

THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

MAY 19, 2024

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

8:00 AM



THE SEASON IS...

On this Feast of Pentecost, we celebrate the birth of the Church and its empowerment by the Holy Spirit. Pentecost has often been called the “birthday of the Church” because it initiated the public leadership of the disciples.

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

The Reverend Patricia Downing—Rector
David Simmons—Director of Music
Jerry Lucas—Reader/Intercessor/Server/Coffee Hour Host

Team 4: Amelia Welch-Wierzbicki, Ava Vandergast—Altar Guild
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The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Entrance Hymn 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

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Collect for Purity *Celebrant and People*

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.

Gloria Spoken in unison.

*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **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, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God:

Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

*O Lord, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.*

*Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.*

*There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.*

*All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.*

*You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.*

*You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.*

*You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.*

*May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; *
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.*

*He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.*

*I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.*

*May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the Lord.*

Bless the Lord, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

The Epistle

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.' "

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

The Gospel *People stand as they are able.*

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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 the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Reverend Patricia Downing

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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; in the Anglican cycle of prayer we remember the Anglican Church of Canada, and in our own diocese, Saint Paul's Church, Camden;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Kevin our Bishop; for our clergy, Patty and Marta, and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation; especially Marie Hunt, Mark Levin, Anne Digan, Jim Yandle, Tom Mark Evans, Stephen Warner, Philip Simmons, Fermin Ocasio, John Zajackowski, Ron Stach, and Cecily Harmon.
The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week; Jay Earle, Luke Hyman, Alyson Poppitti, Michael & Cee Kelsey, and Pam Stevenson & John Suder.
The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leader and People
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. ***And also with you.***

The Holy Communion

All are invited to join us in receiving Communion.

The Offertory

I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. *Romans 12:1*

All Things come of Thee, O Lord, *and of thine own have we given Thee.*

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you	<i>And also with you.</i>
Lift up your hearts.	<i>We lift them to the Lord.</i>
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	<i>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</i>

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 Pentecost from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead confession of one faith, and giving to 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

People and Celebrant

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 Breaking of the Bread

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

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the holy ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn 511

Holy Spirit, Everliving

1 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er liv - ing as the Church's
2 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er work - ing through the Church's

ve - ry life; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er striv - ing
min - is - try; quick - ening, strength - ening, and ab - solv - ing,

through her in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er
set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er

form - ing in the Church the mind of Christ; thee we praise with
bind - ing age to age, and soul to soul, in a fel - low -

end - less wor - ship for thy fruits and gifts un - priced.
ship un - end - ing thee we wor - ship and ex - tol.

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

Announcements

There is still time to get your 325 bag of swag! Pledge cards available in the foyer at coffee hour.

Thank you to all who helped at Arts Day at Old Swedes on Saturday. We appreciate all of our volunteers!

THE SERAFIN ENSEMBLE closes out TAAT Season! TODAY at 4:00 pm, The Serafin Ensemble returns to Trinity to close out The Arts At Trinity's 2024-2025 Concert Season! The diverse program includes Korngold: Four Piece for Violin and Piano from Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*; Dohnanyi: *Serenade for Strings*; Dvorak: *Piano Quartet No. 2 in Eb, Op. 87*. Come hear Eric Pritchard and Kate Ransom, violin; Amadi Azikiwe, viola; Jacques-Pierre Malan, cello; and Read Gainsford, piano in a FREE concert of gorgeous musical works!

We are still looking for people to prepare meals for Clark House for June 3rd, July 1st, August 5th and Oct 7th; and we need meals for Epiphany House on July 17th, September 18th, November 20th and December 18th. Please sign up on the list in the lobby if you would like to volunteer. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Berninger.

It's that time of year for Trinity to walk and fundraise for Friendship House by participating in the Highmark Walk. All funds go directly to Friendship House. If Team Trinity Episcopal Parish gets 20 walkers and raises \$2000, there is a generous donor who donates an additional \$1000 to FH. Contact Sarah Berninger for info: berninger59@comcast.net, 302-351-2422

Confirmation Sunday, May 26th—Bishop Brown will be with us at Old Swedes to celebrate Confirmation and the 325th consecration of Old Swedes Church on Trinity Sunday. **We will have a potluck coffee hour in the graveyard immediately following the service. Please sign up to bring something for the potluck on the sign up sheet in the lobby.**

May 26th we will have 2 services—at 9:30 am at Old Swedes Church and at 12 pm at Trinity Church with Bishop Brown preaching and celebrating at both services. ***We will not hold services at 8 and 10 am on Sunday, May 26.***