

Today's Services of Holy Communion

8:00 am Service

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Liturgical Assistant: Wendy Both

Deacon: The Rev. Rosemary Bishop

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Celebrant: The Rev. Carolyn Herold

Liturgical Assistant: Jeff Oneski

Deacon: The Rev. Julienne Hendrickson

The Leadership Team at St Peters

If you or someone you know is ill or in need of pastoral care,
please leave a message at the office or email one of our clergy.

Please feel free to direct any inquiries, questions or concerns to one of the wardens.

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The Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2015

10:00 am



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Today's Pentecost service brings to a close the Fifty Great Days of Easter. We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the first disciples following the resurrection and ascension of Jesus.

A Eucharistic Liturgy

Call to Silence

*As today's service begins, a gong will sound, calling us to stillness before God.
As its sounds fade away, we stand to sing our processional hymn.*

Hymn:

Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
Alleluia. Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Responsory

As we wait in silence, **fill us with your Spirit.**
As we listen to your word, **fill us with your Spirit.**
As we worship you in majesty, **fill us with your Spirit.**
As we long for your refreshing, **fill us with your Spirit.**
As we long for your renewing, **fill us with your Spirit.**
As we long for your equipping, **fill us with your Spirit.**
As we long for your empowering, **fill us with your Spirit.**

Silence is kept.

Pentecost Reading: Acts 2: 1-21

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."

Response: The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

Prayer for Personal Renewal

Oil is brought forward, the bearer saying,
Oil for the renewal of God's people.

Be with us, Spirit of God; **nothing can separate us from your love.**
Breathe on us, breath of God; **fill us with your saving power.**
Speak in us, wisdom of God; **bring strength, healing, and peace.**

Those who wish to receive this ministry of prayer may come forward.

Then the following is said

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Let us praise and bless God for ever.

The Gloria (Sung)

**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.**

Collect

**O God, you have assured the human family of eternal life through Jesus Christ our
 Saviour. Deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in him, who lives
 and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Children's Time

Activity packages are available for the children at the back of the Church.

The Ministry of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Romans (8:22-27)

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.**

Gradual Hymn: #**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (15:26-27, 16:4b-15)**

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

‘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. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. ‘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. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

The Questionnaire

The prayers ...

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Closing Responses (All)

The Peace

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Offertory Hymn:

Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. For us it becomes the bread of life. **Blessed be God forever.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. For us it becomes the cup of salvation. **Blessed be God forever.**

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Preface for Pentecost

Agnus Dei (Sung)

**Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us,
Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us,
Jesus redeemer of the world, give us your peace.**

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ we he gave for you and his blood which he shed for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Communion

All are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

If you desire personal prayer following communion, a prayer team is available in the Prayer Chapel. Prayer will also be available after the service.

Prayer

Glory to God, 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

The Dismissal of the Community

Blessing of Light

The ministers go to the Easter Candle.

Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.

With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.

Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.

Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word;

the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.

With the new wine of the Spirit they proclaim your reign of love.

Amid the birth pangs of the new creation the way of light is made known.

Source of freedom, giver of life, blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

Congregation candles are lit.

Commission

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us. As part of God's Church here in *Calgary*, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be *your guide*? **By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love? **We will.**

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?
We will.

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God?
We will.

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places? **We will.**

The Easter Candle is extinguished in silence.

Recessional Hymn:

I feel the winds of God today, today my sail I lift,
 Though heavy oft with drenching spray and torn with many a rift;
 If hope but light the water's crest, and Christ my bark will use,
 I'll seek the seas at his behest, and brave another cruise.

It is the wind of God that dries my vain regretful tears,
 Until with braver thoughts shall rise the purer, brighter years;
 If cast on shores of selfish ease or pleasure I should be,
 Lord, let me feel thy freshening breeze, and I'll put back to sea.
 If ever I forget thy love and how that love was shown,
 Lift high the blood-red flag above; it bears thy name alone.
 Great pilot of my onward way, thou wilt not let me drift.
 I feel the winds of God today; today my sail I lift.

The Dismissal of the Community

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church Northern Luzon in the Philippines.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for the Church of the Good Shepherd, Calgary and their clergy, The Rev. Kersi Bird and for the clergy conference May 25-28 with Bill Miller.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Paul, Calliaqua with St. John, Belair on St. Vincent and their clergy, The Rev. Canon O. Samuel Nichols.
- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Maria Dalla Costa, Marguerite Dimmer, Eileen Williams, Rachel Patrick, Edna Webb, Nathan Wadman, Mackenzie and the Walsh family, Samantha, Pamela Grigg, Cam Keith, Alan Manship, Sylvia Stanley, Jennifer Wiebe, Mary Wojna, Connie Hill, Olive Holgate, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Laurie Arsenaault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Joan Brisbane, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Andrew Howe, Linda Redel.
- Please pray for the Rev. Julienne Hendrickson as she supports the ministry at Tsuu T'ina.
- Today our prayers are with The Reverend Maurice Buck's family. Maurice passed away on May 10. A memorial service will be held at St. Peter's on May 28th at 7 pm with a light reception to follow.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God.

Pam Milne is Warden on Duty.