

## EASY PRINT – The Day of Pentecost – May 28, 2023

### Lighting of the Paschal Candle

*Church School*

*Each week, the children begin their Godly Play lesson,  
with the lighting of a candle and these words.  
At the end of the service the children will put out the Paschal candle  
with more words about The Light.*

There was once someone who said such wonderful things, and who did such amazing things, people started to follow him. One day, these people just had to ask: “Who are you?” And he said “I am the Light...”

*Please rise in body or spirit*

Processional Hymn: #645 – “COME DOWN, O LOVE DIVINE”

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;  
true lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace, till they become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

### ✠ Blessing of the Layreaders Robes

#### Commissioning of the Layreaders

*Patty Bartlett, Thelma Carter, Edith Davis, Alice Dods, Eleanor Hunter -Ty*

## ✠The Gathering of the Community

Priest: Come, Holy Spirit!

People: **Kindle our hearts with the fire of new life.**

Priest: Come! Renew your people.

People: **Fill your church with the living breath of God.**

Priest: Almighty God,

All: **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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### The Gloria: #366 – “GLORY IN THE HIGHEST GLORY”

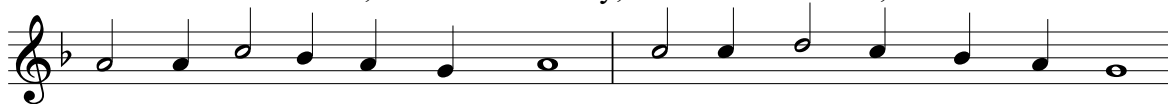
*All sing*



1. Glo-ry, in the high - est glo - ry, peace to all, in all their days.  
2. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re-deem-er, Lamb of God, for sin-ners given,



Wor-ship, thanks, and praise un-ceas-ing to the Source of all we raise:  
Word e - ter - nal, born of Ma-ry, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:



reign-ing in the sap-phire height, hid-den from our mor - tal sight,  
ho - ly one, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,



now re-ceive our a-dor-a-tion, as we make our sup-pli-ca-tion.  
with the Spir - it there u-nit-ed, and the God-head high ex-alt - ed.

## The Collect of the Day

*Please kneel or be seated*

Priest: Almighty and ever-living 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.

All: **Amen.**

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

*Please be seated*

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."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Acts 2.1-21

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*

**Psalm # 104.25-35,37**

*Please remain seated*

*The Cantor sings the refrain, all repeat.*



Send forth your Spi - rit, O God, and re - new the face of the earth.

Cantor: 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.  
*Refrain*

Cantor: 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. *Refrain*

Cantor: 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. *Refrain*

Cantor: 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. *Refrain*

Cantor: 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. Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!. *Refrain*

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians *Please be seated*

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

1 Corinthians

12.3b -13

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*

*Please rise in body or spirit & sing*

Sequence Hymn: #649– “BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD”

*The first two verses will sung before the Gospel.*

Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart is pure,  
until my will is one with thine to do and to endure.

*The last two verses will be sung; after the Gospel.*

The Gospel

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

John 7.37-39

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

*The last two verses will be sung; after the Gospel.*

Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am wholly thine,  
until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God: so shall I never die,  
but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

## **Sermon**

*Please be seated*

## **Anthem - "SPIRIT OF GOD"**

*SUNG BY CHOIR LEADS*

Text: Michael Forster/Music: Charles Gounod /Arr. Colin Hand

*Spirit of God, O set us free; let no dark fears our souls confine.  
Lead us by new, uncharted ways; unfold the Mystery divine.  
We long to see, to touch, to know, and fear the risk that faith demands;  
O help us tread the desert road that leads us to the promised land.*

*Spirit of God, the breath of life, give strength to hearts and limbs that tire;  
Lead us through mysteries untold, make truth and freedom our desire.  
You call us on to life and hope from all that would our souls enslave;  
O may our faithless hearts not choose the spurious safety of the grave.*

*Spirit of God, come like a fire to lift our spirits in the night;  
Burn in the coldness of our hearts, and lead us on toward the light.  
And when, with memories distant view, we long for some enchanted past,  
then give us grace to follow him who is the only first and last.*

## The Nicene Creed

*Please rise in body or spirit*

Priest: Let us confess our faith as we say,

All: **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. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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

*Please kneel or be seated*

*The Leader offers prayers for the church, the world, the sick and the suffering, and those who have died.*

Child: God says: I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

All: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

Child: Jesus says: I will ask the Father and he will give you another Helper to be with you forever.

All: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

Child: Come Holy Spirit, gentle as a dove, burning as fire, powerful as the wind.

All: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

Child: We ask the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts, so we can follow Jesus.  
All: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

Child: We ask the Holy Spirit to fill our church, so we can help others meet Jesus.  
All: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

Child: We ask the Holy Spirit to work through us, to bring help to all who are sick or in need.  
All: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

Child: We ask the Holy Spirit to welcome into heaven those who have died and comfort those who miss them.  
All: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

## **Confession and Absolution**

*Please kneel or be seated*

Priest: 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.

Priest: 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.**

Priest: 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

*Please rise in body or spirit*

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

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: #646 – “SPIRIT DIVINE, ATTEND OUR PRAYERS”

*All sing*

Spirit divine, attend our prayers, and make our hearts your home;  
descend with all your gracious powers: O come, great Spirit, come!

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

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

Come as the wind, with rushing sound and pentecostal grace,  
that all of woman born may see the glory of your face.

## Offertory Sentence

*All sing*



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise



him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

## ✠ The Celebration of the Eucharist

*The children and youth join Fr. Daniel again at the altar for the Great Thanksgiving.*

Priest: Jesus came to show us how we can love you, Father, by loving one another. He came to take away sin, which separates us from God and each other. He promised to send the Holy Spirit, to give us light and show us the way to be your children.

*(Children will light altar candles)*

Priest: The night before he died, Jesus showed us how much you love us. When he was at supper with his friends, he took bread and gave you thanks and praise. Then he broke the bread and he shared it with his friends saying: Take this, all of you, and eat it; this is my body given for you. Do this to remember me.

*(A child will raise the ciborium with the bread)*

Priest: When supper was ended, Jesus took the cup that was filled with wine. He thanked you, gave it to his friends, and said: Drink from this, all of you, this is the cup of my blood, shed for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this to remember me.

*(A child will raise the chalice with the wine)*

Priest: And so, we share this bread and wine, to remember who Jesus is, to remember that we are his friends and to remember that he asked his friends to love one another.

Priest: And now, let everyone sing the prayer Jesus taught his disciples: a prayer we sing every Sunday together:

As our Saviour taught us let us pray...

## The Lord's Prayer

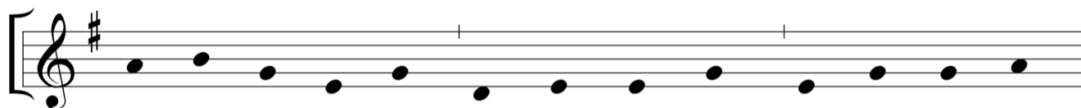
*All sing unaccompanied*

*Presider:*

*People:*



As our Sav-iour taught us let us pray. Our Fath - er in hea-ven,



hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come, your will be done,



on earth as in hea-ven, Give us to - day our dai - ly bread,



For-give us our sins, as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of trial. And de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king-dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

*Music:* M. Robinson  
Theodore Presser Co.

Priest: We break this bread,

All: **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Priest: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

All: **If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Agnus Dei

*All sing*



Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world, have mer-cy, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.

## The Communion

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.  
You may stand or kneel at the Altar rail as you prefer.  
Indicate to the priest if you would like to have him instinct the wafer for you*

Communion Hymn: AAH #596 – “COME AND GO WITH ME”

*All sing*

Come and go with me to my Father’s house, To my Father’s house, to my Father’s house.  
Come and go with me to my Father’s house, There is joy, joy, joy!

Peace and love abide in my Father’s house, In my Father’s house, in my Father’s house,  
Peace and love abide in my Father’s house; There is joy, joy, joy!

Peace and happiness in my Father’s house, In my Father’s house, in my Father’s house,  
Peace and happiness in my Father’s house; There is joy, joy, joy!

No more dying there, in my Father’s house, In my Father’s house, in my Father’s house,  
No more dying there, in my Father’s house, There is joy, joy, joy!

Sweet communion up there, in my Father’s house, In my Father’s house, in my Father’s house,  
Sweet communion up there, in my Father’s house; There is joy, joy, joy!

Communion Hymn: #70 – “JESUS, THE JOY OF LOVING HEARTS”

*All sing*

Jesus, the joy of loving hearts, true source of life, our lives sustain;  
from the best bliss that earth imparts, we turn unfilled to you again.

Your truth unchanged has ever stood; you rescue those who on you call:  
to those yet seeking, you are good; to those who find you, all in all.

We taste of you, the living bread, and long to feast upon you still.  
We drink from you, the fountain-head; our thirsty souls from you we fill.

Our restless spirits long for you, however may our lot be cast,  
glad when your gracious smile we view, blessed when our faith can hold you fast.

Jesus, forever with us stay: make all our moments calm and bright;  
chase the dark night of sin away; spread through the world your holy light.

## Prayer after Communion

Priest: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, so that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: 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.**

## The Blessing & Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #253 – “O GLORIOUS DAY”

O glorious day when God's love overflowed and all its beauty on the earth bestowed;  
the Spirit gave all creatures life and health and on them breathed the life of God's own self.  
In all creation, in each tiny flower, in every life we see God's living power.

Most wonderful of all that holy dawn in which the Saviour of the world was born!  
The Spirit rested on a Hebrew maid and God in human form came to our aid.  
Then, Holy Spirit, your great love excelled when we our God in flesh and blood beheld.

Christ rose from death, victorious over sin; the ascended Lord now reigns, the world to win;  
and on the church that it may witness give, God's love was poured, that through it all might live.  
On this fresh Pentecost, life-giving Lord, come, spread through us your saving love abroad.

## Dispersing the Light:

*The children will extinguish the Paschal candle,  
as Janice reads the words always used to put out the candle in Godly Play.*

Remember the person who did and said wonderful and amazing things? Remember how they said, "I am the Light?" This Light couldn't stay in just that time, in just that place, or with just those people, so the Light ... (candle extinguished) ... changed.

The Light changed - and God sent the Holy Spirit to be with us - so his light could be in all times, in all places, and with all people. Including today, here, with us.

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