



# ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE DAY OF PENTECOST,  
ALSO KNOWN AS WHITSUNDAY, YEAR B

Service of Holy Eucharist

May 20, 2018 10 A.M.

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## If you are new or visiting ...

**Welcome!** After the service, please come to Coffee Hour (in the Lounge on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor) for food and fellowship. Though other churches make the claim, ours really is the Best Coffee Hour in Connecticut. Please consider filling out a blue visitor information card (found in your pew rack). You can request a name tag using the form in the pew rack or the sheet at the entrance. Next Sunday your new name tag will be waiting for you on the table in the foyer inside the main church entrance.

**To follow along with the service** all you need is this service bulletin.

**Families with small children:** Three seating areas at the front of the church are reserved for families with small children: the area under the array of paper cranes (for children age 3 and under), and the areas in front of the two front pews (for children age 10 and under). For safety, every child should be accompanied by a caregiver.

**Education for All Ages** takes place from 9 to 9:45 A.M. on most Sundays during the academic year.

**Wireless access in the Sanctuary** is accessible by connecting to wireless network STEC – Guest. Your device will open a web browser and St. Thomas's website. Sunday bulletins are posted on the website's Bulletin Archive. We aim to reduce printing by encouraging worshippers to use their smart devices to follow the order of service.

**Restrooms for men and women** are located on the second floor. Go through the red double doors at the front of the church, up the stairs to the left, and to the far end of the hallway. An **all-gender restroom (with baby changing table)** in the Vesting Room, located opposite the red double doors at the front of the church.

**For the celebration of Holy Eucharist**, the People gather around the altar. While this may be unfamiliar to you, most find it to be a powerful experience of true communion at our common table.

**All are invited to receive Holy Communion.** Baptism is not required; church membership is not required. Instructions for Holy Communion will be given during the announcements. **Gluten-free bread** is available at each station. **Non-alcoholic wine** is available only from the single server at the center. Any difference will be explained during the announcements.

**To receive Holy Communion** hold out your hands, and the server will place bread in them. If you wish to receive wine, please sip it from the common cup, using both hands to guide the chalice to your lips.

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## ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH & DAY SCHOOL

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Today is the **Day of Pentecost**. The term *pentecost* means “the fiftieth day.” In Jewish tradition, Pentecost is an old name used for a Jewish harvest festival, the Festival of Weeks (or *Shavu’ot*), which is celebrated seven weeks—fifty days—after Passover. In the New Testament, the coming of the Spirit happened on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1), shortly after Jesus’ death, resurrection, and ascension. Christians came to understand the meaning of Pentecost in terms of the gift of the Spirit—the fulfillment of a promise which Jesus gave concerning the return of the Holy Spirit. Christians celebrate Pentecost on the seventh Sunday after Easter. It emphasizes that the church is understood as the body of Christ which is drawn together and given life by the Holy Spirit. The Day of Pentecost is one of the seven principal feasts of the church year in the Episcopal Church. It is one of four feasts “especially appropriate” for baptism. The liturgical color for the feast is red. Pentecost has also been known as Whitsun or Whitsunday, a corruption of “White Sunday.” This term reflects the custom by which those who were baptized at the Vigil of Pentecost would wear their white baptismal garments to church on the Day of Pentecost. Because the church was “born” through the Holy Spirit on the original Day of Pentecost, some celebrate today as they would any birthday, complete with cake and candles.

[Adapted from *An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church: A User Friendly Reference for Episcopalians*, Don S. Armentrout and Robert Boak Slocum, editors (New York: Church Publishing).]

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**Today’s liturgy** was designed to reflect and emphasize the Pentecost themes of the gift of Holy Spirit to believers of all tongues, and their strengthening for mission by the Holy Spirit. While the entire bulletin is printed in English, additional languages will be used. The music is drawn from a variety of cultures. Other elements of the service are drawn from the resources noted.

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## **ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

Pentecôte: Communion  
From *l’Orgue Mystique*, Charles Tournemire (1870-1939)

*At the ringing of the bell, please stand.*

## **INTROIT**

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts,  
and lighten our understanding,  
that we may dwell in the fear of thy Name,  
all the days of our life,  
that we may know thee, the only true God,  
and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

Words: Lidley’s Prayers (1566); Music: Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hail thee, festival day (*Hymnal 1982 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.

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

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—

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

*The refrain may be sung once by choir alone and repeated by all. The stanzas may be sung by choir alone, alternately by contrasted groups, or by all.*

Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?); tr. *English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.  
Music: *Salve festa dies*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*Presider and People*

**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.**

## THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

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. **Amen.**

*All are seated.*

## THE FIRST LESSON *[Read in Irish]*

EZEKIEL 37:1-4

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up

from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 104:25-35, 37**

*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.
- 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** [*Read in Spanish*]

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.**

*All stand.*

SEQUENCE HYMN

Breath of God (*Voices Found 59*)

1 Breath of God, life - bear - ing wind, wak - ing  
 2 Breath of God, word - bear - ing wind, truth—re -  
 3 Breath of God, fire - bear - ing wind, source of  
 4 Breath of God, song - bear - ing wind, stir - ring

mat - ter in - to birth, plant - ing prom - ise, prompt - ing  
 veal - er, pro - phet's speech, guide to vis - tas of the  
 pow - er, love, and light, melt - ing fears and join - ing  
 won - der to re - joice, yearn - ing's ech - o, gra - ce's

hope: with your life re - new the earth.  
 mind: let your word ex - cite and teach.  
 tongues: with your fire our hearts ig - nite.  
 dance: let your song give our prayers voice.

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

**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."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

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

*All are seated.*

## **THE SERMON**

*After the Sermon, there follows a short period of silent reflection. Then all stand.*

## **THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

[A New Zealand Prayer Book, page 481]

*Presider and People*

**You, O God, are supreme and holy.  
You create our world and give us life.  
Your purpose overarches everything we do.  
You have always been with us.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,  
good beyond all measure.  
You came to us before we came to you.  
You have revealed and proved  
your love for us in Jesus Christ,  
who lived and died and rose again.  
You are with us now.  
You are God.**



**You, O God are Holy Spirit.  
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.  
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.  
You are our God. We worship you.**

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*["A Litany for the Mission of the Church" from the Book of Occasional Services]*

Intercessor: Holy God, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,

**People: Have mercy on us.**

Intercessor: Jesus the Christ, through whom the world is reconciled to the Father,

**People: Have mercy on us.**

Intercessor: Holy Spirit, whose glory fills the world and searches the depths of God,

**People: Have mercy on us.**

Intercessor: Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity,

**People: Have mercy on us.**

Intercessor: O God, we pray for the gifts of ministry. Inspire our minds with a vision Of our kingdom in this time and place.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor; Touch our eyes, that we may see your glory in all creation.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor: Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor: Touch our lips, that we may tell in every tongue and dialect the wonderful works of God.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor: Touch our hearts, that we may discern the mission to which you call us.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor: Touch our feet, that we may take your Good News into our neighborhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor: Touch our hands, that we may each accomplish the work you give us to do.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor: Strengthen and encourage all who minister in your name in lonely, dangerous and unresponsive places.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor: Open the hearts and hands of many to support your Church in this and every place.

**People: Hear us, O Christ.**

Presider

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*People remain seated for the **Offertory Anthem**, during which the collection is taken.*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Dum complerentur

*Dum complerentur dies Pentecostes,  
erant omnes pariter dicentes, Alleluia:  
et subito factus est  
sonus de coelo, Alleluia,  
tamquam spiritus vehementis,  
et replevit totam domum. Alleluia.*

When the day of Pentecost had come they were all together talking, alleluia: and suddenly there was a sound from heaven, alleluia, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house. Alleluia.

Words: Acts 2:1-2; John 20:19 (adapted); Music: G. P. da Palestrina (1525-1594)

*During the singing of the **Offertory Hymn**, the Usbers carry the gifts forward. The People follow and encircle the altar. You are encouraged to position children where they can see. Small children may sit with a caregiver on the floor in front of the altar. Standing time is approximately 15 minutes. If you are unable to stand, you may sit in one of the chairs arranged near the altar, move to the front row of pews, or remain where you are.*

## OFFERTORY HYMN

Come down, O Love divine (*Hymnal 1982 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;

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

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.

Words: Bianco de Siena (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frederick Littledale, alt.  
Music: *Down Ampney*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

*Portions of the Eucharistic Prayer will be said by a layperson in either Spanish or French.*

**Presider:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Presider:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Presider:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider*

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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 1982 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.

Setting: from *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

## *Presider*

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,

## *Presider and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*Presider*

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 were, with Mary, Thomas, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children; 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 forever. **AMEN.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

*You are invited to say the Lord's Prayer in the language of your choice.*

**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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

## FRACTION ANTHEM

Christ our Passover (*Hymnal 1982 S-155*)

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

Setting: Gerald Near (b. 1942)

### *Presider*

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 by faith, with thanksgiving.]

***All are invited to receive Holy Communion at God's table in this church.*** Please proceed to the most conveniently located station to receive communion, and then return to your seat via a side aisle. Gluten-free bread is available at any station. Non-alcoholic wine is available from the server at the center of the altar. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest.

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

Listen sweet dove

Listen sweet dove unto my song,  
and spread thy golden wings in me;  
hatching my tender heart so long,  
till it get wing and flie away with thee.

Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow  
the earth did like a heav'n appeare,  
the starres were coming down to know  
if they might mend their wages and serve  
here.

The sunne which once did shine alone,  
hung down his head and wisht for night,  
when he beheld twelve sunnes for one  
going about the world and giving light.

Lord though we change thou art the same,  
the same sweet God of love and light:  
restore this day for thy great name,  
unto his ancient and miraculous right.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633); Music: Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

*After all have received communion, the People remain seated for a period of silence. Then all stand.*

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

### *Presider*

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.**

**SEASONAL BLESSING FOR THE DAY OF PENTECOST**

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.**

**FINAL HYMN**

*We're Marching to Zion (LEVAS 12)*



1. Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known; Join  
2. Let those refuse to sing Who never knew our God; But  
3. The hill of Zion yields A thousand sacred sweets; Be  
4. Then let our songs abound, And every tear be dry; We're



1. in a song with sweet accord, Join in a song with sweet ac -  
2. chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly  
3. fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly  
4. march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, We're march - ing thro' Im - man - uel's

1. cord, And thus sur - round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne.—  
 2. King, May speak their joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad.....  
 3. fields, Or walk the gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets.....  
 4. ground, To fair - er worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high.....

We're march - ing to Zi - on, Beau - ti-ful, beau - ti-ful  
 We're march - ing on to Zi - on,

Zi - on; We're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on,  
 Zi - on, Zi - on,

The beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

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## DISMISSAL

Priest: *[A priest dismisses the people.]* Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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