

Morning Prayer Rite II May 31, 2020 | 9:30_{A.M.}

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Please feel free to join in by saying the words in bold out loud at home.

We are glad to be praying with you today.

You may wish to have something **RED** to wave whenever there is a mention of the HOLY SPIRIT in today's service. Also, you may wish to have a bowl of water nearby when we renew our baptismal vows at the end of the service.

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Prelude Andante No. 3 from The Altar Candle Carlton Mabee

Opening Sentences Book of Common Prayer p. 77

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Officiant 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*.

Hymn Holy Spirit Ever Living

Blue Hymnal 511

Holy Spirit, ever living as the Church's very life; Holy Spirit, ever striving through her in a ceaseless strife; Holy Spirit, ever forming in the Church the mind of Christ; thee we praise with endless worship for thy fruits and gifts unpriced.

Holy Spirit, ever working through the Church's ministry; quickening, strengthening, and absolving, setting captive sinners free; Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age, and soul to soul, in a fellowship unending thee we worship and extol.

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Please stand in body or in spirit.

Invitatory and Psalter

Book of Common Prayer p. 80

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.

Christ our Passover

Book of Common Prayer p. 83

Officiant and People together:

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with 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.

Please be seated. We will say the Psalm together, in unison.

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Book of Common Prayer p. 735

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.

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 Readings

The people remain seated.

First Reading Acts 2:1-21

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 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.

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

Please stand in body or in spirit.

Canticle 8 The Song of Moses Exodus 15:1-6, 11-13, 17-18

Book of Common Prayer p. 85

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; *
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.
The Lord is my strength and my refuge; *
the Lord has become my Savior.
This is my God and I will praise him, *
the God of my people and I will exalt him.
The Lord is a mighty warrior; *
Yahweh is his Name.

The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea; * the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the Red Sea. The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; * they sank into the depths like a stone. Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; * your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy. Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? * who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of wonders? You stretched forth your right hand; * the earth swallowed them up. With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; * with your might you brought them in safety to your holy dwelling. You will bring them in and plant them * on the mount of your possession, The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, * the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established. The Lord shall reign * for ever and for ever. 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.

Please be seated.

Second 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.' "

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

Anthem Surely the Presence of The Lord is in This Place

Redeemer Adult Choir, Soloist Murray Daniels, October 29, 2017

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place I can feel His mighty power and His grace I can hear the brush of angel's wings I see glory on each face Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

In the midst of His children the Lord said He would be It doesn't take very many It can be just two or three And I feel that same sweet spirit that I've felt oft' before Surely I can say I've been with the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place I can feel His mighty power and His grace I can hear the brush of angel's wings I see glory on each face Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

There's a holy hush around us as God's glory fills this place I've touch the hem of His garment I can almost see His face
And my heart is overflowing with the fullness of His joy I know without a doubt that I've been with the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place I can feel His mighty power and His grace I can hear the brush of angel's wings I see glory on each face Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

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Lanny Wolfe

Sermon The Rev. Kate Ekrem

Please stand in body or spirit.

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Presider Through the Holy Spirit, dear friends, we are all made part of the Body of Christ and empowered

for ministry in God's world. I call upon you, therefore, as we begin this holy season of Pentecost and celebrate the birth of the church, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by

which we once received the Holy Spirit, and promised to serve God faithfully.

Please stand in body or in spirit.

Presider Do you reaffirm your renunciation of Satan and all the spiritual forces of evil which rebel against

God and corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

People I do.

Presider Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Presider 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.

Presider 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.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the

prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider 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.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider 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.

Presider Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the People

Leader Christ has gathered the church in unity through the Spirit. With sure hope,

let us pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Maker of all things in the beginning, you created heaven and earth. In the fullness of time, you

restored all things in Christ. Renew our world, in this day, with your grace and mercy.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Lover of concord, you desire the unity of all Christians. Set aflame the whole church with the fire

of your Spirit. Unite us to stand in the world as a sign of your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader God of compassion, through your Spirit you supply every human need. Heal the sick, and comfort

the distressed. Befriend the friendless, and help the helpless.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Source of peace, your Spirit restores our anxious spirits. In our labor, give us rest; in our temptation,

strength; in our sadness, consolation.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider God eternal, as you sent upon the disciples the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, look upon your

church and open our hearts to the power of the Holy Spirit. Kindle in us the fire of your love, and strengthen our lives for service in your kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives

and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing of the Water

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Grant by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we who sign ourselves with the cross and with water as a reminder of our Baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To Christ, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Make the sign of the cross on your forehead with water from the bowl as a reminder of your baptism.

[Refrain:]

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together!

- ¹ The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple, the church is not a resting place, the church is a people. (Refrain)
- ² We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colors and all ages, too, from all times and places. (Refrain)
- ³ Sometimes the church is marching, sometimes it's bravely burning, sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding, always it's learning.
 (Refrain)
- ⁴ And when the people gather There's singing and there's praying There's laughing and there's crying sometimes, All of it saying (Refrain)
- ⁵ At Pentecost some people Received the Holy Spirit And told the Good News through the world To all who would hear it (Refrain)

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The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People:

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.

Book of Common Prayer p. 101

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

Book of Common Prayer p. 102

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. People Thanks be to God.

Officiant May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever. **Amen**. May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. **Amen**.

May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. **Amen**.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

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