Day of Pentecost

May 31, 2020

PRELUDE Every Time I Feel the Spirit | arr. H.T. Burleigh

Gathering

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

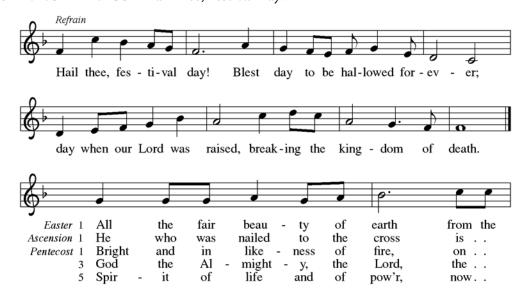
Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN #394 Hail Thee, Festival Day!



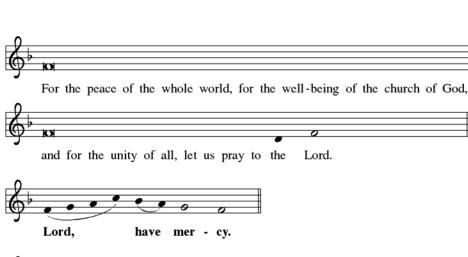


APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie





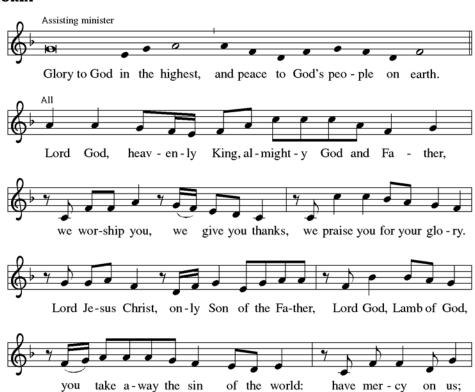


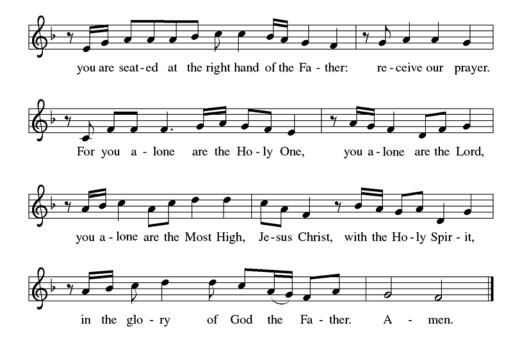
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

GLORIA





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of your Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Word

FIRST READING Numbers 11:24-30

Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b

The cantor/choir and congregation alternate in the singing of psalm verses, beginning with the cantor.



How manifold are your | works, O Lord!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full | of your creatures.

Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too man- | y to number, living things both | small and great.

There go the ships | to and fro,

and Leviathan, which you made for the | sport of it.

All of them | look to you

to give them their food | in due season.

You give it to them; they | gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled | with good things.

When you hide your face, | they are terrified;

when you take away their breath, they die and return | to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they | are created;

and so you renew the face | of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord en- | dure forever; O Lord, rejoice in | all your works.

You look at the earth | and it trembles;

you touch the mountains | and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long | as I live;

I will praise my God while I | have my being.

May these words of | mine please God.

I will rejoice | in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, | O my soul.

Hal- | lelujah!

SECOND READING Acts 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they 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.

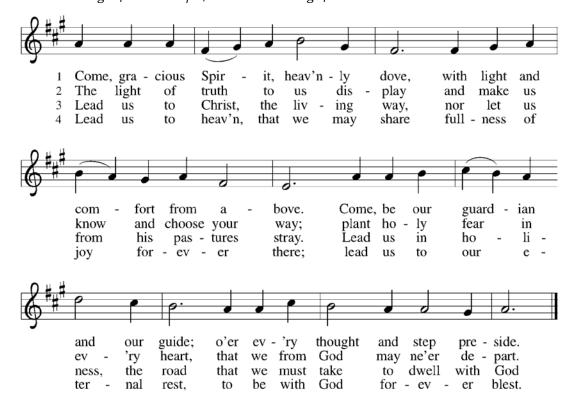
Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it 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 word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION #404 Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove *Stanzas 1 & 2 sung before the Gospel; stanzas 3 & 4 sung after.*



GOSPEL John 7:37–39

Glory to you, O Lord.

On the last day of the festival of Booths, the great day, while Jesus was standing in the temple, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.' "Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

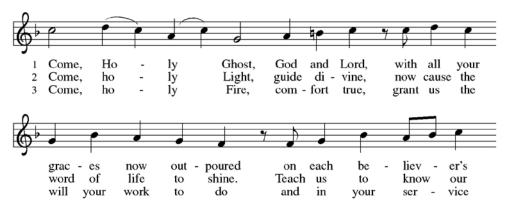
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY #395 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord





NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... Lord in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

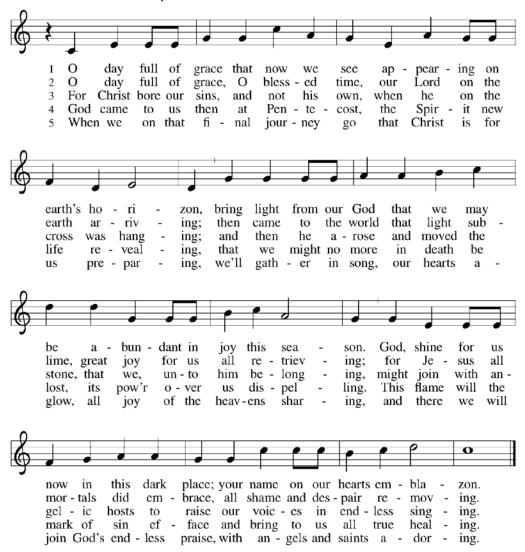


Sending

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN #627 O Day Full of Grace



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Veni Creator Spiritus (op. 4) | Maurice Duruflé

Our thanks to Margaret Stansfield who serves as cantor this week.

Today from the life of the church

Lord God, dear Father, Who on this day through Thy Holy Spirit didst enlighten and teach the hearts of Thy believing ones: Grant to us, that we may have right understanding through the same Spirit and at all times rejoice in His comfort and power, for ever and ever. Amen.

Martin Luther (1483 – 1546)

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