



The Day of Pentecost

May 19, 2024 • 10:15 a.m.

Participants

Celebrant & Preacher - The Rev. D. Littlepage

Minister of Communion – Gail Lebert/Don Gardner

Reader – Odis Coleman

Usher – Carl Benker



We Welcome You!
We're so happy that you are
joining us for worship today.

Adult Bible Study

On Summer Break after

May 19th

Summer Reading:

"Companions on the Episcopal
Way (Church's Teachings for a
Changing World Book 9)"



Wild Notes Concert

Today! at

4:00pm

Suggested donation of \$20

All proceeds benefit

hawkwing



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Outreach Meeting

May 22nd

7pm on ZOOM

Contact Debbie Hamer

for details.

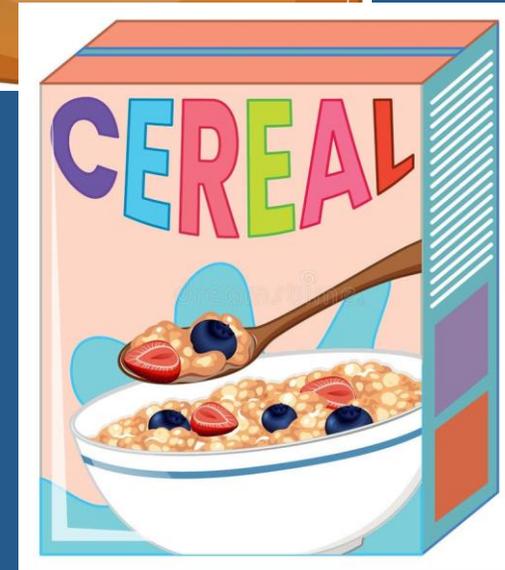


Food Pantry Ministry

For May the

Glastonbury Food Bank is
requesting donations of rice.

MANNA is requesting cereal.



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PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#48 *blue hymnal*

The Hymnal 1982

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All

The Lord is risen indeed.

Alleluia.

The 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

#S280 *blue hymnal*

The Hymnal 1982

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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, forever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons

(please be seated)

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.' "

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

All **Thanks be to God.**

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!

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.

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SEQUENCE HYMN

#513 *blue hymnal*

The Hymnal 1982

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord
Jesus Christ according to
John.

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you,
Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. D. Littlepage

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

(The Congregation stands as they are able.)

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the
body,
and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil,
and, whenever you fall into sin,
repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and
example the Good News of God in
Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all
persons, loving your neighbor as
yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(The congregation stands or kneels as they are able.)

Intoxicate us with visions and dreams that will align us with you. Jolt us from our inertia into action.

Come into our lives with power.

Come, Holy Spirit, and stay with us.

Transform our melancholy into joy, our worry into peace, our despair into hope. We pray for healing for those who suffer from any distress of illness, especially Bishop Michael Curry, George, George Evans and family, Kurt Griffith, Fred Manganelli, Barbara Massy, Denise P., Pat, Bob Therian, Paul Eastlyn, The Logan Family, Sandra Merz, Ray, Randy Bresson and Family and Don Sauer.

Come into our lives with healing.

Come, Holy Spirit, and stay with us.

Shape our weary and wounded souls into
souls on fire for God's mission.

Come, Holy Spirit, and stay with us.

(The Celebrant prays the concluding collect.)

Blessing and praise be to you, Lord our God
and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

By your mercy you have given us new life
and new hope

through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus
Christ from the dead.

You have brought us into an inheritance
that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading
and in heaven.

To you be praise, through Christ our Risen
Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

Amen.

Confession

Celebrant Let us confess our sins
against God and our
neighbor.

Silence may be kept

Celebrant 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.**

Absolution

Celebrant

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

EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always
with you

All **and also with you.**

*Members of the Congregation greet one
another in the name of the Lord.*

*God's Jar will be available for children's
offerings.*

God's Jar

God's Jar is a St. James' tradition and an opportunity for children to come forward with their financial gifts.

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Watch over your child, O Lord,
as *his/her* days increase; bless and
guide *him/her* wherever *he/she* may
be. Strengthen *him/her* when *he/she*
stands; comfort *him/her* when
discouraged or sorrowful; raise
him/her up if *he/she* fall; and
in *his/her* heart may your peace which
passes understanding abide all the
days of *his/her* life; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Announcements

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

see handout

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

#380 The Hymnal 1982

Stanza 3

The Holy Communion – *Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP, pg. 361*

(The Congregation stands as they are able.)

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 our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to
you Father Almighty, Creator of heaven
and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In
fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy
Spirit came down on this day from
heaven, lighting upon disciples, to teach
them and to lead them into all truth;
uniting peoples of many tongues in the
confession of one faith, and giving your
Church the power to serve you as a royal
priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all
nations.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices
with Angels and Archangels and with all the
company of heaven, who forever sing this
hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

#S125 *blue hymnal*

The Hymnal 1982

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(The congregation may stand, kneel or sit.)

The celebrant continues:

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.

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 forever. ***Amen.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

All **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

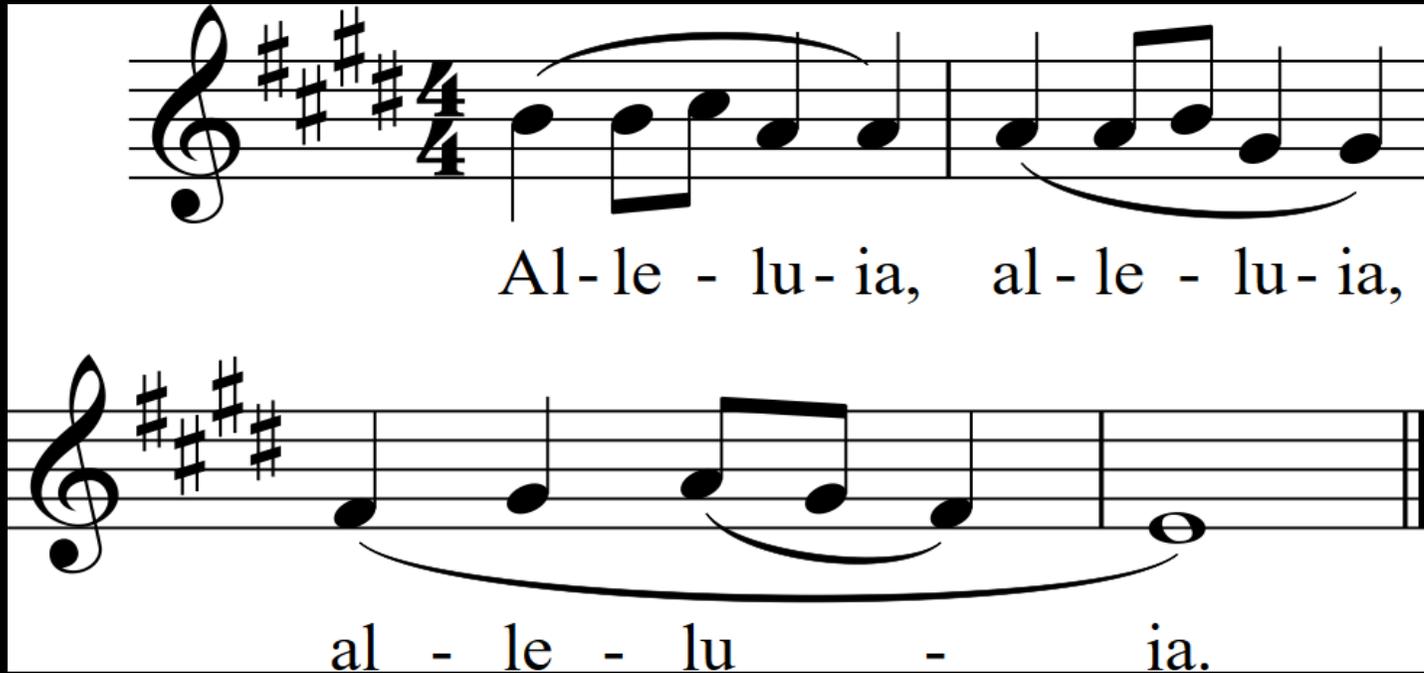
**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All:



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

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first two phrases: 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,'. The second staff contains the melody for the final phrase: 'al - le - lu - ia.' The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some longer notes and rests. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Choir: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

All: repeat Alleluias.

Celebrant

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the instructions of the Usher.

If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest to let the clergy know.

Gluten-free communion wafers, individual cups and consecrated grape juice are available upon request to the priest or the Minister of Communion.

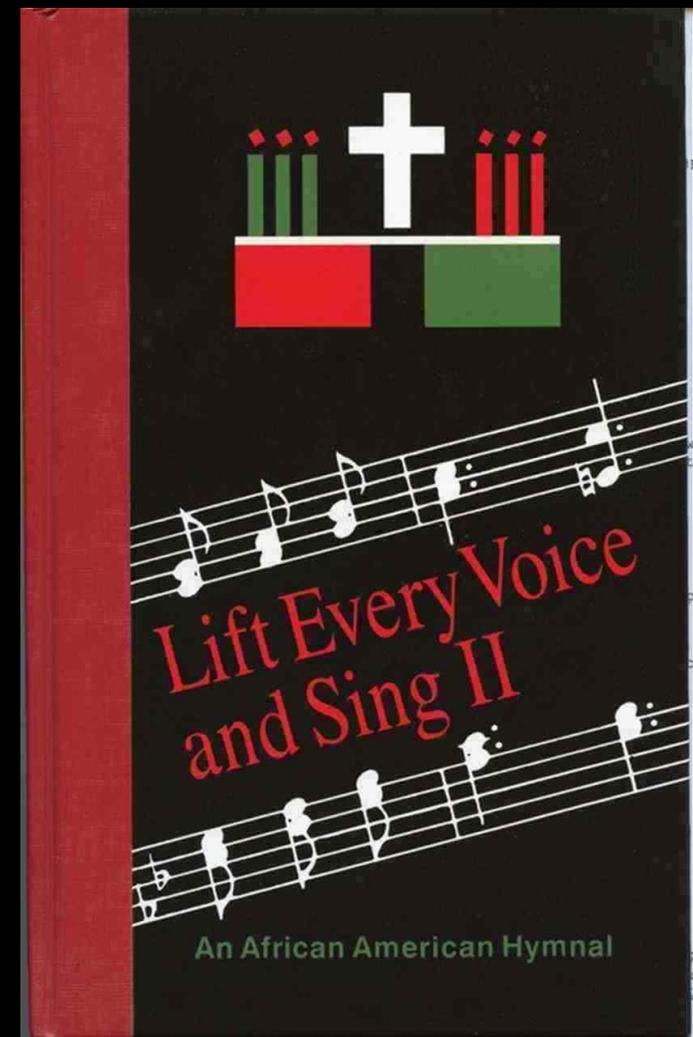
PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(prayed by those worshipping remotely)

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Amen.

COMMUNION MUSIC

#120 *red hymnal*



POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

***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

May the peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds on God and God's son, Jesus Christ our Savior: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you now and remain with you always.

Dismissal

Celebrant

Alleluia, Alleluia

Let us go forth to love and
serve the Lord!

People

**Thanks be to God.
Alleluia, Alleluia**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

#114 *red hymnal*

