



CHRIST AND GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

It is our custom to observe a prayerful silence before the service begins. During the service, please feel free to stand or kneel as you are able.

*Welcome and thank you for wearing your masks while inside the building. The Lector, Soloist, and Officiant will remove masks only when speaking. During hymns we will remain seated. As **singing inside is not yet permitted**, you are invited to silently read and meditate on the words during the hymns. For your responses, in bold print, please do respond quietly, God will hear you! At the end of the service, please be seated to wait for the ushers to direct you toward the exit. We will exit by pews out of the side door near the pulpit, beginning with the front pew on the left side. After the left side has departed, ushers will guide the right side of the church down the center aisle and across front of the sanctuary to the exit. We appreciate your patience.*

THE DAY OF PENTECOST May 23, 2021

10:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION RITE II – live streamed

The Word of God

Prelude: *Be Thou My Vision* Ingram

Opening Acclamation *standing*
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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.

Hymn 225 *Hail thee, festival day!* *sitting* Salve festa dies
Refrain: Hail thee, festival day!
blest day that art hallowed forever,
day when the Holy Ghost shone
in the world with God's grace.

1. Lo, in the likeness of fire,
on those who await his appearing,
he whom the Lord foretold
suddenly, swiftly descends: (Refrain)

2. Forth from the Father he comes
with sevenfold mystical offering,
pouring on all human souls
infinite riches of God: (Refrain)

3. Hark! for in myriad tongues
Christ's own, his chosen apostles,
preach to the ends of the earth
Christ and his wonderful works: (Refrain)

4. Praise to the Spirit of Life,
all praise to the fount of our being,
light that dost lighten all,
life that in all dost abide: (Refrain)

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

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.**

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21 *sitting (see readings on last page)*

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

Gospel: *standing*
Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon Robin Teasley

Hymn 516 *Come down, O Love divine* *sitting* Down Ampney

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace, till Love create a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

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The 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: by the power of the

Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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 the People Form VI *standing or kneeling*

In the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the Church, the world, and all people.
Silence

Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the Church. Fill it with boldness in witnessing to Jesus' strong saving love. Fill it with faithfulness in proclaiming the Word. Fill it with zeal for ministering to all people.
Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the people and the ministry of this congregation. In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we remember: Vince & Cindy Hardy, Charlie & Carolyn Herring, and Dave & Teresa Hettinger. Fill us with joyfulness in worship; eagerness in service; gentleness in fellowship; generosity in giving; and persistence in faithful witness in Jesus' name.
Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. Fill the minds of worldly leaders with wisdom in guiding the nations towards peace and justice. Fill their hearts with humility as they wield power and authority. Fill all people with love for God, neighbor, and the world around them.
Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Come, Holy Spirit, and bring peace in all places of danger, violence and strife. Fill the minds and direct the actions of all who take up arms in defense of life and liberty. Strengthen and protect them; and bring them safely home when their task is done.
Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Come, Holy Spirit, and bring strength and healing to all whose need is great, especially for Melissa Aigner, Thomas Clark, Mark Sheffield, Pret Van Keuren, Mary Villeponteaux, and Elaine Yeatts.
Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Come, Holy Spirit, and comfort the hearts of all who grieve the loss of loved ones. We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your kingdom and joy in your presence. The arrangement at the altar is given to the glory of God and in memory of our parents by Rick and Kathy Talmage. Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Come, Holy Spirit and hear the prayers of your people. Breathe on us.

The Peace *standing*
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Greeting and Announcements

Offertory Sentence
The Holy Communion

Offertory: *Ev'ry time I feel the spirit*

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C *standing*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **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.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. **By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues
And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebekah, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.
Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion: *Can it Be* *sitting* Ingram

Prayer of Thanksgiving *standing*
Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing & Dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated. The ushers will guide dismissal by pews.

Postlude: *On Salve Festa Dies*

If you would like to receive reserved sacrament, please contact the church office or Rev. Robin.

Lay Reader: 10:00 Samantha Ellis
Audio/Visual: Bee Betts, Lee Adams, Bill Miller
Cantor/Soloist: Laraine Smith
Ushers: Kathy Talmage, Rick Talmage, Melanie Williamson

WELCOME VISITORS: We extend a warm welcome to our visitors today. If you would like to know more about our church, visit our website where you will also find links to our YouTube channels. You may also email us and we will be in touch. We are glad you are here.

The Rt. Rev. Susan Haynes	Bishop, Diocese of Southern Virginia
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Our mission: Offering Hope, Healing and Hospitality

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.' "

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.