



The Day of Pentecost:  
Whitsunday  
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

May 24, 2026  
8:00 a.m.

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Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith,  
we welcome you and invite your full participation in today's worship.

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St. Paul's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on unceded Kumeyaay land. We value the knowledge, culture, and worldview of Indigenous people. We commit to the vital work of educating ourselves, increasing community awareness, and promoting reconciliation with our Indigenous neighbors. As we examine actions and practices that perpetuate harm against Indigenous communities, we pledge to work toward a meaningful and respectful relationship as we follow their example in honoring this sacred land.

*- Approved by the Cathedral Chapter, May 2023*

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*Kneelers are available in the back of the church: please bring one to your seat if you wish to kneel during the service.*

*Parents with young children are invited to worship with their children in the Prayground area of the Nave, where age-appropriate activities are available.*

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*Flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of The Rev. Canon Richard Lief on the 60th anniversary of his priesthood  
and in celebration of the marriage of Jordan Kifer and Brandon Wong  
and in loving memory of The Rev. Dr. Carol Worthing.*

§ *Please stand as you are able at the tolling of the bell.*

## **The Word of God**

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§ *The Presider says*  
*Alleluia. Christ is risen.*

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

*Presider*

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.

*People* **Amen.**

*The Presider and people say together*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

*The Presider says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider*       Let us pray.

*The Presider says the Collect.*

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.

*People* **Amen.**

§       *Please be seated.*

## The Lessons

*The First Lesson is read, the Reader first saying*

A Reading from the Book of Numbers.

Numbers 11:24-30

Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

*After each Lesson the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.

*Answer*      **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104: 25-35, 37 *Benedic, anima mea* (said by all)

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**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 is read, the Reader first saying*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.' "

*The Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.

*Answer*      **Thanks be to God.**

§            *Please stand as able.*

## **The Holy Gospel**

John 20:19-23

*The Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying*

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

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

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

§ *Please be seated at the introduction of the sermon.*

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Canon Richard Hogue, Jr.

§ *After a moment of silence, please stand as you are able when the Presider stands.*

**The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*Presider* Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

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

*People* **I do.**

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

*Presider* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

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

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

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

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

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

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

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

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*The Presider concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows*

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

*People* **Amen.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

Form III, BCP 387

*The Deacon bids the prayers.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

*People* **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for the welfare of the world; for your creation, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on the unsheltered and refugees, and those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*The Leader offers prayers on behalf of the congregation and bids their prayers.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

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

*The Leader offers prayers on behalf of the congregation and bids their prayers.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*The Leader offers thanksgivings on behalf of the congregation.*

*Silence*

*The Presider adds a concluding Collect.*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in whose hands are the living and the dead: We give you thanks for all your servants who have laid down their lives in the service of our country. Grant to them your mercy and the light of your presence; and give us such a lively sense of your righteous will, that the work which you have begun in them may be perfected; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

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

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

§      *The People offer each other a sign of the Peace.*

*Please be seated.*

## **Welcome and announcements**

## The Offertory

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or text stpaulcathedral to 73256 using your cell phone. Thank you!

## The Holy Communion

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§ Please stand as able for the offering to be brought forward and remain standing for the Great Thanksgiving. The ushers present the money offering to the deacon and the presider may bless the offering.

*The Presider may say*

All things come of thee, O Lord,

*The People may say*

**and of thine own have we given thee.** (2 Chronicles 29:14)

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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*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 our thanks and praise.**

*The Presider continues*

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** (*Presider and People*)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Presider continues*

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;**

*The Presider continues*

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 the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, 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.**

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

**The Lord's Prayer** (*Presider and People*)

**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.**

**The Fraction: The Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence follows as the Bread is broken.*

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**The Invitation**

This is the table, not of the church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him and who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed; come, not because the Church invites you; it is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here.

- *The Iona Community Worship Book*

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*After the Invitation has been given, please be seated until you are ushered to the communion stations at the Crossing. Please take your purse or valuables with you.*

*At Communion time we will offer the Host with the option to have it partially intincted (dipped) by the Clergy into the wine and placed in the communicant's hand. Alternatively, after receiving and consuming the Host you may proceed to the extra Chalice Bearer to sip from the Common Cup. You may choose to receive only the dry Host or to receive a blessing by the Priest instead of the sacrament.*

*As you come forward, please use one of these three gestures to indicate your preference:*

- ❖ To receive the Host intincted with wine, extend both your hands, palm up.*
- ❖ To receive only the Host, extend one hand, palm up, then you may consume the Host and move to the Chalice Bearer to sip from the Common Cup.*
- ❖ To receive a blessing, cross your hands at your shoulders.*

*If you need to receive a gluten-free wafer, please go to the station at the extreme left. The gluten-free station will also offer a separate Common Cup.*

§ *After a moment of silence following the distribution of communion, please stand as you are able for the following prayer*

### **The Postcommunion Prayer**

*Presider* Let us pray.

*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.**

*The Lay Eucharistic Visitor(s) may be sent forth with a prayer.*

*The Presider may bless the people.*

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God almighty, ☩ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.  
*People* **Amen.**

*The Deacon dismisses them with these words*

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

§ *The clergy, altar party, and people depart.*

*Everyone is invited to coffee hour in the Guild Room.*

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### **Ministers of the Liturgy**

*Presider & Dean:* The Very Rev. Penny Bridges

*Preacher:* The Rev. Cn. Richard Hogue, Jr.

*Deacon:* The Rev. Cn. Brooks Mason

*Readers:* Tom Barb, The Very Rev. Penny Bridges, Erwan Allanic, Pat Tedford

*Head Verger:* Cn. Lisa Churchill

*Altar Servers:* Cn. Lisa Churchill, Jerry Coughlan

*Altar Guild:* Tonya Chavez, Martha Duque, Ellen Hargus, Craig Monsell, Mary Rathbun,  
Mary Tranbarger

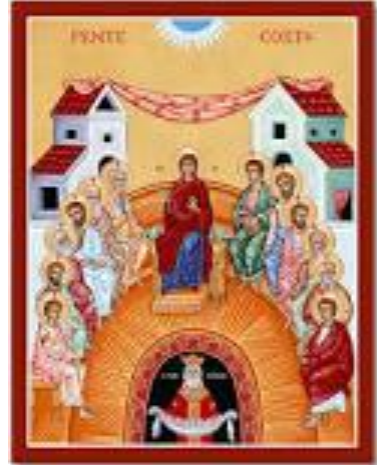
*Ushers:* Christie Batten, Norm Friesen, Carl Mattina, Mary Rathbun

*Audio Engineer:* Lorenzo Nericcio

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## Pentecost

The term means “the fiftieth day.” It is used in both the OT and the NT. In the OT it refers to a feast of seven weeks known as the Feast of Weeks. It was apparently an agricultural event that focused on the harvesting of first fruits. Josephus referred to Pentecost as the fiftieth day after the first day of Passover. The term is used in the NT to refer to the coming of the Spirit 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 Pentecost event was the fulfillment of a promise which Jesus gave concerning the return of the Holy Spirit. The speaking in tongues, which was a major effect of having received the Spirit, is interpreted by some to symbolize the church's worldwide preaching. In the Christian tradition, Pentecost is now 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. Some understand Pentecost to be the origin and sending out of the church into the world. The Day of Pentecost is one of the seven principal feasts of the church year in the Episcopal Church (BCP, p. 15). The Day of Pentecost is identified by the BCP as one of the feasts that is “especially appropriate” for baptism (p. 312). 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. The BCP provides directions for observance of a Vigil of Pentecost, which begins with the Service of Light (p. 227). The Hymnal 1982 provides a variety of hymns for Pentecost (Hymns 223-230) and the Holy Spirit (Hymns 500-516).



-An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church, <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/pentecost/>

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*The exit doors are:*

- South porch doors at Nutmeg Street and Fifth Avenue*
  - North porch doors to Fifth Avenue Courtyard*
  - South transept east and west doors to Nutmeg Street*
  - Northeast hallway door to Fifth Avenue breezeway*
  - West chapel (to the left of chapel altar) stairs leading down to landing.*
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