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# ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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The Day of Pentecost • May 19, 2024 • 10:30 a.m.

*Welcome to St. John's. We are happy you are joining us in worship today. Our service is printed here, with congregational responses printed in **bold**. Hymns are printed in the hymnals located in the pews. Mask wearing during worship is optional.*

### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

### OPENING HYMN • 225

Hail thee, Festival Day

*Salva festa dies*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

### SONG OF PRAISE

*Glory to God*

*Gloria in excelsis  
Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)*

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord  
God, heaven-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you  
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Father:  
re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



## THE COLLECT

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

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.**

## THE LESSONS

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

*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.' "

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 104:25-35, 37**

*(Read responsively)*

*Benedic, anima mea*

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!**

## A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS

*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.

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## SEQUENCE HYMN • 516

Come down O Love divine

*Down Amprey*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

*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 Jesus Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE SERMON

*The Rev. Sr. Eleanor Francis*

## THE NICENE CREED

**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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray now for our own needs and the needs of others.

God of all, bless your universal Church, and especially our presiding bishop, Michael, our own bishop, Carlye, the members of our diocese and those who worship with us today. Fill us with your Spirit as we share your love and spread your Good News in the world around us.

God of Resurrection,

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the leaders of this and every nation in using their authority wisely and seeking the common good. We especially pray for the leaders of Ukraine and Russia, and all countries facing war or political upheaval.

God of Wisdom,

**Hear our prayer.**

In our nation, help us to overcome our divisions, to see your image in each other's faces and to remember our baptismal promise to respect the dignity of every human being.

God of Life,

**Hear our prayer.**

Help us to be good stewards of the air, water and earth around us and all their inhabitants, that all may share in their bounty and sustenance.

Creator of All,

**Hear our prayer.**

Provide for your children throughout the world. Help all obtain the resources they need to nourish their bodies, minds and souls to live the abundant lives you have prepared for them.

Champion of the Poor,

**Hear our prayer.**

Protect all people suffering from violence or oppression. Comfort those who live in fear or loneliness. Bless prisoners and their families. Aid those who are sick, those suffering from addiction and those dear to our congregation, especially Sylvent, Patricia, Carl, John, Joan P. and Bill.

Eternal Healer,

**Hear our prayer.**

Bring all who have died into your heavenly mansion, remembering especially all victims of gun

violence and the Rev. Deacon Kathleen Ballard. Comfort those who grieve their loss, even as we rejoice at their rebirth into your eternal life.

Lord of Life,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We pray in thanksgiving for the life you have given us, the families and friends you have given us to love, and the healing and new opportunities you offer to us.

God of Abundance,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Please feel free to offer your own petitions and thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

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

**THE PEACE**

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

**OFFERTORY**

*An offering is received to support St. John's ministry of sharing God's love with the world.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

O SO SO (Each verse is sung only in English)



1. O	-	so	-	sŏ,	___	o	-	so	-	sŏ,	pyong	-	hwa	-	üi	___	im	-	gŭm
오		소		서,	___	오		소		서,	평		화		의	___	임		금
2. O	-	so	-	sŏ,	___	o	-	so	-	sŏ,	sa	-	rang	-	üi	___	im	-	gŭm
오		소		서,	___	오		소		서,	사		랑		의	___	임		금

1. Come	now,	O	___	Prince	of	peace,	make	us	one	___	bod	-	y,
2. Come	now,	O	___	God	of	love,	make	us	one	___	bod	-	y,



u	-	ri	-	ga	___	han	-	mom	i	-	ru	-	ge	ha	-	so	-	sŏ.
우		리		가	___	한		몸	이		루		게	하	___	소		서
u	-	ri	-	ga	___	han	-	mom	i	-	ru	-	ge	ha	-	so	-	sŏ.
우		리		가	___	한		몸	이		루		게	하	___	소		서
come,	O	Lord	___	Je	-	sus,	re	-	con	-	cile	your	___	peo	-	ple.		
come,	O	Lord	___	Je	-	sus,	re	-	con	-	cile	your	___	peo	-	ple.		

Words: Geonyong Lee, para. Marion Pope, alt., 1990

Tune: "Ososo," Geonyong Lee, 1990

## PRESENTATION HYMN

*Old 100th*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Praise God above ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

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

## SANCTUS • S128

*by William Mathias*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven 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.

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 first 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.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with Blessèd Mary the Godbearer, Blessèd John the Apostle and Evangelist, with patriarchs, matriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with 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 ever.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 ANTHEM

*Christ our Passover*

*Gerald Near (b. 1942)*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there-fore let us keep the feast.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## COMMUNION HYMN • 508

Breath on me, breath of God

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, 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 Savior. Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN • 787 (*Green Hymnal*)

We are marching in the light of God

*Siyahamba*

## DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Leading and supporting our worship today

The Rev. Sr. Eleanor Francis *Celebrant and Preacher*

The Rev. Deacon John H. Van Dine, Sr. *Deacon*

Mr. Kevin Bidwell *Server*

Ms. Carolyn Borlo *Lector*

Ms. Ellen Bomser, Ms. Kathy Cascone, Ms. Sandra Lee Schubert *Choir*

Mr. Christian Carozza *Organist*