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

BCP 355

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and 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.

GLORY BE TO GOD IN HEAVEN *Gloria in excelsis Deo*

Words: Michael Perry

Tune: **Hymn to Joy**

1 Glory be to God in heaven,  
peace to those who love him well;  
on the earth let all his people  
speak his grace, his wonders tell:  
Lord, we praise you for your glory,  
mighty Father, heaven's king;  
hear our joyful adoration  
and accept the thanks we bring.

2 Only Son of God the Father,  
Lamb who takes our sin away,  
now with him in triumph seated—  
for your mercy, Lord, we pray:  
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,  
Savior, you are God alone  
in the glory of the Father  
with the Spirit: Three in One!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 227

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Silence.*

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 PEOPLE SIT.

## THE FIRST LESSON

ACTS 2:1-21

*The effects on the faithful are immediate, dramatic, and powerful when the Holy Spirit comes upon them.*

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.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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 EPISTLE

1 CORINTHIANS 12:3b-13

*God provides for the needs of a community by endowing its members with gifts for various ministries.*

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body— Jews or Greeks, slaves or free— and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

SEQUENCE HYMN

Breathe on me, Breath of God

#508

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 20:19-23

*Gospeller*    The Holy ✠ Gospel of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ ✠ according to John.

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

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.”

*Gospeller*    The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

THE SERMON

THE DAY OF PENTECOST *is one of the four feast days especially reserved for Holy Baptism. If there are no candidates for Baptism, it is appropriate for The Renewal of Baptismal Vows to take the place of The Nicene Creed, as suggested on page 312 in The Book of Common Prayer.*

*Please stand.*

## THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

BCP 292

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

*People* **I do.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

*People* **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.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **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.**

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

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

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

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

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

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows*

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Celebrant* Peace be with you, brothers and sisters. In wonder and gratitude,  
let us pray, saying, “You send forth your Spirit: Come, Holy Spirit.”

*Please remain standing.*

Holy God, by your Spirit you gave birth to your Church: may our many members be the one Body of Christ in this world. Give to each member of your Church the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

*Silence*

You send forth your Spirit: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Holy God, you gave your disciples the ability to speak in the languages of the people: may we also speak about your deeds of power throughout the world, that all may know of your salvation.

*Silence*

You send forth your Spirit: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Holy God, the earth is full of your creatures: may all who look to you be given food in due season. Open your hand in desolate places and fill the hungry with good things.

*Silence*

You send forth your Spirit: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Holy God, you poured out your Holy Spirit in your Holy City Jerusalem:  
pour out your Spirit in our own city. Raise up prophets and dreamers; give us vision.

*Silence*

You send forth your Spirit: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Holy God, you give the gift of healing by your Spirit: bring healing and wholeness to all those on our hearts and minds this day. You renew the face of the earth; bring renewal to those in need.

*Silence*

You send forth your Spirit: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Holy God, we pray for our sisters and brothers who were baptized into the one body, who were made to drink of the one Spirit, and who now have died in Christ. May those who have called upon your name, O Lord, be saved forever.

*Silence*

You send forth your Spirit: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

*Celebrant* Good and gracious God, send forth your Spirit into our hearts. Wipe away the fear between churches, nations, and families. Tear down the walls that divide us, and make us one through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*There is no* **CONFESSION OF SIN** *on this, the fiftieth day of Easter.*

*All standing.*

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## *The Holy Communion*

*Please stand.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN

Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness

#515

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING [EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D]

BCP 372

*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.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD *Sanctus*

POWELL

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### THE PEOPLE STAND TO PRAY DURING THE ENTIRE EASTER SEASON.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may ✠ descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Michael, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever.

**AMEN.**

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

*People and Celebrant*

BCP 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.

THE FRACTION *Sung*

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

THE INVITATION

THE COMMUNION

*All standing.*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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 DAY OF PENTECOST 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.

CLOSING HYMN

O Spirit of the living God

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## THE DISMISSAL

*The People respond* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

“SING A NEW SONG”

EDWARD BROUGHTON

