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Pentecost (Detail), Jean II Restout, 1732

## The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

*23 May 2021*

*11 a.m. Choral Eucharist*



# The Holy Eucharist

THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY • 23 MAY 2021 • 11 AM

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Today's service will be live-streamed for our online congregation. Cameras focus primarily on vested ministers, and other people in the cathedral may also be visible in live or archived video.

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and exploring the expanded role of technology in worship.

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When the day of Pentecost had come, the Apostles were all huddled together in one place. They had barely replaced Judas, who had betrayed Jesus, and Jesus, for his part, had given the apostles firm orders to stay in the city until they were empowered to do otherwise. The apostles didn't prepare for these extraordinary events with an underground bunker and three years' provisions. They just waited and prayed. Until the empowerment came in dizzying form, like the sound of a violent wind, all in a scene that was mistaken for day drinking. Thus begins the formal mission of the church to the world.

We begin the process of regathering, of renewing our formal mission, infinitely better equipped than our forebears, and no less dizzy. As we enter into today's liturgy, it may at once speak to the heart, and be expressed in foreign motifs. Breathe deeply and feel the Spirit's fire rekindled in this cathedral space. And then consider with me: constraints are the conditions of our creativity together.

Today's liturgy integrates our tradition, on the one hand, with the constraints of public health and best practice on the other. Those constraints include being prepared to contact trace, minimizing the objects we touch together, ensuring ventilation, choral-only singing, wearing masks, social distancing and limiting time indoors together. The tradition includes the Spirit who gathers, the Word proclaimed and responded to, the Water that renews, and the Bread that nourishes. It includes the offering of our lives and labors. And it may take a few moments before our masked gaze assures us that the Lord's great and glorious day has actually come.

By way of orientation: our attention is gathered first around the font, where we renew our unity in Baptism, and reaffirm the faith and promises we share. A song of praise, *Gloria in excelsis*, moves us to the altar and proclamation of the Word, from the Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel, and the homily is preached in response. We move directly into the Peace, where a gentle bow replaces hugs and handshakes. At the offertory, we'll note that the table is prepared and, rather than pass an offertory basket, we might take out a phone (if you're not already using it to read right now) and send a text message to make a gift.

The Great Thanksgiving may feel quite familiar until the fraction, or breaking of the bread. The choir sings the *Agnus Dei* or Lamb of God. The prayer that follows responds to new circumstances: a hybrid congregation, part in-person, part online. Weaving themes of thanksgiving, spiritual communion, and dismissal, the prayer anticipates sharing and sending God's gifts — both the Body received and the Body we have become together. The retiring procession moves through the Ghiberti doors, with communion ministers bearing Bread; and the in-person congregation follows, moving outdoors to receive Communion on the Plaza (accessible and Gluten free), or on the lower landing of the stairs. After everyone has received, the Bishop pronounces God's blessing.

The first Christians didn't endure this pandemic, but they became the church in persecutions. And despite — or even because of — these hardships, the faithful persisted. God persisted. And with God's help, so have we. We'll have a lot to learn together, and today is only a beginning. Welcome to church.

- The Rev. Anna E. Rossi

## The Gathering

The people stand as altar party enters through the Ghiberti Doors and processes to the Font.

### INTROIT

(Psalm 104:26-37. See BCP p. 735 for text)

Sung by the choir.

John Renke

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Bishop Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

There is one Body and one Spirit;  
**There is one hope in God's call to us;**

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
**One God and Father of all.**

### THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Bishop May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

The Bishop prays over the water, and invites the congregation to renew the solemn promises of Baptism.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and,  
whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

**Bishop** Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

**People** **I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,  
and respect the dignity of the earth and every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, and called us to ministry in Jesus Christ, keep us in eternal life by his grace; through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

(See BCP p. 356 for text)

The altar party processes to the High Altar.

Benjamin Bachmann

Mass for three voices

**Choir** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Presider** May God be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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.**

# The Word of God

THE FIRST READING

The people sit.

Acts 2:1-21

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they 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.'"

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The people stand.

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

Choir Alleluia! Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are created: and Thou renewest the face of the earth. Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful: and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. Alleluia!

- Healey Willan

Before the Gospel The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

All **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.”

After the Gospel The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

#### THE SERMON

A period of silence may follow.

The people sit.

The Rt. Rev. Marc Handley Andrus  
Bishop of California

#### THE PEACE

The people stand.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements about your cathedral home, and ways  
you can be a part of this vibrant community

## The Holy Communion

#### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Maurice Duruflé

Choir Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire. Thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost thy sev'nfold gifts impart. Thy blessed unction from above is comfort, life, and fire of love. Enable with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight. Anoint and cheer our soiled face with the abundance of thy grace. Keep far our foes, give peace at home: where thou art guide, no ill can come.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people stand.

BCP Prayer D, rev. 2018 (adapt.)

Bishop The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Bishop ... giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

## SANCTUS

Bachmann

Choir 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.

Bishop, continuing ... we praise you and we bless you.

All **We praise you, we bless you  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Bishop, concluding ... Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bishop Let us pray together, each in the language of our heart, as our Savior Christ has taught us:

All **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 Bread is broken. Silence follows.

## AGNUS DEI

Bachmann

Choir Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

# The Sending and Sharing of God's Gifts

## THANKSGIVING FOR COMMUNION

Bishop Seek and love God, all you saints.

All **Those who seek God lack no good thing.**

**Holy and everliving God, we give you thanks for the promise of your presence and our spiritual nourishment in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Deacon Give us this food always, and send us into the world in the power of your Holy Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

The people remain standing until the choir retires, and then the congregation moves via the side aisles and out the Ghiberti doors and down the stairs to receive Communion.

Gluten free wafers are available on the plaza. Those with accessibility needs may exit using the AIDS Chapel doors, and receive Communion on the plaza.

## PROCESSION TO COMMUNION

Maurice Duruflé

Choir Teach us to know the Father, Son, and thee, of both, to be but One, that through the ages all along, this may be our endless song: Praise to thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

Bishop Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People **The maker of heaven and earth.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord;

**From this time forth for evermore.**

The Bishop pronounces God's blessing.

All **Amen.**



### SERVING THE ASSEMBLY

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## THIS WEEK AT GRACE



### **PROJECTING GRACE: CELEBRATING AAPI HERITAGE MONTH SUNDAY, MAY 23 AT 8:45 P.M.**

Stop by between 8:45 and 9:45 p.m. while master projectionist, A.E. Marling, projects art on the cathedral's façade in honor of Pentecost and Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month.



### **SENIOR COMMUNITY DAY ON ZOOM: ONLINE TUESDAY, MAY 25 AT 11 A.M.**

Enjoy each other's company online, see familiar faces and welcome newcomers to Seniors with Grace! Senior Tuesday Zoom is hosted by the Rev. Mary Carter Greene, Minister for Congregational Life, the Rev. Margaret Deeths, Deacon, and Tracee Zyla, Program Coordinator.



### **GRACE CATHEDRAL FAMILY REUNION STARTING JUNE 6- SUNDAYS AT 11 A.M.**

A joyful summer program of worship and activities for families with children. The program will deliver something new every Sunday, including in-person outdoor services.



### **EVENSONG AND CHORISTER RECOGNITION THURSDAY, JUNE 3 AT 5:30 P.M.**

Join the livestream for this festal Evensong with Bishop Marc Andrus in celebration of the choir and community. In a year without in-person singing, this farewell is also the first service where graduating eighth graders will sing together.

## SPRING FORUM ONLINE

Connect with Grace Cathedral at *The Forum*, a series of stimulating conversations about faith and ethics in relation to the issues of our day. We invite inspiring and illustrious people to sit down for a real conversation with *The Forum's* host, Malcolm Clemens Young, dean of Grace Cathedral — and with you. For more information on the complete spring series, visit [gracecathedral.org/forum](http://gracecathedral.org/forum).



**LENNY DUNCAN**  
**UNITED STATES OF GRACE:  
CELEBRATE PRIDE**  
MONDAY JUNE 7, 6 P.M.



**KIM JACKSON**  
**GETTING THINGS DONE:  
CELEBRATE PRIDE**  
MONDAY JUNE 14, 6 P.M.

## 2021 STEWARDSHIP

With grateful thanks to 476 generous families in our congregation, we announce that we have raised \$1,115,000. Stewardship pledges provide vital revenue that funds our regathering efforts, our worship and our activism.

We are near our goal of \$1,150,000 from 500 families. "It doesn't take a lot, but it does take everybody." Can we count on you to be one of the 24 families needed to reach our goal? Your pledge lifts us up and keeps Grace strong. If you haven't already, please become a pledging member today at [gracecathedral.org/pledge](https://gracecathedral.org/pledge).

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**MORNING PRAYER: ONLINE**  
WEEKDAYS AT 9 A.M.

**THE VINE: ONLINE**  
WEDNESDAYS AT 5 P.M.

**CHORAL EVENSONG:  
ONLINE**  
THURSDAYS AT 5:15 P.M.

**SERVICE OF THE WORD:  
ONLINE**  
SUNDAYS AT 8:30 A.M.

**CHORAL EUCHARIST**  
SUNDAYS AT 11 A.M.

**VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR**  
SUNDAYS AT 12:15 P.M.

**VESPER LIGHT: ONLINE**  
SUNDAYS AT 6 P.M.

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