



St. John's Episcopal Church

297 Lowell Avenue
Newtonville, Massachusetts

The Day of Pentecost
An Order of Morning Prayer
May 31, 2020, 10:00 a.m.

St. John's Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 24 8:00 am Morning Prayer, Spoken Rite (Zoom)
The Day of Pentecost 10:00 am Morning Prayer, Rite II (live stream)
Whitsunday *The Bishop Rt. Rev. Alan Gates will be preaching by video at both services.*

Thursday, June 4 6-7:00 pm Compline (Zoom)

Sunday, June 7 8:00 am Morning Prayer, Spoken Rite (Zoom)
The First Sunday 10:00 am Morning Prayer, Rite II (live stream)
after Pentecost

Prayer Requests

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Andrew's Church, Methuen
St. Paul's Church, Newburyport
St. Paul's Church, North Andover
Merrimack Valley Project
Deacons

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

We Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

The Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

We Pray for the faithful in Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa, and Eswatini.

Birthdays:

Lizzie Seaman, 5/31
Henry Bees, 6/3

Wedding Anniversaries:

Kate McKey & Edward Dunar, 6/1

Pray for Healing:

...remembering especially Richard, the Rev. Robert, Sally, Harding, Karen, Martha, Jan, Barbara, Suzanne, Gary, Ceel, Lauren, Charlie, Phoebe, Sara, and Jane.

In Memoriam

This morning we pray in thanksgiving for the life of Hugh McKay, father of Mike McKay. May Hugh's soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, by the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Order of Service

Prelude Kyrie, Gott Heiliger Geist, BWV 671

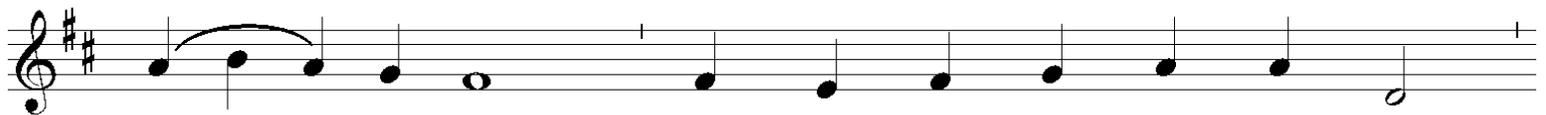
Johann Sebastian Bach

Opening Hymn 224 "Hail this joyful day's return"

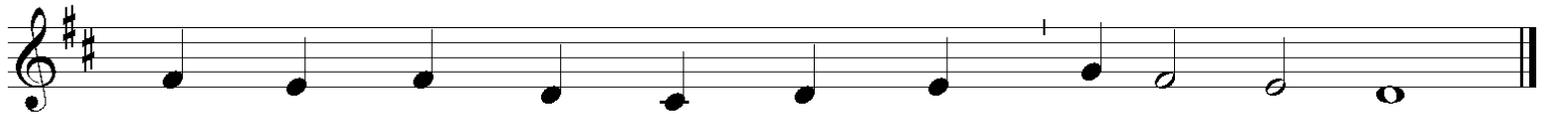
Sonne der Gerechtigkeit



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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Officiant: You shall receive power when the Holy Ghost has come upon you; and you shall be my witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.
Acts 1:8

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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



- 1 Be joyful in the¹Lord, all you¹lands; *
 serve the Lord with gladness
 and come before his¹presence¹with a¹song. [Ant.]
- 2 Know this: The Lord him¹self is¹God; *
 he himself has made us, and we are his;
 we are his¹people and the¹sheep of his¹pasture. [Ant.]
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
 go into his¹courts with¹praise; *
 give thanks to¹him and¹call upon his¹Name. [Ant.]
- 4 For the Lord is good;
 his mercy is¹ever¹lasting; *
 and his faithfulness en¹dures from¹age to¹age. [Ant.]

(Gloria Patri may be added)

Glory to the Father, and¹to the¹Son, *
 and¹to the¹Holy¹Spirit:
 As it was in the be¹ginning, is¹now, *
 and¹will be for¹ever. A¹men. [Ant.]

The people sit.

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 *Benedic, anima mea*

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!

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

First Reading: 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 people stand.

Canticle P *A Song of the Spirit*

“Behold, I am coming soon,” says the Lord,
 “and bringing my reward with me, *
 to give to everyone according to their deeds.
 “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, *
 the beginning and the end.”
 Blessed are those who do God’s commandments,
 that they may have the right to the tree of life, *
 and may enter the city through the gates.

The people sit.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment

The people stand.

Canticle 21 *Te Deum laudamus*

You are God: we praise you;
 You are the Lord; we acclaim you;
 You are the eternal Father:
 All creation worships you.
 To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
 Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:
 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 The glorious company of apostles praise you.
 The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
 The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
 Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you;
 Father, of majesty unbounded,
 your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
 and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-23

All standing, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among

“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to you, *
 with this testimony for all the churches.
 “I am the root and the offspring of David, *
 I am the bright morning star.”
 “Come!” say the Spirit and the Bride; *
 “Come!” let each hearer reply!
 Come forward, you who are thirsty, *
 let those who desire take the water of life as a gift.

of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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You, Christ, are the king of glory,
 the eternal Son of the Father.
 When you became man to set us free
 you did not shun the Virgin's womb.
 You overcame the sting of death
 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
 You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
 We believe that you will come and be our judge.
 Come then, Lord, and help your people,
 bought with the price of your own blood,
 and bring us with your saints
 to glory everlasting.

them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again,

“Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of

any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rt. Rev. Alan Gates

Hymn 228 “Holy Spirit, font of light”

Abbot's Leigh

1 Ho - ly Spi - rit, font of light, fo - cus of God's glo - ry bright,
2 Source of strength and sure re - lief, com - fort - er in time of grief,
3 En - ter each as - pir - ing heart, oc - cu - py its in - most part
4 With your soft, re - fresh - ing rains break our drought, re - move our stains;
5 As your prom - ise we be - lieve, make us rea - dy to re - ceive

1 shed on us a shin - ing ray. Fa - ther of the fa - ther - less,
2 en - ter in and be our guest. On our jour - ney grant us aid,
3 with your daz - zling pu - ri - ty. All that gives to us our worth,
4 bind up all our in - ju - ries. Shake with rush - ing wind our will;
5 gifts from your un - bound - ed store. Grant en - a - bling en - er - gy,

1 giv - er of gifts lim - it - less, come and touch our hearts to - day.
2 fresh - ening breeze and cool - ing shade, in our la - bor in - ward rest.
3 all that ben - e - fits the earth, you bring to ma - tu - ri - ty.
4 melt with fire our i - cy chill; bring to light our per - ju - ries.
5 cour - age in ad - ver - si - ty, joys that last for ev - er - more.

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Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1916

The Baptismal Covenant

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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 the 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.**

The Prayers

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray

All: **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.**

Suffrages

V: Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R: **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V: Day by day we bless you;

R: **We praise your name for ever.**

V: Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R: **Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**

V: Lord, show us your love and mercy;

R: **For we put our trust in you.**

V: In you, Lord, is our hope;

R: **And we shall never hope in vain.**

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.*

A Collect

Betsy Blagdon, 2020

O, God of mercy and wisdom, grant us the tongues of teachers that we may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Also, grant wisdom and perseverance and hope to our medical and scientific workers as they pursue comfort and cure for our current affliction. We ask this in Jesus' name. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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 GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All: 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.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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.*

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*
Romans 15:13

Postlude Pentecoste (2019)

Carlotta Ferrari

Participants in this Sunday's service:

Officiant: The Rev. Eric Litman

Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Alan Gates

Lector: Cleo Messinger

Music Director: Jeffrey Mills

Cantor: Grant Randall

Master of Virtual Ceremonies: Robert Main

Wardens: Rhys Bowen and Tim Strayer



Today's Woman in Music

Carlotta Ferrari (b. 1975), an Italian composer who often employs polymodal techniques in her music, is familiar to St. John's parishioners. Today's postlude is her meditation on the painting shown below, by Jean II Restout (1732), entitled Pentecôte.

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