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**THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY  
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

May 24, 2026 ..... 11:00 a.m.

The Rev. Garrett Boyte, *Celebrant*

*The liturgy is found in the red Book of Common Prayer (Prayer Book).*

*Hymns are in the blue Hymnal 1982, after the Service Music (S) section.*

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

*Consolateur*, from *Sept Méditations sur le Saint-Esprit*, Op. 6, No. 5.....Jeanne Demessieux (1921–1968)

“Thou, of comforters the best...”

(Pentecost Sequence, 13th c., tr. Charles P. Price [H#226])

Two Preludes on *Nun bitten wir den Heiligen Geist*, BuxWV 208 and 209 ..... Dieterich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

“We now implore God the Holy Ghost for the true faith, which we need the most, that in our last moments  
he may befriend us and, as homeward we journey, attend us. *Kyrieleis* (Lord, have mercy).”

(German hymn for Pentecost, 13th c., tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*)

**INTROIT**

*Veni Creator Spiritus* ..... Plainsong, tone VIII

*The text of the Introit may be found at Hymn #504.*

# THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN 516 ..... Come down, O Love divine ..... DOWN AMPNEY; v. 3 arr. Willcocks

*The liturgy continues on Page 355 of the Prayer Book.*

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## COLLECT FOR PURITY


*The Celebrant may say*

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. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO ..... William Mathias (1934-1992)



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on



earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the



sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the



Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

6. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, 7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant*                      *People*                      *Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.      And also with you.      Let us pray.

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.

*People*

A - men.

**THE FIRST LESSON** ..... Acts 2:1-21

*Lector*                      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.’”

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:25-35, 37..... Refrain: VENI SANCTE SPIRITUS; verses: Plainsong, Tonus peregrinus

*The choir sings the refrain, then all repeat.*



Send forth your Spi - rit, O LORD, and re - new the face of the earth.

*The choir chants the verses, and all respond with the refrain as marked.*

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. **Refrain**



Send forth your Spi - rit, O LORD, and re - new the face of the earth.

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.

**Refrain**

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! **Refrain**

**THE EPISTLE**..... 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

*Lector* A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

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.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL ..... John 20:19-23

Deacon        The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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 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."

Deacon        The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON..... The Rev. Garrett Boyte

*Following the sermon, the Celebrant addresses the people in these words, all standing.*

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

**THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS**

Celebrant     Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People        **I do.**

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 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 Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows*

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Amen.**

THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM ..... Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

Gracious Spirit, holy Ghost, taught by thee, we covet most of thy gifts at Pentecost,  
holy, holy, heavenly love.

Love is kind, and suffers long, love is meek, and thinks no wrong, love than death itself more strong;  
therefore, therefore give us love.

Faith and hope and love we see joining hand in hand agree; but the greatest of the three,  
and the best, the best is love.

From the overshadowing of thy gold and silver wing shed on us, who to thee sing,  
holy, holy, heavenly love.

- Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A ..... Prayer Book, p. 361

*Celebrant* *People*

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

*Celebrant* *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

SANCTUS.....Craig Phillips (b. 1961), *Festival Eucharist*

Organ	Congregation
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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are  
 full of your glo - ry. \* Ho - san - na in the  
 Ho - san - na en el  
 high - est. Blessed is the One who comes in the  
 cie - lo.  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Ho - san - na en el cie - lo.

\* The "Hosanna" may be sung in English or Spanish

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FRACTION ANTHEM..... Gary James (b. 1957)

The choir sings the refrain, then all repeat.

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

The choir sings the verses:

The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. *Refrain*

One body are we, alleluia, for though many, we share one bread. *Refrain*

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Eucharist in The Episcopal Church. If you are not comfortable receiving the Eucharist, you are invited to receive a blessing instead. Simply cross your arms over your chest at the altar rail to indicate that you would prefer a blessing. You are also welcome to remain seated. We encourage you to do whatever is authentic to your beliefs and comfortable to your convictions.

**AT THE ADMINISTRATION**

**HYMN 507** ..... Praise the Spirit in creation.....**JULION**

**HYMN** ..... Spirit of God, descend upon my heart ..... **MORECAMBE**

*The second communion hymn is on the facing page.*

**THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** ..... Prayer Book, p. 366

**THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

**HYMN 521** ..... Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might..... **CHELSEA SQUARE**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**..... Toccata on *Veni Creator Spiritus* (H#504) ..... **J. Demessieux**

*This week we remember John Kimberlin Butcher, Mary Bowman, Patricia Lambert Harris, Paul M. Lahomme, Ethel Jane Mulhollan, and Marion V. Smith, buried from Holy Cross.*

*Of note from today's music selections is the Introit (entrance chant) before our processional hymn. The text Veni Creator Spiritus dates to the ninth century. It has been used in the Ordination rites since the late medieval period. The English paraphrase in our hymnal was first used at the coronation of Charles I of Great Britain in 1625. Veni Creator is sung today just before the service begins, after the high medieval Sarum tradition where the priest would sing the hymn immediately before the Mass as he vested, then pray the Collect for Purity.*

*During the season of Eastertide, our new Sanctus setting has been from Craig Phillips' Festival Eucharist. Canon Phillips has served at All Saints' Episcopal Church, Beverly Hills, since 1988. This setting of the Mass was commissioned for the 75th General Convention of The Episcopal Church (2006), and in commemoration of the ministry of the Most Rev. Frank T. Griswold III (1937–2023) as XXV Presiding Bishop (1998–2006).*

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1. Spi - rit of God, de - scend up - on my heart;  
 2. I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,  
 3. Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh;  
 4. Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love.

draw it from earth, through all its pul - ses move;  
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,  
 teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,  
 One ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;

stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as thou art,  
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no o - p'ning skies;  
 to check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh;  
 the kin - dling of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove,

and let me love thee as I ought to love.  
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.  
 teach me the pat - ience of un - an - swered prayer.  
 my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

Welcome to the Church of the Holy Cross! Our community is grounded in Baptism, Eucharist, prayer, and service. For it is in these things that we answer the call of our Lord to love God and love our neighbor.

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

**Sunday**..... Holy Eucharist, 9:00 (Chapel) & 11:00 a.m.  
Rector's forum, 9:45 a.m. (Undercroft)  
**Tuesday** ..... Morning Prayer, 10:00 a.m. (Chapel)  
**Thursday** ..... Morning Prayer, 9:00 a.m. (Hope House)  
**Monday-Saturday** ..... Daily Office, 6:00 p.m. (Online)

There is **no Wednesday Eucharist** this week. These services will resume in August.

The **final half-hour organ recital** in this year's series will be on **Sunday, June 7 at 1:30 p.m.**

The opening concert of the **Shreveport Summer Music Festival** will be on **Sunday, June 14 at 3:00 p.m.**

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