



# St. Martin's Anglican Church

May 23, 2021

## The Day of Pentecost

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Prelude    *Prelude on "Veni Creator Spiritus"*, Gerald Near (b. 1942)

**Sentence:** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in us the fire of your love.

**Opening Hymn (organ)**    Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost, vs. 1 & 6

Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost,  
taught by thee, we covet most  
of thy gifts at Pentecost,  
holy, heavenly love.

From the overshadowing  
of thy gold and silver wing  
shed on us, who to thee sing,  
holy, heavenly love.

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*Celebrant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

*People*    **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God,

*People* to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Glory to God**

*Celebrant* Glory to God in the highest,

*All* 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.

### **Kyrie Eleison**

Lord have mercy.  
Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

### **The Collect**

*Celebrant* Almighty and everliving God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal,  
keep us in the unity of your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**First Reading** Acts 2.1-21

A reading from the Book of Acts:

When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles 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.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 104.25-35, 37b**

O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to

number, creatures both small and great.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works. He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord.

Hallelujah!

## **Second Reading** Romans 8.22-27

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans:

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel.*

**Gospel Reading** John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

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

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said to the 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 judgement: 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 judgement, 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 Christ.

*People*      **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Reflection**      Rev. Shelly

**Moment of Silent Reflection**

### **The Apostles' Creed**

*Celebrant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All**            **I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,**

creator of heaven and earth.  
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.  
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. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

### Confession & Absolution

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
he welcomes sinners  
and invites them to his table.  
Let us confess our sins,  
confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,

*All*           **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 neighbours 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.

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

**Offertory Hymn (organ)** Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire, vs. 1 & 4

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
and lighten with celestial fire;  
thou the anointing Spirit art,  
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

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 thine eternal merit,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.' Amen.

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* Giver of life,  
receive all we offer you this day.  
Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church  
continue to work in the world  
through the hearts of all who believe.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Celebrant* Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

***We praise you, O God.***

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

***We bless you, O God.***

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

***We thank you, O God.***

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. ***Amen.***

Source: "Prayers for Worship", *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress Publishers, 2006), p. 67-68.

*Celebrant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

*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,**  
**the power, and the glory,**  
**for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Silence*

### **Breaking of Bread 8**

*Celebrant* Lord, we died with you on the cross.

*All*           **Now we are raised to new life.**

*Celebrant* We were buried in your tomb.

*All*           **Now we share in your resurrection.**

*Celebrant* Live in us, that we may live in you.

## The Communion

### Agnus Dei

**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:  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us peace.**

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*Celebrant* Those wishing to do so may make their spiritual communion by joining in this prayer with me now:

*People* **I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Holy Sacrament and in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community. May you, enthroned on the altar, be now enthroned in my heart; may you, present in bread and wine, feed and renew my soul; may you, who give yourself to us again, fill us with grace, and heavenly blessing. Even as I am fed, may my hunger for you and for your reign of justice and peace increase, that I may, with your Spirit, work for that day when your reign shall come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

### Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant* Father,  
may we who have received this eucharist

live in the unity of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may show forth his gifts to all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Doxology & Blessing**

*Celebrant* Glory to God,  
*All* **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.**

*Celebrant* The peace of God which passes all understanding  
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge  
and love of God and of his Son,  
Jesus Christ the Lord.  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
remain with you and the ones you love  
now and forevermore. **Amen.**

## **Announcements**

**Closing Hymn (organ)** Lord, We Hear Your Word, vs. 1 & 3

Lord, we hear your word with gladness:  
you have spoken — we rejoice:  
words of love and life and freedom —  
help us make their truth our choice!  
Now in holy celebration

for your Word we worship you;  
spoken, written, known in Jesus,  
ours today to prove anew.

You have spoken; yours the fullness,  
ours the wealth of this your Word:  
debtors, then as living letters  
we must make your gospel heard!  
By your Spirit's power transform us;  
shed your saving light abroad  
till our lives by love in action  
show our world the truth of God!

*Rev. Shelly* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

*People*      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude    *Fantasia sur « Veni, Creator »*, Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

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## *Announcements*

**Refugee Sunday** - Bishop Andrew has designated Trinity Sunday, May 30, 2021, as Refugee Sunday in our Diocese. As it is also the first Sunday after Pentecost, that time when the early Church first awakened to its calling to be a place of welcome for all nations, we can be reminded of how our welcome transforms the world. We will observe Refugee Sunday with readings and prayers for the day.

### **Join Our A/V Ministry Team!**

During the church closure, the A/V group has been working to refine the processes involved with the Audio/Visual aspects of our worship services. These will continue to be used after we re-open the church building. This will ensure that those who may not feel comfortable returning to in-person right away will continue to have access to our worship services. Furthermore, those who will be back in church will be able to read the words of the service without books or bulletins. (Prayer books and hymnals will still be available at the church.)

There are two aspects to this: **Recording and Projecting**. We are seeking people to be part of one or both teams. No experience is necessary, as training will be provided for each team.

The **Recording Team** is responsible for recording/editing/uploading the Sunday worship services to our YouTube channel. Those who are interested in working on the Recording Team should contact Mark Lynn at markalynn@hotmail.com or call 647-338-2353.

The **Projecting Team** is charged with entering the words of the service into the projection computer and projecting those words onto the screens at the front of the church. If being part of the Projecting Team is something that interests you, please contact Peter Davidson at peter.davidson@bell.net or call 905-831-1368.

**Virtual Coffee Hour on Zoom** – Our Virtual Coffee Hour is back at 12:30 PM on Zoom! Link to participate: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86160988368>, or you may call **647-374-4685** or **647-558-0588** if you wish to participate by phone.

Meeting ID: 861 6098 8368

**Wednesday Service on Zoom** – Our midweek service will take place on Zoom on Wednesday at 10:15 AM. The Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82287913027>, or you may call **647-374-4685** or **647-558-0588** if you wish to participate by phone.  
Meeting ID: 822 8791 3027

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