# St. Peter's Episcopal Church

# The Day of Pentecost ~ May 20, 2018

Prelude: "Prelude" Margaretha Christina de Jong

Opening Hymn: #225 "Hail thee, Festival Day" Salve festa dies

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ is Risen

People: The Lord is Risen indeed, Alleluia

Glory to God #S-280 (Powell)



The Collect of the Day: 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. *Amen*.

#### The First Lesson: 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.' "

Reader: The Word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God** 

The Psalm: Psalm 104:25-35, 37

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 Lesson: 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.

Sequence Anthem: "Invocation" Craig Courtney

The Holy Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

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."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord **Pe** 

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ
The Reverend Ronald Kolanowski

The Sermon

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 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 of the People

Leader: Holy God, source of life and fire of love, in this season of Pentecost when we reflect again on what it means to be a community of faith and preach the gospel through our lives, we ask you to hear our prayer as we open our hearts to you.

We pray for those whose lives closely touch our own that they may always be in our hearts and have joy and happiness in their lives (pray for birthdays, anniversaries and cycle of prayers).

#### People: Spirit of Love hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray with thanks for all those in our community who support the well being of others. We pray especially those who have requested our prayers and are listed in the bulletin insert.

# People: Spirit of Love hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the church; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; for our bishops, Ian and Laura, for all deacons and priests. We pray for all who proclaim the Gospel to the ends of the earth and for all who seek the Truth.

#### People: Spirit of Love hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for all the leaders of the world that they may make wise choices for everyone and that they may lead us to honor one another and serve the common good.

# People: Spirit of Love hear our prayer.

*Leader*: We pray for your wonderful creation, the Earth, and its streams, trees, mountains and plants. We pray that the animals of the Earth may freely enjoy these resources.

# People: Spirit of Love hear our prayer.

*Leader*: We pray for those who have died. We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends and neighbors that they may be comforted by those who love them. Let them discover Your love through the care and support of others.

# People: Spirit of Love hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for those who do not understand or have not found Your love, that they may seek a deeper knowledge of You. May Your love find those who need You most.

# People: Spirit of Love hear our prayer.

Please add your thanksgivings and concerns at this time.

Presider: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who opens our minds and hearts through the risen Christ. Hear our prayers that we offer in the hope of glory, and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### The Peace

### **The Offertory**

Offertory Hymn: #516 "Come down, O love divine" Down Ampney Eucharistic Prayer A BCP page 361

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 forever..... Joining with them and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing





Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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." Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

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

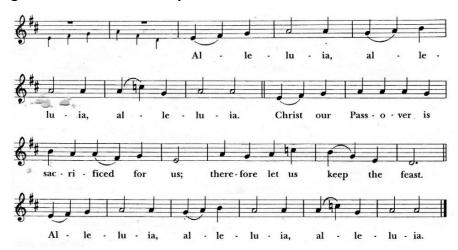
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

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.



The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### **The Communion**

The Episcopal Church welcomes all worshippers, regardless of age or denomination, to join us at the altar rail for communion. If you choose not to receive the Sacrament, we invite you to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come to the Communion rail, please inform the usher and Communion will be brought to you at your pew. Note for persons with allergies or medical conditions: glutenfree wafers (also free of wheat, casein, dairy, nut, egg, yeast and soy) are available from the priest on request.

Communion music: "Duo"

Boyvin BCP, page 365

Post-Communion Prayer

All: 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 Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: "Come Holy Ghost" (see insert)

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**Dismissal** 

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude: "Verso IV in F" Zipoli