

Welcome to St. Mark's Chapel Open hearts, open minds, open doors

The Feast of Pentecost 9:00 a.m. Sunday, May 23, 2021 Holy Eucharist

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn of Praise (All Stand)I bind unto myself today (vs. 1, 2, 6, 1)
#370 Hymnal 1982

- 1. I bind unto myself today the strong Name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.
- 2. I bind this day to me for ever, by power of faith, Christ's Incarnation; his baptism in the Jordan river; his death on cross for my salvation; his bursting from the spiced tomb; his riding up the heavenly way; his coming at the day of doom: I bind unto myself today.
- 6. Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.
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Easter Acclamation BCP, page 355

Presider: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity BCP, page 355

Presider: 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 Glory to God #S-280 Hymnal 1982

The Collect

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

All: 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. *Amen*.

First Reading Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

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

Psalm 104:24-35 Benedic, anima mea BCP, Page 736



R.

²⁴O God, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide; it is teeming with countless creatures, living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it. R

²⁷These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

²⁸when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are

filled with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. R ³⁶When you send forth your spirit, they áre created;

and you renew the face of the ground.

³¹May the glory of God endure forever; may God rejoice in God's works —

³²God who looks on the earth and it trembles.

> God who touches the mountains and they smoke. R

³³I will sing to God as long ás I live; I will sing praise to my God while Í have being.

34May my meditation be pleasing to God, for in God do Í rejoice.

35Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless God, O my soul. Praise be to God! R.

(May be sung with double tone.)

Second Reading Spoken out loud in Italian, German, Greek, and Spanish 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.

Gradual Hymn Spirit of the living God #115 LEVAS

Holy Gospel John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Brian D. Blayer

The Nicene Creed BCP, page 358

All: 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.

Prayers of the People (All standing)

Like tongues of fire You rested on the apostles giving them courage, strength, conviction, and joy to do your will. Spirit of the Living God, inspire your Church, today.

Spark a flame in our hearts to do your will.

Our brother Paul stood before governors and rulers to proclaim the good news of Christ to all. Spirit of Truth, help us focus on our call to proclaim the good news to the ends of the earth.

May we proclaim your love to all, both the greatest and the least.

We are bound together, one to another, through the gift of your Spirit. Make us all one at St. Mark's Episcopal Chapel and in the Quiet Corner of Connecticut,

That we may glorify Christ in our own day.

The early Church shared all in common so none would go without. Holy Advocate, give us wisdom and courage to support the weak and free the oppressed.

That all of God's children might experience the joys of your creation.

In times of trouble and persecution, the faithful have turned to You, the Comforter, to relieve our sorrow and despair. Be with us in our illness and distress.

Give us the healing power of your love.

We pray especially for, John S., Sully, Joey, Maria, Zoma, Marilyn, Peter, Kerri, Rich, Janet, Frank
Caroline, Mary, Gloria, John, and all those we may now mention, silently or
aloud

You breathed life into humankind at creation and renew us with your Spirit. May we have confidence in this holy hope and trust in your promise of eternal life.

Spirit of God, renew my life today, and at the time of my last breath.

We pray especially for those we mention now either silently or aloud

The Presider concludes with a collect.

The Peace *Please stay in your seat*

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you. People: And also with you.

Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn (Please stand) Sweet, Sweet Spirit

#120 (LEVAS)

- There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.
 There are sweet expressions on each face, And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
 - (Refrain:) Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet Heavenly Dove, Stay right here with us, filling us with your love. And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.
- 2. There are blessings you cannot receive Till you know Him in His fullness, and believe. You're the one to profit when you say, "I am going to walk with Jesus all the way." (Refrain)
- 3. If you say He saved you from your sin, Now you're weak, your bound, and cannot enter in, you can make it right if you will yield; You'll enjoy the Holy Spirit that we feel. (Refrain)

Offering

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP, p. 367

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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down [on this day] from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all the truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy, Lord

#S-130 Hymnal 1982

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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." Therefore, according to his command:

All: We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary and Mark and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. 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.

Fraction Anthem Jesus, Lamb of God #S-164 Hymnal 1982

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to come forward for communion.

Please form a line down the center, respecting safe distance protocols of 3 feet when outside.

After receiving the bread, please proceed to the left or right to receive the wine from a

Eucharistic Minister. Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Hymn

Like the murmur of the dove's song

#513 (Hymnal 1982)

- 1. Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight, like the vigor of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager might: come, Holy Spirit, come.
- 2. To the members of Christ's Body, to the branches of the Vine, to the Church in faith assembled, to her midst as gift and sign: come, Holy Spirit, come.
- 3. With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer, with the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare: come, Holy Spirit, come.

Postcommunion Prayer (Please Stand)

BCP, p. 365

All: 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

Presider: The blessing of God Almighty, our creator, redeemer, and sanctifier be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Mission Hymn

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

#114 (LEVAS)

Refrain:

Ev'ry time I feel the spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray, Ev'ry time I feel the spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray.

- 1. Upon the mountain my Lord spoke, out of his mouth came fire and smoke. All around me looked so fine, asked my Lord if all was mine. [Refrain]
- 2. Jordan river chilly and cold, chills the body but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this track, runs to heaven and runs right back. [Refrain]

Dismissal

Presider:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Readers: Art Engler: Italian (Acts 2:1-3); Harry Evageliou: Greek (Acts 2:4-6); Angela Garcia-Clark: German (Acts 2:7-9); David Sykes: Spanish (Acts 2:10-12)

Announcements:

Clint Rossiter's Funeral will be held at St. Mark's Episcopal Chapel on May 29th at 2:00 PM. Seating will need to be reserved due to Covid-19 restrictions. There are twenty-six people allowed in the sanctuary. Please contact the office by Friday, May 28th, to reserve your seat.