

The Day of Pentecost

Whitsunday

Festival Mass of the Holy Spirit

June 8, 2025



Opening Hymn

No. 225

*Hail thee, festival day! blest day that art hallowed forever,
day when the Holy Ghost shone in the world with God's grace.*

Lo, in the likeness of fire, on those who await his appearing,
he whom the Lord foretold suddenly, swiftly descends: *(Refrain)*

Forth from the Father he comes with sevenfold mystical offering,
pouring on all human souls infinite riches of God: *(Refrain)*

Hark! for in myriad tongues Christ's own, his chosen apostles,
preach to the ends of the earth Christ and his wonderful works: *(Refrain)*

Praise to the Spirit of Life, all praise to the fount of our being,
light that dost lighten all, life that in all dost abide: *(Refrain)*

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The Word of God

All standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

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 in Excelsis

The following is said, all standing

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	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 Reading

Acts 2:1-21

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."

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	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

Romans 8:14-17

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Hymnal 503

Cantor: Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
People: and lighten with celestial fire.

Cantor: Thou the anointing Spirit art,
People: who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Cantor: Thy blessed unction from above
People: is comfort, life, and fire of love.

Cantor: Enable with perpetual light
People: the dullness of our blinded sight.

Cantor: Anoint and cheer our soiled face
People: with the abundance of thy grace.

Cantor: Keep far from foes, give peace at home:
People: where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Cantor: Teach us to know the Father, Son,
People: and thee, of both, to be but One,

Cantor: that through the ages all along,
People: this may be our endless song:

Cantor: praise to thy eternal merit,
People: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Holy Gospel

John 14:8-17, 25-27

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you." I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

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

People I do.

Officiant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

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

People 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.

Officiant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

The Officiant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows

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

The Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

Peace be with you, brothers and sisters. In wonder and gratitude, let us pray, saying, "You send forth your Spirit: Come, Holy Spirit."

Holy God, by your Spirit you gave birth to your Church: may our many members be the one Body of Christ in this world. Give to each member of your Church the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

You send forth your Spirit:

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, you gave your disciples the ability to speak in the languages of the people: may we also speak about your deeds of power throughout the world, that all may know of your salvation.

You send forth your Spirit:

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, the earth is full of your creatures: may all who look to you be given food in due season. Open your hand in desolate places and fill the hungry with good things.

You send forth your Spirit:

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, you poured out your Holy Spirit in your Holy City Jerusalem: pour out your Spirit in our own city. Raise up prophets and dreamers; give us vision.

You send forth your Spirit:

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, you give the gift of healing by your Spirit: bring healing and wholeness to all those on our hearts and minds this day. You renew the face of the earth; bring renewal to those in need.

You send forth your Spirit:

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, we pray for our sisters and brothers who were baptized into the one body, who were made to drink of the one Spirit, and who now have died in Christ. May those who have called upon your name, O Lord, be saved forever.

You send forth your Spirit:

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is observed.

Celebrant and People together say

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

All stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal 509

Spirit divine, attend our prayers, and make this house thy home;
descend with all thy gracious powers, O come, great Spirit, come!

Come as the light; to us reveal our emptiness and woe,
and lead us in those paths of life whereon the righteous go.

Come as the fire, and purge our hearts like sacrificial flame;
let our whole soul an offering be to our Redeemer's Name.

Come as the dove, and spread thy wings, the wings of peaceful love;
and let thy Church on earth become blest as the Church above.

Spirit divine, attend our prayers; make a lost world thy home;
descend with all thy gracious powers; O come, great Spirit, come!

Words: Andrew Reed

Music: *Nun Danket All Und*, Johann Cruger

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, 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 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:

Celebrant and People

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.

The people kneel.

The Celebrant continues

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, O Father,

Celebrant and People together say

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;
The Celebrant continues

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 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 Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Celebrant then continues

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

Celebrant and People

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

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and rose for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 332

O God, unseen yet ever near, thy presence may we feel;
and thus inspired with holy fear, before thine altar kneel.

Here may thy faithful people know the blessings of thy love,
the streams that through the desert flow, the manna from above.

We come, obedient to thy word, to feast on heavenly food;
our meat the Body of the Lord, our drink his precious Blood.

Thus may we all thy word obey, for we, O God, are thine;
and go rejoicing on our way, renewed with strength divine.

Words: Edward Osler Music: St. Flavian

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People together say

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Festal Benediction for Pentecost

May almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in the Spirit for ever. Amen

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. Amen.

May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. Amen.

And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Hymnal 505

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God, in every need thou bringest aid;
Thou comest forth from God's great throne, from God the Father and the Son,
O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God.

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God, increase our faith in our dear Lord;
Unless thy grace the power shall give, none can believe in Christ and live;
O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God, make us to love thy sacred word;
The holy flame of love impart, that charity might warm each heart;
O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God, enlighten us by that same word;
Teach us to know the Father's love, and his dear Son, who reigns above;
O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God

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The Dismissal

<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit! Alleluia, alleluia.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Notes and Announcements

June 8, 2025

PRAYER LIST

Anglican Cycle of Prayer for the Anglican Church of Melanesia...

Diocesan Calendar of Prayer for the Church of the Holy Spirit in Bellmawr, Lebanon, and Tuckerton;

The Revs: Dr. Patrick R. Close, Terrence O'Connor

Parish Calendar of Prayer for our parish gardeners...

For those Celebrating Birthdays this week Lois Harwood 6/10...

For Our sons and daughters in the military for Nathan, Kenny, Zach, Jack, Garrett, Willie, Charley...

For the Sick, Suffering & Infirm Denise, Dan Sr., Stephen, Matt, Mark, Tanya, Joseph, Julia, Olivia, Lisa, Amanda, John, Sue, Bob, Dennis, Alex, Lisa, Ben, Margie, David R., Bill, Virginia, Brigid, Sharon C., Kate, Megan, Lisa & Frank, Mindy, Carol, Michael, Douglas, Lois M., Christine, Al, Barbara, Maureen, Drew, Alec, Greg, Tina, Mark L., Michael, Patty, Marissa, Judy, Laura, Audrey, John.

Upcoming Events

- Sunday, June 8 – Knitting and Crocheting at/after Coffee Hour
- Sunday, June 15 – Trinity Sunday
- Saturday, June 28 – Collingswood Home & Garden Tour

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH FELLOWSHIP – usually meets the first and third Sundays of each month from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for a children's chapel service, followed by snacks and age-appropriate activities for children and youth from pre-K through middle school. In June we'll meet on Sunday 6/1 and a later date TBD.

ALL YARN LOVERS - KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS will now be meeting on the 2nd Sunday of each month during or after coffee hour in the Parish Hall. If you are a novice or never tried using knitting needles or a crochet hook, we have quite a few people in our group who would help you get started on your first project. Any questions? Call Sharon Wolfgang at 856-854-2643 or leave a message at the Church 856-858-0491.

UPCYCLING GREETING CARD PROGRAM – Please bring in no longer wanted greeting cards. They will be given to St. John of God Community Services in Westville. The Vocational Rehabilitation and Adult Services group will remove the front of each card to create a new greeting. You may leave your cards in the box at the back of the Church. For further information contact Craig Burgess at 856-667-2003.

ONLINE GIVING – To make it easier for folks to make their weekly offering, just follow the link on the [Holy Trinity website](#) to send your contribution electronically through Vanco. (You are still welcome to mail your weekly offering if it is easier for you.) Thank you for your continued financial support of the mission.



2025 ALTAR FLOWER CHART – is hanging at the back of the Church. If you'd like to sponsor flowers for the Altar on any Sunday, please sign next to the desired date, if available. **THERE ARE LOTS OF AVAILABLE DATES.** Flowers are \$45.00.