

The Day of Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2020

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In the absence of the Deacon the Celebrant assumes those liturgical roles.

A Service of Liturgy of the Word

Our Sunday worship service will be available for you to share in, beginning at 10:15 a.m. each Sunday, on Facebook and Zoom.

This copy of the bulletin contains everything needed for today's worship.

You are encouraged to respond and sing out loud with all persons gathered in your home.

Prelude
Gathering Hymn

Hymnal 224

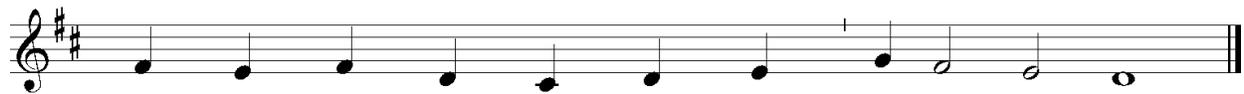
Hail this joyful day's return



1 Hail this joy - ful day's re - turn, hail the Pen - te -
2 Like to clo - ven tongues of flame on the twelve the
3 Lord, to you your peo - ple bend; un - to us your
4 You who did our fore - bears guide, with their chil - dren



cos - tal morn, morn when our a - scend - ed Lord
Spi - rit came— tongues, that earth may hear their call,
Spi - rit send; bless - ings of this sa - cred day
still a - bide; grant us par - don, grant us peace,



on his Church his Spi - rit poured! Al - le - lu - ia!
fire, that love may burn in all. Al - le - lu - ia!
grant us, dear - est Lord, we pray. Al - le - lu - ia!
till our earth - ly wan - derings cease. Al - le - lu - ia!

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THE WORD OF GOD

The Officiant greets the People and they respond

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

BCP 355

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Officiant then says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Hymnal 178

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of two staves each. The first system begins with a *Descant* on a whole note G, followed by a repeat sign and a melody for the words "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -". The second system starts with a *Refrain* melody for "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the". The third system continues the melody for "lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!" and "ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give". The fourth system concludes with a *Final Ending* marked "1-4" and "Final Ending", featuring a melody for "Praise to his Name. Name.".

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -
 Now we shall live for ev - er. er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

Repeat Refrain

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

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The Collect/ Prayer of the Day

The Officiant says

The Lord 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

The First Reading

The Lector says

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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 the Churches.

Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 *Benedic, anima mea*

BCP 736

All say together

- 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 Second Reading

The Lector says

A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

1 Cor. 12:3b-13

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.

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Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Hymn
Holy Spirit Lord of Love

Hymnal 349

1 Ho - ly Spi - rit, Lord of love, who de - scend - ed
2 When the sa - cred vow is made, when the hands are

from a - bove, gifts of bless - ing to be - stow
on them laid, come in this most sol - emn hour

on your wait - ing Church be - low, once a - gain in
with your strength - ening gift of power. Give them light, your

love draw near to your ser - vants gath - ered here; from their
truth to see; give them life, your own to be; dai - ly

bright bap - tis - mal day you have led them on their way.
power to con-quer sin; pa - tient faith, the crown to win.

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The Gospel

The Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *John 20:19-23*

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."

After the Gospel the Deacon says

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Ven. Rebecca Barger

To allow for your personal reflection, a time of silence will be kept following the sermon.

All say together

**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.**

Prayers of the People for the Season of Pentecost

During the (Pause) the intercessor will allow time for worshipers to offer their biddings of thanksgiving or concern.

The Deacon introduces the Prayers of the People

In the power of the Spirit who aids us in our weakness and teaches us to pray, let us offer to God our intercessions, thanksgivings, and the deep yearning of our hearts, saying: Come, Holy Spirit.

Intercessor

For the Church, for our Presiding Bishop Michael and Bishop-elect Deon; for Alfred our priest and Rebecca our deacon; for the people and ministry of St. Thomas Deaf Episcopal Church and Emily their vicar, the 9th anniversary of the nation of South Sudan, the Deaconess Anne House interns, and those discerning a call to ordained ministry; and for all the people of God, that they may be made whole and free by the Spirit, and bear witness in every aspect of life to the full measure of Christ's resurrection *(pause)*; hear us as we pray:

Come, Holy Spirit.

For our world in its brokenness, that the peace of the risen Christ may heal the wounds of all victims of injustice and exploitation, and transform the hearts of those who lead the nations of the world and who make public policy that they may truly become makers of peace. And we remember especially members of our armed forces and Kyle serving in Iran. We pray for the ministry of the chaplains, staff and volunteers at the Episcopal City Mission and the youth in detention *(pause)*; hear us as we pray:

Come, Holy Spirit.

That liberal and conservative leaders of our nation may be drawn together in truth by the Spirit and come to rejoice in their different gifts and points of view *(pause)*; hear us as we pray:

Come, Holy Spirit.

For the concerns and uncertainties of our community as pandemic restrictions begin to relax and for those affected by illness or bereavement of COVID-19. For physical and spiritual healing for Fr. Al, Darla, Noel, Jack, Roger, Annie, Bill, Paul, and Brenda. For those weighted down by despair, suffering from addiction, or burdened by illness, and those with special needs and intentions who have asked for our

prayers: Kathy, Olivia, Perry, Virginia, Bob, Virginia, Sadie, and Linda, that they may experience the freedom which the Spirit gives to the children of God *(pause)*; hear us as we pray:

Come, Holy Spirit.

For the blessing of the gifts of your Spirit revealed within our community, for the good and faithful work of those involved in our face mask initiative, and for the work of our Discernment Team and staff and students of Friends of St. Francis Childcare Center *(pause)*; hear us as we pray:

Come, Holy Spirit.

God of life and love, we pray to you for those we love but see no longer, especially Genevieve, and David. Let light perpetual shine upon them where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting. Help us also, to remember that in both life and death we are ever surrounded by your love *(pause)*; hear us as we pray:

Come, Holy Spirit.

Officiant

Gracious God receive our prayer; hear our hearts' deep yearnings, yet to be formed into words. Give us the courage to yield ourselves, all that we are and have yet to become, to the transforming motion of your Holy Spirit, and carry out in us and through us your work of new creation. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the risen and living one.

Amen.

Confession of Sin

EOW 19

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence is kept, then the Minister and People say

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Officiant says

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

Amen.

The Exchange of Peace

The Officiant says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We invite you to take a moment and extend the peace of God to the members of your household and then to people in the world that you love and struggle to love.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Officiant says

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

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.**

A moment of silence is kept

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Officiant says

Let us pray.

Almighty God, giver of life and destroyer of death, you have graciously reunited us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ and have hid us with him in you.

Fix that morning star which never sets, the risen light of Christ, in our lives that together we will walk in your presence, serving one another, with your love in our hearts, your truth in our minds, your strength in our wills, until, at the end of our journey, we know the joy of our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eastertide Blessing

The Officiant says

Alleluia, Christ is Risen:

The Lord is Risen indeed, alleluia!

Alleluia, Christ is Risen:

The power of death has been destroyed, alleluia!

Alleluia, Christ is Risen:

The tombs of the dead are empty, alleluia!

Alleluia, Christ is Risen:

All that separates us from God is gone, alleluia!

Alleluia, Christ is Risen:

The whole of creation rejoices, alleluia!

May the blessing of new life from God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Life-Giver, be among us, and remain with us and all those whom we love and struggle to love, now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn
Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart

Hymnal 556

1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing! Your
 2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of earth, pour
 3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias loud; while
 4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go, from
 5 Still lift your stand - ard high, still march in firm ar - ray, as

1 glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
 2 out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
 3 an - swer - ing ech - oes up - ward float, like wreaths of in - cense cloud.
 4 youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.
 5 war - riors through the dark - ness toil, till dawns the gold - en day.

Refrain

Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks, and sing.
 re - joice, re - joice,

*6 At last the march shall end;
 the wearied ones shall rest;
 the pilgrims find their Father's house,
 Jerusalem the blest.

Refrain

*7 Then on, ye pure in heart!
 Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
 Your glorious banner wave on high
 the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain

Birthdays

Jeff Rainbolt May 24
Phil Barger May 25
Tim Jones May 25
Jack Doerr May 29
Mike Rohan May 29
Gina Nessel May 30
Sue Schmidt June 2
Lara Thomas June 6

Anniversaries

Herb & Marsha Smith May 28

Announcements

Bishop's Warden Jackie Selle

The Dismissal

The Deacon gives the dismissal

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace. Alleluia, alleluia.

We go in the name of the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER LISTS

For our Interim priest Father Al

Our homebound parishioners: Darla, Noel, and Jack

Our parishioners: Roger, Annie, Bill, Paul, and Brenda

Weekly Prayer Rota: Holly & Dan, Sue & John, and Doris

Parish & Diocesan related prayer requests:

St. Francis' Discernment Team

Students and staff of Friends of St. Francis' Childcare Center

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For the people and ministry of St. Thomas Deaf Episcopal Church, Kirkwood, and Emily their vicar

Companion Diocese of Lui, South Sudan: For the 9th anniversary of the new nation of South Sudan (July 2011)

For those committed to our ongoing prayers: Deaconess Anne House interns; those discerning a call to ordained ministry; the ministry of the chaplains, staff, volunteers at Episcopal City Mission, and the youth in detention and their families; patients, families, & communities affected by substance use disorders; those suffering from untreated & undertreated pain and chronic diseases; those who serve in our military, especially Kyle (USMC) deployed to Iran; those who are affected either through illness or bereavement by COVID-19 in our communities, across our nation, & throughout the world

For those who have asked for prayers: Kathy, Olivia, Perry, Virginia, Bob, Virginia, Sadie, and Linda; first responders and healthcare; medical researchers searching for a cure & treatment for COVID-19

For those who have Died and those who Mourn: Genevieve who died May 25, and David who died May 28, and for the youth in St. Louis whose lives were lost due to gun violence & their families



St. Francis is a Two rule Church: Love God, Love Each Other

The ordination of the Rev. Deon Johnson as 11th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri will take place on June 13th at Christ Church Cathedral. Check the Diocesan website for more details.

Today's Ministers of Worship

Interim Vicar	The Rev. Alfred Jewson
Deacon-Officiant	The Ven. Rebecca Barger
Musician	Cheryl Foster
Pentecost passage readers	Katie Jones—German
	Michael Booker—Mandarin
	Della Thompson—French
Lectors	Tracey Oswald & Michael Booker
Intercessor	Sheila McCart
Virtual Honorary Verger	Paul Jokerst
Announcements	Jackie Selle

The Schedule for The Week

Sunday, May 31 Day of Pentecost; Trinity Hot Lunch	10:15 am	Liturgy of the Word; followed by virtual coffee hour; delivery of bagged lunches
Monday, June 1 The Visitations of the Blessed Virgin Mary	8:30 am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday, June 2	8:30 am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday, June 3	8:30 am	Morning Prayer
Thursday, June 4	8:30 am	Morning Prayer
Friday, June 5 Bible Study via Zoom	8:30 am 10:00 am	Morning Prayer Contact Kathleen McDonald
Sunday, June 7 Trinity Sunday	10:15 am	Liturgy of the Word; followed by virtual coffee hour

Readings for next Sunday—Trinity Sunday, June 7, 2020

Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalm 8 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

Birthdays and Anniversaries

If your birthday or anniversary does not get listed in our bulletin it is because we do not know the date. Please send an email to ajewson.stfranch@gmail.com.



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