

Sunday, May 23rd, 2021 Pentecost Sunday 10:30am

Liturgy of the Word Enriching Our Worship



Come, Holy Spirit!

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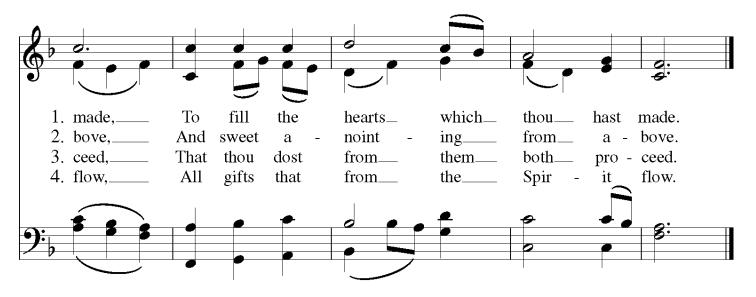
Prelude

Welcome from the Preacher

We Gather

The people of God gather together. A bell rings out. Silence is kept.





Opening Acclamations

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Confession of Sin

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for a time.

Officiant and People:

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.

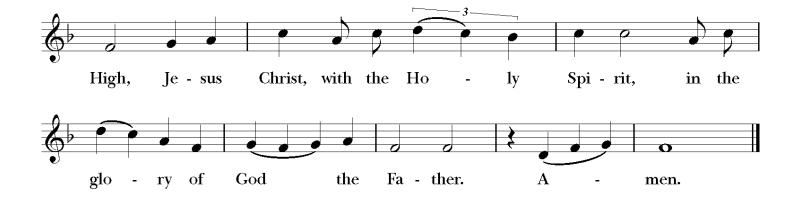
Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People: Amen.

Hymn Leader, Leah Milton and Sally Boyd, St. Barnabas'





The Collect of the Day

Officiant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Hebrews 12:29; Janet Morley, 20th c.

Eternal God, Consuming Fire, who on this day gave us the gift of your Holy Spirit: Fill us with the longing to speak your uncontainable word to a broken and wounded world, that we may lead others to the warmth of your light, both now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Lessons

The First Reading

Read by parishioners in a variety of languages.

Reader: A reading from the book of 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 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.' "

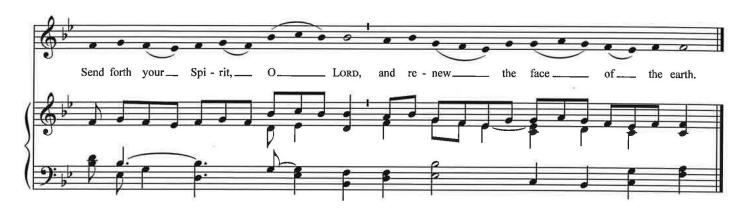
The Word of the Lord.

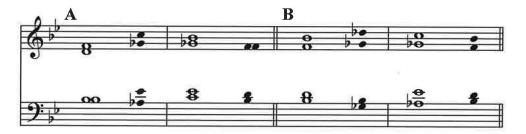
People:

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm of the Day

Psalm 104





- 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 <u>number</u>, creatures both small and <u>great</u>. ANTIPHON
- 27 There move the ships, and there is that Le<u>viathan</u>, which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them <u>look to you</u> to give them their food in due <u>season</u>. ANTIPHON
- 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 <u>terrified</u>; you take away their breath, and they die and return to their <u>dust</u>. ANTIPHON
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the <u>earth</u>.
- 32 May the glory of the Lord endure for <u>ever</u>; may the Lord rejoice in all his <u>works</u>. ANTIPHON

The Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Romans.

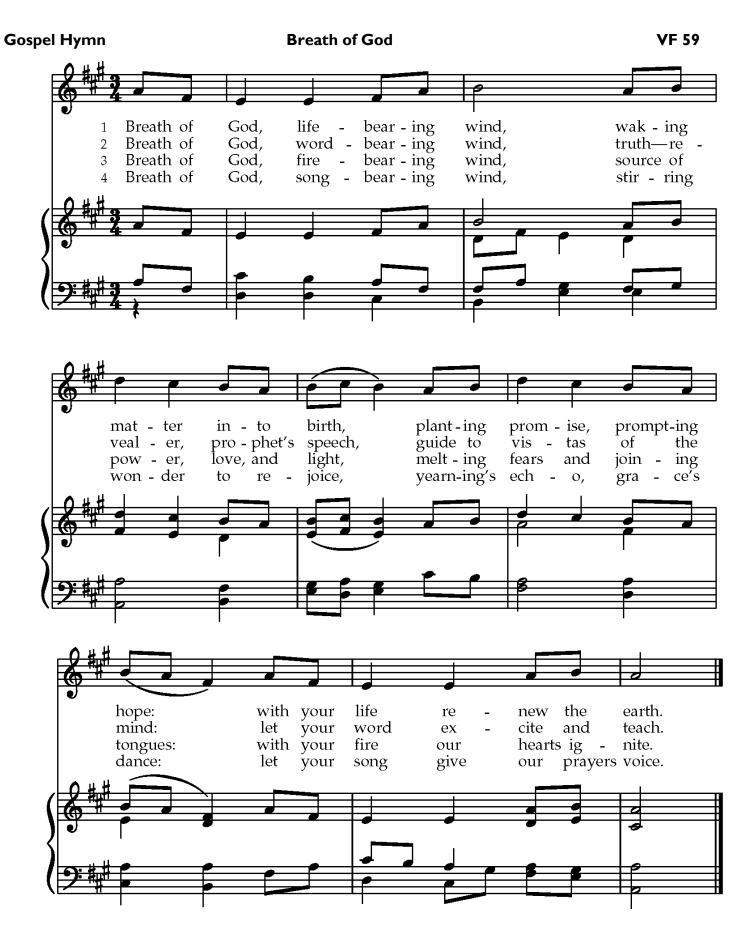
8:22-27

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



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The Gospel

Deacon: 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.

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

"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 the Lord.

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

The Sermon The Rev. Marc Smith

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made 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 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

Intercessor: Through the waters of baptism we have been joined together in the fellowship of Christ, and

in the power of the Spirit we are sent forth to proclaim words and deeds of love, beginning

with the offering of our prayers; responding, "Come, Holy Spirit."

Intercessor: Wisdom from on high, be with the leaders of this nation and nations of the world, giving them

discernment and patience as they guide the people they serve; for this we pray.

People: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Intercessor: Mighty Wind and Holy Fire, unsettle the hearts and minds of this congregation gathered here

and across the Diocese of Missouri, that we may be challenged anew to hear your word and

boldly live its message; for this we pray.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Intercessor: Blessed Advocate, may our ministries reflect your love for the poor in spirit, the needy, the

sinner, those who are victims of injustice, oppression, violence and abuse, and for all whom the Son of God gave his life. We pray that your spirit of renewal falls upon Noel, Paul, Mary, Max, Sue, Kathleen M., Charley, the Frost family, Bob, and Ellen. And we remember those who have asked for our prayers, Ellen, Liz and Andrew, Griffin, Debbie, Tucker, Fran and family, Bobby, Pia, Sally Weaver, and St. Boniface's Migration Ministry in Florida; for this we

pray.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Intercessor: Spirit of many tongues, may the peoples of the world find a common language of the heart

where cultural and racial diversity find holy ground, and nations suffering under bonds of

oppression discover the way to peace; for this we pray.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Intercessor: Spirit of thankfulness, be with those passing through life-changing situations due to graduation,

employment or education, so that your divine grace may sustain them on their new life-

journeys. And for the individuals who have touched their lives serving as teachers, instructors

or counselors, that their efforts may be commendable in your sight; for this we pray.

People: **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Intercessor: Holy Comforter, pour your grace into the souls of all who have died, Sally Borgerson, Jordan

Kalbaca, Bob Sweeney, and Joe Stalloni that they may know your abiding presence; for this we

pray.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Intercessor: Filled with the power of the Holy Spirit urging us to be people of passionate witness, let us

continue our prayers. At this time, I bid your prayers and intercessions, either silently or

aloud. (Pause)

Officiant: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who gives us eternal peace through Jesus Christ. Hear our

prayers, which we offer in the hope of glory, and breathe wholeness upon us with your Holy

Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: Let us pray in the way that Christ taught us.

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, the power and

the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Peace

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: 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.

Announcements

Blessing

Officiant: May the Spirit,

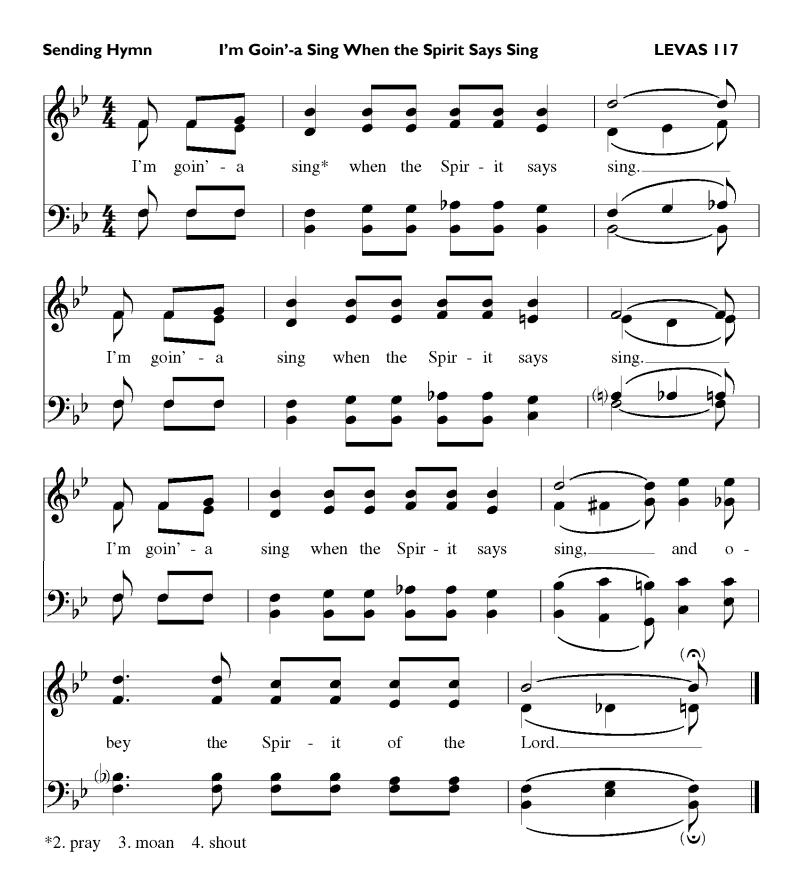
who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

People: Amen.

Officiant: May the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you this day and

always.

People: Amen.



Dismissal

Officiant: Our worship has ended. Our service in the world begins anew. Let us go forth into the world,

rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: We will go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia! Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at St. Francis'

Sunday, May 23

The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti on vacation

Today, Sunday, May 23

The Rev. Marc Smith, preaching

8:30am Holy Eucharist*

9:30am Sunday Forum, in person and

on Zoom*

10:30am Liturgy of the Word, on

 $YouTube^*$

5:45pm Al-Anon, Community Room*

Monday, May 24

8:30am Morning Prayer, Facebook*

Tuesday, May 25

Wednesday, May 26

11:45am Eucharist outside, The

Timbers*

12:15pm Crafternoon, The Timbers*

Thursday, May 27

6:45pm AA, Community Room*

Friday, May 28

8:30am Morning Prayer, Facebook*
10:00am Bible Study, in person or

Zoom*

Next Week at St. Francis'

Sunday, May 30

Rev. Laurie Anzilotti, preaching

Trinity Hot Lunch – carryout prepared by

St. Francis' parishioners

Tuesday, June 1

7:00pm Worship & Music Ministry

meeting in Community Room

Wednesday, June 2

7:00pm Parishioners attending Eureka

Hill Library opening

1:00pm Children & Family Ministry:

Godly Play Training

*All items marked with an asterisk above are weekly opportunities and will repeat the following week.

Welcome!

Are you a visitor? We're so glad you're here! If you're joining us in person and would like to connect, please speak with an usher or fill out a Getting to Know You form, available in the back of the sanctuary. If you're joining us online, we'd love you to submit the same form, available through the main navigation menu of our website, so we can know who you are and how we can connect.

Sunday Forum: "Who is Our Neighbor"

This week's session features Dr. Michael Booker, St. Francis' parishioner and Sunday Forum Leader, for a session called "Definitions." You can participate in the Forum either by attending in person or through Zoom; participants on Zoom will be able to ask questions through a moderator. Next Sunday, Rev. Laurie+ will lead a wrap-up session to finish out the "Who is Our Neighbor" series. Past sessions of Forum are available on our YouTube page.

New Schedules Beginning Sunday, June 6 Sunday Mornings

- •8:30am In-Person Holy Eucharist with Music, following Diocesan Covid guidelines regarding masking, distancing and space capacity •9:30am Social Hour
- •10:30am In-Person Holy Eucharist with Music also livestreamed on YouTube, following Diocesan Covid guidelines regarding masking, distancing and space capacity

Office/Building Hours

Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am to 3pm and by appointment with Leslie at office@stfranciseureka.com or 636-938-3733

Celebrating Deacon Rebecca

Our beloved Deacon, the Ven. Rebecca Barger, will be moving to Cleveland, Ohio, with her family. We are planning a reception for her to show our appreciation—and tell her how much she will be missed—after the second service ends on Sunday, June 6th. This will be her final Sunday serving as our deacon. To help in planning, please contact Sue Schmidt at sue.schmidt45@yahoo.com. Contributions for the celebration and parting gift can be dropped off or mailed to the office.

Children and Family Formation

We welcome wiggles! By that, we mean that children are fully welcome in our worship services. Right now, we have a children's space with soft seating and quiet liturgical-based activities within our worship space. Beginning on August 22nd, when the academic year starts, we will be offering Children's Formation Time during our 10:30am worship. Your Children & Family Formation ministry committee is working hard to ensure the full inclusion of humans of all ages in the life of St. Francis', and we thank them for that!

Prayer Lists

Our homebound parishioner: Noel

Our parishioners: Roger, Paul, Mary, Max, Sue, Kathleen M., Charley, the Frost family, Bob Smith, and

Ellen

For those who have asked for prayers: For Ellen, Liz and Andrew, Griffin, Debbie, Tucker, Fran and family, Bobby, Pia, Sally Weaver, and St. Boniface's Migration Ministry in Florida

For those who have died and those who mourn: For Sally Borgerson, Jordan Kalbaca, and Bob Sweeney; for the law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty and their families; and for all in St. Louis who have suffered directly from gun violence this year and those whose lives were lost and their families

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The people and ministry of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Portland, and their Interim Priest

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 and those suffering from untreated & undertreated pain and chronic diseases; all whose lives have been impacted by Covid-19; those who serve in our military

Today's Ministers of Worship

Preaching The Rev. Marc Smith

Music DirectorCheryl FosterReaders for First ReadingHymn LeadersSuzanne and Katie JonesLiz Rainbolt (Spanish)LectorKathleen McDonaldSuzanne Jones (French)IntercessorBarb SaccoKatie Jones (German)

Livestream Paul Jokerst and Jackie Selle Michael Booker (Mandarin)
Dave Borgmeyer (Russian)

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