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# The Day of Pentecost



Choral Eucharist Sunday 28th May 2023 • 8.45 am

#### Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

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The basis for our worship is the Book of Common Prayer, our common liturgical heritage with Anglicans across the world (all churches descended from the Church of England). We are rooted in tradition but celebrate the richness and diversity of the Communion. Music and hymnody represent the best of the Anglican choral tradition.

Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper from *The Book of Common Prayer* (refer page numbers). The hymns can be found in *The English Hymnal*.



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# Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

# The Gathering

Voluntary

Improvisation on the chant, 'Veni Creator Spiritus' ("Come Holy Ghost")

John Cook (1918 - 84)

All keep silence and prepare for worship

#### Welcome and Introduction

The 'birthday of the Church'

Pentecost Sunday recognizes that the risen Lord Jesus is no longer physically present to Christians; Christians are now to be the new 'body of Christ', filled with his life through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Through the life-giving power of the Holy Spirit, the apostles were given the strength and boldness to take the message of the Good News of Christ to all the world. The events of the first Pentecost Day brought the nascent church to birth, hence is often referred to as the 'church's birthday': at Pentecost we pray that the same Holy Spirit would guide and strengthen Christians today in mission and ministry.

Introit

Sung by the choir

Come Holy Spirit, hear us calling to You. Come give Your gift, edify Your Church; come bring Your truth; glorify our Lord; come, be our guide, point the way, Come walk beside.

Words & Music: Mark Foreman

#### All stand and face the West Door

# Opening Acclamation

Presbyter The Day of Pentecost is here!

God's children have gathered in this place: We are transformed into God's family

by God's Spirit joining with ours.

Come, Spirit of adoption,

and open our hearts to our sisters and brothers:

Come, Holy Spirit! Come, Spirit of peace,

and calm our trembling hearts:

Come, Holy Spirit! Come, Breath of God,

and overturn our conventional lives:

Come, Holy Spirit!

All sing

All

Entry Hymn| # 151

Rejoice! the year upon its way

Tune: DUKE STREET # 167

All say together

The Collect for Purity | page 260

# The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for Pentecost: Whitsunday | page 440

Read by the Presbyter

First Reading | page 441

Deuteronomy 16:9 - 12

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Responsorial Psalm

While seated, join in singing the response

Psalm 33 • Exultate, justi

#### Response (all): O taste and see that the Lord is good.

Let the righteous rejoice in the Lord: It is good to give Him thanks and praise. For the word of the Lord is true, And in all His deeds He is faithful.

- By His word were the heavens made,
   And all the stars by the breath of His mouth.
   He spoke the word and it was done;
   He commanded and it came to pass.
- <sup>3</sup> The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, And His ear is open to their cry, To deliver their souls from death, And to feed them in the time of dearth.
- <sup>4</sup> We patiently wait on the Lord, For He is our help and our shield. Let your steadfast love guard and keep us, O Lord, For our hope is in you.

Response (all): O taste and see that the Lord is good.

Second Reading | page 441

Acts 2: 1 - 12

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All KNEEL as able or sit and join in singing

Gradual Hymn | # 153

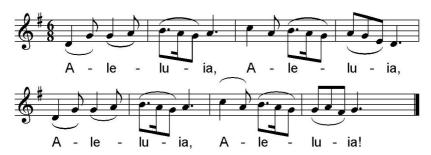
Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire

Tune: VENI CREATOR

# The Gospel of Christ | page 442

St. John 14:15 - 31

#### Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



Words: Fintan O'Carroll (1922-81) and Christopher Walker (b.1947) Tune: CELTIC ALLELUIA

Choir Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and enlighten them
with the fire of your love.

Gospeller

All

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

All Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

All Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Remain **STANDING**, all reciting the Creed

The Nicene Creed | Page 265

Please be **SEATED** 

Sermon

The Revd Keith Pasgon

# The Renewal of the Baptismal Vows

Presbyter Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your

commitment to Jesus Christ?

All I do.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

#### While seated, we sing

I'm rejoicing night and day as I walk the narrow way, for the hand of God in all my life I see; and the reason of my bliss, yes, the secret all is this: that the Comforter abides with me.

> He abides, He abides; hallelujah, He abides with me! I'm rejoicing night and day as I walk the narrow way, for the Comforter abides with me.

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All STAND The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace.

Celebrant God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

cf 2 Corinthians 1.22

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour.

At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral. Thank you for your generosity.

# Preparation of the Table

All join in singing

# Hymn at the Offertory | #396

## **Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost**

See inside front cover for bank details to make your offering.

All say

# Offertory Prayer | page 270

All repeat after the cantors

## Invocation

Tune: CAPETOWN # 501



Holy Spirit, come to us, kindle in us the fire of your love.

Taizé chant, Jacques Berthier (1923 - 1994)

# The Prayers of the People

Intercessor We pray for God to fill us with His Spirit.

Generous God,

we thank you for the power of your Holy Spirit.

We ask that we may be strengthened to serve you better.

Lord, come to bless us

## All and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the wisdom of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to make us wise to understand your will.

Lord, come to bless us

#### and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the peace of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to keep us confident of your love wherever you call us.

Lord, come to bless us

#### and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the healing of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness where there is division, sickness and sorrow.

Lord, come to bless us

# and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the gifts of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us.

Lord, come to bless us

#### and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the fruit of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to reveal in our lives the love of Jesus.

Lord, come to bless us

#### and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the breath of your Holy Spirit,

given us by the risen Lord.

We ask you to keep the whole Church,

living and departed,

in the joy of eternal life.

Lord, come to bless us

and fill us with your Spirit.

Continued

Generous God, you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the river Jordan, and upon the disciples in the upper room: in your mercy fill us with your Spirit, hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.

The General Confession & Absolution | page 275, 276

The Consecration & Proper Preface | page 277 - 281

The Communion | page 284

Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion

At this time the choir sings

Holy Spirit, Thou art welcome in this place, Holy Spirit, Thou art welcome, in this place; Omnipotent Father have mercy and grace. Thou art welcome in this place.

Lord, in Thy presence there's healing divine; No other power can save, Lord, but Thine Holy Spirit, Thou art welcome in this place, Thou art welcome in this place.

Fill all the hungry and empty within; Restore us, Oh Father, revive us again; Holy Spirit, Thou art welcome in this place, Thou art welcome in this place.

Words & Music: Dottie Rambo (1934 - 2008) & David Huntsinger (b. 1955)

Holy Spirit, gift bestower, breathe into our hearts today. Flowing water, dove that hovers, Holy Spirit, guide our way. Love inspirer, joy releaser, Spirit, take our fears away. Reconciler, peace restorer, move among us while we pray.

Holy Spirit, Christ proclaimer, wisdom bringer, light our way. Fire that dances, wind that whispers, Holy Spirit, come today. Ease disturber, comfort bearer, move among us while we pray. Truth revealer, faith confirmer, rest within our hearts today.

Words: Anonymous Tune: YR HUN GÂN

# The Thanksgiving | page 287

All **STAND** and sing

# Gloria in Excelsis | page 288

#### The Presbyter

The Blessing

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God; † and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

All join in singing

Hymn at the Closing |#393

Glorious things of Thee are spoken

Dismissal

Tune: AUSTRIAN HYMN

From the West Door the Presbyter says

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Komm, Gott, Schöpfer, heiliger Geist ("Come Holy Ghost"), BWV 667

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Please stay back after the service for a time of fellowship over a cup of coffee. Introduce yourself to the Presbyter if you are worshipping with us for the first time.

## Birthdays this Week

"For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways."

Psalm 91:11

Swapnika Browne (28), Violet Truman (28), Joy Moses (31), Ajay Michyari (1st June), Aleisha John (1), Serena Deekollu (2)

- We express our thanks to the Reverend Keith Pasgon for being the celebrant and preacher on this day of Pentecost.
- The Reverend Avinash Rangayya (Cathedral Presbyter) will return from holiday on Thursday I<sup>st</sup> June.

Pray with us

† THE WORLD May we work towards a world free from prejudice and may all who seek racial justice be upheld by the power of solidarity.

† **OUR COUNTRY** For a peaceful solution to the ongoing conflict in Manipur. For the safety and well-being of Christians in the state.

† THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH On this day of Pentecost—the "birthday of the Church" we pray for the faithful throughout the world and all church leaders. We especially pray for places in which people are persecuted for their faith. • On 3<sup>rd</sup> June the Church commemorates the martyrs of Uganda. They were Christian converts who were murdered for their faith in the historical kingdom of Buganda, now part of Uganda in East Africa. • In the Anglican Communion for the Extra-Provincial Churches: Bermuda, Ceylon (Sri Lanka), the Falkland Islands, the Lusitanian Catholic Apostolic Evangelical Church (Portugal) and the Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church. These are a group of semi-independent church entities within the Anglican Communion. Unlike the larger member churches of the Communion, extraprovincial churches are not part of an ecclesiastical province and are subject to the metropolitical oversight of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

THE CHURCH IN INDIA We give thanks for the faithful witness of the 19<sup>th</sup> century pastor and convert Pyari Mohan Rudra (4<sup>th</sup> June) • For the Church of North India's Diocese of the Eastern Himalaya and the Right Reverend Sandeep Vibhute. • For the Church of South India's Diocese of Vellore and the Right Reverend Sharma Nithiyanandam .

† THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY For Ambroli Marathi Church, Girgaum and the Reverend Shekhar Jadhav. • For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in providing leadership for the Diocese.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** For all senior citizens and their care providers • For the choir and organist.

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