

Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of
living water.

John 7:38b

Episcopal Church of the Epiphany
Day of Pentecost
Morning Prayer
May 31, 2020, 10:30 am

We worship today according to the appointed order for Morning Prayer, Rite Two, beginning on page 75
of the Book of Common Prayer and occasionally from *Enriching Our Worship*.
Congregational responses are in **boldface type**.

*We will observe silence together to prepare for worship, which begins with
the ringing of the bell. We leave our microphones and webcams on until
after the opening sentence.*

You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon
you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all
Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Lord, open our lips.
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*We now turn off our webcams and microphones until just before the
concluding sentence at the end of the service.*

Gloria Patri and Alleluia

Jubilate – Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
**serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.**

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
**he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

**Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the
earth: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

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.
**Bless the Lord, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!**

Gloria Patri

The Lessons

The First Lesson – Acts 2:1-21

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

Canticle 8 – The Song of Moses

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted;
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.
**The Lord is my strength and my refuge;
the Lord has become my Savior.**

This is my God and I will praise him,
the God of my people and I will exalt him.
**The Lord is a mighty warrior;
Yahweh is his Name.**

The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea;
the finest of those who bear armor have been
drowned in the Red Sea.

**The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them;
they sank into the depths like a stone.**

Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might;
your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.
Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods?

**who is like you, glorious in holiness,
awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?**

You stretched forth your right hand;
the earth swallowed them up.

**With your constant love you led the people you redeemed;
with your might you brought them in safety to
your holy dwelling.**

You will bring them in and plant them
on the mount of your possession,
**The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord,
the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.
The Lord shall reign
for ever and for ever.**

The Epistle Lesson – 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Canticle G – A Song of Ezekiel

I will take you from among all nations; *
and gather you from all lands to bring you home.
**I will sprinkle clean water upon you; *
and purify you from false gods and uncleanness.**

A new heart I will give you *
and a new spirit put within you.
**I will take the stone heart from your chest *
and give you a heart of flesh.**

I will help you walk in my laws *
and cherish my commandments and do them.
**You shall be my people, *
and I will be your God.**

The Gospel Lesson – John 7:37-39

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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn: *Spirit of the Living God*

**1. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me,
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**2. Spirit of the living God, come to us this day.
Spirit of the living God, teach us thy way.
Fill us, love us, bind us, keep us,
Spirit of the living God, fall on us today.**

The Apostles’ Creed

**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.**

The Prayers

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Suffrages

Show us your mercy, O Lord;
And grant us your salvation.
Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy.
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
For only in you can we live in safety.
Lord, keep this nation under your care;
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
Let your way be known upon earth;
Your saving health among all nations.
Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Create in us clean hearts, O God;
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day

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.**

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn: *Spirit Song*

Lyrics provided here for contemplation and meditation as Esther plays:

Oh, let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love; let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. Let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit, like a dove, will descend upon your life and make you whole. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

Intercessions and Thanksgiving

We pray for the souls of all those who have died from Covid-19, and all who have departed this life, including those we now name silently, aloud, or by chat.

Silence

In our parish we pray for those who are sick or recovering from illness, including **Micah Hart, Dennis Harper, Larry and Pat Sharpton, Troy Warlick, Dezel Oliver, Tom Haynie, Beth Hall, Maurice McCord, Sharon Browning, Julie Williams, Mike Dickey**, and the others we now name.

Silence

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for our Companion Diocese of the Virgin Islands and its bishop, Ambrose. For the Department of Camp McDowell; Parish and Diocesan Communications; Church of the Holy Spirit, Alabaster; and Holy Apostles, Hoover.

The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you - in holiness and righteousness all our days.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

We all now turn on our webcams and microphones for the concluding sentence and leave them on for the Joys and Concerns of the Congregation.

Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Serving at Epiphany this week:

Officiant: Amanda Borden

Lay Reader: Lee Borden

Voice of Congregation: Kathy Haynie

And next:

Officiant: Lavonne Hart

Lay Reader: Laura Williams

Voice of Congregation: Pam Van Etten