

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

LITURGY OF THE WORD, RITE II

MAY 31, 2020 10:30 AM

The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert, Rector

The Rev. Jim Enelow, Deacon

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The mission of St. George's Episcopal Church is to worship God and share our faith through word, action, and service.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE WITH US. In this difficult and uncertain time, our commitment to one another as the Body of Christ is more important than ever. We are blessed to be able to join together in prayer, even as we are unable to be together in person as we would wish. Our online services are all available from the **Online Worship** page of our website. We are aware that some people have been experiencing difficulties with the service livestream, particularly with the audio. We are currently working on improving our technological capabilities, but it will take some time. We ask for your grace and patience as we continue to work on these issues.

Today is the Day of PENTECOST. Pentecost, celebrated 50 days after Easter Day, is one of the most ancient feasts. The Day of Pentecost recalls the coming of the Holy Spirit to the first disciples of Jesus,

empowering them to preach the gospel to people from many different places, backgrounds, and cultures. The disciples who had formerly been confused and frightened after the Ascension of Jesus, not knowing what to do without his physical presence among them, were emboldened by the Spirit, and began to form a community that would be able to carry on in these new circumstances. Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church for this reason. As the contemporary embodiment of the community those first disciples began, we celebrate the fruits of the Spirit in each of us and the sharing of our gifts with our community and the world. One of the specific manifestations of the Spirit among the disciples was the ability to speak other languages, in order to preach to people from all over the world. In commemoration of the first Pentecost, we will hear Acts 2:4, the verse in which the disciples receive this ability, in several languages.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926) Music: Leoni, Hebrew melody; harm. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1875, alt.

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Officiant 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.

People Amen.



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY BCP 227

Officiant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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.

People Amen.

FIRST READING NUMBERS 11:24-30

Reader A reading from the book of Numbers.

Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:25-35,37

Benedic, anima mea

Please join in reading the psalm responsively by whole verse.

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.

- 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 LESSON ACTS 2:1-21

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.

καὶ ἐπλήσθησαν πάντες πνεύματος ἁγίου, καὶ ἤρξαντο λαλεῖν ἑτέραις γλώσσαις καθὼς τὸ πνεῦμα ἐδίδου ἀποφθέγγεσθαι αὐτοῖς. (Greek)

Und sie wurden alle voll des Heiligen Geistes und fingen an, zu predigen mit anderen Zungen, nach dem der Geist ihnen gab auszusprechen. (German)

그러자 그들은 모두 성령이 충만하여 성령께서 주시는 능력으로 그들도 알지 못하는 외국어로 말하기 시작하였다. (Korean)

Todos fueron llenos del Espíritu Santo y comenzaron a hablar en distintas lenguas, como el Espíritu les daba que hablaran. (Spanish)

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.

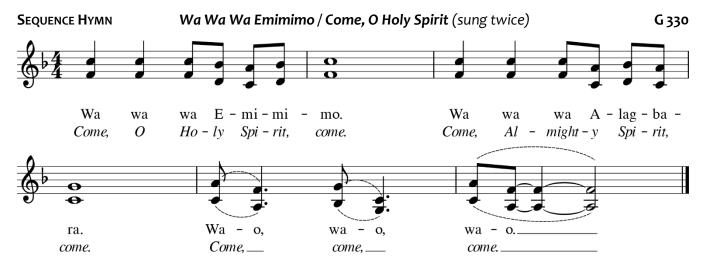
Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

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.**



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THE HOLY GOSPEL JOHN 20:19-23

Officiant 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."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL ALLELUIA



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THE SERMON THE REV. KEVIN LJ SCHUBERT

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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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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

BCP 387 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III Father, we pray for Anglican Church of Melanesia, and all your holy Catholic Church; Officiant People That we all may be one. Officiant Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; People That your Name may be glorified by all people. Officiant We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai our bishops; Kevin our rector; Jim our deacon; and all bishops, priests, and deacons; People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments. Officiant We pray for Donald, our President; Greg, our Governor; and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth. People

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

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Officiant Have compassion on Pat, Jennifer, Stephen, Ann, Gladys, Charles, Ralph, Kirk, Ann, Polly,

Divesh, Bailey, Hans, Aaron, Mary, Martha, Pam, Ben, Colleen, José, Linda, Tom, Michael, all

those suffering from COVID-19, and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress. People

Officiant Give to John, Melinda, those who have died from COVID-19, and all the departed eternal rest;

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Officiant We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

(The People may add their own petitions.)

Officiant O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on Jim and Cynthia, as they

> begin their married life together; and on August, Scott, Erik, Nancy, Emme, Anna, Jonathan, Herb, and all your servants who begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through

Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

(The Officiant adds a concluding Collect.)

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE LORD'S PRAYER **BCP 364**

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

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 EASTER BLESSING

New Zealand Prayer Book 538

Officiant God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk

with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be

with you and remain with you for ever.

People Amen.



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DISMISSAL

Officiant Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE Fuga, Prelude and Fuga in F Major, BWV 556 MI-YOUNG KIM, ORGAN
(Johann Sebastian Bach)

After the service, take a few minutes to get yourself some lunch, and then join our Pentecost Zoom link (password: risen) for a virtual all-parish potluck lunch. We'll share some of the bishop's directives about in-person worship and the Reopening Task Force's plans for what that worship will look like at St. George's, and take the opportunity to answer your questions about this process.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

For those who are sick or facing medical issues, especially:

Pat Beckham Kirk Hoffman Mary Parker Tom Wooten Jennifer Bigbee Ann Kauppi Martha Sahs Michael Worcester Stephen Blood Polly Littrell Pam Schubert All those suffering Ann Casstevens Divesh Manohar Ben Sears from COVID-19

Gladys Dykes Bailey McKennon Colleen Stark
Charles Foster Hans Mueller José Trejo Tirado
Ralph Hausser Aaron Neighbors Linda Wallace

For those who have died and their families, especially

John Kemper Melinda Mendez All those who have died from COVID-19

For those facing difficult circumstances

For those serving in the armed forces and their families, especially:

Zach Mertz Maddison Worcester

Those who celebrate birthdays, especially:

August Dolan-Henderson (May 31) Nancy Carrera (Jun 3) Jonathan Brackin (Jun 6) Scott Bush (Jun 1) Emme Corcoran (Jun 3) Herb Dickson (Jun 6)

Erik Stallman (Jun 2) Anna Doty (Jun 4)

Those who celebrate anniversaries

In the Anglican cycle of prayer:

In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:

Anglican Church of Melanesia St. Christopher's, League City
The Most Reverend Leonard Dawea, Archbishop St. George's, Texas City

St. John's, LaPorte

Names can be added to this list by emailing Jennifer at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com.

PRAYERS'OUR COMMON LIFE

PRAYER FOR THE SICK BCP 260

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer for Health Care Providers

BCP 460

Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

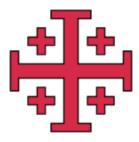
PRAYER FOR A PERSON UNABLE TO TAKE THE EUCHARIST

Written by St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787

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.

THE BANNER - May 31, 2020

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- ❖ WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP Please join us for the next meeting of the Women's Book Group on Saturday, June 13th, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm, via Zoom. We will discuss Circe, by Madeline Miller. All St. George's women are welcome to attend; this group is open and welcoming of all. The Zoom invitation will be sent out to the group's email list prior to the meeting. To be added to the list, or with any questions, please contact Sandra Villalaz at 512-762-8349 or sandra.villalaz48@gmail.com. Happy reading!
- GIVING TO ST. GEORGE'S We are grateful for your financial support as we navigate new ways to stay connected in these challenging times. Your gifts enable us to use modern technology to connect to each other, as well as to continue to pay our ongoing expenses, including salaries. If you have been giving to St. George's by putting a check or cash in the plate on Sundays, please consider giving online by clicking the DONATE button on the Stewardship page of the church's website: www.sgchurch.org/stewardship. You can set up regular weekly or monthly donation using a credit card or a bank account. Thank you for your generosity.



FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon, June 1 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wed, June 3 The Martyrs of Uganda, 1886

Thu, June 4 John XXIII (Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli), Bishop and Church Reformer, 1963

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BCP 460

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THOSE WHO SERVE

Officiant/Preacher – The Rev. Kevin Schubert
Assisting Priest – The Rev. Susan Dolan-Henderson
Reader – August Dolan-Henderson
Additional Readers – Stephanie Craven (Greek), Stefan Schuster (German),
Mi-Young Kim (Korean), Suzette Puckett (Spanish)
Vestry Person of the Day – Stefan Schuster
Organist/Pianist – Mi-Young Kim
Singers – Suzette Puckett, Stephanie Craven

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