Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Pentecost | 10:00 am May 19, 2024



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Restrooms are in two places. Through the side doors and down the hall, there are two, single-stall restrooms. If you keep going down the hallway to the Parish Hall and turn left, there are multi-stall restrooms (with handicap stalls).

Coffee Hour takes place directly after the 10 am service in the Parish Hall. Exit the sanctuary through the side doors and turn right down the hallway. Keep going and you'll reach the Parish Hall!

Welcome! To meet with a clergy member, please fill out of Welcome Card located under the seat in front of you.

About our Worship

- We use a set service order called a "liturgy," taken from the Book of Common Prayer located under the seat in front of you. The order of worship stays (mostly) the same week to week and we share it with all other Episcopal Churches.
- Our worship involves words, music, and movement. Items italicized or listed in red (*rubrics*) are notes about when we stand, sit, and kneel, and what we say and sing together. You are welcome to follow the rubrics or simply sit and listen.
- Children are always welcome. Children's Chapel takes place between the Collect and the Peace. Younger children and their caregivers are welcome to sit in our "Pray Ground," located near the back of the sanctuary, as desired.

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Prelude

Dear Lord (Equinox by John Coltrane)

Dear Lord Dear Lord Have Mer - cy, Dear Lord We praise your name, our dear Lord.

In silence, let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship to begin.

Opening Hymn

WLP 786 Cantad al señor

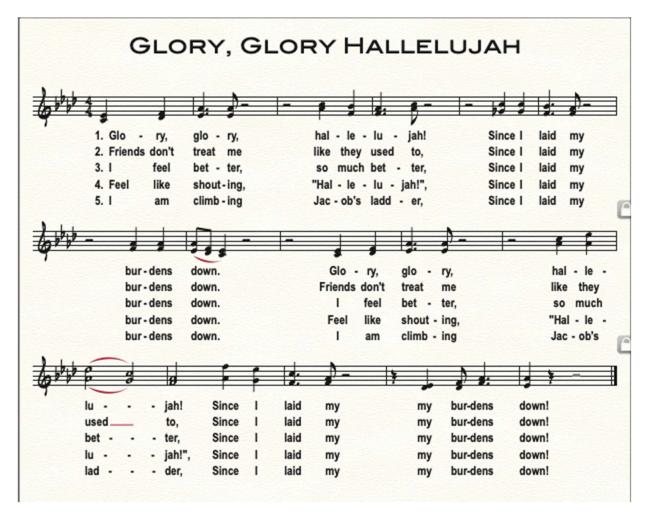


The Celebrant and People say together

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

Gloria

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah.



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays

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.**

Then, as the people are seated, children ages 4-10 are invited to follow the cross to Children's Chapel.

The First Lesson

Reader A reading from 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.' "

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm

104:25-35,37

The People join the Lector in reading the Psalm responsively by whole verse.

25 O Lord, 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 the Lord endure for ever; * may the Lord rejoice in all his works. 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles: * he touches the mountains and they smoke. 34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; * I will praise my God while I have my being. 35 May these words of mine please him; * I will rejoice in the Lord. 37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. * Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson

Reader A Reading from The Book of Romans

8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor 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

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn *The People stand as able.*

L 114 Every Time I Feel the Spirit



The Gospel

All standing, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying.

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

15:26-27;16:4b-15

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "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.

"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 judgment: 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 judgment, 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.

CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Wendy Wilkinson

The Nicene Creed | El Credo Niceno

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 and the Son. 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 People stand as able.

Creemos en un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso, Creador de cielo y tierra, de todo lo visible e invisible. Creemos en un solo Señor, Jesucristo, Hijo único de Dios, nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos: Dios de Dios, Luz de Luz, Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero, engendrado, no creado, de la misma naturaleza que el Padre, por quien todo fue hecho; que por nosotros y por nuestra salvación bajó del cielo: por obra del Espíritu Santo se encarnó de María, la Virgen, y se hizo hombre. Por nuestra causa fue crucificado en tiempos de Poncio Pilato: padeció y fue sepultado. Resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras, subió al cielo y está sentado a la derecha del Padre. De nuevo vendrá con gloria para juzgar a vivos y muertos, y su reino no tendrá fin. Creemos en el Espíritu Santo, Señor y dador de vida, que procede del Padre y del Hijo, que con el Padre y el Hijo recibe una misma adoración y gloria, y que habló por los profetas. Creemos en la Iglesia, que es una, santa, católica y apostólica. **Reconocemos un solo Bautismo** para el perdón de los pecados. Esperamos la resurrección de los muertos y la vida del mundo futuro. Amén.

Prayers of the People

The Prayer Leader begins

On this Pentecost Sunday, let us raise our prayer to God for the Spirit sent to anoint us, saying, Lord, hear our prayer.

For the spirit of joy in the church, that our Eastertide Alleluia resound throughout the year, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the spirit of peace in the world, that all peoples, especially nations in conflict, may live in harmony, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the spirit of justice for the needy, that victims of prejudice, exploitation, and crime be set free, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the spirit of unity in our assembly, that our weakness make us strong and our cultural differences make us rich, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the spirit of discernment for the Search Committee as they interview candidates to be our next Rector: Lord, hear our Prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the spirit of healing, that all who are sick, lonely, marginalized and all those on our Prayer list this morning: ______ may trust the Lord for strength, wellness, and peace, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the spirit of hope in the future, that we and all who have died may drink of the fruit of the vine in glory, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

The celebrant concludes with a suitable collect:

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit.

Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

Welcome and Announcements

If you are new or visiting with us today, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card located under the seat in front of you, or scan the QR code.



Blessing for Birthdays and Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

"Ascribe to the Lord the honor, due his Name bring offerings and come into his courts."

Offertory Anthem

 Here, O Lord, your servants gather, hand we link with hand; Looking toward our Savior's cross, joined in love we stand. As we seek the realm of God, we unite to pray: Jesus Savior, guide our steps, for you are the Way.

> Sekaino tomo to te o tsunagi, Jyujika no moto ni tatsu warera, Kami no mikuni o me a te to shi, Shu Yesu no michi o susumi jukan.

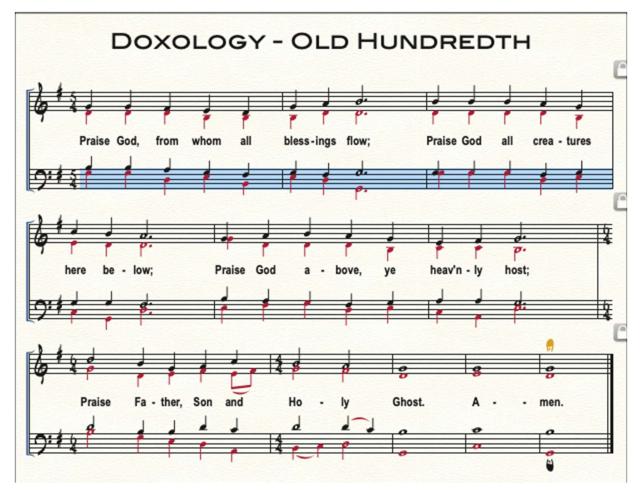
2 Many are the tongues we speak, scattered are the lands, yet our hearts are one in God, one in love's demands. E'en in darkness hope appears, calling age and youth: WLP 793 Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather

Jesus, teacher, dwell with us, for you are the Truth.

- 3 Nature's secrets open wide, changes never cease.
 Where, oh where, can weary soul find the source of peace?
 Unto all those sore distressed, torn by endless strife:
 Jesus, healer, bring your balm, for you are the Life.
- Grant, O God, an age renewed, filled with deathless love; help us as we work and pray, send us from above truth and courage, faith and power, needed in our strife: Jesus, Master, be our Way, be our Truth, our Life.

Here, O Lord, your servants gather [Sekai no tomo to te o tsunagi], #793 from Wonder Love and Praise — Words: Tokuo Yamaguchi (b. 20th c.); trans. Everett M. Stowe (b. 20th c.); phonetic transcription from the Japanese by I-to Loh (b. 1936). Music: Isao Koizumi (b. 1907).

Doxology



The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B (Book of Common Prayer, 367)

The Celebrant says

	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, the Celebrant proceeds with the prayer.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus



The people stand or kneel as able. The Celebrant continues with the prayer.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues with the prayer.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with ______ and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer | El Padre Nuestro

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen. Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem



Celebrant The Gift of God for the People of God.

How to Receive Communion:

The ushers will signal when it is time for you to move to the front to receive Communion. If you are not able to process to the altar rail, please let an usher know so that Eucharistic ministers may serve you from your seat.

Holy Communion may be received in the Bread only ("in one kind"), or in both Bread and Wine ("in both kinds"). Wine may be received by dipping the Bread (wafer) slightly into the chalice ("intinction") or by drinking directly from the chalice.

Those not receiving the Sacrament may approach with others, crossing arms across the chest to indicate a desire for the Priest to administer a prayer of blessing.

If you would like to pray with someone, our healing prayer ministers are waiting to pray with you in the Columbarium Chapel (back right of the sanctuary).

Communion Music





The Prayer after Communion

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Benediction

The Celebrant blesses the people.





The Dismissal

Celebrant	Let us bless the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

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We invite you to join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall. (Turn left out of the sanctuary, then right down the hallway.) Printed music arranged by © Paul English

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Announcements

Have an announcement you'd like to share? Submit your information no later than the Tuesday before the Sunday you'd like it to be shared to office@graceinhouston.org.

Grace In Transition - We have reached an exciting time in our search process. Our search committee has been trained and the job has been posted. Now is the time to ask for your help. We need your referrals! If you know of a priest you think would be an excellent candidate for our permanent rector, please send them to Rev. Kellaura Johnson (kjohnson@epicenter.org). The other benefit of sending referrals to Rev. Kellaura for our rector's position is that even if the person you refer is not interested or unavailable, they may know of someone in their community that may be interested. Above all, please keep praying for your search committee as they continue the work set before them, but now is your chance to actively engage in our transition process!

Sunday School - ORIGINAL BLESSING: PUTTING SIN IN ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE by Danielle Shroyer. Grace Sunday school is discussing the ORIGINAL BLESSING: PUTTING SIN IN ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE by Danielle Shroyer. Helen Rose Ebaugh will facilitate the discussion at 9:00 in the parish hall. Even if you do not yet have the book, please come participate in a lively discussion.

We Need Your Books or Magazines – Clients at the Harris County Psychiatric Center could benefit from your gently used softcover books or magazines in Spanish and English. Please contact The Rev. Dawn Shepler for more information at Deacon@graceinhouston.org

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed — Sign up for a Sunday on the clipboard in Parish Hall or contact Ivy Mena (office@graceinhouston.org), and we will connect with you and get all the details. Offerings can be as simple as fruit or cookies, or as creative and fancy as you'd like to go. Thank you!