ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH THE DAY OF PENTECOST



HOLY EUCHARIST: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP SUNDAY, MAY 19th AT 9:00 A.M.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. John's is an Open and Affirming congregation. In faithfulness to Jesus and His commandment to love our neighbors as ourselves, we invite everyone to celebrate with us in the full life and ministry of the Church. We believe strongly in our mission statement to Grow in God, Act in Service, and Witness in Love.

TO THOSE WHO MAY BE NEW OR ARE VISITING

We are so glad you are here! Ushers are stationed at the back of the church and can answer any questions you may have or please ask a neighbor in the next pew. Restrooms can be found on the other side of the Parish Hall – just look for the red signs. In addition to worship, opportunities for fellowship exist after the service in the Parish Hall. For those with small children, a nursery is available every Sunday, however our youngest members are always welcome in worship. Thank you for being here!

A NOTE ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

Throughout the summer, we will gather as one for worship each week at 9:00 A.M. For our Sunday worship we will be using Enriching our Worship, a supplemental liturgy commissioned by the Standing Committee for Liturgy. Enriching our Worship, or EOW, is part of an ongoing process of listening to what the Spirit is saying to the Church through the diverse experience of those who gather to worship. Our musical selections come from one of two resources: The 1982 Hymnal (the red book, the S stands for Service Music and is found in the front of the hymnal) and Wonder, Love, and Praise (WLP, which is the green book). We pray you experience the love of God through our worship and fellowship.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: THE POWER OF WARMTH AND LIGHT

We are pleased to announce that during the great 50 days of Easter, we have received \$834,661 in pledges and gifts towards our \$1.2 million dollar goal! The Capital Campaign Steering Committee and Vestry are thrilled at the progress we've made thus far as we seek to be faithful stewards of this sacred space. Work continues on replacing the HVAC systems and shortly, work will begin on updating our lighting in the sanctuary and the restoration of our windows. More information about the campaign and how you can participate can be found in the brochures in your pew, along with pledge cards. Please consider joining us!

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement, you would like the clergy to share, please fill out the form on our website or let the office know no later than Thursday.

PRELUDE Spirit of the Living God Daniel Iverson

PROCESSIONAL HYMN We all are one in mission WLP 778

OPENING ACCLAMATION (please rise in body or spirit)

Officiant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY BCP 355

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 Holy, Holy, Holy S-280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 37:1-14 (please be seated)

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.

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:25-35, 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.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; * you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; * and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; * may the LORD rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; * he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; * I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; * I will rejoice in the LORD.
- 37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. * Hallelujah!

THE EPISTLE: 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.' "

Here what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN There's a sweet, sweet Spirit WLP 752 vs. 1 & 2 before the Gospel reading, vs. 3 after the Gospel reading

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 (please rise in body or spirit)

Celebrant 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

THE REV. AMANDA KNOUSE

THE NICENE CREED (please rise in body or spirit)

BCP 358

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. (pause) 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (written by the Capital Campaign Prayer Team)

Gracious Lord, guide us as we strive to add our unique light to the radiant glory of the body of Christ. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our own Bishop; Amanda, Jen, and Stacey, our clergy; and Emma, our seminarian. We give thanks for the light that radiates through our diocesan and Anglican siblings especially St. John's, Bellefonte, St. Luke's, Mount Joy, and The Anglican Church of Canada.

Help us to inspire local, national, and world leaders toward enlightened policies. We pray for the light and warmth of your love to inspire the hearts and minds of Joe, our President; Josh, our Governor; and Danene, our Mayor.

Enliven our efforts to be good stewards of the facilities entrusted to us by our forebears, and of the environment in which we live, so that future generations may continue to serve and worship in a place of light and beauty.

Lead our work in offering our members, neighbors, visitors, and all seekers a spiritual home filled with warmth and light. We pray for our friends at home especially Ellen Keller, Nancy Nemith, Peter Plaxa, Ricky Smith, Joanna Sweeney, Al Kuser, Mary Sue Farmer, Ellen Sellers, Edith Kane, Merle Schnee, Carol Greenfield, Sandy Grove, Carole Humphrey, Darlene Bentley, and Peggy Zuke.

Support us in determining how best to offer a warm embrace to all who are homeless, needy, hurting, lonely, or facing any other difficulties. We pray especially for Pat Pankey, Jeannie Zeller, Kent Strickler, Glenda Broad, Don Doolittle, Doug Smith, Nancy Strasburg, Justin & Lisa, Ella, Matt Patterson, Kevin, Judy Modene, Andrew Gilpin, Cheryl & Rhoda, Ted Griswold, Richard Anderson, Mary, Collin, Gene Grubb, Bart, River Leo, John Labat, and Jesse Rutledge.

Kindle in us the fire of your love as we remember the departed and offer a place of comfort and solace to all who are bereaved.

Celebrant

Generous God, thank you for always hearing our prayers. We give you thanks for the inspiration this sacred space offers and for the community that gathers here. We remember those who came before us and pray that we may be good stewards of all entrusted to our care. Through the enhancement of our sacred space, we pray that strangers may become friends and the light and warmth of your love may be experienced by all. We ask this in the name of the One who makes all things new. *Amen*.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the

grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of

the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY Spirit James K. Manley

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Hymnal 380 v.3

WLP 858

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Enriching our Worship: Prayer 1

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe 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.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

THE SANCTUS

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.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St. John and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION (from the Iona Community)

The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a while, you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The Episcopal Church invites all who seek God to our Lord's table. Hold out your hands to receive the bread. The wine is administered in two chalices: the common cup for drinking and the intinction cup for dipping your wafer into the wine. If you do not wish to receive the wine, cross your arms over your chest when the wine passes. If you desire a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are also available. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please let an usher know and we would be happy to bring communion to you!

COMMUNION HYMN

Lead me, guide me You are Mine WLP 756 David Haas

SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf of this parish, I send you forth bearing

these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the

communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING by Nathan Nettleton

Go out into the world, and labor to bring forth new life. Dream dreams, pursue visions and speak of God's goodness in the words of those who would hear.

And may the God who breathed life into creation be your delight. May Christ Jesus give hope to your dreaming, and may the Holy Spirit, your advocate and supporter, set your hearts ablaze with a passion for peace. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit WLP 751

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

St. John's Traveler Letter:

Did you know St. John's has a team of pilgrims who travel every week to the very places we pray for in the Anglican communion? Follow John as he shares a little bit about the church and the places he visits:

Dear Pastor Amanda.

Watcheya! Greetings in the name of our Lord on this Pentecost Sunday. I am enjoying a visit, although too short, with our neighbors to the north in Canada. The Book of Acts records that the Apostles and many others gathered on this day and began to communicate in many different languages. It's an interesting move of the Spirit that I've been brought here on this occasion. Canada is well known as being welcoming to people of all cultures, backgrounds, and languages. They say there are more than 160 languages spoken in Toronto! While many people know that French is often spoken in the eastern provinces and English is predominant in the western provinces, both of these and all others are in addition to the indigenous languages spoken here since this land grew out of the seas on the back of Turtle Island. I am currently visiting with newly made friends in the Diocese of the Indigenous Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh, and "Watcheya" translates in English to Greetings in the name of our Lord.

As Canada and America are connected as neighbors, there are similarities in the establishment and growth of the Anglican and Episcopal churches. The first "Canadian Anglican Eucharist" was held in the late 1500's by a British arctic expeditionary troop, but the church as a church took hold in the 1700's. Today there are 30 different dioceses, speaking at least several different languages. I am in north eastern Manitoba, only starting to learn some of the language, but knowing that I am welcomed by the same holy Spirit that welcomes me the whole world over.

Canada is a wonderful place to be anytime, but especially on Pentecost with its flame red maple leaf, multicultural heritage and traditions, and all these languages, all gathering together as one people. Come visit sometime.

Blessings always, John Traveler

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOHN'S:

TODAY

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 10:15AM Parish Breakfast 11:30 AM Vestry Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 20

Clergy Conference

11:30 AM Altar Guild Luncheon 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY, MAY 21

Clergy Conference

1:30 PM Martha's Ministry

2:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

Clergy Conference

12:00 PM Healing Service

7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, May 23

9:00 AM Ministers' Meeting

2:30 PM Food Pantry

FRIDAY, May 24

Rector's Day Off

SUNDAY, MAY 26

Graduation Sunday

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 10:15 AM Fellowship Hour

SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE

Beginning today, we will gather on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM for joint worship. Throughout the summer, we will be using Enriching our Worship for our celebration. This is a great way to get to know one another and share in the life and ministry of St. John's as one community! In the coming weeks, we will also be moving out of the sanctuary as HVAC work begins in the church. Worship will take place in the parish hall during that time! We will be sure to let you know when the transition happens.

NURSERY ATTENDANT

Making sure our youngest members have a safe space to play and learn is a priority of ours at St. John's. Our nursery is currently in need of a new Nursery Attendant. If you know someone who loves working with children and would like to be considered for the position, please let Amanda+ know! In addition, we are looking for volunteers to staff the nursery, if you would like to help, please see Karen DiPace!

WELCOME

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church! We are glad you are here. Please tell us a little bit about yourself by filling out a pew card and placing it in the offertory plate.

OUR MINISTERS

All Baptized Members

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