

Day of Pentecost:



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Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II: 10:00 am

Grace Episcopal Church

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Welcome!

Welcome to those of you here. Here's some information:

Most Sundays, we have Church School at 10:00 am with trained teachers. The classroom is located through the door at the front right of the chapel and down the hall; please ask if you need help finding it. The children will join us in church at the Peace and for Communion. All baptized children of any age are welcome to receive communion.

Please join in the singing! Hymnals are located in the pew and the numbers are listed in the leaflet. **"S"** numbered hymns are found in the front of the *Hymnal 1982*. The *Book of Common Prayer* may also be found in the rack in front of you.

This is a self-supporting congregation, so when the plate is passed in the middle of the service, please be generous. Today's collection will support our ministries to the community.

At the communion, God welcomes all to the heavenly banquet. The Episcopal Church offers the sacraments to anyone baptized in any denomination who, through prayer and thoughtful consideration, desires them. Please come to the communion rail to receive the bread whether you are an Episcopalian or not, or to receive a blessing.

When coming to the rail for communion, please kneel or stand at the rail from right to left until the rail is full. You may receive the wafer, receive the wine after consuming the wafer (no intinction) or may ask for a blessing. Please let the priest know if you need **gluten free**.

The priest, Debbie, is available after the service to answer any questions you might have. Please let her know your thoughts about today's service.

If this is your first time here, please sign the book at the entrance of the church. If you want more information, our website is www.gracechurchsalem.org. Our weekly newsletter, called Grace Notes, can be found there. If you wish to receive the newsletter, simply go to the website, open Grace Notes and subscribe.

May we all find the service meaningful and the embrace of the community inviting. It is a joy to worship together, wherever we are in our journey.

The Opening Rite

Opening Voluntary Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist

Dietrich Buxtehude

The Hymn at the Procession

The Hymnal 1982, #225

Hail thee, festival day!

Salve festa dies

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, page 355

Song of Praise

The Hymnal 1982, S 266

A Song to the Lamb

Calvin Hampton

The Collect of the Day

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.**

The Word of the Lord

The Lessons *The people sit.*

The First Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-4

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, “Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, 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 prophecy, 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:25-29, 37

Charles Villiers Stanford



25 O LORD, how¹ manifold are your¹ works! *
 in wisdom you have made them all;
 the¹ earth is¹ full of your¹ creatures.

26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
 with its living things too¹ many to¹ number, *
 —¹ creatures both¹ small and¹ great.

27 There move the ships,
 and there is¹ that Le¹viathan, *
 which¹ you have¹ made for the¹ sport of it.

28 All of them¹ look to¹ you *
 to give them their¹ food in¹ due¹ season.

29 You give it to¹them; they¹gather it; *
you open your hand, and¹they are¹filled with¹good things.

37 Bless the LORD,¹O my¹soul. *
—¹Halle¹lū¹jah!

The Second Lesson

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.' "

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

A mighty sound from heaven

The Hymnal 1982, #230

Song of the Holy Spirit

The Gospel

John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

Gospeller 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..

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Deborah Phillips

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

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The Prayers of the People: Form II

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The Peace

The Holy Communion

Anthem at the Offering

William Harris

The text is found in The Hymnal 1982 #516

The Hymn at the Presentation

The Hymnal 1982, #228

Holy Spirit, font of light

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The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982, S 127

Calvin Hampton

The Lord's Prayer

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At the Fraction

The Hymnal 1982, S 152

Mason Martens

All present are invited to reverently receive the Holy Sacrament.

Hymn at the Communion

The Hymnal 1982, #229

Spirit of mercy, truth, and love

Cornish

Postcommunion Prayer

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Post Communion Hymn

The Hymnal 1982, #299

Spirit of God unleashed on earth

Deo gracias

Blessing

Dismissal

Voluntary Finale to Concerto No. 5

George Frederic Handel

— Worship Leaders —

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Our Prayers are offered for

For the Diocese of Massachusetts and our Bishop-Elect, for those battling cancer, especially Faith's friend and the Princess of Wales, Heather and Prescott,, Ariana, Sheridan, Faith Aroko and Family, Jesse Hurst and Family, Angela Williams, Neal and Maureen Joyce, Arthur, Jane Thompson, Deb Young, Cindy Rhodes, Ron, Gerald Tucker, Allison Mascolo, Melissa Glassman, Max Joyce, Inga, Henry, and Lucas, Mel, Corey MacNeil, Dianne, Michael Towey, Jenny, Loretta and Kris, Deb Papps, Derek Fuller and Family, the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem and their ministries, for Ukraine and Haiti; the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem, the Salem Public Schools and for an end to racism, war, anti-Semitism, gun violence and oppression. In thanksgiving for our Stewardship Committee. If you have prayer requests, please email prayerlist@gracechurchsalem.org by Tuesday at noon for publication in that week's e-news.

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PENTECOST

On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit spread and moved among and within the people. But Pentecost is not just an ancient story, it is about us, here and now. It is about the ongoing life of the followers of Jesus.

The Holy Spirit, one part of the Trinity, is offered in Scripture as a life-sustaining, energizing force, which not only guides us, but pushes us into all we are meant to be as people of God. The many symbols of Pentecost remind us that the Holy Spirit takes many forms, speaks many languages, moves in many ways, and offers unexpected gifts.

Symbols of the Holy Spirit and Pentecost include:

- **Dove:** The Holy Spirit descended "like a dove" at Jesus' baptism.
- **Wind:** Representing God's breath, which is the core of our Great Story from the very beginning, when God blew into the darkness, shaping the chaos and breathing all creation into life. It is God's breath that is our life force.
- **Fire:** Representing the all-consuming presence the Holy Spirit offers, filling our ancestors then, and us today, with passion and verve, power, strength, and beauty.
- **Wild Goose:** The Holy Spirit cannot be contained or controlled, it is free and wild.
- **Female ethos:** The Holy Spirit is often referred to as "she"; sometimes "Lady Wisdom".
- **Red:** The color red represents the zest and life of the Holy Spirit and the fire that burns in our hearts when we open ourselves to all the Spirit offers.

The people present at the original Pentecost felt a holy sense of unity, despite the differences between them. They came from different geographical areas and spoke different languages, yet they all experienced the same powerful presence of God and all could understand the message of the Spirit as it blew and danced among them.



This Week at Grace Church

- Today:** Choir Rehearsal at 9:15 am
Holy Eucharist at 10:00 am
Pot Luck at 11:00 am
Celtic Evensong and Communion at 4:00 pm
Pot Luck at 5:00 pm
- Monday:** Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem 2:00 pm—6:00 pm
- Tuesday:** Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem 2:00 pm—6:00 pm
Knitting Group 7:00 pm—8:00 pm
- Wednesday:** Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem 2:00 pm—6:00 pm
Bible Study 5:00 pm— 6:00 pm (on Zoom)
Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
- Thursday:** Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem 2:00 pm—6:00 pm
- Friday:** Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem 2:00 pm—6:00 pm
- Saturday:** Music Together at 10:00 am
- Sunday:** Choir Rehearsal at 9:15 am
Holy Eucharist at 10:00 am
Coffee at 11:00 am
Celtic Evensong and Communion at 4:00 pm
Kitchen Fellowship at 5:00 pm

Upcoming Events in June

June 2: Young and the Restless at 9:00 am

Come join us as we sing the story of the man who searched for the Pearl of Great Price and share the Holy meal together.

June 15: Retreat—"Joy" from 9:00 am—11:00 am

During this time we will study the joy of those liberated from slavery by the Egyptians, consider how joy can be a form of protest and resistance, listen to and participate in the joy of music, and prepare joy prayer ribbons to be tied to our tree. This retreat is sponsored by our Anti-Racism Team. Light refreshments will be provided.

June 16: Vespers for Juneteenth at 4:00 pm

The service commemorates the emancipation law becoming enacted in the last outpost of slavery in America. During this time, we will hear readings from Scripture and from Black poets and other writers. We will have an opportunity to renew our commitment to dismantling racism in whatever way we are called. And we will sing; sing wonderful music from the African American experience. (This service is in place of the Celtic Evensong on this day)

June 30: A Service Celebrating Pride Month at 10:00 am

During our morning Eucharist, we will hear stories and have readings that celebrate the great diversity in our community. We will consider ways we can commit to equal access, especially to health care. We will also remember the Stonewall Rebellion of 1969 on the Sunday closest to this historic event.

All of these events are free and we invite all to come

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The Mission of Grace Church is to unconditionally invite all people to join us in building a faithful Episcopal congregation that goes out into the community and through prayer, presence, and partnering improves the quality of life by bringing everyone closer to God.