8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP June 8, 2025 DAY OF PENTECOST

PRELUDE: "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord" - D. Johnson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

During the Confession you may either stand or kneel as you are able.

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen
- P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

GATHERING HYMN: "O Holy Spirit, Root of Life"



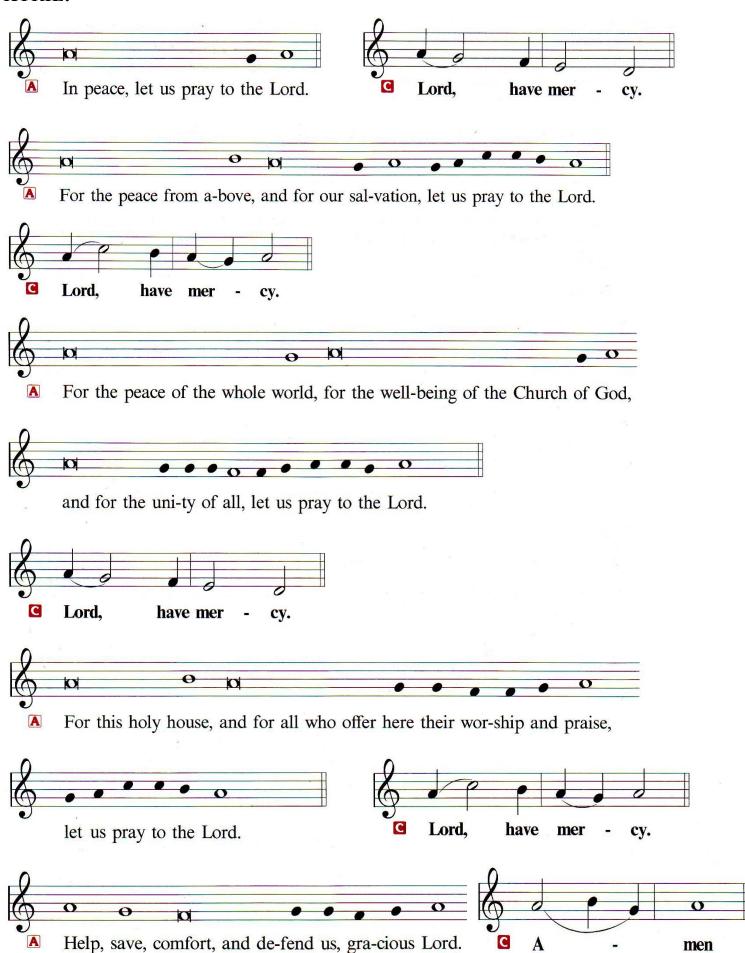
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APOSTOLIC GREETING:

- P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C. And also with you.

KYRIE:



HYMN OF PRAISE:



PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P. The Lord be with you.
- C. And also with you.
- P. Let us pray.

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

READINGS FOR TODAY

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

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PSALM 104:24-34, 35b Spoken responsively, the Lector speaks the verses in regular print and congregation speaks the verses in **bold** print.

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 31 May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.
- ³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.
- 35b Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

Please stand as you are able.



GOSPEL: The Holy Gospel according to St. John 14:8-17 [25-27]

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After the reading the minister says: "The Gospel of the Lord"



Please be seated

SERMON: "The Spirit Who Comes Alongside"

Pastor Amy Bartleson Balcam



HYMN OF THE DAY: "Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove"



Text: Simon Browne, 1680-1732, alt.

Music: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS, German folk tune, 15th cent.

APOSTLES' CREED:

C: 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 into hell.

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 INTERCESSION:

A. God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

SHARING OF THE PEACE:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the PEACE of the Lord with one another.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "O Breath of Life" - arr. Alan Bullard

O Breath of life, come sweeping through us, revive you church with life and pow'r;

O Breath of life, come, cleanse, renew us, and fit your church to meet this hour.

O Word of God, come bend us, break us, till humbly we confess or need;

Then in your tenderness remake us, revive, restore; for this we plead.

O Bread of love, come breathe within us, renewing thought and will and heart;

Come, love of Christ, afresh to win us, revive you church in ev'ry part,

Revive your church, in ev'ry part!



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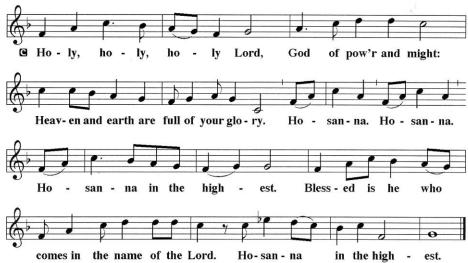


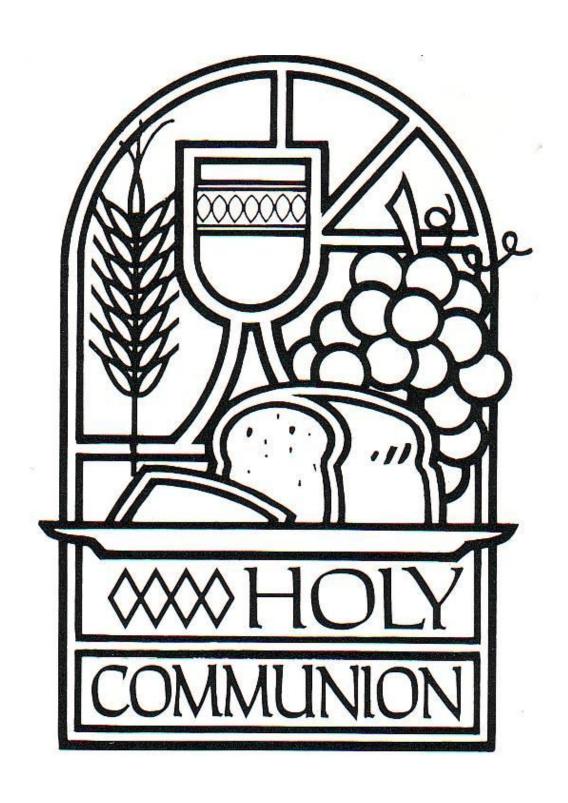
OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- A. Merciful Father,
- C. we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





EUCHARISTIC PRAYER:

C. Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

P. Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

Sit

HOLY COMMUNION:

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.

AGNUS DEI:



Please stand as you are able

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

P. Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift – in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION:

- P. The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.
- C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind"



DISMISSAL:

- A. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE: "Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove" – J. S. Bach

Today's altar flowers are offered to the glory of God!