

# Christ Church of Bethany and Woodbridge

## Day of Pentecost (Whitsunday) 5/19/2024

Prelude: *Komm heiliger Geist, Herr Gott* Armsdorf

Announcements

Processional Hymn 500 *Creator Spirit, By Whose Aid*

The Word of God, as beginning on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer

### The Collect

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### A Reading from the Book of 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.' "

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!**

A Reading from Romans 8:22-27

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.

Gradual Hymn 516 *Come Down, O Love Divine*

*At the introduction of the Gospel, the congregation responds, “Glory to you, Lord Christ”*

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to St. John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

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.

*At the conclusion, the congregation responds, “Praise to you, Lord Christ”*

The Sermon

Choir Anthem: *One Spirit, One Church* Keil

Nicene Creed, page 358

Prayers of the People, Form VI (BCP page 392)

*The congregation may add their own thanksgivings and petitions, either silently or aloud.*

*The Lay Minister may remember the altar flower dedications and the prayers for those members of our community and extended community as printed at the bottom of the order of service.*

*The Celebrant, if applicable: We especially remember God's servant(s) \_\_\_\_\_. Give to the departed eternal rest. **Let light perpetual shine upon them.** May [his/her/their] soul(s) and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, **rest in peace.** Amen.*

The Confession and Absolution, page 360

The Peace

The Holy Communion

*(The choice of the Eucharistic Prayer is at the discretion of the Celebrant)*

Offertory Hymn 335 *Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing*

Doxology

The Sanctus

The Breaking of the Bread

Music during the Distribution: *Songs of the Spirit* Tate

The Post-Communion Prayer, page 365

Recessional Hymn 511 *Holy Spirit Ever Living*

Postlude: *Everytime I Feel the Spirit* Trad.

Participants:

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Jules Jodko

Musician and Choir Director: Michelle Fraser

Lay Minister: Ruth Beardsley

Lector: Tom Sansone

Altar Guild: Pat Limauro

Video: Pam Dann

Counters: Carol Paugus and Ron Marcho

Ecclesia Canem: Brother Jesse, CGC

Stewards of the Sacred Space: Ruth Beardsley and Michelle Fraser

Flower dedication:

The altar flowers are given by Loretta Smith in honor of her grandchildren Alexander Children & Wilson Smith

In our Petitions and Thanksgivings:

Jayne Johnson, Madeline Slicer, Doris Beswick, Sandy, Cate Horton, Patricia, Paul, Frankie Sylvester, Pat Ryan, Rosalie Molnar, Nancy, Margaret Clements, Jeff Boyd, Greg Banks, John Matheson, Owen Horvath, Sharon Patrick, Josephine, William, Kerri Guida, Joan, Charlie