



The Day of Pentecost - Whitsunday
May 24, 2026 - 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II

Welcome to St. Peter's Church

We are glad you are joining us today.

Please, join us following the service for coffee & fellowship in the Parish House.

Children are always welcome at St. Peter's. Worship bags for ages five and above are available at the rear of the church as you enter. A staffed nursery is available for children under 5 years old.

MINISTERS FOR THIS SERVICE

All God's People, including:

The Rev. Greg Harbaugh *Celebrant*

Richard Stratton *Guest Organist*

Julie Milliken *Acolyte/Crucifer*

Amanda Jenkins *Eucharistic Minister*

Amanda Jenkins *Lector*

Phil Shields *Ushers*

Jay Fenoglietto *Camera Operator*

Bob Walton *Sunday Vestry Person*

Susan Cabral, Jimmy Hill & Annie Nichols *Altar Guild*

**The Flowers on the High Altar are dedicated to The Greater Glory of God
and In Memory of Pratt D. and Jean P. Phillips & Carol Phillips Ailes
given by John P. Phillips**

The Flowers on the Family Altar are dedicated to The Greater Glory of God

**The Sanctuary Light on the High Altar is lit this week for The Greater Glory of God
and In Memory of Andy Booth given by Mike & Cheryl Steczak**

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PASTORAL CARE: Please, make Father David Michaud aware of those who are ill or in need of a visit. For Pastoral emergencies call 410.422.7053. To add or remove names from the Parish Prayer list send an email to cathyp@stpeterschurch.net.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Hail this joyful day's return (Sonne der Gerechtigkeit) (H 224) (V. 1 - 3)*

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355)

GLORIA (BCP p. 356)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation 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 Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷“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. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky

mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 104:25-35, 37

²⁵O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁶Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.

²⁷There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.

²⁸All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.

²⁹You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

³⁰You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.

³¹You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.

³²May the glory of the LORD endure forever; *
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.

³³He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

³⁴I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁵May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the LORD.

³⁷Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Corinth.

^{3b}No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to 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.

¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one

individually just as the Spirit chooses. ¹²For 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. ¹³For 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.

People *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

¹⁹When 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.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON (BCP p. 358)

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS (BCP P. 292)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - *The People Kneel.*

Leader: Let us lift our prayers to the Risen Lord.

We pray for the Church. Envelop your people with a sense of your risen presence, today and always. We pray for Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, James, our Assisting Bishop, David and Greg our Priests, and Laura our Deacon.

For the household of faith, the church of the risen Christ, we pray:

People: Be with us and bless us, O God.

Leader: We pray for the Diocese of Easton in this time of transition: inspire us Lord, with your grace and wisdom, that we might do everything according to your will and ground ourselves in your love; give us a sense of openness; remind us that we do not hold all of the answers, nor do we need to; and encourage us when we are anxious about change, reminding us that all things are in your hands.

For the Diocese of Easton as we discern our future.

People: Be with us and inspire us, O God.

Leader: We pray for our nation. God of justice and mercy, guide those in authority who determine the destinies of others, especially Donald our President, Wes our Governor and Randy our Mayor. Be with those serving in our armed forces at home and abroad. Help us to work together for the welfare and peace of all who call this country home.

For our nation and for our common good, we pray:

People: Be with us and guide us, O God.

Leader: We pray for the whole world. God of creation, give us the eyes to see the beauty of your handiwork. Give us open hearts and the confidence to invite all into the bond of your love, that in unity with you, we may bring your peace, goodness and vision to all people.

For the welfare of our world, we pray:

People: Be with us and unite us, O God.

Leader: We pray for this parish community of St. Peter's Church. Send your Holy Spirit to guide our work, and continue your blessings upon us. Help us to be a welcoming community for those seeking a church home.

For our community we pray:

People: Be with us and help us, O God.

Leader: We pray for all who suffer. God of compassion, open our hearts to bind and heal in your name. Bless all of those who ask our prayers, and give us courage to learn the names of others. Be present, through us, to those who need your comfort, especially those on our parish prayer list; and for those we name now, either in silence or aloud (Pause).

For all who suffer and struggle, we pray:

People: Be with us and heal us, O God.

Leader: We pray for all who have died. God who has loved us from before birth and God who loves us beyond the grave, we remember those who have died in the glorious hope of the resurrection. (Pause).

And we remember those who mourn, that they may be assured with that same hope.

For all who have entered new life in Christ's resurrection, we pray:

People: Be with us and raise us, O God.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 360)

THE PEACE (BCP p. 360)

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

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ORGAN MUSIC AT OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY (H 380) (V. 3)

OFFERTORY HYMN *Holy Spirit, ever living (Abbot's Leigh)* (H 511)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Eucharistic Prayer A (BCP P.361)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept

THE FRACTION (BCP p. 364)

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

You may receive a blessing at the Communion Rail if you are not baptized. Please indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms across your chest.

The customary posture for receiving communion is to kneel at the rail and place one hand over the other for the bread. You may, of course, stand to receive communion. Consume the bread. The minister holding the chalice will then present the chalice to you. Please, guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer you may dip the wafer into the wine.

Gluten-Free Communion Wafers are available. Let the Clergy know if you would like a gluten-free wafer when you receive Holy Communion at the communion rail.

COMMUNION HYMN *Breathe on me, Breath of God (Nova Vita) (H 508)*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

PENTECOST BLESSING

May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever. ***Amen.***

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. ***Amen.***

May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia*

POSTLUDE

The ministers then process to the south door of the church for coffee & fellowship in the Parlor. Thank you for being part of our congregation this morning.

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