



# St. Jude's Episcopal Church

*Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others*

May 23, 2021  
Day of Pentecost  
10:30 am Communion Service

----- A Special WELCOME to all! -----

We are pleased to have you worship with us this morning and hope you feel warmly welcomed.

If you forgot your face covering, masks are provided on the sign-in table.

Please make sure to leave us your name and contact information for contact tracing purposes. The lists will be kept in the church office so we can notify you to isolate for 14 days should anyone in attendance test positive for Covid-19.

Please be sure to place your chair 6 feet away from anyone else.

Hand sanitizing stations are located throughout the worship space.

If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to become a part of the

**St. Jude's Church Community.**

## *The Gathering of the Community*

### Open Acclamation & Collect \_\_\_\_\_

*Presider*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People*

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*Presider*

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.

*All*

**Amen.**

### Gloria \_\_\_\_\_

*All*

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.

**Collect of the Day** \_\_\_\_\_

*Priest* God is with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Priest* Let us pray.  
*All* 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 Proclamation of the Word***

**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.**

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

A Reading from 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.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

**The Gospel Reading** \_\_\_\_\_ *John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15*

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

*People* **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.

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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

## The Nicene Creed

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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.

## Prayers of the People

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<i>Intercessor</i>	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.
<i>People</i>	<b>Come, Holy Spirit, and stay with us.</b>
<i>Intercessor</i>	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.
<i>People</i>	<b>Come, Holy Spirit, and stay with us.</b>
<i>Intercessor</i>	Shape our weary and wounded souls into souls on fire for God's mission.
<i>People</i>	<b>Come, Holy Spirit, and stay with us.</b>
<i>Priest</i>	Creator God, our Lenten ashes have become life-giving fire. We are whole and new again. Help us, like the disciples in Jerusalem, to spill out into the streets to proclaim your wonderful works. This we ask through Christ our Lord.
<i>All</i>	<b>Amen.</b>

## Confession

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<i>Priest</i>	Let us confess our sins to God.
<i>All</i>	<b>Most merciful God,</b>

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

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*Priest*

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

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*Presider*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

## *The Celebration of the Eucharist*

### The Doxology

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*Priest*

All things come from thee, O Lord.

*All*

**And of our own have we given thee.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

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*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Presider* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**  
*Presider* We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious  
God, source of life abundant.  
From before time you made ready the creation.  
Your Spirit moved over the deep  
and brought all things into being:  
sun, moon, and stars;  
earth, winds, and waters;  
and every living thing.  
You made us in your image,  
and taught us to walk in your ways.  
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;  
and yet, as a mother cares for her children,  
you would not forget us.  
Time and again you called us  
to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in  
the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,  
lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

## Sanctus

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*All* Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

## **Hosanna in the highest.**

*Presider*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.

He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,  
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,  
who was and is and is to come,  
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,  
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts  
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.  
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth  
and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ  
given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Jude and all  
your saints, from every tribe and language and  
people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared  
from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in  
the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory,  
and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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*Presider*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now  
pray,

**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.

## The Fraction

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*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Presider* The Holy Gifts of God for the Holy People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Communion

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In order to maintain best practices for safety protocols, the following instructions for receiving Holy Communion will be observed:

- No one is obliged to receive. As the priest approaches you, if you would prefer not to receive, please place your arms across your shoulders indicating you would like to receive a blessing. The priest will not touch you, but will extend hands towards you and offer the blessing.
- Only wafers will be distributed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Simply ask to receive one. Anglican theologians have long held to the traditional teaching of the church that reception in one kind only (either bread only, or wine only) is a sufficient reception of the fullness of the sacrament; thus, wine will not be distributed.
- Communion will be brought to you in your seat so we avoid the need to walk on uneven ground.
- Once the priest is at least 6 feet away, please remove your mask and consume the wafer, and replace your mask.

## Prayer for Meditation with the Elements \_\_\_\_\_

*If you are unable to receive communion at the drive-through Eucharist, in this time of meditation, remember your loss at not receiving the bread and wine, give thanks for all the other ways God is present with you and feeds you, and pray that you may be a part of how God feeds others.*

## Prayer after Communion \_\_\_\_\_

*Presider* Let us pray.  
*People* God of abundance,  
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

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

*Presider* 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.  
*All* **Amen.**

## *The Sending Out*

**Milestones & Announcements** \_\_\_\_\_ *Please be seated*

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

*The Deacon dismisses the congregation, after which the people respond:*

**Thanks be to God!**

In order to maintain the health and safety of all participants in this worship service and to adhere to our Phase 2 Re-Entry Requirements, there will be no coffee hour and no receiving line. We have enjoyed being with you in this in-person service! Please watch for e-mails and Facebook posts that will alert you to any changes in this pattern for worship.

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Daily Worship at 8 am on Facebook  
Sunday Worship:  
8 am - Morning Prayer on Facebook  
10:30 am - Communion Service in Church Parking Lot  
(weather and COVID numbers permitting)