

The Day of Pentecost

Whitsunday

The Holy Eucharist -Rite II - Year C

June 8, 2025 11:00 a.m.



**St. Michael's Episcopal Church
Norman, Oklahoma**

The Rector, vestry and members of this church wish to extend a most hearty welcome to visitors who are worshiping with us today, It is a privilege to extend to you an invitation to make this your church home. Here you will find a "Family" type parish and we hope you will stay after the service so that we may have the opportunity to meet you and extend the hand of Christian fellowship.

Welcome, Announcements and Blessings

Prelude

Pentecost

Also known as Shavuot, in the Old Testament this term refers to a feast of seven weeks following Passover, known as the Feast of Weeks, celebrating the giving of the Law to Moses on Mt Sinai fifty days after the exodus from Egypt. Josephus notes that Pentecost was always celebrated on the fiftieth day after the first day of Passover.

In the New Testament the term refers to the descent of the Spirit upon Jesus' disciples on the Jewish day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1), not coincidentally, fifty days after Jesus' resurrection at Easter. At Pentecost, bystanders all heard the newly-enspirited Christians proclaiming the glory of God in their own languages, initiating the undoing of the divisions of humanity into tribes and nations at the Tower of Babel.

Hymn in Procession *All Stand*

"Hail Thee, Festival Day"

Hymnal 225

Refrain

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for
 ev - er, day when the Ho - ly Ghost shone in the
 world with God's grace. grace.

First time only **2**

1 Lo, in the like - ness of fire, on those who a -
 3 Hark! for in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, his____

wait his ap - pear - ing, he whom the
 cho - sen a - pos - tles, preach to the

Repeat Refrain

Lord fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly, de - scends:
 ends of the earth Christ and his won - der - ful works:

2 Forth from the Fa - ther he comes with seven - fold____
 4 Praise to the Spi - rit of Life, all praise to the

my - sti - cal of - fering, pou - ring on all hu - man
 fount of our be - ing, light that dost light - en____

Repeat Refrain

souls in - fin - ite rich - es of God:
 all, life that in all dost a - bide:

The Word of God

Celebrant

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant 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

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his people on

earth. Lord God. heav-en - ly King. al -

might - y God and Fa - ther, We wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord, God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us;

You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther: re - ceive our pray'r, re -

ceive, re - ceive our pray'r.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a -

lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A -

men. A - men.

Collect of the Day

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.**

First Reading *All sit.*

Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the LORD said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 104:25-35, 37 *Remain seated. Benedic, anima mea*



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.

Refrain

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. *Refrain*

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. *Refrain*

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. *Refrain*

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! *Refrain*

Second Reading

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.

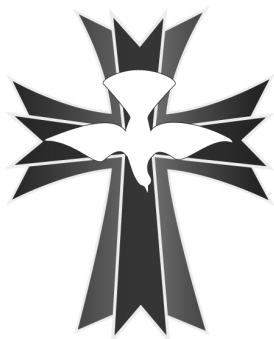
Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it 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.’ "

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



Sequence Hymn *All stand.*

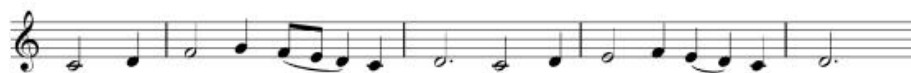
"Come, Thou Holy Spirit Bright"

Hymnal 226

Verses 1 -4 before; Verse 5 after the Gospel



1. Come, thou Ho - ly Spi - rit bright; come with thy ce - les - tial light;



pour on us thy love di - vine. Come, pro - tec - tor of the poor;



come, thou source of bless - ings sure; come with - in our hearts to shine.



2. Thou, of com - fort - ers the best, thou, the soul's most wel - come guest,



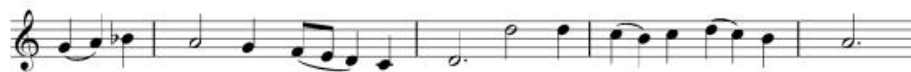
of our peace thou art the sign. In our la - bor, be our aid;



in our sum - mer, cool - ing shade. Ev - ery bit - ter tear re - fine.



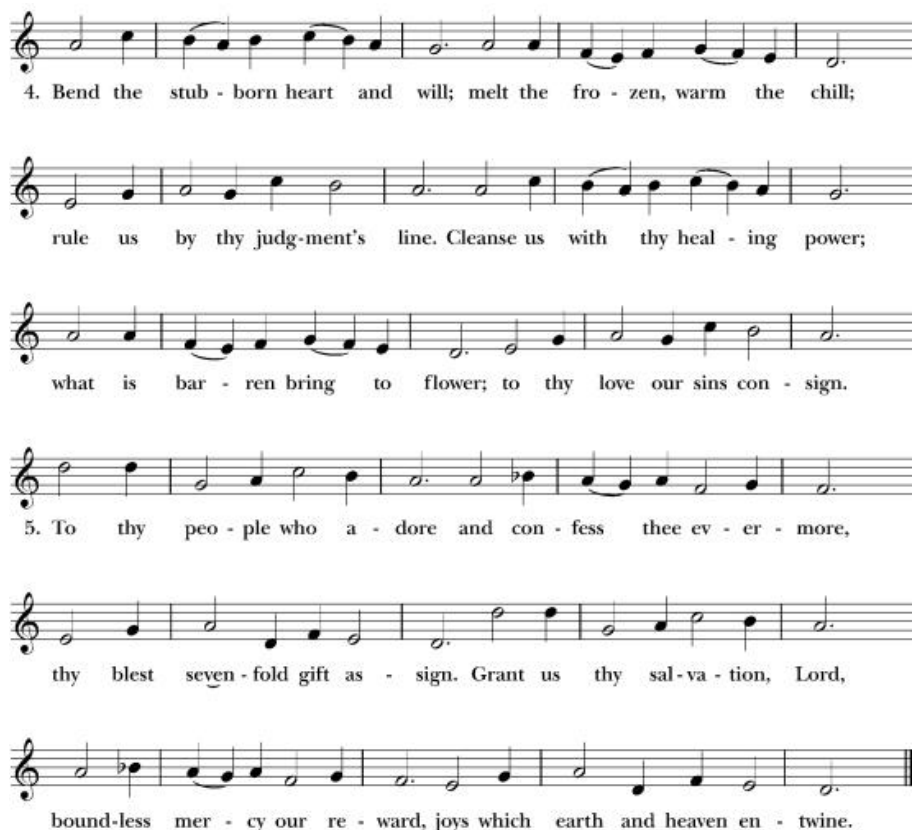
3. Bright - er than the noon - day sun, fill our lives which Christ hath won;



fill our hearts and make them thine. Where thou art not, we have nought:



all our word and deed and thought twist - ed from thy true de - sign.



4. Bend the stub - born heart and will; melt the fro - zen, warm the chill;
rule us by thy judg - ment's line. Cleanse us with thy heal - ing power;
what is bar - ren bring to flower; to thy love our sins con - sign.

5. To thy peo - ple who a - dore and con - fess thee ev - er - more,
thy blest seven - fold gift as - sign. Grant us thy sal - va - tion, Lord,
bound - less mer - cy our re - ward, joys which earth and heaven en - twine.

The Holy Gospel

John 14:8-17 (25-27)

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the

Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

["I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Laura Blazek

The Nicene Creed

**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 worshiped 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.**

Prayers of the People *Form IV* *All remain standing.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may
be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal
your glory in the world. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the
ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another
and serve the common good. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation,
that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others
and to your honor and glory. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant
that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he
loves us. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

We pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Poulson our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we remember and pray for St. Luke’s in Idabel and St. Mark’s in Hugo.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church of Melanesia.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *Silence*

The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant offers a concluding collect.

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you.

People

And al - so with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory *All sit*

Representatives of the congregation bring the people’s offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Celebrant Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Offertory Anthem

"Peace I Leave with you"

Walter Pelz

*Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:
not as the world giveth, give I unto you.
Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.*

Presentation of the Offerings *Please stand and sing*

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
God, all crea - tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia! Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost; Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia! A - men.

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord
People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

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

The Celebrant adds a proper preface

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

Hymnal S-125

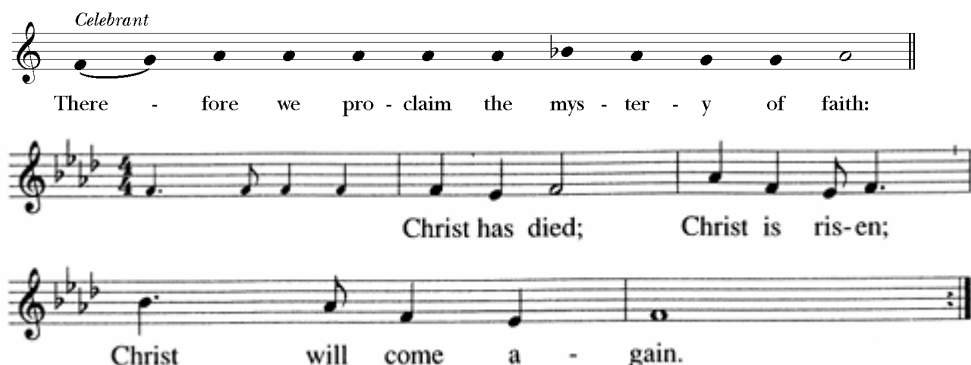
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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.”



Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

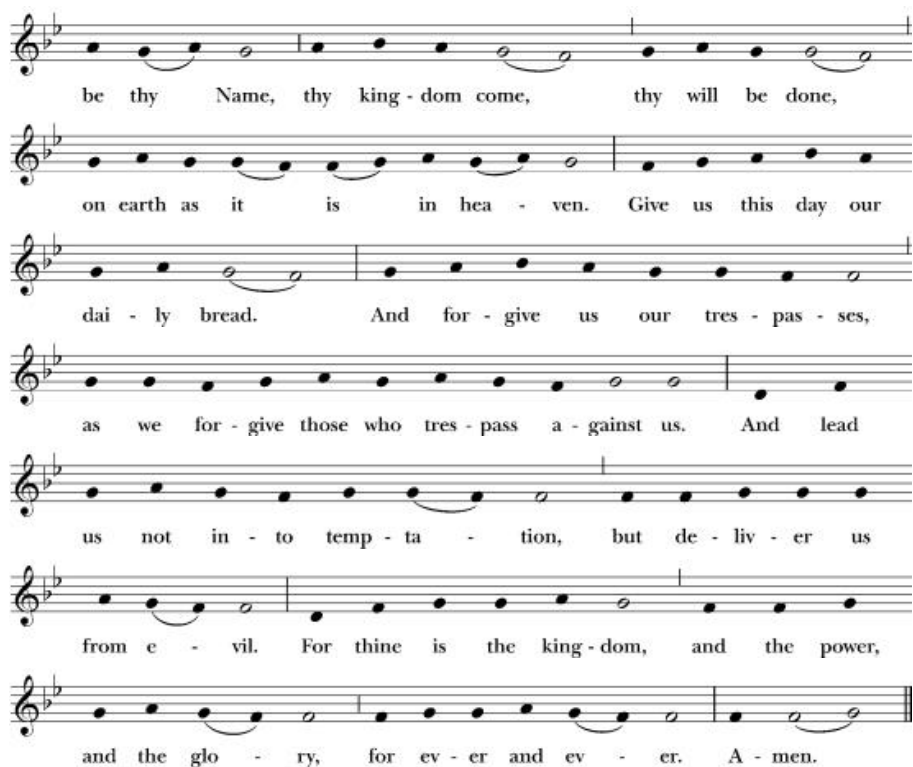


Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say:

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal S-119

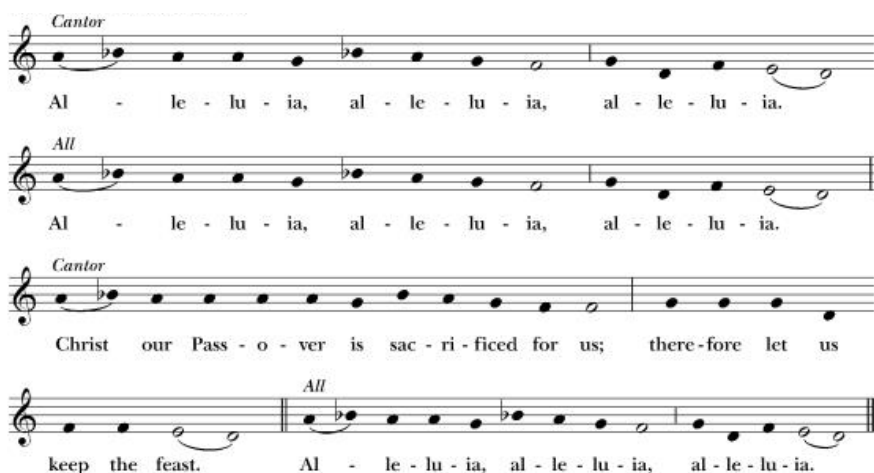




be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover Hymnal S-151



Cantor
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

All
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us
keep the feast. *All*
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Agnus Dei



Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: grant us peace.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff ends with a repeat sign. The second staff has a key signature change to F major (two sharps) and a time signature change to 2/4. The third and fourth staves continue the melody in 2/4 time.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. The Table belongs to the Lord and all His people, not just Episcopalians. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers and stand or kneel at the rail to receive by extending your cupped hands. If you prefer not to receive communion, you may cross your hands over your chest for a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available.



Communion Hymns

"Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire"

Hymnal 504



1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire, and light - en
 3. Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove is com - fort,
 5. A - noint and cheer our soil - ed face with the a -

with ce - les - tial fire. 2. Thou the a - noint - ing
 life, and fire of love. 4. En - a - ble with per -
 bun - dance of thy grace. 6. Keep far our foes, give

Spi - rit art, who dost thy seven - fold gifts im - part.
 pet - ual light the dull - ness of our blind - ed sight.
 peace at home: where thou art guide, no ill can come.

7. Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son, and thee, of
 both, to be but One, 8. that through the a - ges
 all a - long, this may be our end - less song:

9. praise to thy e - ter - nal mer - it,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.



1 Hail this joy - ful day's re - turn, hail the Pen - te -
 2 Like to clo - ven tongues of flame on the twelve the
 3 Lord, to you your peo - ple bend; un - to us your
 4 You who did our fore - bears guide, with their chil - dren

cos - tal morn, morn when our a - scend - ed Lord
 Spi - rit came— tongues, that earth may hear their call,
 Spi - rit send; bless - ings of this sa - cred day
 still a - bid; grant us par - don, grant us peace,

on his Church his Spi - rit poured! Al - le - lu - ia!
 fire, that love may burn in all. Al - le - lu - ia!
 grant us, dear - est Lord, we pray. Al - le - lu - ia!
 till our earth - ly wan - derings cease. Al - le - lu - ia!

Celebrant Let us pray. *All Stand*

All 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.

Blessing

Hymn in Procession

"Come Down, O Love Divine"

Hymnal 516

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
 3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing,
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude



Please keep these people in your prayers this week

For those with health concerns: Kim Kline, Brother James Phillips, Charles Kietzman, LaVetta Dent, Mike Scott, Anne Burris Grieves, Woody Campbell, David Zittel, Susan Bennett, McKenzie Million, Keith & Jeanne Giles, David & Susan Nagel, Syra Vaz, Bill Armstrong, Jennifer Warren, James Smith, Russell Badder, Lester & Pam Wallace, Debbie Price, Ron Stiehler, Nancy Hancock, Tom & Nancy Wakely, Mark Gilje, Josh Yarbrough, Debi Kelley, Suzanne Moore, Tom Selvidge, Linda Gill, Becky Young.

For those experiencing long-term illness: Robert Harrington, Cory Chesnut, Amy Schones, Will Blair, Cindy Croom, Michael, Eliza Rodrigues, Cecilia Prytko.

Birthdays: 6/8 Katie Blair Willis, 6/12 Liz Wilson

For the Departed: 6/12/1988 Lucile Jameson, 6/12/2003 Shaun Kelly III

This week at St Michael's

Monday, June 9	Crafts 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 10	Retreat in Daily Life 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, June 11	Life Line Screening - all day Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Eucharist 2:15 p.m. Lectio Divina 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, June 12	Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.
Friday, June 13	Wild Men's Night Out



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