



Celtic Evensong and Communion

Day of Pentecost

19 May 2024 4:00 pm

*We come from many places to be together for a little while.
Each of us brings our own experience and traditions to this gathering.
So here in this place, let us take time together to encounter the holy.
Please remember to silence all devices*

The Opening Rite

Opening Musical Meditation

Lucis creator optime

Opening Meditation

Effortlessly,
Love flows from God into man,
Like a bird
Who rivers the air
Without moving her wings.
Thus we move in His world,
One in body and soul,
Though outwardly separate in form.
As the Source strikes the note,
Humanity sings—
The Holy Spirit is our harpist,
And all strings
Which are touched in Love
Must sound.
— Mechtild of Magdeburg 1207-1297
trans. Jane Hirshfield

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Alleluia! Come to us, O risen Lord,
People **and enliven us with your eternal love. Alleluia!**
Officiant Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping;
People **that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.**
All **Glory to the Holy Trinity, as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever.**
Amen. Alleluia.

Song to the Light

The musical score is written on seven staves in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and melodic, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "I will kin-dle my fire in the morn of the day, in the pres-ence of ho - ly an - gels. With-out mal - ice or jeal - ous-y, en - vy or fear, with-out ter - ror of an - y-one un - der the sun, but the Ho - ly Be - lov - ed to shield me. O Ho - ly one, kin - dle thou here in my heart, a flame of pure love to my neigh - bor, to my foe, to my friend, to my kin - dred all, to the brave, to the knave, to the thrall. O child of the love - li - est Ma - ry, from the low - li - est thing, to the Ho - ly Name, the be - lov - ed of all."

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Psalm 104:25-29, 37

- 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.
- 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.

37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. *

Hallelujah!

Glory to the Holy Trinity, as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons and Reflection

Listen now to the Word of God

The First 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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Musical Response

Three Ribbons

The Second Lesson

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..

Lector For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,
and for the Word of God within us,

People **Thanks be to God.**

A few moments of silence follows

Music after the Reflection

Peaceful River

The Prayers

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

Leader: I open my heart to Christ in the stranger,

People: ***To Christ in the face of colleague and friend.***

Leader: I open my heart to the one who is wounded,

People: ***To Christ in the hungry, the lonely, the homeless.***

Leader: I open my heart to the one who has hurt me,

People: ***To Christ in the faces of sinner and foe.***

Leader: I open my heart to those who are outcast,

People: ***To Christ in the broken, the prisoner, the poor.***

Leader: I open my heart to all who are searching,

People: ***To Christ in the world God's generous gift.***

Leader: I invite you to now offer the prayers of your heart, either silently or aloud.

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.**

A Collect from *Daily Prayer for All Seasons*

Loving God, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive in our world, our church and our hearts. Renew and strengthen us in the risen life we share in Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

A Collect for William Hobart Hare (May 17th)

Wakantanka, Holy God, you called your servant William Hobart Hare to bear witness to you throughout the vast reaches of the Niobrara Territory, bearing the means of grace and the hope of glory to the peoples of the Plains: We give you thanks for the devotion of those who received the Good News gladly, and for the faithfulness of the generations who have succeeded them. Strengthen us with your Holy Spirit that we may walk in their footsteps and lead many to faith in Jesus Christ, in whom the living and the dead are one; and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Leader Jesus says, "Come to me you who are troubled and I will give you rest." So come, you who are broken in body or in spirit, you who are torn by relationships and doubt, you who feel deeply within yourselves the divisions of the world. Come, for Jesus invites us to bring our brokenness. From now until the end of the service, you are invited to come to the Lady Altar and light a candle and kneel at the rail for prayers. Please move about as the Spirit leads you.

Music during Prayers

Sunday River Waltz

Hymn #518 in The Hymnal 1982

Come down O Love divine

The Grace In Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!
Amen.

The Peace

The Holy Communion

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 O God of mystery and promise, you invite us to discover you in the intimate places of ourselves and our lives. You invite us to discover you within the complexities of our humanity, in passionate and tender loving, in struggle and pain, in confusion and unknowing, in flashes of insight and wisdom. You also call us beyond ourselves to places of imagination, beyond the silent stars, in the deep rhythms of the ocean, in the unending cycles of day and night, seasons of life and death. With saints and ancestors, with the seas and earth and sky, with animals and birds, with our friends and those unknown to us, with all creation we join in the song of your unending glory:

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant We praise you that in Jesus you make known to us the wonder and richness of our humanity. We give thanks for his life-giving love, for his healing touch, for his vulnerability and for his gentleness. Before he gave up his life, he shared his humanity, his flesh and blood with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks for it, broke it and gave it to them saying:

All **“This is my own body given for you. Do this to remember me.”**

Celebrant So too after they had eaten, he took wine, gave thanks for it and gave it to them saying:

All **“This is my blood, poured out in love for you. Do this to remember me.”**

Celebrant So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Holy and gracious God, present with us now, send in kindness your Holy Spirit to settle on this bread and wine and fill them with the fullness of Jesus., As we eat and drink these bodily things, make us one body, food for the world, one blood to be poured out for the life of all. Touch us with your gentle creativity and fire us with longing for the new age of justice and peace. We ask this through Jesus who gave his body that we might be one and his blood that we might find new life. With him, and through him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be to you, O God, all honor and glory forever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

The Invitation

Celebrant This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord.
It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more.
So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,
You who have been here often, and you who have not been here long,
you who have tried to follow and you who have failed.
Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.
It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

Communion

Concluding Prayer

All **Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing God's blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Officiant May the Lord grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Concluding Musical Meditation

Torth O Tara

Worship Leaders

The Reverend Deborah Phillips
Ryan, Patten, Debbie Phillips
Paul Massari
Kai Freyleue
Eric Wagner
Marianne Cannon

Officiant
Musicians
Assisting
Reflection
Prayers
Usher

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Parish Prayer List

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.

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

This Week's Saint: William Hobart Hare

William Hobart Hare was a missionary bishop to the Niobrara Territory and later the first bishop of South Dakota.

Hare was born in Princeton, New Jersey, in 1838. Although he studied at the University of Pennsylvania, he never received a degree and prepared for ordination without attending seminary. He was ordained to the diaconate in 1859 and to the priesthood in 1862. He served St. Luke's and St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill, both in Philadelphia.

He moved to Minnesota in 1863 with the hope that a different climate would improve his wife's failing health. It was there that he first came into contact Native Americans, an encounter that would change his life and shape his vocation. Hare returned to Philadelphia in 1867 to become the Rector of the Church of the Ascension, but his personal interest in the church's ministry among Native Americans never waned.


In 1871, the House of Bishops of the Episcopal Church created the Missionary District of Niobrara encompassing much of the Dakotas. A year later, the House of Bishops elected Hare to become the Bishop of Niobrara and he was ordained to the episcopate on January 9, 1873.

Bishop Hare, often referred to as "The Apostle to the Sioux," devoted himself to work among the Native Americans in the vast expanse of the Niobrara Territory. Well ahead of his time in his approach to mission work, Hare believed it was important to honor as much of the tradition and culture of the people as possible. His desire was not to destroy the fabric of Sioux culture, but to bring the gospel into the midst of it so that the people could also come to know Jesus. Instead of suppressing the customs of the people, he saw them as vessels that could communicate God's grace.

In 1883, the House of Bishops divided the Missionary District of Niobrara into the districts of North and South Dakota. Bishop Hare from that point took responsibility for what would become the Diocese of South Dakota.

William Hobart Hare
May 17 Bishop of Niobrara and of South Dakota 1909

However imperfect my efforts,
the aim of them
has been to break down
"the middle wall of partition"
between whites and Indians,
and to seek not the welfare
of one class or race,
but the common good.



William H. Hare



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.



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

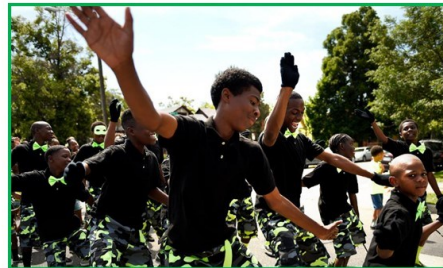
The service commemorates the emancipation law becoming enacted in the last outpost of slavery in America. During this time, we will hear readings from Scripture and from Black poets and other writers. We will have an opportunity to renew our commitment to dismantling racism in whatever way we are called. 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

Juneteenth Observance: Walking the Way of Love



**Choral Vespers
16 June 2024
4:00 pm**

Grace Episcopal Church

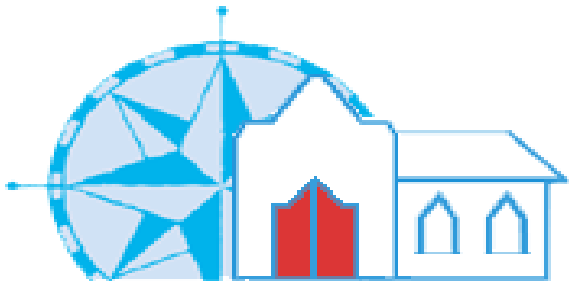
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