



# St. Jude's Episcopal Church

*Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others*

May 23, 2021 Day of Pentecost  
8:00 am Morning Prayer

Opening Hymn \_\_\_\_\_ *Gracious Spirit, give your servants (v.1, 2)*

1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's  
2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our

cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,  
great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture

peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of  
to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -

glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and  
pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior

show God's fa - vor as a peo - ple called and blessed.  
and our Shep-herd, lead us to the truth that frees.

### Opening Sentence \_\_\_\_\_

Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

### Confession of Sin \_\_\_\_\_

*The Officiant says to the people,*  
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together,*  
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.

*The Priest says,*  
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 Invitatory and Psalter \_\_\_\_\_

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips  
*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People,*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as  
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth: Come let us adore him.  
Alleluia.

**Christ our Passover** \_\_\_\_\_ *Pascha nostrum*  
*1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22*

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*  
therefore let us keep the feast,  
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \*  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*  
death no longer has dominion over him.  
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*  
but the life he lives, he lives to God.  
So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
For since by a man came death, \*  
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, \*  
so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

**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!
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## **The Lessons**

### **The First Reading**-----*Acts 2:1-21*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.**

**Canticle 11** ----- **The Third Song of Isaiah**  
*Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19*

Arise, shine, for your light has come, \*  
    and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.  
For behold, darkness covers the land; \*  
    deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.

But over you the Lord will rise, \*  
and his glory will appear upon you.  
Nations will stream to your light, \*  
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.  
Your gates will always be open; \*  
by day or night they will never be shut.  
They will call you, The City of the Lord, \*  
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.  
Violence will no more be heard in your land, \*  
ruin or destruction within your borders.  
You will call your walls, Salvation, \*  
and all your portals, Praise.  
The sun will no more be your light by day; \*  
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.  
The Lord will be your everlasting light, \*  
and your God will be your glory.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

**The Second Reading** \_\_\_\_\_ *Romans 8:22-27*

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

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.

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

**Canticle K** \_\_\_\_\_ **A Song of Our Adoption**

*Ephesians 1:3-10*

Blessed are you, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, \* for you have blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

Before the world was made, you chose us to be yours in Christ, \* that we should be holy and blameless before you.

You destined us for adoption as your children through Jesus Christ, \* according to the good pleasure of your will, To the praise of your glorious grace, \* that you have freely given us in the Beloved.

In you, we have redemption through the blood of Christ, the forgiveness of our sins, According to the riches of your grace \* which you have lavished upon us.

You have made known to us, in all wisdom and insight, \* the mystery of your will,

According to your good pleasure which you set forth in Christ, \* as a plan for the fullness of time,

To gather together all things in Christ, \* things in heaven and things on earth.

### **Third Reading** \_\_\_\_\_ *John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15*

A Reading from the Gospel of John.

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.

*Reader*            **The Word of the Lord.**

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Sermon** \_\_\_\_\_ *The Rev. Tracie Little*

Song of Reflection

Every time I feel the spirit

*Harmony*

Ev' - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the

spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. **Fine**

*unison*

1. Up on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his  
2. lor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills the

mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so  
bed - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

fine, asked my Lord if all was mine,  
track, runs to heav - en and runs right back. **D.C.**



## The Apostles' Creed

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*Officiant and People say together,*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;

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.

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. Amen.

## The Prayers

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*Officiant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          And also with you.

*Officiant*      Let us pray.

*Officiant and People,*

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.

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
**R. And grant us your salvation.**  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
**R. Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**R. For only in you can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
**R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
**R. Your saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
**R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
**R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

### The Collect of the Day \_\_\_\_\_

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.**

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### The Prayers of the People \_\_\_\_\_

Let us pray.

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 or illness. 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 General Thanksgiving \_\_\_\_\_

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
We your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
For all your goodness and loving-kindness  
To us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
And all the blessings of this life;  
But above all for your immeasurable love  
In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
For the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may  
show forth your praise,  
Not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
By giving up our selves to your service,  
And by walking before you  
In holiness and righteousness all our days;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
To whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
Be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common  
supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son, that when two or  
three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our  
desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and  
in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

### The Blessing \_\_\_\_\_

May the quiet fire of God's love arise within you.  
May its flames of joy and peace enlighten your steps in this world,  
And may you be like the burning bush,  
The presence of God for each other,  
That holy healing light of love,  
The breath of God made manifest in you.  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
Be with you now and remain with you always. Amen.

Announcements \_\_\_\_\_

Sending Out \_\_\_\_\_

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