

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH



May 31, 2020
Day of Pentecost

If you are visiting, we offer you a special welcome and would like to get acquainted. Please send one of the “hosts” a chat note on Zoom if the chat room is open, or after worship, email office@stjamesvt.org with your name, where you’re from, and an email address if you would like to be invited to on-line services as well as receive more information about our parish. Thank you for worshipping with us! We are glad you are here.

Please keep your microphone muted for most of the service. If you are reading a lesson or adding a thanksgiving or prayer request aloud during the time of prayers, please unmute yourself and after your prayer is offered, mute yourself again.

Prelude: Spirit of the Living God (*Guitar, Jenny Ogelby*)

LEVAS 115

Opening Hymn: There’s a sweet, sweet, spirit in this place

LEVAS 120

1. There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I
 (2. There are) bless - ings you can-not re - ceive till you
 (3. If you) say he saved you from your sin, now you're

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord. There are
 know him in his full - ness, and be - lieve. You're the
 weak, you're bound, and can - not en - ter in, you can

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I
 one to pro - fit when you say, "I am
 make it right if you will yield; you'll en -

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.
 going to walk with Je - sus all the way."
 joy the Ho - ly Spir - it that we feel.

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, Sweet Heav - en - ly Dove,
 Stay right here with us, fill - ing us with your love.

And for these bless - ings we lift our hearts in
 praise; with - out a doubt we'll know that we have

been re - vived when we shall leave this place. 1. 2. 3.
 2. There are 3. If you place.

Lyrics: Doris Akers (1922-1995)
 Music: Doris Akers (1922-1995)

Opening Sentences

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Confession of Sin is omitted during the Easter Season

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
All Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:
People O come, let us worship. Alleluia.

Venite

Psalms 95:1-7

St. Helena Breviary

Said in unison.

Come, let us sing to the Holy One; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving, *
and raise a loud shout with psalms.
For you, O God, are a great God; *
you are great above all gods.
In your hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are yours also.
The sea is yours, for you made it, *
and your hands have molded the dry land.
Come let us bow down and bend the knee, *
and kneel before God, our Maker,
For you are our God,
and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand. *
Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

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The Psalm or Psalms Appointed

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

St. Helena Psalter

The Psalm is read in unison.

- 25 O Holy One, how manifold are your works; *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand,
and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of God endure for ever; *
may the Holy One rejoice in all creation.
- 33 God looks at the earth and it trembles; *
God touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to God as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine find favor; *
I will rejoice in the Holy One.
- 37 Bless the Holy One, O my soul. *
Alleluia!

The Lessons

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.' "

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People *Thanks be to God.*

A period of silence is kept.

Canticle: A Song of God's Love

1 John 4:7-11

Said in unison.

Beloved, let us love one another, *
for love is of God.

Whoever does not love does not know God, *
for God is Love.

In this the love of God was revealed among us, *
that God sent his only Son into the world,

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so that we might live through Jesus Christ.
In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us *
and sent his Son that sins might be forgiven.
Beloved, since God loved us so much, *
we ought also to love one another.
For if we love one another, God abides in us, *
and God's love will be perfected in us.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Reader: A reading from the

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People *Thanks be to God.*

If you be-lieve and I be-lieve and we to - geth - er

pray, the Ho - ly Spir - it must come down and set God's peo - ple

free, and set God's peo - ple free, and set God's peo - ple

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Gospel: John 20:19-23

Deacon: A reading from the Gospel according to John.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has

sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

Deacon Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

The Rev. Kim Hardy

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Officiant

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you therefore, now that the great 50 days of Easter has ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in God’s holy Catholic Church.

Officiant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Officiant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Officiant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People 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.

Officiant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Officiant Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God’s help.

Officiant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Officiant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Officiant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Officiant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Officiant May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant 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.

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The prayers are said responsively

V. Help us, O God our Savior;

R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.

V. Look upon your congregation;

R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.
V. Declare your glory among the nations;
R. And your wonders among all peoples.
V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;
R. Never forget the lives of your poor.
V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;
R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.
V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;
R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

The Collect of the Day

The Officiant and People say the Collect of the Day together

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to all peoples and nations by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Officiant continues with the Collects. People may join in at home.

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Peace

O God, the Sovereign 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 Savior. *Amen.*

A Collect of Dedication

Beloved God: As we offer ourselves to you this day, guide and stir us with your Holy Spirit, that we may become one body, one spirit in Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

A designated Intercessor offers prayers for those on our prayer lists.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we remember St. Stephen's Church in Middlebury. In the Anglican Communion, we give thanks and pray for the people, clergy and bishop of the Anglican Church of Melanesia and Bishop of Temotu.

We give thanks for the lives of Lindsey Huddle, Janice Rheame, Grace Lacayo, June Studley, and Samantha Donahey who celebrate birthdays this week. We also give thanks for Geoff and Beth Glaspie, and Eric and Nicole Fenton as they celebrate wedding anniversaries this week.

We pray for those we are concerned about: the people of Midland, Michigan who were recently affected by the failure of dams and the Rev. Ken Hitch who serves that community.

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The Officiant then says

I invite your prayers of thanksgiving and intercession at this time.

(During the silence people may add their own prayers. Please unmute yourself to voice your thanksgiving or intercession, and mute yourself again at the end of your petition.)

The Officiant concludes with the Collect for Mission

A Collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Harmony



Ev' - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the

spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. *Fine*

unison

1. Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his
2. Jor-dan ri - ver chil-ly and cold, chills the

1. mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so
2. bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

D.C.

1. fine, asked my Lord if all was mine.
2. track, runs to heav - en and runs right back.

Words: Traditional

Music: Negro Spiritual

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A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

The Officiant and People say together

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Community Announcements

Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

Concluding Sentence

The Officiant says

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. Ephesians 3:20,21

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The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday —Year A

Welcome to St. James Episcopal Church on this fiftieth day of Easter. (The word Pentecost means “fifty days.”) Today we celebrate of the Lord’s resurrection, ascension, and his sending the Holy Spirit. The presence of the Spirit in the Church continues Jesus’ saving work into our own time. The presence of the Holy Spirit incorporates our lives into the risen life of Christ and makes us part of his Body. This is one of the four times in the year when Holy Baptism is particularly significant, for it is in baptism that we receive the Spirit and are made partakers in the resurrection life.

The Gospel reading takes us back to the beginning of this season on the first Easter when Jesus appeared to the disciples after his resurrection. He gives them the Holy Spirit and the authority to be God's agents of reconciliation to all humankind.

The reading from Acts is the account of the first Pentecost Day when the Holy Spirit empowered the infant Church to proclaim Jesus as Lord to all people. In the presence of people from many parts of the world, they spoke the Word to all.

The second reading from 1 Corinthians describes the work of God's Spirit in the church. Each of us in baptism has received the Spirit and each has been given gifts for ministry.

We gather in Eucharist as people reborn by water and the Holy Spirit in baptism. Gifted with God's Spirit, we are sent to proclaim good news to every people and language and nation and to be built into a royal priesthood in Christ.

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Officiant: The Rev. Kim Hardy
Lectors: Patricia Hanson, Peggy Bonesteel
Deacon: The Rev. Dn. Dave Ganter
Psalm Leader & Prayers of the People: Michael Hechmer

IN OUR PRAYERS

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Birthdays: Lindsey Huddle, June 1
Janice Rheume, June 1
Grace Lacayo, June 2

June Studley, June 4
Samantha Donahey, June 6

Anniversaries: Geoff & Beth Glaspie, June 1
Eric & Nicole Fenton, June 4

Please join us for a brief Compline service with music online
Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Please also note that Bishop MacVean-Brown offers Morning Prayer and Compline daily online at 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Please see this webpage for more information:
<https://diovermont.org/2020/03/15/online-prayer-with-bishop-shannon/>

The clergy of the Diocese of Vermont have been having a weekly online meeting with Bishop MacVean-Brown. Our diocese, like other houses of worship, is working on developing a careful phased plan for reopening church buildings. The primary concern will be to not unnecessarily endanger anyone, especially considering the many older parishioners across the diocese who are in a demographic for more severe cases of the coronavirus. Our mission is to love one another in community, as well as other neighbors in our world in Christ's love, and that includes helping all stay safe.

I am delighted that most of us have been able and willing to continue to connect online, and in so doing, deepen our sense of community together. Please continue to be safe especially if you are in a compromised health or age demographic. Wear your masks when you must go out, use safe social distancing, and check in with one another. I am grateful for our common life and all you are doing to help keep one another safe. There is no greater love than this.—Amma Kim+



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Diocese Pentecost Service of Celebration

Amma Kim invites you to a special Diocese Pentecost Service of Celebration to be held via Zoom at 4:00 p.m. today. Bishop Shannon MacVean-Brown will preach. Amma Kim has been leading a team to put together this special service with our Bishop and others, and it will offer some wonderful music and a few surprises! Please join us!

Join by using this link: <https://zoom.us/j/531110497> or by dialing in from any phone using the following information: dial (646) 876-9923, code 531110497# If you are asked for a password, it is RockPoint.

Please bring something red or orange to the service such as a scarf, a bright piece of paper, or whatever you have at home, as well as a candle.

St. James Episcopal Church Calendar

Sunday, May 31

DAY OF PENTECOST

9:00 Lectionary Study
10:00 Morning Prayer
11:00 Coffee and Conversation
**4:00 Diocese Pentecost Service of
Celebration – SEE LINK
ABOVE IN NOTES**

Monday, June 1

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Tuesday, June 2

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Wednesday, June 3

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Thursday, June 4

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James
10:00 Staff Meeting
7:00 Compline, ZOOM

Friday, June 5

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Saturday, June 6

8:00 Parables & Pancakes

Sunday, June 7

9:00 Lectionary Study
10:00 Morning Prayer
11:00 Coffee and Conversation

Monday, June 8

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Tuesday, June 9

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Wednesday, June 10

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James

Thursday, June 11

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James
7:00 Compline, ZOOM

Friday, June 12

9:00 MOW Delivery from St. James