



THE SEASON OF
PENTECOST

PENTECOST – May 24th, 2026

PRELUDE

HYMN Come Forth, O Love Divine (NCH 289)

1 Come forth, O Love divine,
seek now this soul of mine,
and visit it with your own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let your glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3 And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far out-pass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
till love create a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

THE GREETING

Alleluia!!! Christ is Risen.

Truly Christ is Risen. Alleluia!!!

HYMN Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song (NCH 270)

Like the murmur of the dove's song,
like the challenge of her flight,
like the vigor of the wind's rush,
like the new flame's eager might:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

To the members of Christ's body,
to the branches of the Vine,
to the church in faith assembled,
to her midst as gift and sign:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

With the healing of division,
with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
with the pow'r to love and witness,
with the peace beyond compare:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

God is with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Unlocked Spirit, you are the breath of peace; no door keeps you out: invade our warring confusion, disarm our defenses and shape us to live as a people of forgiveness; through Jesus our Christ, the word of reconciliation. **Amen.**

READINGS

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they all met in one room. Suddenly they heard what sounded like a violent, rushing wind from heaven; the noise filled the entire house in which they were sitting. Something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each one. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as she enabled them. Now there were devout people living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled. But they were bewildered to hear their native languages being spoken. They were amazed and astonished: “Surely all of these people speaking are Galileans! How does it happen that each of us hears these words in our native tongue? We are Parthians, Medes and Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya around Cyrene, as well as visitors from Rome—all Jews, or converts to Judaism—Cretans and Arabs, too; we hear them preaching, each in our own language, about the marvels of God!” All were amazed and disturbed. They asked each other, “What does this mean?” But others said mockingly, “They’ve drunk too much new wine.” Then Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd: “Women and men of Judea, and all you who live in Jerusalem! Listen to what I have to say!

These people are not drunk as you think—it’s only nine o’clock in the morning! No, it’s what Joel the prophet spoke of: ‘In the days to come— it is our God who speaks— I will pour out my spirit on all humankind. Your daughters and sons will prophesy, your young people will see visions, and your elders will dream dreams. Even on the most insignificant of my people, both women and men, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. And I will display wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below: blood, fire and billowing smoke. The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon will become blood before the coming of the great and sublime day of our God. And all who call upon the name of our God will be saved.’

*After each reading, the people respond, **Thanks be to God.***

A reading from Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians

By the same token, no one can say, “Jesus Christ reigns supreme,” unless under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts, but always the same Spirit. There is a variety of ministries, but we serve the same One. There is a variety of outcomes, but the same God is working in all of them. To each person is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one, the Spirit gives wisdom in discourse, to another, the word of knowledge through the same Spirit. Through the Spirit, one person receives faith; through the same Spirit, another is given the gift of healing; and still another, miraculous powers. Prophecy is given to one; to another, power to distinguish one spirit from another. One receives the gift of tongues; another, that of interpreting tongues. But it is one and the same Spirit who produces

all these gifts and distributes them as she wills. The body is one, even though it has many parts; all the parts— many though they are— comprise a single body. And so it is with Christ. It was by one Spirit that all of us, whether we are Jews or Greeks, slaves or citizens, were baptized into one body. All of us have been given to drink of the one Spirit.

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GOSPEL ANTIPHON



O - fiery Spi - rit, come — burn in us.
 O - sacred breath, ——— come — breathe in us.
 O - blazing love, ——— come — flame in us.
 O - balm of the — heart, ——— come heal in us.
 O — fount of — cour - age, come spring in us.

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were locked in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Temple authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Having said this, the savior showed them the marks of crucifixion. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw Jesus, who said to them again, “Peace be with you. As Abba God sent me, so I’m sending you.” After saying this, Jesus breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone’s sins, they are forgiven. If you retain anyone’s sins, they are retained.”

Response before the Gospel

Glory to you, O Christ.

Response following the Gospel

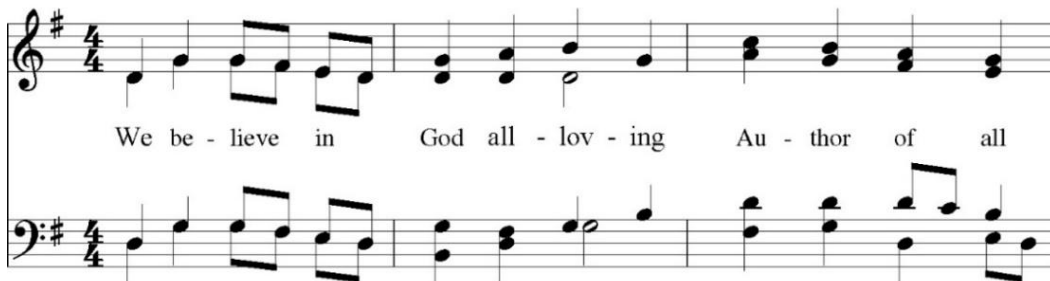
Praise to you, O Christ.



O — mir - ror of — God, ——— come shine in us.
 O - cur - rent of — pow - er, come flow in us.
 O - teach - er of — all, ——— come teach - us.
 O - sweet song of — praise, ——— come sing in us.
 O - de - light of — life, ——— come live in us.

REFLECTION

THE CREED



things that be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens,

Keep - er of the sky and sea. We be - lieve in

God's son, Je - sus, now for us the gift of light, and the Spir - it

ev - er - pre - sent, bring - er of a - bun - dant life.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Strengthened by the Spirit within us all, empower us to share our anxieties and our love, our poverty and our prosperity, so that we may partake of your divine presence as we bring our sorrows and joys to this holy space. We share together our fears, our delights and our hopes in the life of this parish and of the world, aloud, in the chat and in the silence of our hearts.

The leaders will leave a period of time for the people to name their prayers silently, aloud or in the chat.

In a world of great wealth where many go hungry and fortunes are won and lost by trading in money. **Come, Holy Spirit, and show us what is true.**

In a world of great knowledge where many die in ignorance and every piece of information has a price in the market place. **Come, Holy Spirit, and show us what is true.**

You pour Spirit on all flesh; come show us how we try to fence her in. **Come, Holy Spirit, show us what is true.**

You speak through many languages, show us how we block out foreign accents. **Come, Holy Spirit, show us what is true.**

You make one body from all our gifts; show us how we refuse to connect. **Come, Holy Spirit, show us what is true.**

We pray for the needs of this parish:

We pray our thanksgivings:

Come Holy Spirit, enter our silences

Come Holy Spirit, into the depths of our longing

Come Holy Spirit, redeem our creation

Enter our trusting,

Enter our fearing,

Enter our letting go,

Enter our holding back,

Come Holy Spirit, embrace us and free us. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Peace of Christ is always with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY "I Will Magnify" - J. Mosenthal

Krista Donough & Rachel McDonough – Sopranos; Philip Field- Piano

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

God is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to our God.

Let us give thanks to our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, God of all creation;

In your love you made us for yourself,

When we turned away

you did not reject us,

but came to meet us in your Son.

You embraced us as your children

and welcomed us to sit and eat with you

In Christ you shared our life

that we might live in him and he in us.

Christ opened his arms in love.

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them saying:
Take eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**God, we do this in remembrance of him:
His body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
He gave thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
do this in remembrance of me.

**God, we do this in remembrance of him:
This is the cup of blessing.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
Send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine

May be to us the body and blood of Jesus.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts

Make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world

We offer you this sacrifice of praise

And lift our voice to join the eternal hymn of heaven:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One, God of pow - er and grace, Heav - en and
9 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the
17 One who comes in the name of our God. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Through Christ, yesterday, today and tomorrow, in the unity of the Spirit, passion and
praise are yours, Ever-present God, now and forever...



A - men, A - men, A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Before Jesus's mortal death, he taught us and we are bold to pray in whatever language or form that brings us closer to God,

**Our Mother, 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.**

FRACTION

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

THE INVITATION

Christ was always the guest.
At the tables of the wealthy where he pled the case of the poor, he was always the guest.
Upsetting polite company, befriending isolated people, welcoming the stranger, he was always the quest.
But here at this table, Christ is the host.
So come, you who hunger and thirst for a deeper faith, for a better life, for a fairer world. Jesus Christ who sat at our tables, now invites us to be guests at his.

THE COMMUNION HYMN Come, My Way, My Truth (NCH 331)

1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
such a way as gives us breath;
Such a truth as ends all strife;
such a life as conquers death.

2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
such a light as shows a feast;
Such a feast as mends in length;
such a strength as makes a guest.

3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
such a joy as none can move;
Such a love as none can part;
such a heart as joys in love.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in

**common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed,
through Jesus our Christ. Amen.**

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN- Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us (NCH 264)

1 Holy Spirit, come, confirm us
in the truth that Christ makes known;
We have faith and understanding
through your helping gifts alone.

2 Holy Spirit, come, console us,
come as advocate to plead;
Loving Spirit stand beside us,
grant in Christ the help we need.

3 Holy Spirit, come, renew us,
come yourself to make us live;
Make us holy through your presence,
holy through the gifts you give.

4 Holy Spirit, come, fulfill us,
you the love of Three in One;
Bring our lives to full completion
through your work in us begun.

DISMISSAL

Friends, how good and pleasant it is to be together, encouraging and consoling,
provoking and inspiring. But now the service is ended — and now the wider service
begins. Go in peace —

into the world, for the love of the world!

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

* **The Serendipity Stitchers** welcome you. 1st and 3rd **Tuesdays** at **1:30 p.m.** Our gatherings are always full of laughter, delicious treats, and plenty of good company. No experience necessary.

Please get in touch with Veronica for more information.

* **The Book Group meets online at 7pm:**

June meeting - 6/1 **The Correspondent** - Virginia Evans

June meeting - 6/29 **Theo of Golden** - Allen Levi

July meeting - 7/27 **There are Rivers in the Sky** - Elif Shafak

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Earth Ministry & Environmental Sustainability We still have some seed packets and water conservation kits for your home from the Earth Day mini fair we would love to give to you. Please contact Sandra or Peg with your correct physical address.

May is Asian American and Pacific Island heritage month and there are many AAPI environmental leaders. Founder of the Sunrise Movement, Varshini Prakash, is a young climate activist whose motivation is from real life experience and urgency from her family in India. Climate was something to be addressed and not in denial during the last administration.

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Pentecost Sunday

Pentecost marks the end of the Great 50 Days of Easter and begins what called “Ordinary Time”. Ordinary not in the sense of mundane but Ordinal, a time of learning what Jesus has been teaching during the liturgical year. In addition to the Descent of the Spirit, the day is considered the birth of the Church. I feel that meaning gets put to the side.

What is the Church? The gospel message of the day is that in receiving Jesus Spirit the disciples and us are bearers of reconciliation. We are sent out to witness in word and action that God Spirit makes no distinctions. Pentecost invites us to discern are we disciples of Jesus, “dedicated followers” or are we apostles “ a commissioned messengers”. There is a difference and having a sense of that difference will determine what Church is. I have continued to stress the importance of discernment. Returning to my previous image of runners passing the baton. Are we taking the baton or are we not?

Pentecost is a time of pilgrimage, a time to kneel and pray: O Heavenly Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, who is present in all places and fills all things

Treasury of blessings and giver of life; come dwell in us and heal us. Amen.



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